

2022

(June/July)

POLITICAL SCIENCE

(Major)

Course : 602

(Women's Studies)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 24

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

1. Answer the following as directed : 1×8=8

- (a) Who wrote the book, *A Vindication of the Rights of Woman*?
- (b) From which word 'feminism' has been derived?
- (c) Liberal approach of women's studies emphasises on women's liberty to decision-making.

(Write Yes or No)

- (d) "Patriarchy system is a natural system."
Who said this?
- (e) Who used the term 'gender' for the first time?
- (f) "One is not born, but rather becomes a woman." Who among the following feminist thinkers said this?
- (i) John Stuart Mill
- (ii) Betty Friedan
- (iii) Simone de Beauvoir
- (iv) Shulamith Firestone

(Choose the correct option)

2. Write on the following (**within 150 words** each) : 4×4=16
- (a) The second wave of feminism
- (b) Third World Approach to women's studies
- (c) Sexual division of labour
- (d) Religion as a weapon of women's oppression

Answer the following questions (**within 500 words** each) :

3. Define women's studies. Discuss how women's studies contribute towards the development of women in the present-day world. 4+8=12

Or

Discuss the stages of development of women's studies as a discipline. 12

4. Discuss the characteristics of Liberal Approach to women's studies. Have you noticed any demerit in this approach? Comment. 7+4=11

Or

Discuss the characteristics of Radical Approach to women's studies. How far is it acceptable in women's studies? 7+4=11

5. What is gender? Discuss the major agencies of gender socialization. 4+7=11

Or

What is patriarchy? Explain the feminist theory of patriarchy. 4+7=11

6. Discuss the origin and causes of the Western Women's Movement. How far is it successful?

7+4=11

Or

Discuss the history and growth of Women's Movement in India.

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7. Analyze the different projections of women in the media in today's age leading to the oppression of women.

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Or

Make an attempt to critically discuss the role of education and family regarding women's oppression.

6+5=11

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