

M.Phil 1st Semester Examination, 2019

WOMEN'S STUDIES

PAPER—WSC-112

Full Marks : 50

Time : 2 hours

Answer all questions

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary

GROUP – A

1. Answer any two questions : 10 × 2

(a) Discuss the contemporary relevance of the women's studies movement in India.

(Turn Over)

- (b) Critically analyse Liberal Feminism.
- (c) Write a note on Helene Cixous's concept of "écriture feminine".
- (d) What is 'feminisation of culture'? Explain.

GROUP – B

2. Answer any *two* questions : 5 × 2

- (a) What is Engel's views on women's oppression and the rise of private property ?
- (b) 'Biological relations are converted into kinship relations' – Elucidate.
- (c) What is Cultural Feminism ?
- (d) What is 'gynocentric turn' ?

GROUP – C

3. Answer any *five* questions : 2 × 5

- (a) Give a commentary on abrogation of Triple-Talaq.

- (b) What is the argument of Kate Millett in the 'Sexual Politics' ?
- (c) What is 'language games' ?
- (d) What is the need to think of 'women' as a contextual category ?
- (e) Explain 'otherness'.
- (f) How did John Stuart Mill criticise ideas on 'women's nature' ?
- (g) When was the 'Towards Equality' report published ?
- (h) Why the report entitled 'Towards Equality' is regarded as the foundation text of Indian Women's Movement ?

[*Internal Assessment* : 10 Marks]
