2022

M.A.

4th Semester Examination (CCAE) HISTORY

PAPER-HIS-404

WOMEN AND SOCIETY IN INDIAN HISTORY

Full Marks: 50

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

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

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

Group - A

Answer any four questions.

4×2

1. What was the position of Women in Buddhism in Ancient India?

- 2. What steps did Akbar take to eradicate the practice of sati?
- 3. Mention any two aims of SEWA.
- 4. What do you understand by 'New Woman'?
- 5. Which book did Rashsundari Devi write? What did Rashsundari Devi describe in her autobiography?
- 6. What was the main subject of the Age of Consent Act, 1891?

Group - B

Answer any four questions.

- 4×4
- 7. What is meant by 'women's question'?
- 8. How widows were treated in ancient Indian society?

- 9. How did ancient Indian Sanskrit literature codifined social and cultural rights of women?
- 10. What were the issues in Shah Bano Begum case?
- 11. Briefly discuss the role of women in 'Chipko Movement'.
- 12. What role did Rammohun Roy play in the upliftment of women in nineteenth century?

Group - C

Answer any two questions.

- 13. How would you analyze the life-style of prostitutes in ancient India?
- 14. Write an essay on the emergence of feminist movement in independent India.
- **15.** Critically discuss the role of women in Indian National Movement.

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16. How do you explain the 'women's question' in colonial India?

[Internal Assessment - 10 Marks]