

Core Course - 103 GENDER & SOCIETY

Objectives

The course seeks to account students with theoretical understanding of gender sensitisation. It is also to get informed about the model of action for improvement of the status of women and to be aware of the diversity in values and problems of women from different part and states of india.

Course Outline :

Unit - 1 Basic concepts in Gender studies

- Gender, Equity, nature and Gender
- Sexual division of labour
- Women in family - socialization.
- Patriarchy

Unit - 2 Prevailing Theories

- Liberal, Marxist, radical, Socialist, Feminist, Neo -Liberal

Unit - 3 Feminist movement

- Origin of feminist movement
- Feminist Movement current trends, women leaders in social reform.

Unit - 4 Profile of women in contemporary India

- Demographic status
- Sex ratio, Age of marriage.
- Policies and programmes of the state.

Unit - 5 Contemporary issues

- Environment • Women's Right
- Education • Work
- Violence • Widow
- Health • Political Participation

Recommended Books :

- Whelham, Imelda : Modern Feminist Thought, Edingurgh : Edingurgh University press, 1997, pp. 1 -25, 106-124, 144-166.
- Myers, Kristen, Anderson et al (eds.) Feminist Foundations; Towards Transforming Sociology, New Delhi; Sa ge, 1998, pp. 141, 76-90.
- V. Geetha and Rajadurai, S. V. : Towards a non -brahmin Millenium, Culcutta; Samya, 1998, (Last, Chapter). 1995, Introduction only.
- Sarkar Tanika & Urvashi Butalia : Women and the Hindu Right, New Delhi; Kali for Women, 1995, pp. 1-9, 244-269.
- Vaid, Sudesh & Sangari Kumkum; Recasting Women; Essays in Colonial History, New Delhi : Kali for Women, 1989, pp. 1 -45, 127-179.
- Chakravati, Uma; REwriting History, New Delhi : Kali for Women, 1998, chapter - 3.
- Kumar, Radha; History of Doing, New Delhi : Kali for Women, 1993, (whole book)
- Satya Murthy, T. V. (ed.) Region, Religion, caste, Gender and Culture in Contemporary India, New Delhi : OUP, 1996, pp. 87132.
- Mies, Maria & Shiva, Vandana ; Eco-Femenism, New Delhi : Kali for Women, 1993, Introduction only.
- Krishnaraj, Maitreyi (d.) : Concept Series, vol. I, II and III, Mumbai, S.N.D.T., 1989.
- Gandhi, Nandita & Shah, Nandita : Issues at Stake, Mumbai; Popular Prakashan, 1992, Introduction only.
- Sen, Illina : Space within the struggle, New Delhi : Kali for Women, 1992, Introduction only.
- Patil, Sharad : Dasa-Shudra Slavery, Pune : Sugawa Prakashan, 1991. pp. 1-34.