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M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, AUGUST 2025
Fourth Semester
M.A. History
M21HS09DE – Gender in Indian History
(2023 January admissions)

Time: 3 Hours

Max Marks: 70

Section A

Answer any ten of the following questions in a word or sentence each. Each question carries 1 mark.

1. Who is the author of “Second Sex”?
2. Expand the term LGBT.
3. Identify the term to denote sexual attraction to people of one’s own sex.
4. What is the main purpose of Article 23 of the Indian Constitution?
5. Name the marriage between high caste man and low caste woman.
6. Name the author of the book ‘Kulastriyum Chanthapennum Undayathengane’
7. Which section of IPC deals against insult of woman’s modesty?
8. Expand UNIFEM.
9. What is Polygamy?
10. Who was the first Woman President of the Indian National Congress?
11. Mention the author of the book ‘Patriarchy’.
12. Define Feminism.
13. Who was the first Bhikkhuni in the Buddhist period?
14. Who wrote the book ‘The Position of Women in Hindu Civilisation’?
15. What is the title of Betty Frieden’s influential book that explored the role of women in society?

(1X10=10)

Section B

Answer any five of the following questions in two or three sentences each. Each question carries 2 marks.

16. Explain the difference between Sex and Gender.
17. Identify Iswara Chandra Vidyasagar in the History of Women Upliftment.

18. Examine the concept Transgender.
19. Define Gender Studies and examine its Scope in India.
20. Calculate the strength of the Harem in Mughal Polity.
21. What are the various forms of domestic violence?
22. Rudrama Devi.
23. Evaluate the role of National Commission for Women.
24. Explain about Sthree Dharma.
25. Narrate the status of Women in Manusmiriti.

(2X5=10)

Section C

Answer any five of the following questions in a paragraph each. Each question carries 4 marks.

26. Explain the development of devadasi system in India.
27. Bring out the role played by the Indian Women in the freedom struggle.
28. How much freedom is granted to Buddhist nuns (Bhikkunis) with in the Sangha?
29. Write a note on Razia Sulthana.
30. Discuss how the Bhakti Movement sowed the seeds of Feminism in India.
31. Trace the career of Sarojini Naidu as a freedom fighter.
32. Analyze the status of Women in the Mughal Period.
33. Explain Brahmanical Patriarchy.

(4X5=20)

Section D

Answer any three of the following questions in two pages each. Each question carries 10 marks.

34. Narrate the changing status of women in India from Ancient to Modern period.
35. Write an Essay about Gender inequality and domestic Violence.
36. Examine how caste, class and gender intersect to shape in equality in Indian Society?
37. Critically examine the role of media in violence against women.
38. Evaluate how far the Colonial Legislations transformed the matriliney to patriliney in Kerala.
39. What are the main challenges faced by working women, and in what ways can companies contribute to improving their circumstances?

(10X3=30)