

PG (CBCS) EVEN SEMESTER EXAMINATION, 2023

ECONOMICS

4th Semester

Course No. : ECOCC - 406

(Economics of Gender and Development)

Full Marks : 70

Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

(Answer any five, selecting one from each unit)

UNIT - I

1. (a) Explain how the functioning of patriarchy differs between a developed and developing economy. 6
- (b) Why is gender differentiation equated to class struggle? Analyse your answer with respect of socio-cultural and legal deprivations of the dominated class. 8
2. (a) Explain the structural difference between Patriarchy and Matriarchy. 6
- (b) Write a short note on the laws constituted to protect women rights in India. Explain its impact on the position of women in Indian society. 5+3=8

(Turn Over)

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UNIT - II

3. (a) What are the important demographic indicators of the status of women in India? Explain. 6
- (b) What does the presence of a high widow/divorced/separated (W/D/S) woman to man ratio indicate? Does this impact the well-being of woman? Explain. 4+4=8
4. (a) Explain the phenomenon of Declining Sex Ratio in India. 4
- (b) Explain the probable causes and effects of it. 10

UNIT - III

5. (a) Analyse the attitude of women towards financial decision-making in India. 6
- (b) Self-help Groups are an efficient mechanism for economic development of women - analyse and explain. 8
6. "The Female Labour Force Participation rate is a u-shaped curve".
- (a) Explain the above hypothesis. 4
- (b) Analyse the determinants of the hypothesis. 4
- (c) Explain supply-side factors that determine an u-shape for the Female Labour Force Participation Curve. 6

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UNIT - IV

7. (a) Explain the concepts of productive and unproductive work. In this context, explain the "invisible" nature of work done by women. 4+2=6
- (b) Analyse the changing nature and sectoral trend of work participation by women. 8
8. (a) Write a short note on the demand and supply-side factors affecting entry of women into labour market. 8
- (b) Is the formal sector participation of female labour force declining due to higher employment in informal sector or self employment? Explain. 6

UNIT - V

9. (a) What do you mean by feminisation of poverty? 2
- (b) Discuss the impact of the above phenomenon on economic growth in special reference to India. 12
10. (a) Write any two constitutional provisions in India for equal pay across genders for similar work. 4
- (b) State and explain the causes of Feminization of Poverty and how it has impacted the wage-gap in work. 10
