Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University

MA 4th Sem. Examination, 2016

Subject : Political Science

Paper : Women and Politics

Time : 3 hrs. *Full marks : 80*

1. Answer *any five* questions from the following. 2×5=10
(each within 50 words)
   a. What is Mitakshara system of law ?
   b. Write one difference between matrilineal system and matriarchal system.
   c. What do you mean by post-modern feminism?
   d. In which year was the SEWA founded? Mention the main objective of SEWA.
   e. Write any two general recommendations of the committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against women.
   f. Write any two objectives of the National Policy for the Empowerment of Women, 2001.

2. Answer *any three* questions from the following. 4×3=12
(each within 150 words)
   a Write a short note on women suffrage movement in USA.
   b What is meant by Patriarchy? Write briefly about the two forms of patriarchy.
   c Under whose leadership Anti-Price Rise Campaign started in India in the year 1973? Write about Women's Movement in North-East India.
   d Write a short note on Hindu Women Succession Act.

3. Answer *any three* questions from the following. 6×3=18
(each within 250 words)

a Explain the various problems that women are experiencing in South Asia.

b Write about the various aspects regarding economic empowerment of women.

c What is meant by gender discrimination ? Examine the religious beliefs which are responsible for gender discrimination.

d Examine the role of women in decision-making process with special reference to PRIs.

4. Answer *any four* questions from the following. 10×4=40
(each within 500 words)

a Write about the development of Self-Help Groups(SHGs) in India. Explain the role of the groups in the empowerment of women.

b Examine the problem of female trafficking with special reference to India.

c What is meant by feminism? Write a note on socialist feminism.

d Critically analyse the role played by women in Indian electoral politics.

e Discuss the role of SAFP in the process of empowerment of women.

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