M. A. in Population Studies: Semester-IV

PAPER- XVIII: GENDER ISSUES IN POPULATION STUDIES

Max Marks: 100
Internal Assessment: 20
Examination: 80
Time: 3 hrs

Note:-

- A) Nine questions would be set in all.
- B) Question No 1 based on the entire syllabus, would be compulsory. It would contain eight short answer questions of two marks each.
- C) There would be two questions (16 Marks each) from each of the four units.
- D) Candidates would be required to attempt five questions (one compulsory and selecting one from each unit)

Unit-I

Basic concepts: gender and sex; patriarchy and matriarchy; gender and gender inequality; son preference and value of girl child; Female infanticide and feticides; principle theories of patriarchy; feminism – historical perspective and feminist theories (liberal feminism, Marxist, post modern and radical viewpoints).

Unit-II

Demographic manifestations of gender inequality: imbalances in sex ratio at birth (SRB) and sex composition among children; survival disadvantages - sex differentials in mortality among children and adults; maternal health-care and maternal mortality.

Unit-III

Differential access to resources: gender inequality in access to nutrition and health care of children; gender inequality in literacy and education and its determinants; gender and employment; female labour participation and occupational patterns.

Unit-IV

Gender empowerment and female autonomy: concept, indicators and measures; approaches of women empowerment; status of women and gender development index; domestic violence and its consequences.

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