POSTGRADUATE FOURTH SEMESTER EXAMINATION, 2021

Subject: History

Course Code: HST 403EB

Course ID: 40454

Time: 2 hours

Course Title: Gender Studies: Theories and Histories

Full Marks: 40

The figures in the margin indicate full marks

Answer all the questions.

UNIT I

1. Answer *any two* of the following questions: (15X2= 30)

- a. How did feminist ideas thrive within a religious framework in Europe?
- b. Write an essay on the 'Amazons of the pen.'
- c. How did the women's question feature in 19th century nationalism in India?
- d. How is the queer subject imagined in queer politics in India?

UNIT II

2. Answer *any two* of the following questions: (5X2=10)

- a. Define secular feminism.
- b. Explain the role of the Women's Social and Political Union (WSPU) in the fight for women's right to vote.
- c. How did Binodini's autobiography become an account of a woman 'left out'?
- d. How do notions of 'honour' and 'sacrifice' legitimise violence against women?
 Write with reference to the incident of Thoa Khalsa as narrated by Urvashi Butalia in her seminal work.