

POSTGRADUATE FOURTH SEMESTER EXAMINATION, 2022

Subject: History

Course Code: HIST 403EB

Course ID: 40454

Course Title: Gender Studies: Theories and Histories

Full Marks: 40

Time: 2 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks

1. Answer *any two* of the following questions: **15X2= 30**
 - a. Write an essay on the secular beginnings of feminist ideas in Europe.
 - b. Explain the importance of liberal feminism in the feminist movement.
 - c. How would you situate the 'new woman' in the women's autobiographies of 19th century India?
 - d. Would you say that queer politics has become a fragmentary field in India?

2. Answer *any two* of the following questions: **5X2=10**
 - a. How did women find ways of tackling negative scriptural images of women in 17th century England?
 - b. Write a note on the *Zenana* system of education in 19th century Bengal.
 - c. How was formal education conceived of as being suitable for the *bhadramahila* in 19th century Bengal?
 - d. How did the equation of manhood with nationalism normalise violence against women in the aftermath of the Partition?

