

B.A. Semester-III Examination, 2022-23**ENGLISH [Programme]**

Course ID : 30318 Course Code : AP/ENG/301/C-1C

Course Title : Contemporary India: Women and Empowerment

Time : 2 Hours

Full Marks : 40

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.**Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.***Answer the following questions.**1. Answer **any one** of the following questions:

1×10=10

- Write a note on the role of women in the Indian freedom struggle.
- Explain the term patriarchy. Discuss the reasons for women's subordinate status.

2. Answer **any one** of the following questions:

1×10=10

- Discuss how post-Independence women's movements in India changed from the pre-Independence times.
- Write a note on the evils of dowry system in India.

3. Answer **any one** of the following questions:

1×10=10

- Discuss the reversal of roles as depicted in Rokeya Sakhawat Hossain's *Sultana's Dream*.
- Would you consider *Sultana's Dream* to be a feminist text? Give reasons in support of your answer.

4. Answer **any five** of the following questions:

5×2=10

- What do you mean by gender roles?
- Name two Muslim women who took part in the Nationalist Movement in India.
- What is the difference between sex and gender?
- Name four major women's movements in India.
- What do you mean by femininity?
- What is polygamy?
- When was Bharatiya Grameen Mahila Sangh founded? Briefly discuss the context of its founding.
- What is gender identity?
- Mention any two attributes assigned to women as per traditional gender roles.
- What constitutes male gaze?