Syllabus:

Certificate/Diploma in Women Empowerment and Development

DWEDT1: PAPER I: INTRODUCTION TO WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

Objective:

This paper aims to introduce students to the concept, history, and significance of women empowerment in society. It focuses on gender equality, feminism, women's rights, and the role of women in social and economic development. The course also examines the impact of social structures, education, health awareness, media representation, and the contribution of NGOs and international organizations in promoting women empowerment and gender justice.

Course Outcomes (COs)

CO1: Understand the concept, history, and significance of women empowerment and women's rights in society.

CO2: Analyze the role of women in social, economic, and community development and recognize the importance of gender equality and gender sensitization.

CO3: Examine the impact of social structures, education, media, and health awareness on the status and empowerment of women.

CO4: Evaluate the contribution of feminism, women's movements, NGOs, and international organizations in promoting women's rights and empowerment.

CO5: Develop a gender-sensitive perspective, self-awareness, and the ability to identify challenges and opportunities for achieving women's empowerment in contemporary society.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PAPER SETTER/EXAMINER:

1. The syllabus prescribed should be strictly adhered to.
2. The question paper will consist of three sections: A, B, and C. Sections A and B will have four questions each from the respective sections of the syllabus and will carry 10 marks each. The candidates will attempt two questions from each section.
3. Section C will have fifteen short answer questions covering the entire syllabus. Each question will carry 3 marks. Candidates will attempt any 10 questions from this section.
4. The examiner shall give a clear instruction to the candidates to attempt questions only at one place and only once. Second or subsequent attempts, unless the earlier ones have been crossed out, shall not be evaluated.

5. The duration of each paper will be three hours.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CANDIDATES:

Candidates are required to attempt any two questions each from the sections A, and B of the question paper, and any ten short answer questions from Section C. They have to attempt questions only at one place and only once. Second or subsequent attempts, unless the earlier ones have been crossed out, shall not be evaluated.

DWEDT1	**Paper I: Introduction to Women Empowerment** **SECTION A** Unit 1: Concept and Definition of Women Empowerment & Historical Perspectives on Women's Rights, Unit 2: Role of Women in the Development of Society Unit 3: Gender Equality and Gender Sensitization Unit 4: Feminism and Women's Movements, Women's Participation in Economic Development **SECTION B** Unit 5: Social Structures and Their Impact on Women Unit 6: Role of Education in Women Empowerment, Media and Women's Representation, Importance of Self-Identity and Confidence. Unit 7: Women and Health Awareness Unit 8: Role of NGOs and International Organizations in Women Empowerment	M.M - 100 Ext. - 70 Int. - 30 Pass - 40%

Suggested Readings

1. Nivedita Menon, *Seeing Like a Feminist*, Zubaan Books

2. Neera Desai and Maithreyi Krishnaraj, *Women and Society in India*, Ajanta Publications
3. Geraldine Forbes, *Women in Modern India* , Cambridge University Press
4. Uma Chakravarti, *Gendering Caste Through a Feminist Lens*, Stree Publishers
5. Nandita Gandhi and Nandita Shah, *The Issues at Stake: Theory and Practice in the Contemporary Women's Movement in India*, Kali for Women
6. Devaki Jain, *Women, Development and the UN: A Sixty-Year Quest for Equality and Justice*, Indiana University Press
7. Bina Agarwal, *A Field of One's Own: Gender and Land Rights in South Asia*, Cambridge University Press
8. Deepa Narayan, *Chup: Breaking the Silence About India's Women*, Penguin Random House India
9. Vina Mazumdar, *Emergence of Women's Question in India and the Role of Women's Studies*, Centre for Women's Development Studies