

Syllabus for Online Entrance Examination
M.A. in Gender, Culture and Development Studies 2023-2024

1) Women's studies

- a) What is women's Studies
- b) Development of women's studies in India
- c) Women's studies as an interdisciplinary field
- d) Debates in Women's Studies
- e) Key thinkers / texts in women's studies

2) Women's movement

- a) Women's Movement as Social Movement
- b) Major campaigns undertaken by women's movement in Pre-Independence India
- c) Major campaigns undertaken by women's movement in Post-Independence India
- d) Relationship between human rights and women's movement
- e) Campaign for Legal rights for women

3) Key / Basic Concepts, theoretical issues and Concerns

- a) Patriarchy
- b) Gender
- c) Caste and Gender
- d) Sexual Division of labour
- e) Sexuality

4) Gender issues of Contemporary Relevance

- a) Women in Indian history
- b) Violence and Sexual Violence
- c) Marriage, Family and Gender
- d) Women, Power and Politics
- e) Women, work and Education

5) Gender, Development and Culture

- a) What is development and its relationship with gender
- b) What is culture and its relationship with gender
- c) Gender and media
- d) Women and Community
- e) Gender and Globalisation

**LIST OF REFERENCE BOOKS FOR ENTRANCE EXAM FOR MA IN GENDER, CULTURE AND
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