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Course Objectives

This paper will examine gender as a category of social analysis and gender bias in contemporary society. It assesses various patriarchal ideologies, practices, normative structures which will enable students to understand how the state, media and market reproduce these hierarchies.

I. Conceptualizing Gender

- Constructing Sex and Gender
- Patriarchy
- Sexual Division of Labour
- Construction of Sexuality
- Masculinity and Femininity

II. Gender and Family in India

- Family as a gendered institution
- Family as a site of violence
- Women as honour and shame of caste, religion, clan

III. Women's movement in India

- Women and National Movements
- Campaigns by women's movement around 1960s and 70s – Anti – Price, Anti- Dowry
- Caste, gender and class intersections
- Patriarchal state and rights of women

IV. Act and Safeguarding Mechanism

- In India National / State Commission for Women (NCW)
- All Women Police Station
- Domestic Violence Act
- Prevention of Sexual Harassment – State Policy
- Maternity Benefit Act – PNDT Act – Hindu Succession Act 2005 – Eve Teasing Prevention Act
- Self Help Groups – 73rd and 74th Amendment for PRIS

V. Areas of Gender Discrimination and Women Empowerment

- Family – Sex Ratio – Literacy – Health – Governance
- Work Vs Employment – Market – Media – Politics – Law and Domestic Violence
- Empowerment of Women – National Policy
- Mainstreaming Global Policies

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