P.G. DIPLOMA/M.A. IN WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES (PGDWGS/MAWGS)

Term-End Examination

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MWG-001: THEORIES AND CONCEPTS IN WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

Note: Attempt any **four** of the following questions. All question carry equal marks.

- 1. What particular aspects differentiate the Women's Movement in India from that of the West? Analyze in detail.
- 2. Discuss the history of Black Feminism and some of its current debates with reference to the contributions of specific black feminists.
- **3.** Explain Gayle Rubin's concept of sexual hierarchy. To what extent do you think this model is applicable in the Indian context? Discuss.

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4.	"Science	is	truly	gender-free."	How	have	
	feminists challenged this notion? Discuss.						

5. Discuss the feminist critique of Freudian theories of psychoanalysis with the help of the work of specific feminist scholars.

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6. Describe the contributions of Michel Foucault in the context of the construction of sexuality and normativity.

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7. In the field of literature, queer discourses have been used by Western and Indian writers to contest legal and cultural limitations. Elaborate on the above statement with the help of examples from Western and Indian literary texts.

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