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M. A. IN WOMEN'S AND GENDER

STUDIES (MAWGS)

Term-End Examination

December, 2021

MWG-007 : POSTMODERNISM AND GENDER

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Answer any **four** questions. All questions carry equal marks. Write each answer in not more than **1500** words.

1. Explain Levi Strauss' views on kinship relations. Discuss how Gayle Rubin approaches Levi Strauss' work and re-conceptualizes it ? 25
2. Write an essay on Foucault's theoretical perspective on power, knowledge and ethics. 25

3. Distinguish between western mainstream feminism and multicultural feminisms from across the world, showing how the latter can be related to postmodernism. 25
4. Analyze the importance of gender as a category of analysis in the context of historical knowledge. Use suitable literary examples to illustrate your discussion. 25
5. With the help of the work of feminist theorists, explain why the relationship between postmodernism and gender can be labelled as one of duplicity. Explain your own position on this issue. 25
6. Write an essay on sexuality, power and the subject. Use suitable literary examples to illustrate the relationship between these notions. 25

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7. Explain the following in brief : 5 each

- (a) Roland Barthes and Myth
- (b) Repressive State Apparatus
- (c) Derrida, Centre and Margin
- (d) Social Constructivism
- (e) The Malady of Death by Marguerite Yourcenar