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**M.A. IN WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES
(MAWGS)**

Term-End Examination, 2019

MWG-007 : POST MODERNISM AND GENDER

Time : 3 Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Attempt any four questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Discuss Julia Kristeva's use of psychoanalytic theory with special attention to the notion of 'Semanalysis'. [25]
2. Explain Gayle Rubin's conceptualization of Kinship relations and the Sex/gender system with reference to Levi Straus's theory. [25]
3. Write an essay describing the distinctions between Third World Feminism and Black Feminism. [25]
4. "The Positions of Social Constructivist and Essentialist feminists are theoretically irreconcilable." Elaborate. [25]

5. Discuss gender as a category of historical analysis. Describe some specific strategies of refiguring history used by postmodern writers. [25]
6. What is "Magic realism" ? Discuss its significance for postmodern feminist literature with the help of suitable examples. [25]
7. Analyse the relationships between language, gender and identity in the context of postcolonial identities. Use suitable examples from postmodern literature in support of your response. [25]

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