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

Term-End Examination

June, 2022

MWG-008 : GENDER AND LIFE NARRATIVES

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : (*i*) *Attempt any four questions.*

(ii) All questions carry equal marks.

- Based on your understanding of Diaries, Letters, Memoirs and Autobiographies, which do you think is particularly suitable as a genre for women's life writing ? Justify.
- Discuss collective modes of life writing as an effective tool of resistance for socially disempowered groups. Use suitable examples to highlight a gendered perspective.

 Critically analyse the challenge of poststructuralism and postmodernism to women's life writing.
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- Discuss the centrality of the body in women's life narratives. Use specific literary examples to elucidate your response. 25
- Discuss the literal and metaphorical role of the veil in women's life writing from South Asia and the Middle East with the help of suitable examples.
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- Critically analyse the role of race and gender in the genre of slave narratives with the help of examples.
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- Discuss Gloria Anzaldua's 'La Frontera' as a challenge to the perception of the border as a simple divide. 25

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