

## PGD/MA Degree in Women's and Gender Studies (PGDWGS/MAWGS)

## ASSIGNMENT FOR FIRST SEMESTER (July 2021 and January 2022 Cycle)

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**Course Title: Gender and Power** 

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**Statement Regarding Plagiarism**: Please write all answers in your own words. Assignments with plagiarized material (copied directly from course books or any other external sources) will be marked **ZERO**. Please read statement on Plagiarism provided in the Programme Guide.

Ques1. Discuss hegemonic gender relations prevalent in Indian society by citing incidences (at least three to four each from public and private domains) that you encounter/witness (in your family/office /in market/public institution and transport) or have read in the newspaper etc. (paste the clipping if using this medium). Also, relate the discussion to the theoretical assumptions discussed in the study material by citing feminist scholarship.

50 marks

Ques 2. Read the article "Reasons why the world needs more women in leadership roles" on the link given below:

https://www.naturalhr.com/2021/03/23/10-reasons-why-the-world-needs-more-women-in-leadership-roles/

In the light of how social institutions like education, work, law, political processes (read Block 3 & 4 of your study material) are gendered, discuss the barriers faced by women and the importance of women in leadership roles across different domains. Base your arguments on the concepts and theories explained in your study material (read block 1).

50 marks

## OR

Write an essay on "Gender specific implications of Covid-19 pandemic on women, men and other genders". Give only academic arguments citing feminist scholarship using the concepts and theories discussed in your study material.

50 marks