

3120

4

10. Partition narratives by women show that patriarchal concepts of national honour violate women's bodies and identities. Discuss with reference to partition texts you have studied as part of the course.

[This question paper contains 4 printed pages.]

**Your Roll No.....**

**Sr. No. of Question Paper : 3120** **C**

Unique Paper Code : 62035922

Name of the Paper : Generic Elective,  
Contemporary India:  
Women and Empowerment

Name of the Course : **ENGLISH**

Semester : V/VI

Duration : 3 Hours Maximum Marks : 75

**Instructions for Candidates**

1. Write your Roll No. on the top immediately on receipt of this question paper.
2. Part A and Part B are both compulsory. Attempt any Three questions each from Parts A and B respectively.

**Part A**

Attempt any 3 questions (3\*10= 30 marks)

(3000)

P.T.O.

3120

2

1. Are gender roles created by society or are they natural? Discuss with the help of suitable examples from contemporary India.
2. How does patriarchy use violence to retain its dominance and prevent change? Give a reasoned answer using suitable examples from contemporary India.
3. Discuss and evaluate the efforts to eliminate child marriage in pre-Independence India.
4. Discuss the issue of sex-selective abortions in India and the law/s in place to prevent it.
5. Why is education unable to remove casteist attitudes in "The Parable of the Lost Daughter"? Discuss with close reference to the text.

3120

3

**Part B**

**Attempt any 3 questions (3\*15= 45 marks)**

6. Discuss, with close reference to the prescribed texts from Rassundari Devi and Baby Kamble, the role of caste and gender on women's lives.
7. Discuss using "Bayen" as your point of reference how women face violence in the public and the private sphere, and what structures should be in place to reduce this violence, as well as help women to resist this violence.
8. Sexual harassment is a violation of women's human rights. Do you agree? Is the the Sexual Harassment (Prevention, Prohibition, Redressal) at the Workplace Act 2013 effective in tackling sexual harassment in contemporary India? Discuss with reference to the provisions of the act.
9. Discuss using texts you have read as part of this course, why environmental justice is an important issue for women.

P.T.O.