

Gender Economics

Course Code: UEC000012T

Course Title : Gender Economics

Semester : III

Credits : 3

Rationale:

This course provides a comprehensive overview of the intersection between gender and development, exploring the theories, policies, and practices aimed at promoting gender equality and women's empowerment in the context of development.

Course Content	No. of Lectures
UNIT I: Gender Economics and Approaches Subject matter of gender economics. Concept of women's work: Paid and Unpaid work, Feminist theories and perspectives in development: Women in development (WID); Women and development (WAD), Gender and development (GAD, Gender mainstreaming and intersectionality, Critiques of mainstream development approaches from a gender perspective	08
UNIT II: Gender & Labor Market Feminization of poverty and Women's contribution to GDP, Concept and measurement of Women Empowerment, Gender related development indices; Gender dimensions of international trade. Gender inequality in the labor market, Factors affecting Female Labor Force participation rate and trends in developing countries; Impact of technological development and modernization on women's work participation in various sectors, Gender and work- Invisible work	08
UNIT III: Gender & Family Gender factor in household economics. Household Models in Economics. Women's Unpaid Care and Household Work, Distribution of resources and decision-making mechanisms in households, Gender and Marriage, Demographic changes and gender status. Gender factor of demographic development.	08
UNIT IV: Social Security of Women Social security of women: Entitlements ensuring economic independence and risk coverage, access to credit and insurance markets. Role of voluntary organizations and self-help groups in providing social security. Schemes for safety net for women.	08

<p style="text-align: center;">UNIT V: Gender Development Policy in India</p> <p>Mainstreaming gender into development policies. Gender sensitive governance; Paradigm shifts from women's wellbeing to women's empowerment. Gender Budgeting in India; Democratic decentralization (panchayats) and women's empowerment in India, National Commission of Women, Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW). National policy for the Empowerment of Women (2001).</p>	08
---	----

Course Outcomes:

1. To understand the theoretical frameworks and concepts related to gender and development.
2. To analyze the linkages between gender inequality and development outcomes.
3. To examine the role of policies and institutions in promoting gender equality and women's empowerment.

Suggested Readings:

1. Eswaran, M. (2014), *Why Gender Matters in Economics*, Princeton University Press
2. Hopper, Paul. (2012): *Understanding Development* :Polity Press.
3. Mazumdar, I. and N. Neetha (2011), 'Gender dimensions: employment trends in India 1993-94 to 2009-10', *Economic and Political Weekly*, 46(43), pp.118-126.
4. Pal, Bharti, Bholanath, Vasuler (2011): *Gender and Discrimination (Health, Nutritional Status and Role of women in India)*, Oxford University Press.
5. Agarwal, Bina (2010): *Gender and Green Governance; "The Political Economy of women's presence within and Beyond Community Forestry*, Oxford University Press.
6. Mohanty, (2007): *Women and Political Empowerment Functions*, Institute of Social Sciences.
7. Jacobsen, J. (2007), *The Economics of Gender*, Wiley-Blackwell.
8. Biswal, Tapan (2006): *Human rights, Gender and Environment*, Viva Books Pvt Ltd.
9. Agarwal, Bina, Humphries, Jane and Robeyns, Ingrid (2005): *Amartya Sen's Work and Ideas: A Gender Perspective*, Routledge, New Delhi
10. Menon, Nivedita (1999): *Themes in Politics; Gender and Politics in India*, Oxford University Press.
11. Devasia Leelamma (1994) *Empowering Women for Sustainable Development*, Ashish Publishing House, New Delhi.
12. Bosarup Ester, (1970) *Women's Role in Economic Development*, George Allen and Unwin, London.