

## **Syllabus Semester –I**

**Course Title: Gender and Social Work**

**Course Credits: 04**

**Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs)**

The course learning outcomes are as follows:

1. To know about the distinction between sex and gender and their relationship
2. Learn about concept of patriarchy and how it operates in the context of gender
3. Understand various gender related violence occurring in our societies through lived experiences
4. Building skill of using various tools for understanding the gender inequality in various aspects
5. Building skill of how to generate awareness and sensitisation for promoting gender equality in society.

### **Unit I: Conceptual framework**

- Conceptual Understanding – Sex and Gender
- Social Construction of Gender, Gender Shaping Institutions,
- Changing Content and Context of Gender - Need for Re-Socialization
- Recent Trend sin Feminist Thinking-Eco-Feminism, Queer Theory
- Theoretical Perspectives: Psychoanalytic Perspectives on Gender, Feminism, Conflict theory, Functionalist Perspective

### **Unit II: Fundamental Concepts**

- Femininity and Masculinity,
- Understanding Patriarchy and Theories of Patriarchy
- Private-Public Dichotomy
- Sexual Division of Work
- Relationship between Gender, Caste, Class, Religion and Politics

### **Unit III: Conceptualizing Feminist Theories**

- First, Second and Third wave of feminism
- Ideologies of Feminist Theory: Liberal Feminism : Mary Wool stone Craft, J.S Mill; Marxist and Socialist Feminism: Marx and Engels;
- Feminism in Indian Context
- Radical Feminism: Sexuality, Reproduction and Reproductive Technology
- Black Feminism
- Existential Feminism: Simon de Beauvoir

### **Unit V: Gender and State**

- Extend of the Influence of the State on Women's Lives: Representation, Autonomy and Power
- Gendered Violence: Foeticide, Marital Rape, Honour Killing, Violence in Communal Riots

- Violence in Conflict Zones

## **Unit V: Gender Debate and Analysis**

- Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)
- Gender and Globalization: Commodification of Women, Feminization of Poverty
- Gender  
Analysis Tools (Key Concepts): Social Institutions and Gender Index (SIGI), Gender Parity Index, Gender-Related Development Index (GDI)
- MeToo Movement & One Billion Rising

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