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(For the candidates admitted from 2012–2013 onwards)

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2017.

First Semester

English

Elective I – FEMINIST WRITING

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

SECTION A — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

1. (a) Define feminism.

Or

(b) Write a short note on Marxist feminism.

2. (a) Bring out J.S.Mill's views on family set up.

Or

(b) How does G.B. Shaw portray the status of women in capitalist Societies?

3. (a) How does Wollstonecraft vindicate the rights of women?

Or

(b) Consider woman as the other.

4. (a) How does Elaine Showalter classify female tradition?

Or

(b) Explain woman as writer.

5. (a) Bring out the importance of the character of Creon.

Or

(b) Why was Sai happy to be expelled from the boarding School?

SECTION B — (5 × 10 = 50 marks)

Answer ALL the questions.

6. (a) Elucidate feminine, feminist and female.

Or

(b) Bring out the major themes of Feminist Criticism.

7. (a) Explain G.B. Shaw's focus on women.

Or

(b) How does J.S. Mill argue for the equality and freedom of opportunity for women?

8. (a) Consider 'A Vindication of the Rights of Women' as a criticism against false and excessive sensibility.

Or

(b) Why was 'The Second Sex' regarded as a major work of feminist literature?

9. (a) Explain Showalter's concept of women literary tradition.

Or

(b) What approach is followed by Mary Kirkham in 'Reading the Brontes'.

10. (a) How does Sophocles present the conflict between the individual and the society?

Or

(b) Sai is the moral centre of 'The Inheritance of Loss' – Discuss.