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B. A. EXAMINATION, 2024

(Sixth Semester)

(Main)

ENGLISH

20UENG62

Women's Writing and Women's Empowerment

Time : 3 Hours *Maximum Marks :* 80

Note : Attempt *Five* questions in all. Q. No. 1 is compulsory. All questions carry equal marks.

1. (i) Write a short note on the opening of the play 'Bayan'.

   (ii) Do you think that society is responsible for the tragedy of Bayan ?

   (iii) Define Gender inequality.

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(iv) A woman is supposed to look after the household activities whereas a man is free from such duties. Justify (seven types of gender inequality).

(v) Write a short note on the title 'Amar Jiban'.

(vi) Which was more painful experience then death for Rassundari in 'Amar Jiban' ?

(vii) Use of symbolism in 'Sultana's Dream'.

(viii) Importance of women education in 'Sultana's Dream'. **8×2=16**

2. (a) Why was Chandidasi called Bayan ? **8**

(b) How did superstitions beliefs affect the life of Chandidasi ? **8**

3. Mahasweta Devi's 'Bayan' is centred on the theme of gender identity. Discuss. **16**

4. (a) What is meant by sex-selective abortion ? **8**

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(b) Why didn't Queen Victoria feel need of any protection that women's right offer ? 8

5. Write a detailed note on The Seven Types of Gender Inequality. 16

6. (a) Write a short note on 'Amar Jiban' as a feminist text. 8

(b) How does Rassundari Devi fight against the odds of society and emerges as Victorious woman ? 8

7. 'Amar Jiban' is not only the autobiography of Rassundari Devi but a story of every woman. Critically analyse the social context of the text. 16

8. (a) Discuss 'Sultana's Dream' as a sci-fiction. 8

(b) Do you think that 'Sultana's Dream' is an apt title or not. Discuss. 8

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9. Sultana's Dream' is a kind of Utopia of every woman who is struggling against patriarchy and gender discrimination for her own place i.e. 'Lady Land'. **16**