

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)
BA DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2026
(Sixth Semester)
Branch -**SOCIOLOGY**
GENDER & SOCIETY

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

SECTION-A (10 Marks)

Answer **ALL** questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks (10 × 1 = 10)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	1	Gendered division of labor refers to (i) Equal distribution of work between men and women (ii) Assigning work roles based on gender (iii) Division of labor in factories (iv) Work done only by women	K1	CO1
	2	Men are strong, and women are weak" is an example of (i) Gender identity (ii) Gender role (iii) Gender stereotype (iv) Gender expression	K2	CO1
2	3	Select the feminist theorist most closely associated with liberal feminism (i) Shulamith Firestone (ii) Mary Wollstonecraft (iii) Friedrich Engels (iv) Juliet Mitchell	K1	CO2
	4	Point out the radical feminist concept captured in the slogan (i) Workers of the world unite (ii) The personal is political (iii) Equal pay for equal work (iv) Sisterhood is powerful but limited	K2	CO2
3	5	Identify the sociologist who developed preference theory to explain women's choices between family-centered and work-centered lifestyles (i) Sylvia Walby (ii) Catherine Hakim (iii) Arlie Hochschild (iv) Heidi Hartmann	K1	CO3
	6	Identify the term used to describe the average difference between men's and women's aggregate wages or salaries (i) Wage discrimination (ii) Gender pay gap (iii) Occupational segregation (iv) Labor market duality	K2	CO3
4	7	Identify the constitutional amendment in India that mandated one-third reservation for women in local self-government bodies (i) 71st Constitutional Amendment (ii) 73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendments 1992 (iii) 86th Constitutional Amendment (iv) 42nd Constitutional Amendment	K1	CO4
	8	Which term is used to describe the process of recruiting, moving, and exploiting individuals through force, coercion, or deception for commercial sexual exploitation? (i) Sexual harassment (ii) Forced prostitution (iii) Human trafficking (iv) Sexual slavery	K2	CO4
5	9	The Dowry Prohibition Act aims to (i) Promote marriage (ii) Prohibit giving and taking dowry (iii) Regulate divorce (iv) Protect inheritance rights	K1	CO5
	10	Women's rights are considered part of (i) Economic rights only (ii) Human rights (iii) Legal rights only (iv) Political rights only	K2	CO5

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SECTION - B (35 Marks)Answer **ALL** questions**ALL** questions carry **EQUAL** Marks (5 × 7 = 35)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	11a.	Differentiate between sex and gender.	K3	CO1
		OR		
	11b.	Explain gender socialization and its agents.		
2	12a.	Explain the Radical feminist perspective on gender inequality.	K3	CO2
		OR		
	12b.	Critically analyze the Postmodern feminist critique of universal feminism.		
3	13a.	Critically examine the biological and cultural explanations of the gender division of labour.	K4	CO3
		OR		
	13b.	Analyze gender inequalities in the workplace with suitable examples.		
4	14a.	To what extent does gender disparity in education reflect and reinforce social inequality?	K4	CO4
		OR		
	14b.	Evaluate the role of power and dominance in shaping gender-based violence.		
5	15a.	Examine the effectiveness of economic rights in empowering women.	K4	CO5
		OR		
	15b.	Assess how far the MTP Act successfully balances women's reproductive rights with ethical concerns.		

SECTION -C (30 Marks)Answer **ANY THREE** questions**ALL** questions carry **EQUAL** Marks (3 × 10 = 30)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	16	Analyze how gender stereotypes influence the gender division of labour and reinforce inequality.	K4	CO1
2	17	Critically analyze the strengths and limitations of various feminist theories in addressing gender inequality.	K4	CO2
3	18	Evaluate the relevance of Preference Theory in explaining women's labour force participation.	K5	CO3
4	19	Analyze the barriers to women's political participation using real-life examples from recent elections.	K4	CO4
5	20	Despite the existence of anti-dowry laws, dowry practices continue in many parts of India. Evaluate the effectiveness of dowry laws with reference to recent real-life examples.	K6	CO5

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