

E.M.G.YADAVA WOMEN'S COLLEGE, MADURAI-14.**(An Autonomous Institution – Affiliated to Madurai Kamaraj University)****(Re-accredited (3rd Cycle) with Grade A⁺ & CGPA 3.51 by NAAC)****CBCS****DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY****M.A. HISTORY****(w.e.f. 2017- 2018 Batch onwards)****Elective -IV****Title of the Paper : Women's Studies****Semester : III****Contact Hours: 6****Sub Code : 17PHE3B****Credits : 5****Objectives:**

1. To impart knowledge on Women Studies.
2. To familiarize the students with the various theories and its impacts on women in society.
3. To empower the students with the socio economic welfare programmes on women empowerment. .

Unit : I

Introduction to Women's Studies : Meaning- Definition – concept- Genesis and growth – Concept and scope – Subject matter of Women's Studies – objectives of Women Studies – History of Feminism – Goals of Feminism – Kinds of Feminism

Unit : II

International conference for the advancement of women- World Conferences on women: Mexio (1975)-Copenhagn(1980)-Nairobi(1985)- Beijing(1995)- Millenuim development goals UN 2000 Agenda

Unit: III

The programme for women development :CDB, IRDP, DWCRA, TRYSEM, STEP, support to I NDRA AWAS YOJNA Women and environment Women's Movements and Organizations in India – Self-help Group – Green Belt Movement and Women's Health Movement – Women Organizations – Social Reforms – Pre-Independence Period – Arya Mahila Samaj – Bharat Mahila Samaj –Post-Independence period – CSWB – SEWA –NCW –International Women's year.

Unit: IV

Women and health-Morality and mobility- HIV-Maternity and child health-Issues of old age home-Nature as famine sustainable development and impact of women— State government's social welfare programmes for Women.

Unit: V

Women and the Law - Dowry Prohibition Act 1961 – Equal Remuneration Act 1976 - Hindu code of laws – Prohibition of Indecent Representation of Women Act 1987 – Domestic Violence (Prevention) Act (2005) – Maternity benefit Act –Act against rape-Harassment -Eve - Teasing .

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2. Iyathurai. C, *Human Rights*, Ganga Publications, Pudukkottai, 2008.
3. Jasprit Kaur Soni, *Women Empowerment , Synchronising the Gender Power* Authors Press, Delhi, 2011.
4. Jeyarāj, Nirmala, *Women and Society: A Reader in Women's Studies*. Delhi, 2005.
5. Krishna Gupta, *Women: Law & Public Opinion*, Rawat Publication , Jaipur and New Delhi, 2001.
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