



WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY
B.A. Programme 6th Semester Examination, 2024

ENGGGEC02T-ENGLISH (GE2)

GENDER AND HUMAN RIGHTS



Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.*

1. Answer any **one** of the following questions (within 500 words): 15×1 = 15
 - (a) Explain Human Rights. When can you say that human rights are violated?
 - (b) What are the challenges that gender rights movements face in the 21st Century? Briefly suggest how they can be overcome.
2. Answer any **one** of the following questions (within 500 words): 15×1 = 15
 - (a) Justify the title of Anand's *Untouchable*.
 - (b) Does the novel *Untouchable* offer any possibilities for social mobility of the untouchables or does it solely emphasise on their entrapment? Discuss.
3. Answer any **one** of the following questions (within 500 words): 15×1 = 15
 - (a) Critically assess 'Draupadi' as a specimen of protest literature with close reference to the text.
 - (b) Mahasweta Devi's 'Draupadi' challenges traditional gender roles. Do you agree? Justify your answer.
4. Answer any **one** of the following questions (within 200 words): 5×1 = 5
 - (a) Delineate in brief the character of Bakha in *Untouchable*.
 - (b) Write a short note on the ending in 'Draupadi'.

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