**VALUE ADDED COURSE**

**1ST SEMESTER**

**(DEPARTMENT OF HOME SCIENCE)**

**Open for All**

**“GENDER AND SOCIETY”**

**Credit Value-2**

#### Learning Outcomes

* Describe basic concepts of gender and relevance of gender studies as an academic discipline.
* Describe theories and concepts of gender and development.
* Analyze human rights in terms of gender equality and gender equity.
* Critically analyze existing laws and the legal system through a gender lens.
* Analyze how gender is constructed in different types of media.

#### UNIT-I Gender: A Social Construction

Differences between sex and gender – biological determinism Key gender concepts and definitions

Gender socialization in family and society

Patriarchal institutions and key areas of patriarchal control Caste, class and gender intersectionality in India

Gender identities and sexual orientations (femininity, masculinity, LGBTQIA) Status of women – historical and contemporary perspectives

Introduction to women’s studies/ gender studies as a discipline

#### UNIT-II Gender and Development: Approaches and Strategies

Concept of gender and development – indicators of human and gender development – equality and equity

Orientation to theories of women, gender and development (WID, WAD and GAD) Human Development Index (HDI), Gender Development Index (GDI), Gender Inequality Index (GII), and Gender Empowerment Measure

Gender budgeting and gender auditing

Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

**UNIT-III Gender, Rights and Laws-**

Girls, women, and human rights UDHR, UN-CEDAW and UN-CRC

Constitutional provisions accorded to women

Legal aspects related to women: PCPNDT Act, PWDVA, Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) act, Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, The Dowry Prohibition Act.

Overview of laws related to marriage, divorce and property inheritance. The Women’s Reservation Bill

#### UNIT-IV Gender, Health and Empowerment

Gender discrimination and under nutrition

Epidemiology of menstruation and menstrual disorder, health indicators and gender gap Socioeconomic inequality and women's health

Biological and psychological determinants of women's health (all in brief)

Gender inequality in labor market: segmented labor market and occupational segregation Gendered jobs and social inequality

Sex segregation at work place (in brief)