OR

MDC 1C: INTRODUCTION TO GENDER EQUALITY

(Credits: Theory-03) **Theory: 45 Lectures**

Marks: 75 (ESE: 3 Hrs) = 75

Course Learning Outcomes:

The Course on Gender Equity aims to provide students:

- 1. An understanding of the basic concepts related to Gender, the norms and the processes that shape Gender perceptions and the importance of Gender equity and equality.
- 2. A comprehension of the various indicators of Gender inequality, and the institutions and processes that sustain it.
- 1. An awareness of the various Conventions, constitutional and legal provisions for Gender equity.
- 3. An understanding of the concept, importance, measurement and indicators of Gender disaggregated data and Gender audit.

Course Learning Outcomes:

The course on Gender equity would enable the students to:

- 1. Have an understanding of the various concepts related to Gender, social norms and processes that foster gender inequality, and the importance of Gender equity and equality.
- 1. Understand the variables of Gender inequality, institutions and processes that foster discrimination, prejudiced portrayal and violence against women
- 2. Be equipped with the knowledge of various international conventions, Constitutional and legal provisions available for bringing about greater Gender equity and equality
- 4. Be aware of the concept, measurement and indicators of gender equity and gender equality and appreciate the value and importance of gender data and gender audit

Course Content:

UNIT I: Understanding Gender Equity

Basic concepts - Sex, Gender, Sexuality, Patriarchy, Gender Stereotypes, Gender Division of Labour, Gender Bias, Socialisation, Internalisation of Gender values, Devaluation and Marginalisation, Gender Equity – Meaning and Definition; Gender Equality – Meaning and Definition; Gender Equality - Relationship; The importance of Gender Equity and Gender Equality in society.

UNIT II: Discrimination and Violence 9 hours

Indicators of inequality - Sex Ratio, Education, Health and nutrition, Work participation, Institutions of Gender Inequality- Family, Economy, Religion, Education and Political institutions, Discrimination and Violence - Female Foeticide, Infanticide, Child Marriage, Domestic Violence, Unequal access to property, Unequal access to political participation, Trafficking and commodification of Women's body, Representation of women in Media.

UNIT III: Gender Equity and Legal provisions

International Conventions - CEDAW, Millennium Development Goals (MDG's), Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's),

Constitutional Rights of Women in India (Relevant articles of Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles), Protective Legislation for Women in India – The Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961; Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013; Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Prevention Act, 2005

National Commission for Women - -Composition, powers and functions; Jharkhand State Commission for Women - Composition, powers and functions

UNIT IV: Towards Measuring Gender Equity and Equality 3 hours

Gender Empowerment measure (GEM) – Meaning and Indicators, Global Gender Gap Index – Meaning and indicators,

Gender Disaggregated Data - Meaning and importance, Gender Audit - Meaning and importance