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2. Q. Write a comprehensive essay on the sex versus gender debate in feminist philosophy and social sciences, reflecting nature versus nurture argument?

Ans: Introduction:

Sex refers to biological differences in chromosomes, anatomy, reproductive systems and other physiological traits. Whereas, gender refers to social constructs. Both are at cross purposes often people use it interchangeably but both have different meaning. According to Stoller, gender is social construct whereas sex refers to biological traits. World today is highly gendered in which society allocates different roles to a male or a female based on their gender. According to West and Zimmerman, ~~or~~ gender is not something we are born with, not something we have, but something we do.

Difference in happiness at the time of child's birth:-

many studies has shown that parents or family welcome child differently on the basis of her/his gender. When family hears that they are blessed with a boy, they ~~shou~~ become more happy. Expressions at the time of birth of girl are quite different than that of boy. According to DeBevoise, One is not

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born woman but rather becomes a woman.

2- Difference in Dressing:

Dressing of females is quite different from other gender. Pink, yellow and shining colours are associated with female. On the other hand, white and black dresses are associated with male. From childhood, society inculcates that in them their dressing pattern. Even today, males have more privilege in dressing. men wear tie, shirt and trousers. When women go to their offices they wear dresses like men. But, it is very hard to find when males adopts dressings of female.

3- Difference in opportunities:

Opportunities differ with gender role. Women faces discriminations in her entire life. Women are marginalised at the hands of society, man gets more opportunities as compared to a woman despite even if she is more hardworking and intelligent. According to Dafam 2001, women have fewer opportunities to own land, property, credit, fewer educational knowledge and paid job that hinders her status in the society.

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4. Wage disparity:-

Women gets less pay as compared to that of men. Firstly, women have less opportunities. If she managed to get job then she faces discrimination in salary. It is often thought that work done by man is of high prestige and more valuable. Even if women deserve more than man she is often ignored by patriarchal set standards. According to Wallbey, patriarchy is a set of standards and practices of society that are made to dominate, oppress and subjugate women.

5. Property rights:-

Despite all feminist movements, women still face discrimination in inheritance rights. Male and female both having same parents even then male feels that he has more rights over property of his parents. It is often think that female has to go to other house after marriage then she should not be given same privileges as male is getting. Internationally women have less rights over property. Like, according to the 'U.N. Only' 1 percent of commercial property belong to females. Till 19's women were not given rights to possess

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any land or property. States also ensured that women should not be given right of property now after movements led for rights, situation became less critical but even now women suffers.

Power relationship:-

Women get less access to resources and male dominates over them. Studies shows that young brothers control their elder sisters or even mother. For example, Qandeel Baloch was killed by his own brother to whom in the name of honour killing. Furthermore, according to Quwat Foundation, many women have been killed in the name of honour killing, many are given in the name to settle feudal disputes and many are married forcefully even at young age.

Right of Education:

Women also get less exposure to right of education. It has been seen that drop rate from primary to secondary schools for females are more than male. Women have to sacrifice for their male siblings if family suffers due to social or economic reasons. It is female who has to leave

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her studies, sacrifice over dreams
or food. According to the Sustainable
Peace & Development Institute, disparity
rate of education at primary
level is 0.8 whereas it is 0.7
at secondary level. Moreover,
according to U.N, 60% of poor
are women.

(c) Political involvement:-

Disparity in political sector also
goes on. It has been seen that
women have less participation in
politics. Worldwide, women are almost
50 percent of the global population.
But she has less representation
in the legislature which is meant
to be policy maker and representative
of all segments of society. Now,
circumstances are changing. Females
are getting representation in
parliaments but still their number
is less. For example: Pakistan has
342 seats in national Assembly.
Only 60 seats ~~are~~ ^{is} reserved for

female. Due to less representation in policy making, women suffers in other spheres too. For example, National Assembly had passed bill against domestic violence, but it was failed to become law due to non-approval in senate. If females have more representation in the legislature then femibill should have been passed. According to U.N, 1 in 3 women has passed through phase of violence in her life cycle.

(a) Attributes difference:

Female is perceived to be compassionate and nurturing. Whereas male has to be strong, courages, & active and career oriented according to patriarchy standard. If anyone goes against these standards then she/he will not be liked by the society.

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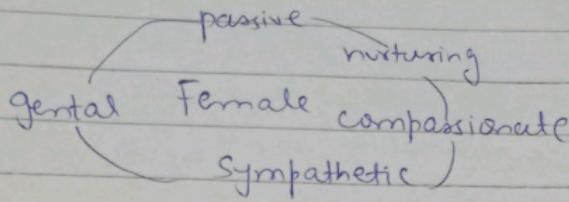
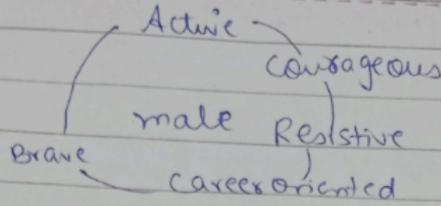
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[perceived attributes of male and Female according to Standards of Society].

Conclusions:

In the light of above discussion, Women have differences in physical orientation than that of male, but these are exaggerated by patriarchy to maintain itself. According to Butler, gender is something we perform. World has to reduce gender parity in order to develop. As according to Global development Report, Reducing gender parity is

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