

## Essay

Why is accepting women's freedom hard for orthodoxy?

### Outline:

#### 1- Introduction

Thesis statement:

The orthodox has always been reluctant to accept women's freedom.

The women's freedom plays decisive role in uplifting women's status in society but conservative culture puts an obstacle before it. However, by spreading awareness and breaking patriarchal norms, women can achieve their real status in the society.

#### 2- Why acceptance of women's freedom is hard for orthodoxy

#### 3- Various aspects of women's freedom

a- Equal opportunities in public representation

b- Right of decision-making in domestic matters

c- Economic equality of women

d- Provision of educational rights

#### 4. Causes for <sup>non-acceptance of</sup> (orthodoxy to accept) women's freedom

- a. Lack of educational background
- b. Rigid mindset proves to be an obstacle
- c. Constrictions due to misinterpreted religious teachings
- d. Threat to the patriarchal status-quo
- e. Societal constraints responsible for non-accepting attitude

#### 5. Impacts of not accepting women's freedom by orthodoxy

- a. Halt in economic growth of the country
- b. Increasing gender disparity in society
- c. Deep-rooting of patriarchal norms
- d. Compromise on women's basic fundamental rights
- e. Prevailing sense of inferiority among women

#### 6. Way forward: Enhance acceptance of women's freedom

- a. Implementation of article 25-A of constitution, 1973.
- b. Preaching of real islamic teachings by religious clerics
- c. Awareness about gender parity

#### 7. Conclusion