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English Essay  
Mock Exam

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Topic:- Is feminism a clearly understood concept in our Society.

Outline:-

### 1. Introduction

Thesis statement:- There is a tremendous dissent over the concept of feminism in our society. This is due to demand of women for equal rights and representation. However, the issue can be resolved by providing women with equal rights and by empowering them in this patriarchal society.

### 2- overview of the concept of feminism in our society.

### 3- Why feminism is not a clearly understood concept in our Society?

- a) men consider feminism not as equality but as sameness.
- b) men believe that feminists want to control the world.
- c) Fears of adverse effect in marriage, culture, relation etc.

- d) mind set of gender biased roles
- e) forceful and angry women shown in Aurat march.

4- How feminism can be clearly understood concept in our Society?

- a) By portraying feminism as equality but not 'sameness'
- b) By providing concept of equal representation
- c) By showing empowered women successful in their family lives too
- d) De-constructing gender biased roles
- e) By portraying positive image of women and feminism.

5- Concept of feminism not getting true meanings in our societies.

- a) equality is still utopia in many spheres of life.
- b) equal representation does not ensure the control of woman and overthrowing of men's power.
- c) empowered women's are often considered not good in family life but in actual they handles matters

more sensibly.

- d) Gender biased roles, <sup>not deconstructed yet</sup> considers it duty of women to bring up child and to manage house.
- e) Aggressive nature is due to not getting their due rights.

## 6- conclusion

## Essay

"Feminism is not a man vs women issue. It's about people vs. prejudice." (Laura Bates). Feminism being one of the challenging issue of our society has seen various hurdles to ensures women their due rights men think it as a way of getting them out of power whereas its all about ending the pre-determined prejudice and injustice with the women. This biased free thought is helpful for men to empower women, by this they can be the one who believes in power of women as much as they believe in power of anything else. There is a tremendous dissent over the concept of feminism in our society. This is due to the demand of women for equal rights and representation. However the issue can be resolved by providing women with equal rights and by empowering them in this patriarchal society.

Men consider feminism as the same rights of man where as its all about equal rights of man and women. Their another concern is that women want to control the world by overthrowing man, along with this, they have fears of the negative impacts of women empowerment in their martial and cultural spheres.

Most of the people has biased look over the roles of genders which is another hurdle in the concept of feminism. Media portray the face of aggressive and forceful women during anti march which portrays negative and hard image of women. Giving women their due rights can help the women to be kind, empowered and can lead to peace and prosperity of the nation.

one of the most important point of not considering feminism as its true to its original

concept is men's thought of sameness. They consider that women want to get same rights as that of men where as they want equal rights. Men and women are not same physically that's why they can never get same rights. One is physically weak and another is physically strong due to these physical changes the sameness of the roles is utopia. A man can never get pregnant or can give birth to a baby like wise a woman can never has sperms and can't reproduce ~~itself~~ without men. To portray the true picture man has to understand the difference between equality and sameness so that he may get the positive definition of feminism.

Another point of misinterpreting feminism is the man's thinking that women want to control the world by overthrowing them ~~and~~, their supremacy and their rule. They think that by

giving women their due rights they can override male in various domains. They have seen various examples of <sup>female</sup> rulers in the world who are ruling the countries and the increasing influence of women in the public and private job spheres. women are head of 22 countries in the world out of 152 countries (UN women.org).

Another data shows that 26.5% in lower houses of the world are women (UNwomen.org), while in Pakistan's parliament the participation of female is 21%. ~~Male~~ men don't want to give rights to women due to their fear of women's rule over the world.

Third reason for not considering feminism a clear concept is that men's fears of empowered women and its adverse negative impacts in relationship, family, cultural

values and traditions. They assume that empowered women don't give men their due rights over her. Empowered women ~~are~~ always conscious about family planning. They are not always interested in having baby with men's consent. Along with these an empowered women also think that it's not only the duty of women to run or administer houses.

~~They consider~~ Men are of the thought that empowered women consider their duties as a chain of freedom. That is the main reason ~~that~~ of not getting feminism as a true concept.

Fourth most important reason that feminism is misunderstood concept of our society is that most of the men are born and brought up with gender biased mindset. They consider that raising children, washing, cooking, cleaning etc are all the work to be done by women whereas



going out, earning for the family, grocery are the task for the men. They are not ready to digest the mutual roles feminism is demanding. According to the report 93% of the employed women regularly perform unpaid house work too. (UN women.com) and only 54% of the men helps women in housework. This gender gap is showing the mind set that man are not ready to accept the feminism in true sense and are afraid of de-constructing this thought.

~~The~~ Fifth reason of society taking feminism as negative concept is the media showing forceful and aggressive women in aurat march with the posters having immoral words on it. It ignites man and his sentiments they consider women as harsh, oppressive, and portrays image of vulgarity through ~~the~~ some of the

posters. They are of the thought that if given power and rights they may result into worst and forceful behaviour which is harm to man, country and future generations. Thus, they consider it not a fair choice to consider feminism to its true sense by experiencing the oppressive and forceful behaviours.

<sup>concept of</sup> Feminism can be clearly understood concept in society firstly by making men aware of the fact that equality between men and women is important for a balanced society. Around 50% of the population of Pakistan are women. Men need to realize that they need to provide women equal rights and representations. As they are different ~~from~~ in terms of anatomy, sameness can never be demanded. Sameness is possible b/w the same gender but can never be possible in opposite

Gender. The only need is to empower both the gender ~~is~~ by providing them equal rights and representation.

Another way of promoting feminism as a clear concept is to make masses realize that in this population where around 50% of the population is of women it is of prime importance to give women equal representation in political, public, private job sectors. This would help to boost the economy and would empower women too. Representation can be seen in army, navy, politics and in bureaucracy but still needs to focus it as a good representation of women ensures good system as we can see in most of the developed countries where man and women both go for the job and manage their house as well. So equal representation with this positive view can help <sup>the term</sup> feminism to get its clear understanding.

Adding further, a good and successful women stories can be shared to make -the man understand -the good outcomes of Feminism. A illiterate women may not handles -the affairs of his family or may not be bold and courageous enough to deal with the problems of modern age. But an empowered women who has know how of his rights, who know about to deal the situation can ~~or~~ not only defend herself at workplace but she can also handle ~~his~~ house well in the absence of ~~his~~ partner as she knows she can get provided by state through some achieved legislation of women rights and movements.

Furthermore, if the dire need of the time to de-construct gender roles set by our societies. we are living in the age of industrialization its not that era when women were just restricted to their houses and their task was to manage his house. Now, its no more ~~on~~ the duty of women only to ~~B~~ take care of

the child. Its combined responsibility and these outdated gender roles were truly society constructed. They are not proved by any religious context or from any expert. Families having both men and ~~women~~ women with jobs have understood it that it's not only women's job to administer homes.

As they are assisting in the development of country and family well-being the gender biased roles can be deconstructed and duties can be divided to make life peaceful.

Along with this, media need to portray positive image of women. Feminism is getting dissentment in society mostly due to the harsh image of women shows through various news channels during Aurat march and also through the negative roles of women played in dramas. They are showing empowered women as the one who has the right to misbehave with ~~her~~ family, her husband,

can easily slap him. But it's wrong feminism is getting rights in the realm of culture and norms set by societies and limits by the religion. So, the positive image of media can show women empowered and grounded which can help man to digest the true definition of feminism by accepting women rights and empowerment.

But our society has yet ~~not~~ understood feminism clearly as we can see that most of the backward and even educated families too don't give women their due rights. They are treated on the basis of discrimination. Have no choice to other than to accept family decision either it be the question of their career or marriage. Girls in most of the families can't talk about love marriage and most can even not reject the proposal without the assent of their parents. Pakistan has 46% rate of forced marriages (women economic forum). and female labor force

participation is around 25%. (Asian development bad). This portrays the ~~is~~ poor understanding of women rights in our societies.

However, equal representation of women and their empowerment builds a fear in man to push them out of power and the supremacy of women is what they are afraid of. But how mere representation can ensure the supremacy or the control. What equal representation can only guarantee is the well-being of the families allowing women to participate in various sphere and along with this nation may prosper. As was the quote of Quaid-e-Azam "No nation can rise to the height of glory unless your women are side by side with you."

Moreover, an empowered women has proved to be a true blessing for most of the families. When a ~~woman~~ man is educated or

empowered he himself is educated and empowered but when a woman is empowered and education she transfer that empowerment and education to the generations. an empowered woman is always kind and just, takes the correct decision but the thought of our society is just opposite they want empowerment and education for women. Pakistan ranks 145<sup>th</sup> out of 146 countries on world Economic forum (2022, report, UN women). Thus an empowered woman is necessary for empowered families, empowered generations and empowered nations

Adding more to it, gender based roles still has not not de-constructed. Still we can see in the middle class families most of the working mothers have to perform all the roles of motherhood from cleaning, to cooking and washing. She has no right to get tired whereas, a working man after getting back from the work consider



himself as a King and all he assumes to be his duty is just to watch Tv, <sup>use</sup> mobile or eat food. All the other roles are performed by women. Showing that this patriarchal and male dominating society has not truly understood the concept of feminism.

In the same way, aggressive nature of women is not always seen, it's in few cases, and that too, just because of not giving them due respect and rights they deserve. They are considered machines, whose only task is to perform various function without getting due rights or any type of accomplishment. They are bullied at home and at work place too which leads to the aggressive behaviour of women. upon <sup>giving them</sup> getting their due rights and and considering them human a variable change can be seen in her behaviour.

In a nut shell it can be said that feminism is not a clearly understood concept in our society. Feminism means equality between man and women but not the sameness, equal representation of man and women in every sphere of life, deconstruction of gender roles set by societies. Men consider feminists as forceful and angry women but it's not true in all cases. It depends on the situations and their circumstances they are facing. Most of the times being bullied at home and workplace too. However, women has gotten their fundamental rights in various educated families and govt is also providing quotas for women in political sphere and government jobs. There is still ray of hope that these educated individuals would help the public to recognize women rights which would pave a road to get true understanding of the concept of feminism.

"Each time a women stand for herself  
She stand for all women."