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## INTRODUCTION

The autonomy versus integration debate in gender studies has been central to the development and evolution of field. It revolves around whether gender studies should exist as a distinct, autonomous discipline or be integrated into other disciplines, such as sociology, political science, anthropology and history. This debate has profoundly shaped the theoretical, methodological and instructional trajectories of gender studies.

## Theoretical Contribution:

i) Autonomy perspective:

ii) Development of unique framework

Advocates for autonomy argue that gender studies require its own theoretical frameworks, that foreground gender, patriarchy and intersectionality as central categories of analysis -

## 2- Challenge to traditional discipline-

By remaining autonomous gender studies have challenged the traditional norms that were ignored historically. This critique propelled other fields to consider and reformulate their foundational assumption.

## 3 Space for Marginalized Voices -

An autonomous gender studies field will provide a space for voices that are suppressed and could not be heard on national and international level. For example the voices of LGBGTQ, and individual who are gender deprived and consider themselves underrepresented.

Example: The transgenders of Pakistan and South Asia -

# I NTEGRATION PERSPECTIVE

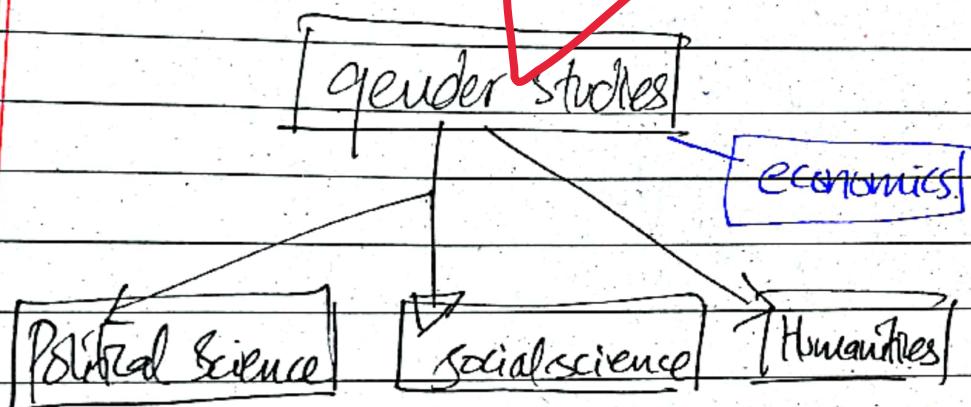
## 1) Mainstream gender analysis:

The proponents of integration theory are of the view that by exposing several gender domains into one integrated field of economics, IR and Science

Gender ➤ International Relation / Economics

Broadening the scope

By integrating other sciences into the subject of gender studies ensuring that gender is not a isolated issue. This approach shows that it holds integral capabilities to embed.



## METHODOLOGICAL CONTRIBUTION

- Autonomy Perspective -

1- Innovative Methods:

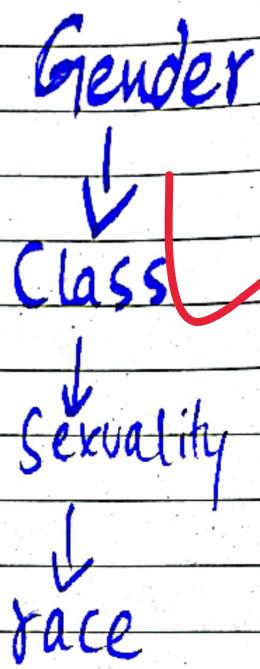
The push for autonomy has encouraged the development of new methodologies such as feminist ethnography, participation action

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research narrative analysis etc.

## 2. Intersectional Approaches:

gender studies have been instrumental in promoting intersectionality as a methodological tool, analyzing how multiple identities (gender, race, class, sexuality) intersect with each other to shape experiences of oppression and privilege.



## - Interdisciplinary Synergies:

Integration has facilitated the blending of methods of various disciplines such as -

Research - Analysis - Modeling  
Methodological Toolkit etc.

## Broader Contributions

### I- Shifting paradigms:

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### Expanding field:

Both perspectives have expanded the scope ensuring that it addressed diverse topics of reproductive rights, domestic labor, gender based violence and intersectionality of gender with globalization.

### Bridging theory and Activism

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## Colonial Perspective

The colonial perspective elaborates how European and British colonial powers constructed and enforced gender norms and hierarchies in colonized societies. This perspective focuses on the intersection of race, class and gender in colonial domination.

# 1- Imposition of European Gender Norms:

Patriarchial gender norms as colonized societies, which led to disruption and indigenous gender system. Women held significant economic, social, and spiritual role that were diminished or erased under colonial rule.

Case in Point: African and Native Women

## 2- Exploitation of labor-

Colonial economies use to exploit women by unpaid or underpaid labor for women particularly in agriculture, industry and domestic chores. This highlights its gloomy situation.

## 3- Gender Violence

The sexual violence and reduced equal rights of women under colonial rule targeted women bodies and desires -

Example: Gender Violence in  
colonize: Concept of saving women-

## 4- Construction of otherness

colonial discourse

portrayed colonized women as either exotic hypersexualized figures or victims of needing rescue - They are stereotyped by harmful narratives as dehumanized!

## Impact of Colonial Gender Perspective:

The colonial perspective reinforces patriarchal structure

## Impact of Capitalistic Gender Perspective :

Capitalism reinforces patriarchal norms by undervaluing traditional feminine labour such as caregiving and nurturing. It has created a system of gender inequality. That has hindered economic growth, it relied on cheap labour and unpaid workers.

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# Intersection of Colonialism and Capitalism.

Following discourse will highlight colonial and capitalist debate:

## Gender → Globalization -

Industry, garment making, corporations for cheap labour

Cultural Imperialism → Western gender norms via Media, cultural products etc.

## Resistance and alternative Perspectives:

### I- Feminist movements -

Feminist critique

Not holds four waves of feminism  
Strongly oppose the colonial mindset.  
They vote for liberal system  
where everyone can possess  
equal rights.

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Add both positive and negative points

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## Key Events:

Seneca Falls Convention (1848), Declaration of sentiments -

## Key Personalities:

Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Emmeline Pankhurst.

## Achievements:

Right to vote in America 1920s  
Property and inheritance rights

## Second Wave

Addresses systematic gender inequalities beyond legal rights - workplace equalities, equal pay, reproductive rights and challenging patriarchy were few points to be mentioned.

## Key Events:

Formation of national organization of women (NOW) - Miss America Protests - wide in public - (1968)

## Figures:

Publication by Betty Friedan (1963) .  
book The Feminine Mystique .

# Third Wave from 1990s – Present

## Key Objectives -

Embrace diversity of women, homogenized & early values) dominated by white, middle class perspective, Advocated for LGBTQ+ rights.

## Key Events -

Third wave feminist rise like bell hooks and Judith Butler-

# Me too movements -

## Key figures -

Kimberle Crenshaw -

## Achievements :

Greater inclusion for marginalized groups in feminist discourse.

## Case of Pakistan.

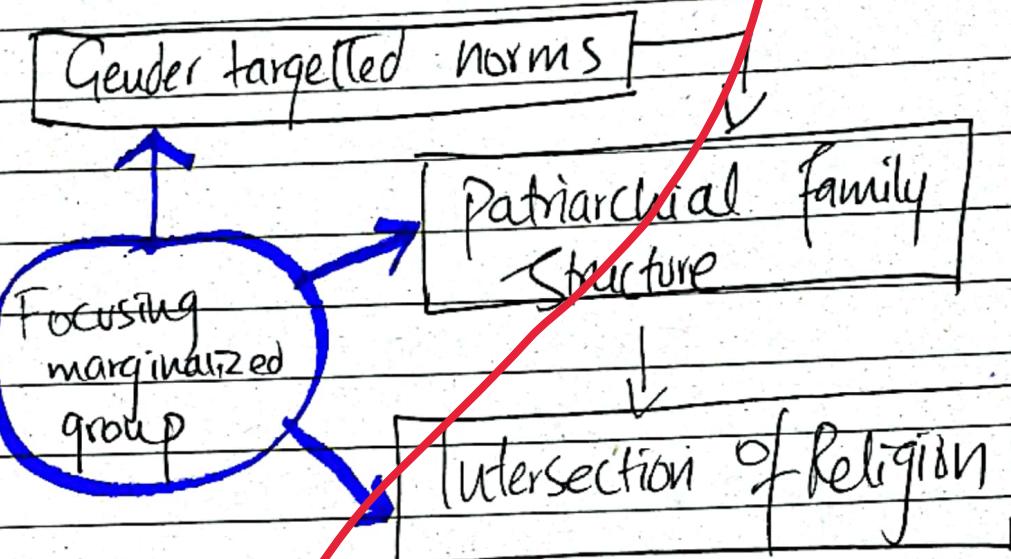
Viewing from current scenario, the socio economic conditions of Pakistan, it is widely believed that Post colonial and Social feminism is best suited for elevating the status of women in pakistan. Both

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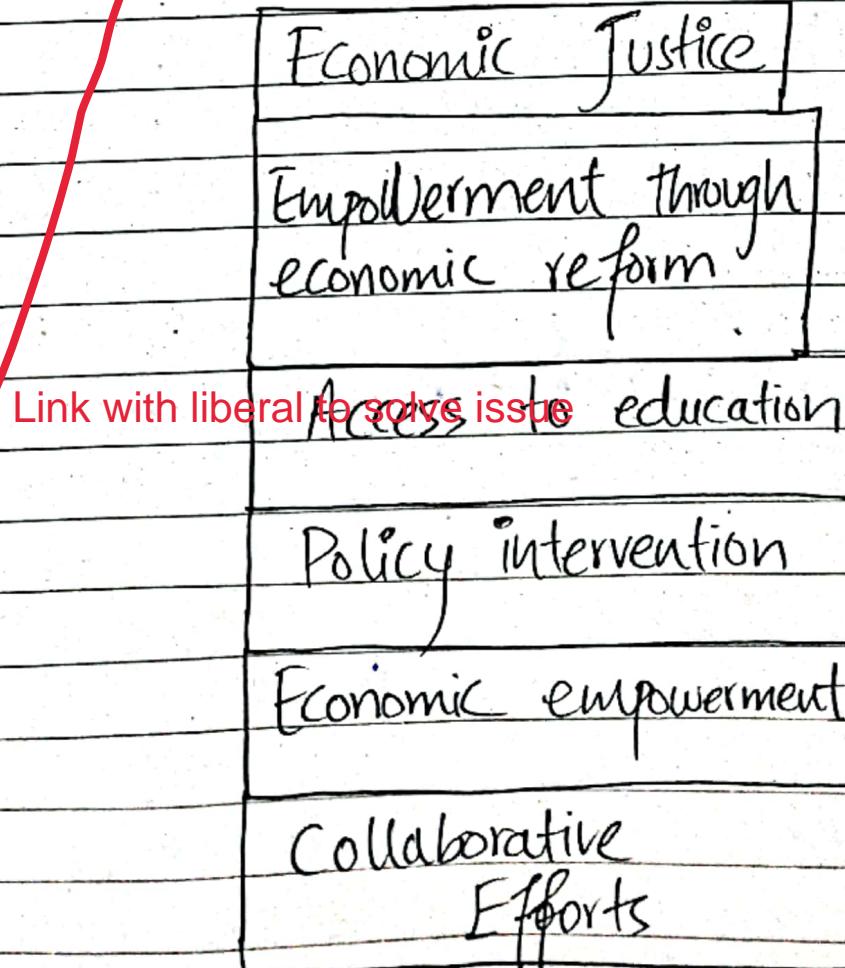
In case of representation and economy.

## Post colonial Feminism

It will target



## Socialist feminism:



## Conclusion:

The three waves of feminism in the world have contributed a lot a comprehensive understanding of gender equality , addressing legal, social and intersectional issues

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# Women and Globalization:

Globalization in the twenty-first century is characterized by interconnectedness of the world by way of economies, cultures and technologies has many roles.

## Positive Impacts:

- 1- Increased opportunity  
Women through globalization have received access to industries like technology, garments and manufacturing.
- 2- Awareness  
All the media and global access have joined ways for women rights and online learning.
- 3- Empowerment through work-

Globalization has fostered the formation of sense of empowerment in women via businesses, organizations and networking -

## Negative impacts:

- 1- Exploitation in Gender (labored Markets).  
Women from developing countries like Pakistan where still 60% women do not have access to online systems faces huge exploitation.

## Inequalities:

gender disparities  
women's disproportional burden  
the burden of poverty and  
unpaid labour

## Cultural homogenization:

Traditional gender roles may be reinforced or disrupted leading to cultural tension. Other issues include environmental issues as well in developing countries.

## Women and global issues

Workplace inequality  
unpaid or less paid  
harassment  
Health crisis  
Educational barriers  
Disparities etc

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## Women in Development

emerged in 1970's  
with the focus of integrating women into developmental processes such as giving access

Important Note to get Good marks in Gender Studies:

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Marks would be given on the following

parameters

a- Content 60% References 15% Subject

specific language 15%. Graphs and charts 10%

violence and harassment -

Add 12-13 headings in each question

Women in development focus  
on inclusion of women in service  
the questions carry 3-4 parts... each part has  
equal weightage so discuss all equally.

use subject specific jargons e.g. Patriarchy,  
entrenched traditional values etc. Also, do not  
add blunt statements

## Women and development

use types, waves and theories of feminism as  
references

It developed in 1980s  
while shifting the lens from  
attempt all parts in the question, do not neglect  
one

relations between man and

add facts and figures to support your argument

women advocating for structural  
changes to address inequality

Add names of Mary Wollstonecraft, Judith Butler, Stuart Mill, Simone de Beauvoir,

Rafia Zakaria, Rubina Seghal, Farzana Bari etc.

in relevant arguments to make your paper

attractive.

Analyzing how care for race, class

and other factors intersect

with gender - It also

explore women issues from a  
neo-marxist and dependency

theory practice -

good luck