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Question No 7:

Describe the rights, role, and status of women in Islam. How Muslim woman is more empowered than the western woman. Discuss.

Answer:

1: Introduction

2: Rights, role and status of women in Islam.

3: Efforts of western women for their rights.

a: First wave of feminism.

b: second " " "

c: Third " " "

4: Comparison between Muslim women and western women.

5: Conclusion.

1: Introduction:

Before Islam Arabs were living in ignorance, women were treated as private property. Islam gave women a special status that enable her to live a decent life. While on the other hand, women in west get their due rights after putting

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efforts. Even in contemporary world the women in west is subject to various challenges where as Islam grant women exclusive right to empower her.

2: Rights, roles, and status of women in Islam.

According to the saying of Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) woman possess a special status.

"Best among you is the ^{one} who is good for their spouse"
(-sahib Bukhari)

The hadees of Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) shows the special status of women. The man who has a good and decent behavior with his spouse is called to be the best among all. Along with special status women have a ^{list} rights that western ^{1400 years} doesn't have. More than 1400 year ago Islam grant women right to own property, to decide his spouse, to have a share in inheritance and many more.

3: Efforts of Women in West for their rights.

Women in West after doing marches and facing hardship, get their basic human rights. Earlier they were treated as a commodity, and a public property. According to **Karl Marx** concept of **Communism**, man doesn't possess any private property even his wife is a public property and they were treated as not more than animal.

a: First Wave of Feminism:

late 19th century women in West realised that they are deprived of basic human rights. At that time they were subject to treatment as commodity not even allowed to vote and own property. First wave came to end by the start of 20th century and West grant women right to vote for the first time in history.

b: Second wave of feminism:

By the start of World War II when

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men in workforce left for war, women for the first time become the part of labor community. But as the society was unjust to women they paid half wages. By various protest they got right to be paid equally.

c: 3rd wave of feminism.

late 20th century the 3rd wave of feminism begin with demand of more rights and call for equal human rights begin. In 1991 women in USA for first time got the right to own ATM card without the permission of a guardian (man)

These efforts doesn't stop here but they are still facing several challenges i.e., Discrimination, workplace harassment, unable to possess good positions in companies and so on.

4. Compassion between the women in Islam and West.

Islam has grant women respect and special exclusive rights along with basic human rights. Women in muslim society have equal rights as man or might be more than a man. Islam says that man is a Guardian of women while the western philosopher says,

"Women is a mere incubator of man's seed
(-Aristotle)

Even in Today's modern era Women in West is faced with challenges of Gender based discrimination and workplace harassment. In Addition, by end of 3rd wave of feminism only white women gets their due rights successful, Black women is not even considered to be a human. While Prophet Muhammad says,

"There is no superiority of Arabs over non Arabs, and no Arabs over Arabs, the difference is only based on their practice
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(-Al-Bukhari)

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According to drama writer of Pakistan,

"Women makes the fate of society."

(Khalil-ur-Rehman)

The ^{one} who understand Islam is aware about the saying of Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) and Quran which indicates the special status of women.

5: Conclusion.

Hence proved that women is more empowered in Muslim society compared to western world. They not only having basic human right but also enjoying exclusive rights. Most of people judge the book by it's cover, they saw openness but ignores the difficulties they are confronted with.

Question No. 3:

Describe the concept of character building through education in the light of teaching of Islam. How it can transform the society. Elaborate.

Answer:

1: Introduction.

2: character building through education

3: a: Moral value

b: sense of responsibility.

c: sense of dual Accountability.

3: How education transform the society.

a: awareness of good and bad.

b: eliminate poverty.

c: Social Welfare.

4: conclusion.

1: Introduction:

Islam is a complete code of life not only tells humanity about the preaching of Allah but also guides the humanity in order to live better life. Humans are not like rivers which go with flow and like animal which only need food and water for survival. Humans need awareness and education to live a valuable life. Strong character is the power of man.

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Things that contribute in character building of individual involves education.

2: Character building through education.

Education plays crucial role in character building of individual. Education enable individual to think wisely and make him moral strong. Islam make it compulsory for the gender to get education.

"Seeking education is compulsory for both men and women."
(- Sahih muslim)

The saying prophet Muhammad^m further elaborate the importance of education. Educated individual could have the following characteristics.

- a: strong moral values.
- b: sense of responsibility
- c: sense of dual accountability. etc.

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a: Strong moral values:

Education helps individuals to have strong moral value and less tilt towards bad deeds. Islam says that,

"Support each other in good deeds and not to support anyone to promote bad doings."

(-Al maid: 2)

Awareness stop individuals from doing unjust and bad deeds. Resulting in strong character of individuals.

b: Sense of responsibility.

Education makes a person responsible towards society, environment and other individuals. Awareness of the surrounding and than the spirit of helping others. Islam says that innocent and criminals are not equal. Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) emphasized the idea,

each person is responsible for their own actions and must strive to do good in this world.

(- Sahih Muslim)

c: Sense of accountability:

In Islam there is a concept of dual accountability, one in this world in court and second in the day of judgement. One can avoid to be accountable in front of court by using resource but can not avoid to be accountability in front of Allah (SWT). Awareness make them responsible and give individual sense of accountability.

3: How education transform the society.

Education have the potential to transform an unstable society to a welfare stabled one. People with complete awareness avoid bad deeds and unjust to others, they can differentiate right from wrong. Education can transform a society by engraving positive qualities in the upcoming generation.

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a: sense of differentiation of good from bad.

c: eliminate poverty.

d: Promote social welfare.

Conclusion:

Education is a powerful tool to transform the society. It is not to memorize facts and get job but it is important to apply it on real life situation and give a better life.