

PART - II

QUESTION - 4

1) INTRODUCTION

Gender is learned through
the interaction with the
society

- J.S mill

This quote shows how gender is a learned response it is a social construct it is influenced by the symbolic interaction with the members of the society, functionalist perspective, theory of colour assignment etc all of which converge to ultimately construct gender.

2) DISCUSSING THE SOCIAL CONSTRUCTION OF GENDER IN THE LIGHT OF THEORIES OF SOCIAL CONSTRUCTION OF GENDER

2.1) Gender performative theory labelling gender as what one's performance is

According to Judith Butler's gender performative theory, gender is not ~~predestined~~ one is born with, rather it is based on how one performs his gender.

Example:-

Girls choosing dolls and boys choosing cars as toys is the performative way of them doing their gender.

2.2) Symbolic interactionism fostering social influence on gender identity

According to the theory of symbolic interactionism, one acquires their gender through interacting with the similar sex in a society.

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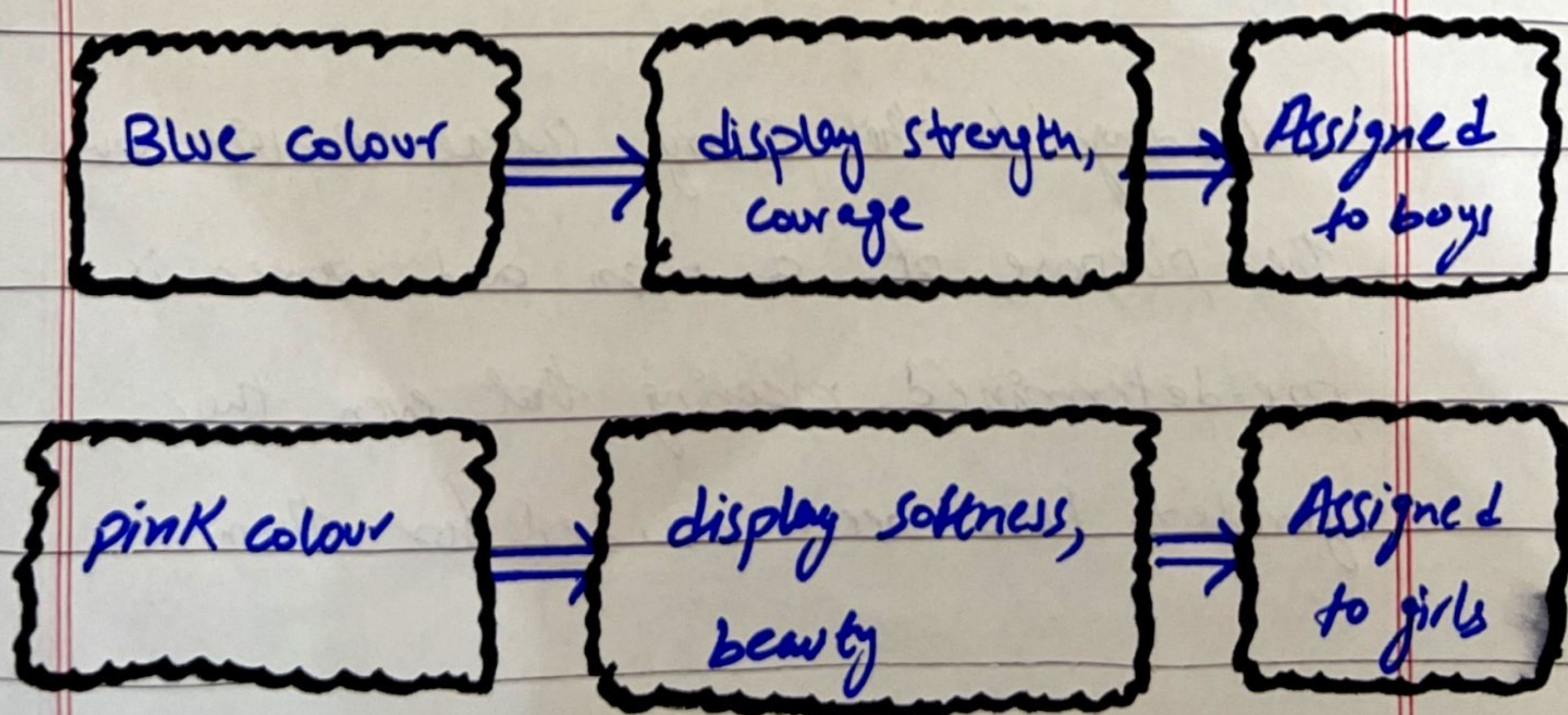
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EXAMPLE:-

Girls interact with other girls to learn the need of long hairs, cooking etc whereas, men interact to learn the need to be independent, smart etc through interaction deriving their gender

2.3) The theory of colour assignment blue for boys and pink for girls causing social construction of gender

Even before the birth of the child during the gender reveal ceremony blue is assigned to the boy baby and pink is assigned to the girl baby signifying the fact that gender is a social construct



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2.4) Functionalist theory catalyzing the social construction of gender

The functionalist perspective stresses on the function of an individual in a society that drives his or her gender.

Example:-

If a boy deviates from his function in the society as the breadwinner he would be labelled as a girl to tease him under the functionalist perspective

2.5) ↑ Satrae's theory of essence precedes over existence promotes the social construction of gender

According to this theory Satrae explain how the purpose of a man and women is pre-determined meaning that even their gender have been decided for them

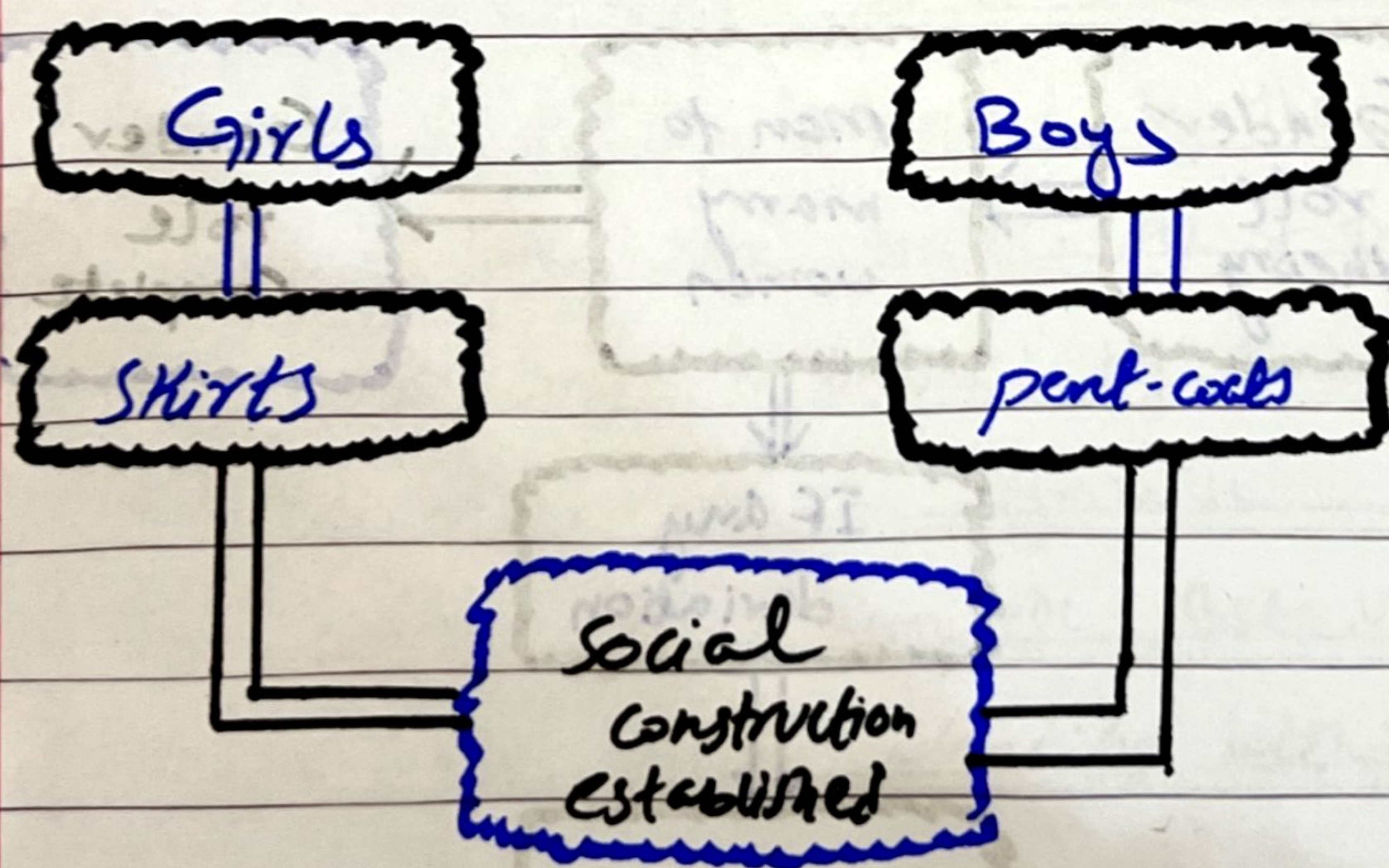
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before they even come to the world.

2.6) Assigning of clothes based on gender necessitating the stance of social construction of gender

Another factor that plays a role in uplifting the stance of social construction of gender is that clothes are assigned for both men and women based on their sex



Description:-

The following chart shows the role of clothes in catalyzing social construct of gender.

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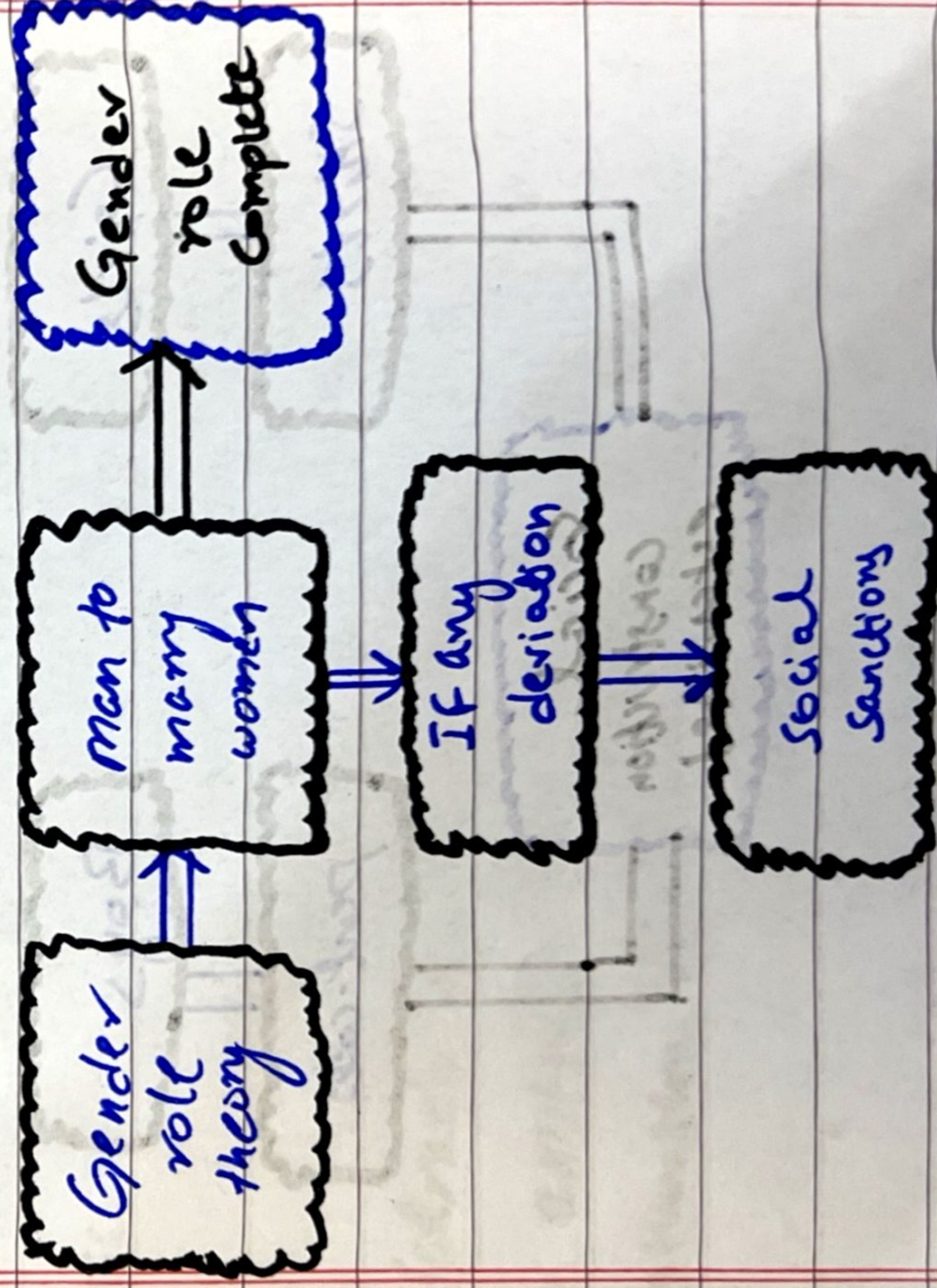
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2.7) Gender role theory assigning the roles of individuals based on their sex

Gender role theory is a prominent example of social construction of gender.

According to it male and female have to commit to their assigned societal roles and not to deviate from the

societal norms



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2.8) Society exist to shape the realities of genders in a society

In a society the reality is shaped by the individuals giving it a rigid structure this is what moulds the gender identity and tell people based on their sex what is right and what is not

3) CONCLUSION

To conclude, gender is a social construct which is influenced by the interaction with the society. All of these factors can be substantiated by the theories of gender role, symbolic interactionist, color theory etc that ultimately shapes the gender identity within a locality.

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QUESTION-5

1) INTRODUCTION:-

^{oppression}
Women is not a recent
issue it has existed
since the beginning of time
- Rad Aisher,
cyclic violence

This quote shows how the oppression
against women is not a recent issue
even in the contemporary era it continues
to shape women vulnerabilities in the
light of modernization owing to capitalism
and due to dependence on men etc.

However, suggestive measures such as
increasing political participation, uplifting
economic inequalities etc can help to
revamp women status globally.

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2) ANALYZING THE WOMEN VULNERABILITIES IN THE CONTEMPORARY SOCIETIES IN THE LIGHT OF MODERNIZATION AND DEPENDENCY THEORIES

2.1) Capitalism a product of ~~rapid~~ rapid modernization creating women vulnerabilities according to ^{Karl} Marx

Capitalism under the modernization theory has created inequalities within the societies especially for women creating a society where women face severe difficulty. Under the capitalistic model women have now become the slaves of the slaves

2.2) Rapid urbanization creating male dominated competition negating women

In the globalized world urbanization is

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to win the global race of advancement.

Patriarchy is prominent in the world with respect to urbanization which enables profit driven mindset over addressing women vulnerabilities

2.3) Class division theory under modernization fostering women vulnerabilities

Under the modernization perspective a society is divided into classes such as upper, middle and lower class on the flip side economic, political and educational inequalities sink the women down to the third class citizens

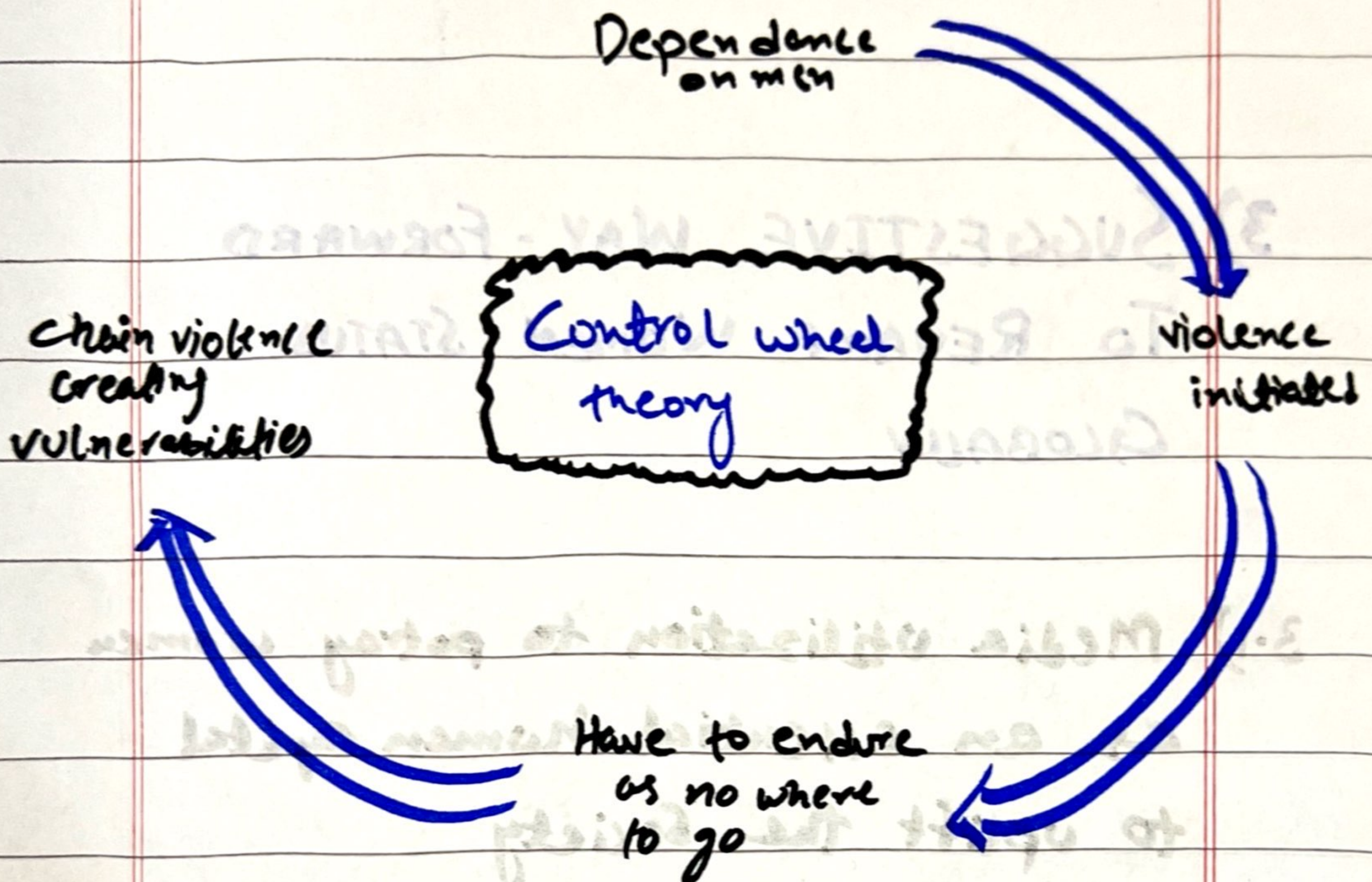
2.4) Control wheel theory of dependence shaping women vulnerabilities through oppression

The control wheel theory tells about the dependence of women on man this paves

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a way towards oppression either domestic, psychological, direct violence etc.



2.5) Mirror image theory creating a dependence cycle of women in their own minds

According to the mirror image theory an individual perceives him or herself as others perceive them. Hence the image of dependence in the minds of women

Learned through the interaction with other women creates dependence on men as a collective response.

3) SUGGESTIVE WAY - FORWARD TO REVAMP WOMEN STATUS GLOBALLY

3.1) Media utilization to portray women as an essential human capital to uplift the society

Media should be used to spread awareness of the importance of incorporation of women as 49% of the world population are women [World Bank, 2024]. Hence such a high number of women are ~~an~~ a game changer for the world if utilized by spreading awareness through media.

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3.2) Increasing women political participation in the world especially among the third world countries

Only a woman knows what a woman wants [Simone de Beauvoir]. Hence, increasing the women participation can enable women to make policy adjustments that would be in favor of the other women. At a collective level it can significantly uplift the status of a woman.

3.3) Eliminate the glass ceiling effect against women at job sectors globally to strengthen women status

Women face glass ceiling effect at jobs which act as a barrier against women empowerment. Promoting merit based equality can uplift the status of women [Saleha Arshad, mentoracy]

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3.4) Symbolic support by organizing global dialogues where women representatives can share their perspective

Global dialogues where women from every country unite under an umbrella for a common cause, the revamping of the status of women. This global attention would spread awareness in developed countries who could then help to mitigate women issues in the developing parts.

4) CONCLUSION

To conclude, women vulnerabilities in the contemporary era are shaped by rapid urbanization, capitalism, control perspective etc in the light of dependency and modernization theories that deteriorate the status of women. However, ^{utilizing} However, by media, increasing women political participation the status of women can be revamped globally.

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QUESTION - 7

1) INTRODUCTION

Gender based violence
is not always violent and
can exist in multiple forms
that damage the social fabric
of a society

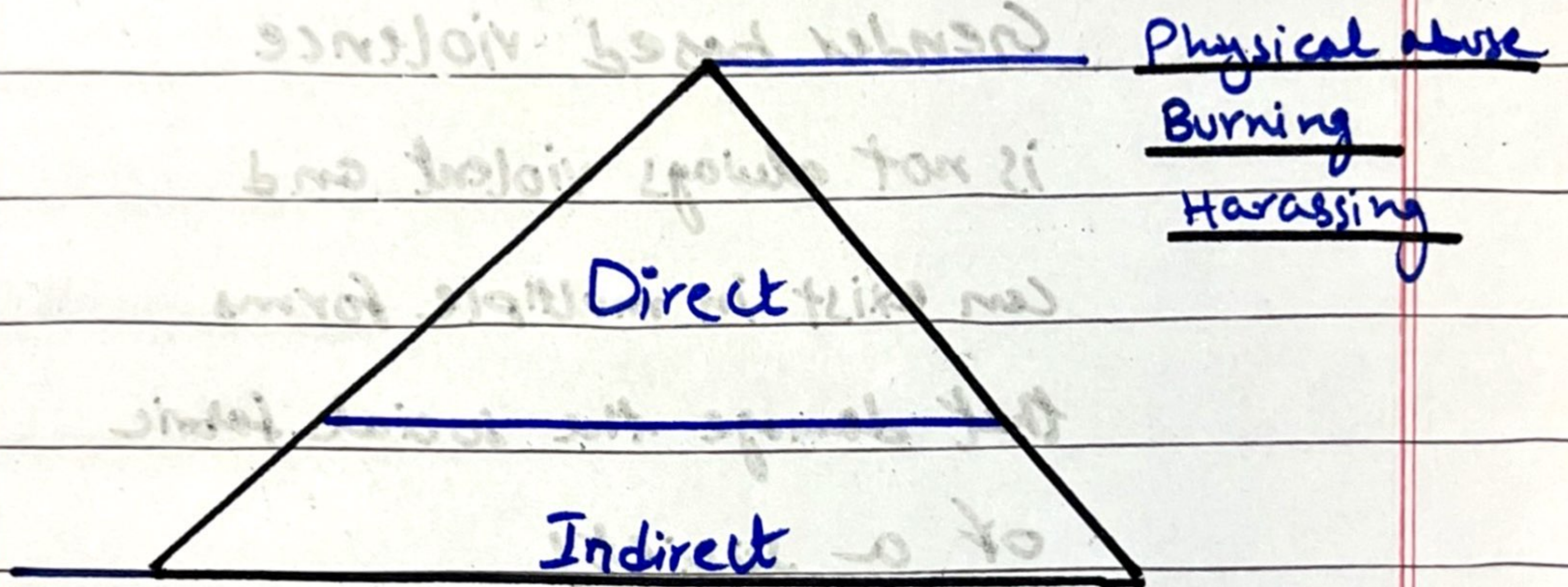
- Mifta Ismail, gender
based violence

This quote states how gender based violence can exist in multiple ways that affect the people of a society. The two classifications are direct and indirect forms of violence. Along with that, social and economic factors such as, taboos, class structures, economic inequalities etc shape the patterns and intensity of gender based violence in Pakistan.

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2) DIFFERENT FORMS OF GENDER BASED VIOLENCE



Psychological trauma

Economic inequalities

Blackmailing

Gender based violence exist in two forms at the macro level. Any violence that is done through a physical activity against a gender is a direct form of violence. On the other hand that indirectly impacts the other gender through psychological trauma is considered as an indirect form of violence.

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3) TO WHAT EXTENT DO SOCIAL FACTORS SHAPE THE PATTERNS AND INTENSITY OF GENDER BASED VIOLENCE IN PAKISTAN TODAY

3.1) Social factor of gender labour roles reducing the opportunity of women to serve in elite positions to mitigate GBV

Gender labour roles are assigned in Pakistan where women are assigned to lower positions from where they cannot make policy adjustment which could pave a way towards a society free from gender based violence

Women at influential positions can reduce the occurrences of gender based violence

- Nalla Raja, women uplifting women

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3.2) Social barriers prevent women from being independent causing violence due to dependance

Social barriers prevent women from being independent in the society fostering their cycle of dependance from where they cannot escape give rise to gender based violence

78% of women point at dependance for the reason of violence

- IPRI, analysing gender based violence 2024

3.3) Learned helplessness from other genders shaping the pattern of GBV

When the oppressed gender interact

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with the other genders they learn that they are helpless and accept their fate leading to a cycle of violence

3.4) Women unable to report crime out of fear for the respect of family

Another factor shaping the pattern and intensity of gender based violence is the fear of losing respect of their families which prevents them to seek justice

4) TO WHAT EXTENT DO ECONOMIC FACTORS SHAPE THE PATTERNS AND INTENSITY OF GENDER BASED VIOLENCE IN PAKISTAN

4.1) Lack of inheritance rights fostering indirect violence

The lack of inheritance rights ~~give~~

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Creates economic inequalities that enforces women to depend on men for their need giving birth to violence

58% are neglected in the share of inheritance

- HRLP, 2024

4.2) Women paid less than men creating an inferior image of women

Women are paid less than men creating an image of men as superior and women as inferior giving rise to violence direct and indirect as well.

Women paid 53% less than men

- WB, 2024

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4.3) Poverty increasing strain leading to GBV to reduce stress

60% of population of Pakistan live below the poverty line [UN, 2023] this creates stress in the population which is then extracted on the weaker partner creating gender based violence

4.4) Unemployment increase prostitution damaging image of women leading to violence

Unemployment forces women to work as prostitutes which are an easy target to extract violence paving a way towards gender based violence.

5) CONCLUSION

To conclude, gender based violence exist in direct and indirect forms that

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both of which have negative impact.

Similarly, the social and economic factors such as, poverty, unemployment, glass-ceiling effect etc creates patterns of gender based violence that are intensified over time in Pakistan.

QUESTION-6

1) INTRODUCTION:-

Gendered roles are the primary factors that shape women's weakness in a society

-Noreen Lodhi,

women roles

This quote states how gender roles impact a woman and weaken them. Similarly, in the developing countries gender roles weaken women raising their

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vulnerabilities to climate induced disasters due to lack of sanitary pads, lack of medicines etc in the affected areas. However, the intersection between class and rural-urban divide affects the intensity of such disasters.

2) HOW GENDERED ROLES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SHAPE WOMEN VULNERABILITIES TO CLIMATE INDUCED DISASTERS

2.1) Negating the supply of sanitary pads to women in affected areas causing health issues

Climate induced disasters create shortages of sanitary pads which are essential for women health. The divergent focus due to gender roles creates health complications in women.

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2.2) Slow deployment of medical aid leading to still birth

In the developing countries evacuation teams are unable to evacuate pregnant women. There is a need for medical aid who could help them deliver the baby and then evacuate them. Unavailability of it leads to still birth effect women psychologically.

2.3) Higher dependance on men due to gendered roles invokes helplessness to help themselves

The gender roles give a psychological image on the mind of women that only a man can help them. This makes them accept their fate in the face of disaster until a man comes and rescues them.

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3) INTERSECTION OF WOMEN VULNERABILITIES WITH CLASS AND URBAN - RURAL Divide

3.1) Rural areas the most affected due to lack of resources

The women in the rural parts experience the heaviest burden of climate based vulnerabilities due to lack of resource management

3.2) Elite class women protected first

The women from the elite class are better in terms of lower class women this creates an environment of inequality where the importance of one's life is based on the class

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4) Conclusion

To conclude gender roles shape the vulnerabilities of women in climate induced disasters where the women of the rural part face the most damage ~~gave~~ giving rise to inequality in the society based on status