

LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – ENGLISH LITERATURE

FIRST SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2009

EL 1805 - FEMINIST THEORY AND PRACTICE

Date & Time: 09/11/2009 / 1:00 - 4:00 Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

SECTION - A

I Answer any FIVE of the following in about 200 words each. (5x8=40)

- 1) How, according to radical feminism will a reproduction controlling technologies help the feminist cause?
- 2) Examine **The Woman Destroyed** as a celebration of the emancipated woman.
- 3) Comment on **Sister of My Heart** as a novel about growing up..
- 4) Who, according to Judith Wright has the more practical approach to life? Is idealism dead?
- 5) Consider the woman's contribution to the world from your reading of the poem **Ego Tripping**.
- 6) How does Toril Moi distinguish the terms feminist, female and feminine? Discuss.
- 7) How does Mahaswata Devi portray the exploitation and struggles of a woman in society in **Witch**?
- 8) How does Khatir ridicule and rebuke the matrimonial concerns of Indian women in **All for a Husband**?

SECTION B

Answer the following in about 500 words each. (3x20=60 marks)

9. a) Do you agree with the Marxist feminist view on wages for domestic labour? What are the implications?
(OR)
b) Why does Michelle Wallace insist that the Black woman must rewrite history?
10. a) Bring out the loneliness of motherhood in **Summer Vacation**.
(OR)
b) What do you know about feminist linguistic fantasy? How can it be created?
11. a) Attempt a thematic study of the novel **Small Remedies**.
(OR)
b) Consider **Night Mother** as a tragedy of two women.