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Class-7

Chapter-5

"Gender Discrimination and Equality"

A. Fill in the blanks with the correct answers.

1. All the houseworks done by women is not valued because_____.

Ans(d) Both b and c ✔

2. From childhood,girls are taught that it is their resopnsibility to_____for the family.

Ans(a) Cook ✔

3. International Women's day is celebrated on_____.

Ans(b) 8 March ✔

4. According to the UN, 40percent of young women in South Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa are married by their_____birthday.

Ans(c) Eighteenth ✔

B. Fill in the blanks.

1. According to the census of India, 2011,there are only about _____females for every 1000 males.

Ans ▶ 940

2. Any place of work with more than 30 women employees must have a_____.

Ans ▶ Child Care Centre

3. _____refers to killing of the girl child.

Ans ▶ Infanticide

4. _____refers to killing of the unborn girl child.

Ans ▶ Foeticide

C. Complete the paragraph.

An anganwadis is a day care centre for the children of the working women. The government has made mandatory for organisations which employ more than 30 women,to set these up. These centres not only encourage women to work, but also the children to go to school.

D. Answer these questions in brief.

1. Are boys and girls treated the same everywhere?

Ans:- All round the world,boys and girls have been treated differently. Boys have been given more importance then girls.

2. What are the reasons of discrimination against women in society ?

Ans:- The reason of discrimination are:-

•Poverty

•Illteracy

•Partriarchal setup in our Indian society

3.Why do families prefer baby boys to baby girls?

Ans:- Some people prefer sons over daughters because:

•In patriarchal societies the male name is taken in marriage.

•They assume daughters will need more protection.

4. What is Stereotype ?

Ans:- It refers to the belief that people belonging to particular,religion, community,gender etc. have certain traits and can do only a certain type of work.

For Ex:- Women were expected to take care of home and men were expected to provide for the family.

E. Answer these questions in detail.

1. What steps have been taken by the government in order to empower women?
Ans:- Some steps taken by the government towards Women empowerment are:-

1.Establishment of separate ministry for women and child development which is meant to improve their conditions.
2.Reservation is Panchayats and many other government sectors.
3.Establishment of National women constitution for women justice and launching of various welfare programmes for improving the women status.
4. Increasing security for women.

2. Why do families prefer educating the boy child and pay less attention to a girl child's education ?

Ans:- In India, boys are looked upon as children who will grow up and contribute to the family income. As per the customs and traditions boys do not have to leave their parents house after marriage. Boys are seen as support for the parents in the old age. often parents do not want to spend money on a girl's education as the girl leaves the household and when if she earns,her income goes to her husband's family.

3. Explain how women have come to be treated more equally now.

Ans:- There have been huge changes for women in terms of employment in the past decades, with women moving into paid employment outside the home in ways that their grandmothers and even their mothers could only dream of. Women made up slightly more than half the workforce. Women are moving into jobs that used to be done by men. Even those women working in factories or sweatshops have more choice and independence than if they remained at home.

4. How do anganwadis or day care centres help raise the status of girls and women ?

Ans:-

•It improves the nutritional and health status of children in the age-group 0-6 years.

•It lay the foundation for proper psychological, physical and social development of the child.

•To enhance the capability of the mother to look after the normal health and nutritional needs of the child through proper nutrition and health education.

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