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I. A demographic profile of women in India : changing role and status of women in India; Role differences of women in joint and nuclear families; position of women in tribal, rural and urban areas; status of women with reference to health, education, employment and political.

II. Problems of women : Gender bias, child marriage, dowry, widowhood, desertion, divorce, destitution, educational backwardness, discrimination in employment; problems of employed women and mother; problems of unmarried mothers, delinquency, prostitution, trafficking in women and girls, elderly women.

III. Women and dynamics of social change; feminism; feminist movement in India; women's movement abroad and in India; family courts; Theory of violence against women; women and law, women's welfare : historical development, policy and government of India schemes for women's development; National plan of action for women; Institutional and noninstitutional services for women; major women's development. Women empowerment, Role of self help groups in women empowerment.

IV. Welfare of the aged : definition of old age; old age as a social problem; demographic perspectives on aging population; gerontology; theories of aging; dimensions of aging; changing status of the aged in Indian society. Problems of the aged regarding health, family, social relations and employment; situational, attitudinal and behavioural factors of adjustment; perspectives on the population of aging in India; retirement as a social and economic event; family, social, economic and religious life of retired people.

V. Health problems and services for the aged; Geriatric services in India; social work and social service and the aged; family social work with the aged; social welfare services for the aged; Old age social security measures in India and other countries; physical activity, rehabilitation and community linkage programme; Gerentophenotim an aging reversal agent; national and international agencies for aged welfare.

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