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**Course: Changing Role of Urban Women**

**Course Code: 876**

**Semester: Autumn, 2013**

**Total Marks: 100**

**Level: MSc**

**Pass Marks: 40**

**Guide line for Assignment Preparation**

*As this is a take home type examination, you are free to use books. However, don't copy your answer from the books and internet. Typed assignments are not accepted. Please arrange your answers with an introduction, main discussion with sub topics and conclusion. If references of other researches are being quoted. Moreover, it should be properly acknowledged. Use your own language. All questions carry equal marks.*

**ASSIGNMENT No. 1**

**(Units: 1-5)**

- Q.1 Define social change. What are the patterns of social change? (20)
- Q.2 What are gender roles? How do media affect the gender roles formation and re-enforcement. (20)
- Q.3 Keeping in mind the problems of working mother, explain this statement "dual role of mother and worker is extremely hard". (20)
- Q.4 Ajit Sinha discusses the role of microfinance in empowering women. Explain. (20)
- Q.5 Write notes on the following: (20)
1. Public and private spaces in the cities
  2. Traditional views of the family

**ASSIGNMENT No. 2**

**(Units: 6-9)**

**Total Marks: 100**

**Pass Marks: 40**

- Q.1 Describe the major trends in women employment. Discuss the main factors which influence women employment trends in contemporary societies. (20)
- Q.2 How urbanization and urban poverty is interlinked? Discuss in detail. (20)
- Q.3 What are the factors which affect the lives of women living in slums? Why women in slum are affected by the violence prevailing in slums? (20)
- Q.4 Gender is considered to be a crucial part of good governance? Discuss in detail. (20)
- Q.5 Write notes on the following: (10+10)
1. Working women and family life.
  2. Men and employment for women.