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**(Department of Gender & Women Studies)**

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**Course: Women and Development (4652)**  
**Level: M.Sc**

**Semester: Autumn, 2013**  
**Total Marks: 100**

**ASSIGNMENT No. 1**

**(Units: 1-5)**

- Q.1 How can women's education improve the economic and social conditions of a country? Enlist some of the obstacles in women's education in Pakistan. (20)
- Q.2 Discuss the social benefits of economic independence for women and their families. (20)
- Q.3 What are the factors which discourage female employment? Also highlight a few policy measures to promote women's labour force participation. (20)
- Q.4 Define women empowerment. Compare and contrast the empowerment of urban and rural women. (20)
- Q.5 Write notes on the following: (10+10)
- a) Economic dualism
  - b) Identity empowerment theory

**ASSIGNMENT No. 2**

**(Units: 6-9)**

- Q.1 Discuss the factors of gender division of labour in agriculture and farming. Also compare the contributions of men and women in agricultural sector. (20)
- Q.2 Discuss in detail how women are suffering directly and specifically from the environmental hazards. (20)
- Q.3 Emphasize on the importance of women as peace keepers around the world. Support with reasons. (20)
- Q.4 What is the most significant role of media that can influence the development of a nation especially its women? Support your answer with examples. (20)
- Q.5 Write notes on the following: (10+10)
- a) Women as victims of war
  - b) Recommendation for positive media portrayal of women.