LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION - ENGLISH LITERATURE

THIRD SEMESTER - NOVEMBER 2007

EL 3501 - GENDER STUDIES

AP 17

Max.: 100 Marks

Date: 31/10/2007 Time: 9:00 - 12:00 Dept. No.

Section - A

Answer any SIX of the following in about 250 words each:

 $(6 \times 10 = 60 \text{ marks})$

- 01. Write a brief note on Feminism.
- 02. Ideology of the Indian Women's Movement.
- 03. French Feminism.
- 04. What is Gender Studies?
- 05. The focus of Marxist Feminism.
- 06. Discuss Cyber Feminism.
- 07. Write a short essay on the meaning and significance of the Feminist Movement.
- 08. The theme of female subordination.

Section - B

Answer any TWO of the following in about 250 words each:

 $(2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ marks})$

- 09. Consider 'An Introduction' as a poem of protest.
- 10. Discuss the double Standards implicit in the poem 'The Verdict'
- 11. The crisis of middle aged woman in Snapshots of A Daughter-in-law.

Section - C

Answer any ONE of the following in about 400 to 500 words:

 $(1 \times 20 = 20 \text{ marks})$

- 12. Attempt an essay on the challenges facing woman.
- 13. Elaborate on the stamp of Feminine Poetry with reference to the poems prescribed for your study.
- 14. Examine the femine perspective in the following excerpt:

I remember the night my mother

was stung by a scorpion

My mother twisted through and through groaning on a mat

My father, sceptic, rationalist

trying every curse and blessing,

powder, mixture, herb and hybrid.

He even poured a little paraffin

upon the bilten toe and put a match to it.

I watched the flame feeding on my mother.

I watched the holy man perform his rites

to tame the poison with an incantation.

After twenty hours

it lost its sting.

My mother only said

Thank God the scorpion picked on me

and spared my children
