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

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**Course: Women and Environment (9167) Semester: Spring, 2025**

**Level: BS Credit Hours: 03**

## Please read the following instructions for writing your assignments. (AD, BS, B. Ed, MA/MSc, MEd) (ODL Mode).

1. All questions are compulsory and carry equal marks but within a question the marks are distributed according to its requirements.

2. Read the question carefully and then answer it according to the requirements of the questions.

3. Avoid irrelevant discussion/information and reproducing from books, study guide or allied material.

4. Handwritten scanned assignments are not acceptable.

5. Upload your typed (in Word or PDF format) assignments on or before the due date.

6. Your own analysis and synthesis will be appreciated.

7. Late assignments can’t be uploaded at LMS.

8. The students who attempt their assignments in Urdu/Arabic may upload a scanned copy of their handwritten assignments (in PDF format) on University LMS. The size of the file should not exceed 5MB.

**Total Marks: 100 Pass Marks: 50**

**ASSIGNMENT NO.1**

**(Units: 1-5)**

**Q1.** How does the environment influence women in terms of their gender roles and their close connection to nature? **(20)**

**Q2.** Examine the role of the United Nations (UN) in integrating women’s efforts in environmental development. **(20)**

**Q3.** Define ecofeminism. Evaluate the effectiveness of ecofeminists in environmental preservation. **(20)**

**Q4.** Discuss the socioeconomic and sociocultural barriers that hinder women’s equal ownership of land. **(20)**

**Q5.** Analyze the following debates in the context of gender and the environment:

a) Culture vs. nature **(20)**

b) Private vs. public

**Total Marks: 100 Pass Marks: 50**

**ASSIGNMENTS NO.2**

**(Units: 6-9)**

**Q1.** How does vulnerability to disasters lead to differing implications for men and women? **(20)**

**Q2.** Vandana Shiva critiques the dualistic and exploitative approach of Western societies toward the environment in the Global South. Discuss the key features of her framework. **(20)**

**Q3.** Discuss Pakistan's governmental policies for environmental preservation, highlighting initiatives to mitigate the effects of environmental degradation on women. **(20)**

**Q4.** Urbanization presents both opportunities and challenges for human development. Analyze its pros and cons with support from relevant research.

**(20)**

**Q5.** Highlight the significance of the following environmental movements for

women worldwide: **(20)**   
a) The Chipko movement  
b) The Green Belt movement