

M.A. Examination 2018
Semester-III
Comparative Religion
Course : MACOMROP 305
(Women and Religion-I)

Time : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 40

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin

Answer Question No.6 and **any three** from the rest.

1. Write a short essay on the status of women during middle and later Vedic periods. 10
 2. Critically examine the eight strict rules that would apply only to bhikṣunī in Buddhism. 10
 3. Discuss briefly Jain image of women and its theological consequences and also examine how spiritual capacities of Jain women were challenged. 10
 4. Write a short essay on the position of women in Sikhism with reference to the *Ādi Granth*. 10
 5. Write an essay on Leila Ahmed's view on the status of women among the early community Muslims. Is the practice relating to 'Gender' among the Muslims of early communities shaped by several factors? 10
 6. Write short notes on **any two** of the following : 5+5=10
 - a) Position of women in Tantric Buddhism
 - b) Life of Syrian Christian Women in Kerala
 - c) Dalit Buddhist Women
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