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## A study of women empowerment in India

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### Abstract

Women being the most beautiful creation of the hold important position in the entire world however, in context of India women have faced lot of sufferings. The researcher inferred examining the secondary data in this study has interfered the status of an Indian women has been improved gradually with the passage of time. However, despites that it is unsatisfactory. Accordingly, the researcher recommended that more efforts should be made to empower the women. Besides, due attention should be given towards the development and enhancement of the status of the women.

**Keywords:** women empowerment, status of women, position of women

### Introduction

Women hold historical significance in the entire world. The role of women can never be nullified. In India the role of women is more important. Women have played the worth in multiple sphere of life. In India we have seen that women has played neck to neck role in global aspects of world. It is ex-aggregation to say that Indian woman hold more responsibilities than men. Women played role in diversified activities like; domestic and social affairs, managing responsibility of children, holding accountability of budget, fulfilling the social and cultural relationships were the main assignments of women in India context. In fact for reorganization of Indian society women has played important role. Historically speaking, women have gained a successful reputation in the religion scriptures of India. It is a woman which gives birth to universe. The universal order is being found in the laps of woman. Women have proved their worth in shaping the future generations of entire universe. So from the above discussion it is evident that the role of women cannot be seen in single aspects rather they are pivotal in many aspects. Women right from the begging of the human society has radicalized their strength to bloom their presence however in some occasions they has remained success, but in majority of the events they have remained unsuccessful due to unethical layout provided by man towards woman. The role of women has been lunched in context of India. It has seen revolved in diversified contexts. Historically we have observed number of external ordinary woman has tried to prove their identity, but maximum times they has remained occasions they have famed complexities. The patriarchal intensity has degraded their position. Accordingly, the position of the woman has been delimited within four walls of house. The position and status of women is debatable so researcher considers it pertinent to explore the role and status of woman in ancient India. Keeping in view the research in this study tried to explore the empowerment of woman in Indian society.

**Research gap:** Various studies have been reported in the field of women empowerment. Beside, books and heavy loaded contents have been published on the same issues. The appreciable research studies has been conducted by Yawer, M. (2018) <sup>[13]</sup>, Sudipta, S., D. (Jan 2011) <sup>[14]</sup>, Anuradha PS. (2011), Sahab Singh, Gaurav Thakur, Dr. PC Gupta (Mar-Apr. 2013) <sup>[16]</sup>, Ramakrishna, H. Khaja, M. J. (2013) <sup>[17]</sup>, Bardhan, K. and S. Klasen (1999) <sup>[19]</sup>, Sreedhar (2015) <sup>[3]</sup>, Subrahmanyam, B. (2013) <sup>[4]</sup>, Sushil, K.M. Hari G.M. and Amrinder S. (2011) <sup>[5]</sup>, Basu, P. & Srivastava, P. (2005) <sup>[6]</sup>., Chandrashekar, H.M. & Lokesh, M.U. (2009) <sup>[7]</sup>, Coleman, B.E. (1999) <sup>[8]</sup>, Sharma, A. K. (2004) <sup>[9]</sup>, Sharma, S. & Lata, S. (2013) <sup>[10]</sup>, Silva, T., Ravindran, L., & Ravindran, A. (2009) <sup>[11]</sup>, Stahl, L. A., Begg, D. P., Weisinger, R. S., & Sinclair, A. J. (2008) <sup>[12]</sup>, Anand, S. and A. Sen (1995) <sup>[18]</sup>, Bardhan, K. and S. Klasen

(2000)<sup>[20]</sup> and Beteta, K.C. (2006)<sup>[22]</sup>: However, the researcher found that in Indian context limited research studies has been conducted in the domain of women empowerment. So researcher considers it imperative to explore the present researcher study.

**Research topic:** The statement of the research topic is as under:

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**Objectives of the study:** The purpose of this study was to explore role, status and empowerment of women.

**Justification of the study:** Indian women have been recognised through her diversified position in society. From times immemorial women has seen the multiple issues in the life setting. During Vedic period it has been seen that women enjoyed special status. However the evidence reported that the status of women in Vedic has not remained well organized for the long period of times. Thus, the evidence of women empowerment during Vedic period has been mutated and diversified opinion has been seen in the research studies. Anuradha PS. (2011), Women's exposure to media is also less relative to men. Women's experience of domestic violence shows that violence is not lessened by age. Rural women are more prone to domestic violence than urban women. Regarding women's political participation it is found that large gender gap exists in voting and less than ten per cent of total member in Lok Sabha are women Sahab Singh, Gaurav Thakur, PC Gupta (2013)<sup>[16]</sup> argued that generally speaking the women of India are relatively disempowered and they enjoy somewhat lower status than that of men. Ramakrishna, H. Khaja, M.J. (2013)<sup>[17]</sup> stated that till then we cannot say that women are empowered in India in its real sense. Bardhan, K. and S. Klasen (1999)<sup>[19]</sup> Unless the attitude towards the acceptance of unequal gender role by the society and even the women themselves changed women cannot grab the opportunity provided to them through constitutional provision, law etc. The results are supported by the host of the researcher like, Sreedhar (2015)<sup>[3]</sup>, Subrahmanyam, B. (2013)<sup>[4]</sup>, Sushil, K. M. Hari G. M. and Amrinder S. (2011)<sup>[5]</sup>, Basu, P. & Srivastava, P. (2005)<sup>[6]</sup>, apart from this, the diversified opinion has been seen from the number of the research studies like; Chandrashekar, H.M. & Lokesh, M.U. (2009)<sup>[7]</sup>, Coleman, B.E. (1999)<sup>[8]</sup>, Sharma, A.K. (2004)<sup>[9]</sup>, Sharma, S. & Lata, S. (2013)<sup>[10]</sup>, Silva, T., Ravindran, L., & Ravindran, A. (2009)<sup>[11]</sup>, Stahl, L.A., Begg, D.P., Weisinger, R.S., & Sinclair, A.J. (2008)<sup>[12]</sup>, Yawer, M. (2018)<sup>[13]</sup>, Sudipta, S.,D. (Jan 2011)<sup>[14]</sup>, Anuradha PS. (2011), Sahab Singh, Gaurav Thakur, Dr. PC Gupta (Mar-Apr. 2013)<sup>[16]</sup>, Ramakrishna, H. Khaja, M.J. (Nov 2013)<sup>[17]</sup>, Bardhan, K. and S. Klasen (1999)<sup>[19]</sup>, Anand, S. and A. Sen (1995)<sup>[18]</sup>, Bardhan, K. and S. Klasen (2000)<sup>[20]</sup> and Beteta, K.C. (2006)<sup>[22]</sup>. In these research studies the evidence is contrary regarding the position and status of women. However majority if the respondents argued that efforts has been made to shape the position of women but are unsatisfactory yet.

### Conclusion

The researcher found that the position of the women has been remained in flux. The dynamic nature in the status of women has been since from ancient India to modern India.

Apart from this, the researcher inferred examining the secondary data in this study has interfered the status of an Indian women has been improved gradually with the passage of time. However, despites that it is unsatisfactory. Accordingly, the researcher recommended that more efforts should be made to empower the women.

### Declaring conflict of interest

No any conflict of interest was declared by the researcher.

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