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BIS 2204: GENDER, PEACE AND CONFLICT STUDIES

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Time: 13:00-15:00

Instructions

1. This examination consists of **Five Questions**.
2. Answer **Question ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions.

1. a) Differentiate between the following concepts: (10 marks)

- i. First wave of feminism and second wave of feminism
- ii. Liberal feminism and socialist feminism
- iii. Peacekeeping and peace enforcement
- iv. Gender intimidation and sexual assault
- v. Gender roles and Gender mainstreaming

b) Read the lyrics of the song *Women Rule* by Lord Laro, and answer the following questions. (20 marks)

WOMEN RULE by Lord Laro

*They say women will rule
This world in time to come
It will be a heck of a thing
To see a woman ruling she husband
Saying you got to wash
Don't forget to cook
Or see about the children and all
Because she have to go
To play cricket and play football*

*Imagine, men washing the dishes
Women gone to work
Then your wife come home drunk on payday
Beat you up, she a making joke*

*Imagine, women organising
Beauty contest for we
And a some hard fool fellas like me
Walking 'cross the stage in a bikini, imagine*

*There'll be a woman government
That will be foolishness
For in parliament
They'll be only discussing people business
Will be she said, that she said
That they said that all a dem said
The prime minister
You know she cooked sour fish yesterday*

*Imagine, men washing the dishes
Women gone to work
And your wife siddung in the wrong bar
Cracking them dirty jokes
Imagine, you have a wild woman
Lord, she running 'bout wild
You bring she up for maintenance
And she sayin' she and I need a child, imagine*

*Women will be coast guards, police and soldiers
Big bus drivers, labourers, even scavengers
If you have an ex woman with your wife
She sure to beat you bad
Saying it's for you I working hard
While you bring in a girl in me yard*

*Imagine, a big creole man
Washing he wife on the clothes
Or he forget to sew she nightie
And she have kill him with those, just imagine
That a big fat man, bawling out he is in pain
And he tellin' he wife Eileen
You see, you make me pregnant again*

*Hmmmm, hmm
Imagine
Imagine
What a world*

<https://www.jiosaavn.com/lyrics/women-rulers-lyrics/AFkJfh1UcGc>

- a) In the song, Lord Laro describes an imagined/future world, which is the opposite of the actual world that he lives in. With this in mind, identify from the song FIVE gender roles in his actual/current world. (5 marks)
- b) With relevant quotations from the song, demonstrate the musician's view of women in leadership. (6 marks)

- c) In your analysis of the song, what sort of world do women live in? What impact do you think this kind of world has on the quality of human life? (5 marks)
- d) What sort of influence do you think the song has in the people who listen to it? (4 marks)

2. a) Realism is a long-standing theory in International Relations, and claims dominance in the field of security studies. Using the realist discourse:

- i. Discuss the characteristics of a state. (3 marks)
- ii. Demonstrate how the realist worldview defines security and threat. (4 marks)

b) Using a gender scholars' perspective, raise four points to critic the realist view of security and threat. (8 marks)

3. In "*Women at the negotiation table- the missing piece in peacebuilding*, Manan Omar presents the trend in violence globally and argues that inclusion of women at the negotiation table is a necessity and indeed the remedy to the endemic violence in the world.

- a) What global trends does she offer regarding violence? (5 marks)
- b) Discuss **FIVE** reasons why it is important to include women in negotiations. (10 marks)

4. a) The United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 (UNSCR 1325) is considered to be a landmark framework UNSCR 1325 is a wide-ranging resolution that reaffirms the important role of women in conflict prevention and resolution, peace negotiations, peace-building, peacekeeping, humanitarian response and post-conflict reconstruction. Discuss any five recommendations of the UNSC Resolution 1325 (10 marks)

b) The adoption of UNSCR 1325 in 2000 formally initiated the Women Peace and Security Agenda (WPS agenda). Since then other resolutions have been adopted over the years and together with UNSCR 1325, they form the WPS Agenda. Mention any **THREE** such resolutions and highlight what they address. (5 marks)

- 5. a) In her analyses of women in the military, Cynthia Enloe brings in a feminist approach and looks at women's relationship to the military and the militarization of women. Discuss the **FIVE** types of militarized women that Cynthia Enloe examines. (10 marks)
- b) Discuss **THREE** advantages of having women peacekeepers (5 marks)