

WOMEN EMPOWERMENT AND GENDER EQUALITY – A REVIEW

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ABSTRACT

Women empowerment is a debatable subject. In the days gone by, they were getting equal status with men. But they had faced some difficulties during the post-Vedic and epic ages. Many a time, we treat as slaves and second-class citizens. From early twenty century (national movement) their statuses have been changed slowly and gradually. In this regard, we mentioned the name of the British people. After the independence of India, the constitutional makers and national leaders strongly demand equal social position of women with men. Today we have seen the women occupied respectable positions in all walks of the field. Yet, they have not freed some discrimination and harassment of society. A few women have been able to establish their potentialities. Therefore, everyone should be careful to promote women's statuses.

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