Feminist South Movement in

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INTRODUCTION

Feminism basically means guarding equal rights for women as enjoyed by men.
For Defining a perspective on such a wide-ranging matter like "Feminist Movement in South"

It is Necessary to Address the diversity of South and It is also imperative to address the issue of the State, particularly the complexities of the comtemporary post-colonial state in South, in the face of the contemporary processes of social transformation.

Feminist Movements, Group of women mobilizing for change, have been constant, yet-ever changing features of modern history.

Earlier Actions organized by feminist movements were focused at the national or regional level.



"One is not born, but rather becomes a women."

—Simone de Beauvoir

The Feminist Movements In South



Major Events

"Although patriarchy is deeply entrenched in modernday India, the country has a long tradition of women who resisted conformity, even under severe societal pressure. These stories of feminism are as multicultural and diverse as India itself. Here is a look at the fascinating journey of feminism through the ages in India"



During the 19th century, the Indian woman's quest for civil, political and religious rights arose from the belly of the great social and religious reform movements of the era. Historians refer to the abolition of Sati as the first watershed moment in India's modern feminist movement. Raja Ram Mohan Roy played an important role in getting the Sati System Abolished

Pre Independence, The era also saw the rise of several women's organizations like women's wings which not only took up the cause of women but gave women space and opportunity to secure the desired changes. In 1904, a women's wing was started in the National Social Conference, which was later called the Indian Women's Conference(IWC)



All India Women's Conference (AIWC). Women within the national movement had begun insisting on greater political and economic participation. Other pioneering organizations. included the Bharat Stri Mandal in Calcutta, formed in 1910 by Sarala Devi, and the Women's India Association founded in 1917 by Annie Besant and many others..

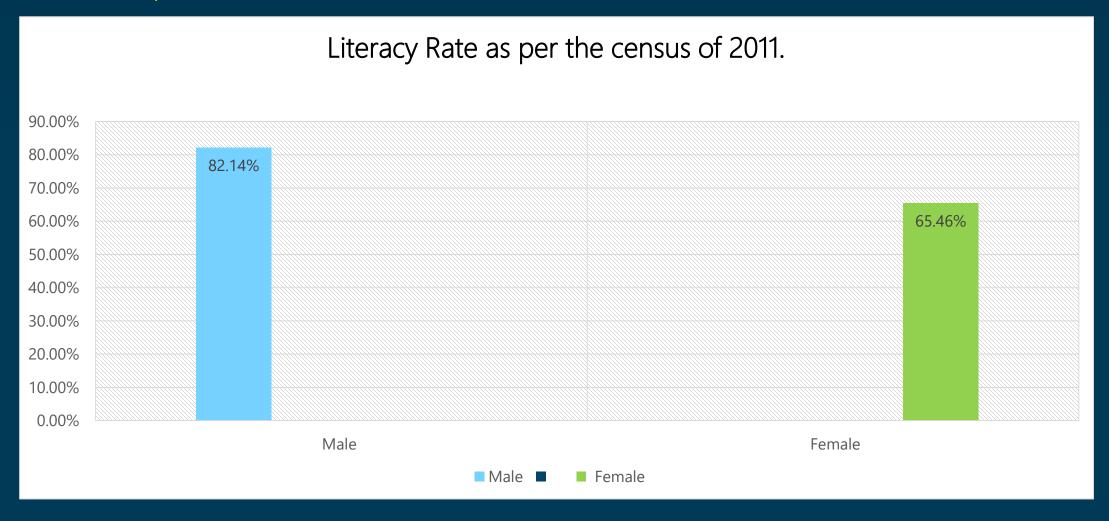
Post Independence, the question of women's rights appeared to retreat from public discourse for a few years. The second wave of the women's rights movement began in the mid 1970s. The issues raised this time were wide ranging – from land rights and political representation to divorce laws and child custody to sexual harassment at work, dowry and rape. The women's movement interrogated the existing laws, with their questions becoming central in public discourse.

The Self-Employed Women's Association (SEWA) movement in Ahmedabad led by Ela Bhatt, which was a sort of pioneering women's trade union movement that began in 1972, was another such landmark in the history of the contemporary women's movement. Women involved in various trades in the informal sector were brought together by their shared experiences such as low earnings, harassment at home, harassment by contractors and the police, poor work conditions, non-recognition of their labour to list just a few.

In India, the National Committee on the Status of Women, came out with its findings in the form of a report, popularly known as the Towards Equality Report (1974), which became a major landmark for the women's movement. The beginnings of the women's movement in India, has often been traced back to this report.

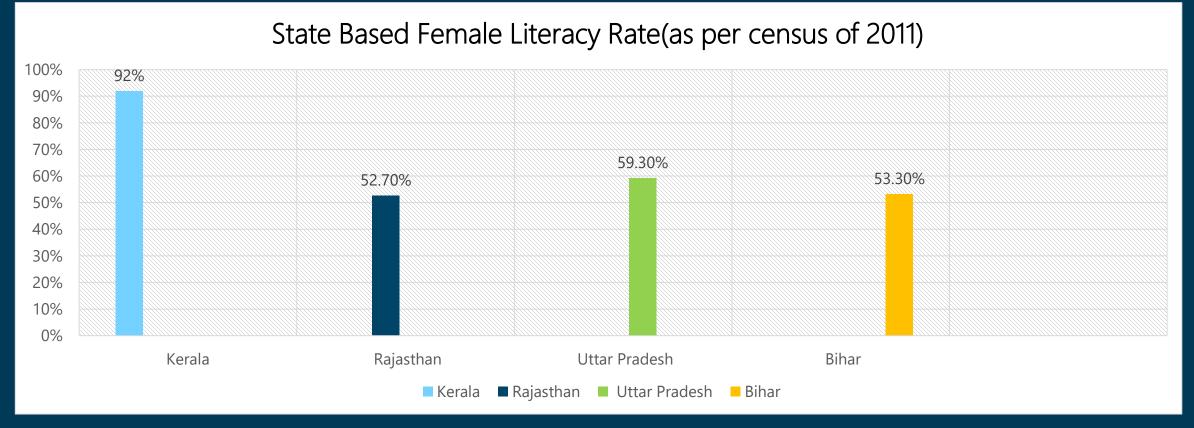
Literacy Rate

As per the census of 2011.In India, the literacy rate for men was 82.14%, whereas for women it was 65.46%.



Region-based and State-based disparity

Kerala has the largest female literacy rate(92% as per 2011). Whereas Rajasthan(52.7%) as per 2011, has the lowest literacy rate in India. State such as Uttar Pradesh(59.3%) and Bihar(53.3%) that are most populat states in India show how low levels of Female literacy.





Females constitutes about 50% of country's human resources but lack of Education snatches their chances to be a part of the progress and development of India. This means our pace of progress is less than the required pace. Such a illiteracy has a huge impact on our society.

Indian Feminist

Feminist	Their Contributions
Savitribai Phule (1831-1897)	Perhaps the earliest Indian feminist. Started the first school for girls in the subcontinent
Medha Patkar	feminist social worker and politician who advocates for women's rights in post-independence India. ^[67]
Sarala Devi	early feminist and founder of the Bharat Stree Mahamandal, one of the first women's organisations in India. ^[50]
Saroj Nalini Dutt	early social reformer who pioneered the formation of Women's educational Institutes in <u>Bengal</u> .[51]
Vina Mazumdar	secretary of the first Committee on the Status of Women in India and founding Director of Centre for Women's Development Studies (CWDS)

There were and still are many other individuals and organizations who are also working for gender equality and justice in India and their efforts are paying off.

Even though there still remains a lot of work to be done, the movement to secure rights for women in India has come a long way thanks to these inspiring and fierce personalities who made it possible by relentlessly fighting the forces of patriarchy. There were and still are many other individuals and organizations who are also working for gender equality and justice in India and their efforts are paying off

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Feminism In South Africa

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Feminism in South Africa has been shaped by struggles for political and racial equality as well as by national and transnational struggles for gender equality. Though the country's transition to multi-racial democracy in the mid-1990s, South Africa feminism contributed to the process of reconstruction, striving for a moralist, Marxist society.

however, feminist activism and medical transformational polity were largely diluted in the process. Contemporary South African feminism continues to engage with questioning of the role of feminism within broader national and international struggle for class and racial equality.

In South Africa adult white Women were given the right to vote in 1930. The first general election in women could vote was the 1933 election. Asian and coloured women in South Africa gained suffrage in 1938.

In 1933, Leila Wright wife of Danial Reitz was elected as the first female Member of Parliament . Today South Africa is ranked among the top fine Five African Countries that have high representation of women in the National Legislature

Equal Pay:- According to the South African Revenue Service, South African women earn an average 28% less than men. This Statistic is calculated across the job field, so it includes the total hours worked by each gender showing men simply work harder in the sense of more hours they put in an average. It is illegal in South Africa to Pay either gender more or less for the same work per hour or per annum.

Anti-Discrimination Laws: On August 9,1956 some 20,000 women held a Protest march at the Union Building in Pretoria to Protest against inequality for women. The March may organised under the banner of the Federation of South African women(FSAW). This day later became National Women's Day in South Africa. After the Country's First democratic elections in 1994, many discriminatory statues in South Africa were Scrapped and replaced with the Domestic Violence Act of 1998.

Persecution of Activists: During the 1950s, activists from the Federation of South African Women(FSAW) were placed on trial for treason, alongside members of the African National Congress(ANC), the south African Communist Party and other Organisations.

According to research on the history of the 'Federation of South African women, initially the struggle of women in south Africa was seen as an two issues.

firstly, the issue of apartheid, which discriminated against non-whites and secondly, the issues of laws and institutions that discriminated against women.

During the time of the Apark, women of color experienced significant imunity as they were a part of both repressed groups. Women of color suffered from the structural violence tied to discrimination against non-whites in addition to the being subject to the inequality assumed by all women. For Several decades, anti-aparkheid courses and protest took precedence over gender equality initiates.

Following the abolition of apartheid in 1991 and a transition to democracy in 1994, more attention may devoted to women's rights.

Some have argued that feminism in South Africa may often associated with whites, middle class. For black South Africans, feminism may often be a highly charged position to take up, it has seen as colonial importation, white and middle class

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Feminism In Brazil

Major Events

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The Societal roles of women in Brazil is modelled on Patriarchal lines influenced by the Culture prevalent in the Iberian peninsula. Brazil traditionally has a cultural and military frontier between Christianity and Islam leading to the development of a strong tradition for military conquest and male dominance.

Being the largest Roman Catholic nation, religion also plays an important role in determining the status of women in Brazil Centuries of Women's movements had proved to be successful in bringing equality in the society but the rural areas of North-eastern Brazil still face considerable amount of gender Inequality.

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Right to Vote

[*] In Brazil, women were give the right to vote in 1932. But for attaining this they had struggled since mid-19th century.

[*] In Attaining this right, the role of Berta Lutz who was the feminist, biologist and lawyer definitely required especial attention. Her own organization, Brazilian Federation for the Advancement of Women, became the leading suffrage organization of Brazil.

In the sphere of politics women were given the right to vote in the year 1932.But for attaining this privilege feminist movement since mid-19th century and women did petition for suffrage so that they cold be included in the 1891 Republican Constitution.

Bertha Lutz

Bertha Lutz who was a feminist, biologist and lawyer had played a great role in providing voting rights to women in Brazil. Publishing articles in leading newspapers she called upon women to prove their worthiness. To men through their achievements. Her own organization, the Brazilian Federation for the Advancement of women became the leading suffrage organization of Brazil.



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Economy Subordination

Economy of Brazil

- [*] Economy of Brazil is mainly dependent on export of agricultural products.
- [*] Studies have shown that there is a purposeful division of labour and low wages for females in the forms of north-eastern Brazil.

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Maternity leave

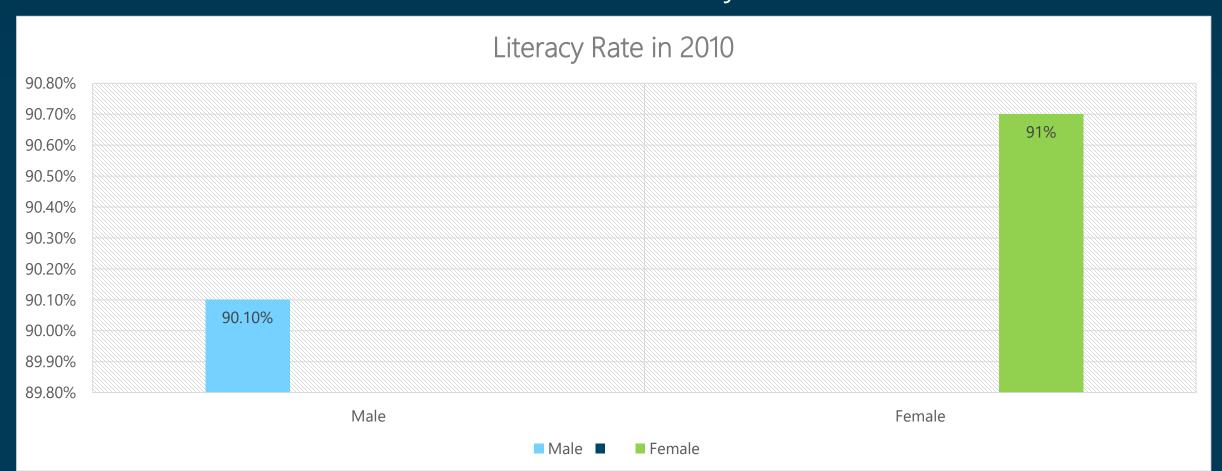
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Literacy Rate

This is a brighter side of feminism in Brazil In 2010, Literacy rate was 90.7% for women and 90.1% for male 53% of all Brazilians who are in university are women.



Shortfalls

The Areas of north-eastern Brazil still face considerable gender inequality.

Women's movement in Brazil is mainly dominated by upper middle class women and the movement is more on the lines of bringing a reformation rather than to revolutionize the System

But still Brazil women have come a long way from a Patriarchal Society. They have come out of their houses and are demanding equal representation in government institutions. Even if the percentage of these women is small it can be seen as a step towards equality.

Women organization and unions are being established and they are demanding the removal of entrenched gender inequality, Besides literacy rate among women shows that it is not long before both male and female would be treated equally in Brazil.



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"Bill Gates gave a speech in Saudi Arabia. The audience was segregated by gender, with a large crowed dividing the fully vested women from the men. A Participant asked whether they could realistically become, "one of the world's most competitive economics by 2010."

"Well, if you're not fully utilizing half the talented in the country, you're not going to get too close to the top." said Gates.

Among the factors that define feminism in Saudi Arabia are government laws, the Hanbali and Warrabi interpreted on of Sunni Islam and traditional customs of the Arabian peninsula. The definition of feminism in Saudi Arabia differs .Some want to be a pure Muslim and uplifting the economic and political rights but others believe a social and cultural transformation as well.

In 2016 the Global Gender Gap Report ranked Saudi Arabia 141 out of 144 countries for gender parity. The Saudi Women score highly in education and health however. The country suffers in economic suffers in economic attainment and political empowerment.

Saudi Arabia is one among the few countries to not ratify the UN Universal Oeclaration of Human Rights. It claims it to be a Violation of 'Sharia' (Islamic Laws)

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Women's Rights in Saudi Arabia	Gender Inequality Index
Value	0.284 (2014)
Rank	56 th our of 157
Maternal Mortality (per 100,000)	12 (2014)
Women in Parliament	19.9% (2014)
Females over 25 with Secondary Education	60.5% (2014)
Women in labour force.	13%

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Employment

Employment for women is restricted in many ways. A women's work can be deemed to suit for the female physique and mentality. Women mostly work as doctors, Nurses, Teachers, in women's banks or in a few other special institutions where they had contact only with women.

Generally, women are not allowed to do their own business.

Dresscode

Women are required to wear 'hijab' and dress in the modest manner. This dress code is enforce by religion police.

Employment

All Females in Saudi Arabia must have a guardian, regardless of age. First it's her father, after marriage it is her husband and after being widowed or divorced it is her son. The guardian has control over whether they can go to university, take certain jobs, marry, go to court andd other important life decision.

Segregalion of Men and Women which keeps wives, sisters and daughters from contact with strangers, follows from the extreme concern from female purity and family honour. Social events are largely predicted on the separation of men and women. IN restaurants ,banks and often public places in Saudi Arabia, Women are required to enter and exit through separate doors.

There are certain limitations to women doing business in the Saudi Arabia. Although now able to drive motor vehicles. Women are still required to have men swear of them in a court of laws

Employment for women has a number of restriction. A Women's work must also be deemed to suit for the female physique and mentality. Women mostly work as doctors, nurses, teachers. Women's banks, or in a few other special situation where they had contact only with women.

The quality of education is lower for females. Curricular and textbooks are updated less frequently and teachers tend to bee less qualified. At the higher levels, Male have better research facilities.

In June 2012, the Saudi Arabia embassy in London announced that female athletes would compete in the Olympic of 2012 in London and England for the first time.

One predominant obstacles that is still very present today is the guardianship system. All females in Saudi Arabia must have a guardian, regardless of age.

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The famous feminists there are Loujain Alhathloul, Dina Ali, Samar Badaui, Alsha Al-Mana, Manal al-Sharif, Saud Ao-Shammari, etc..

Though the condition of women is Saudi Arabia is still very far from expectations, the condition is improving steadily as we saw above..

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Conclusion

We saw the socio-economic and education all condition of women, their movement and the challenges ahead for four different countries of the world. Though there are some dissimilarities, but the basic issues face by them are quite similarly everywhere.

Nelson Mandela, the first black president of South America has said

"Education is the most powerful weapons we can use to change the world". But now when we see that the so-called educated people are involved in the most heinous an disgusting activities then it raises a question on the vitality of present education system itself.

Conclusion

Today the need is to provide value-based education to the people. Then only the mentality could change and are concept of feminism may succeed Manal-al-Sharif, who is one of the most famous faces of feminism is Saudi Arabia, has said, "My

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