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Q1

If development is not engendered, it is endangered.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2016 · Essay · 125 marks · Philosophical and ethical quotes

Philosophical and ethical quotes

Core demand of the question

- **Stake:** development that forgets women (and the last gender) is already a collapse waiting
- **One stand:** engendered means designed with her time, safety, title, and voice - not a pink scheme sticker
- Move through numbers, care, work, polity. Keep one honest counter
- Close on a budget line that has her name

Revision summary

Not a full essay - a map.

- **Open with a road and a water walk. Stand:** design with her, or the project is already failing.
- **Headings:** title, care, work/polity, counter.

Peg SDG 5 / a land title. Close on a named budget line.

Note

This is a map, not the full 1,000-1,200 word essay.

Anecdote

A road is 'development'. The woman still walks two kilometres for water beside it. The road did not fail as tar. It failed as a life. If development is not engendered, it is endangered - the line is a warning, not a gender workshop title.

One stand

- **Engendered:** who counts, who owns, who is safe after dark. Endangered: a growth that burns the household that reproduces labour. Write SDG 5 without a brochure.

Heading map**What the line is asking**

- **Development:** income, a tap, a school, a say.
- **Engendered:** built with gender as a structure, not a beneficiary photo.
- **Endangered:** unstable, unjust, eventually slower.

Numbers / title

- A land record without her. A census that misses unpaid work.

Care / body

- A PHC that is a day's wage away. Anaemia as 'endangerment' of the next worker.

Work / polity

- LFPR. A panchayat chair that is a proxy.

The counter

Men in a dying farm are also endangered. Gender is not a zero-sum of pity. And a 'women-only' scheme that leaves caste untouched is another sticker. **Ambedkar**: the last woman is a caste-class-gender knot.

Last paragraph

- **Close**: put her on the title and the tap. Expand - this is only the map.

Facts & figures**Ambedkar**

A life of dignity - development as her walk, not a photo.

Sen / Nussbaum

Capability - one nod, then a tap.

SDG 5 / 6

Gender and water - peg once.

NFHS / time-use

Body and unpaid hours.

PMAY / land

A house and a title - engendered or not.

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