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CHAPTER NAME : WOMEN , CAST AND REFORM . (CH. – 9 HIS .)

In this chapter talks about women ,caste and reform .

Two major social evil that was prevalent during that time one was against women and other was for the caste system that existed .

Social reformer (“ Crusader” and “meliorist”) is anyone who advocated for reform of a certain area of society .

Reform movement : social movement that aims to make gradual change

Revolutionary movement : Aims to bring Rapid or fundamental changes

Story 200 years back ---- state of women and caste.

Early age of marriage .

Polygyny (more than one wife) was prevalent in Hindus and Muslims .

Sati was practiced (widows burnt with husband’s funeral) as batbatism of the East .

No access to education - if educated would be come widow

Cast division - upper caste versus lower caste (who kept City clean were considered polluting or untouchables)

Untouchables : - not allowed to enter Temple, draw water from Common wells, bath in common pounds and were considered inferior .

Thanks

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