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Women Empowerment in India: A Sociological Perspective

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Abstract: Women have generally been looked down upon with disdainful contempt. All sorts of strictures have been inflicted upon them, reducing their status to a mere play thing or a slave of man's whims, a mere chattel to be dumb driven. They have been confined to the hearth and home. The orthodox male-oriented society in India has still not been able to adjust itself to the fresh wave of women's liberation. But today the time have changed, the Indian woman has cast off her age-old shakles of serfdom and male domination. She has come to her own and started scaling the ladders of social advance with proud dignity. But the status of women suffered a setback in the Brahmanic age. In the muslim rule, women completely lost their glory, they were relegated into the background, cutoff from the mainstreams of life.

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