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## **Defining Feminism:**

Virginia Woolf defines feminism in her book 'A Room of one's own' as "A women must have money and room of her own if she is to write fiction"

Simon de Beauvoir (The Second Sex) (1953), I says, Society being codified by man decrees that women is inferior: She can do away with this inferiority only by destroying the male's superiority a Radical feminist.

Kate Millett, (1934) in her sexual politics (1971) argued that the relationship between the sexes was based on power and sustained by an ideology. It was similar to the relationship between classes and races. Hence it should be treated as political relationship. Basing her analysis of women's subordination on Max Waber's theory domination. Millet argued that men have exercised domination over women in two forms. Through social authority and economic force.

Sheila Rowbathom (1943), the chief representative of socialist Feminism advocated a participatory decentralized approach to social change that contemplates linking of the struggle of all oppressed groups. In her best known Historical writing (Women, Resistance and Revolution) (1972) and Hidden from (History). Rowbathem has tried to reclaims the past for women as a source of knowledge and strength that could contribute to their present struggle.

Angelina Grinke (1836) says "I recognize no rights but human rights-I know nothing of men's rights and women's Rights.

Mahatma Gandhi Says, "Men have considered themselves to be lords and masters of women instead of consisting them as their friends and co-worker ----women have been taught to regard themselves as slave of men. It is up to congressmen to see that they enable them to realize their full status and play their part as equals of men, Congressmen-Members of Indian national congress whom Gandhi Ji was addressing.

As chaman Nahal, observes the basic concept of feminism as: "I define feminism as a mode of existence in which the woman is free of the dependence syndrome. There is dependence syndrome whether it is husband, father, the community or a religious group. When women will free themselves of the dependence syndrome and lead a normal life, my idea of feminism materializes"

Eisenstein interprets the term feminist or feminism as, "In my understanding of the term 'feminist' then I see an element of visionary futurist thoughts. This encompasses a concept of social transformation that as a part of the eventual liberation of women with changes of all human relationship for the better. Feminism also fundamental about men and about social change.