

WOMEN AND POLITICS IN INDIA: A PSYCHOSOCIAL PERSPECTIVE

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ABSTRACT

It is important for one to know the how India acquired her independence from the British ending the colonial rule. Similarly, it is imperative to know of the contribution of women who fought equal to men during the freedom struggle out of which, the present India enjoys the fruit of independence. This essay provides the reader not only an essence of the eminent women who fought for the independence of the freedom for India, but also, in a different perspective, how women were seen in the yester-years and why with politico-psychological explanation. Politico-psychological explanations by Aristotle and Sigmund Freud are used in this essay to provide an extended view of the women's role in independence as opposed to the generically perceived household role played by the fairer sex.

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