✓ Mentioning Unmentionables

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Course Outline:

Concepts to be covered:

- 1. Need for such a study
- 2. Meaning of basic concepts such as mentionable, unmentionable, taboos, ban, rituals, do's and don'ts, etc
- 3. Meaning of sex, sexuality, nudity, pornography, culture, image, etc.
- 4. Expression of these in literature, daily conversations, slang, paintings, sculptures, theatre, cinema and other performing arts and commercial expression, etc
- 5. Possible causes and role of religion in forming such taboos and history of such concepts.
- 6. Mythological references of certain practices.
- 7. Changing nature of such concepts
- 8. Education, maturity and change in perception.
- 9. Impact of such concepts on society.
- 10. Legal stand on such issues.
- 11. References to major conflicts and revolts on these issues.
- 12. Need for opposition.
- 13. Marketing of unmentionables
- 14. Overview of the present situation.

Proposed References

Indian Movements

Indian temples

A film on Mahatma Jyotiba Phule- 'Mahatma'

A film on R D Karve- 'Dhyasparv'

Sati Movement, Arya Samaj Movement and so on

Dr. Anandi Joshi

Hindi films, other regional films and Hollywood films

Arts films

Reference to Autobiography of a Marathi author- Mr. S J Joshi

Women's liberation movement

Nudism or Naturism

Sex and Society