THE NOVELS OF SHOBHA DE: A THEMATIC ANALYSIS

A THESIS SUBMITTED TO TILAK MAHARASHTRA VIDYAPEETH, PUNE

FOR THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (Ph. D.)

IN ENGLISH UNDER THE FACULTY OF ARTS & FINE ARTS

 \mathbf{BY}

SUPRRIYA KARAANDAY

UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF

DR. CHOUGULE RAMESH BABURAO

DEPARTMENT
BOARD OF ARTS AND FINE ARTS STUDIES

NOVEMBER - 2014

DECLARATION

I hereby declare that the thesis entitled "The Novels of Shobha De: A Thematic

Analysis" completed and written by me has not previously been formed as the basis for the

award of any Degree or other similar title upon me of this or any other Vidyapeeth or examining

body.

Research Student

(SUPRRIYA KARAANDAY)

Place: Pune

Date:

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the thesis entitled "The Novels of Shobha De: A Thematic

Analysis" which is being submitted herewith for the award of the Degree of Vidyavachaspati

(Ph.D.) in English of Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth, Pune is the result of original research work

completed by SUPRRIYA KARAANDAY under my supervision and guidance. To the best of

my knowledge and belief the work incorporated in this thesis has not formed the basis for the

award of any Degree or similar title of this or any other University or examining body upon him.

DR. CHOUGULE RAMESH BABURAO

Research Guide

Place: Pune

Date:

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I have privilege to put on record my sincerest gratitude while submitting my Ph.D. thesis, 'The Novel of Shobha De: A Thematic Analysis' for the award of the degree to TILAK MAHARASHTRA VIDYAPEETH, PUNE. Though it is an original work done by myself, I have been helped by many persons with their constant help of every kind and encouragement I could complete this thesis and submitting it to the University.

At the outset, I owe my sincerest gratitude to my research guide, DR. CHOUGULE RAMESH BABURAO Department of English, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, and Sub –Campus Osmanabad who accepted me as his research candidate and extended every help to complete the task. This thesis would not have been possible without the help, support and patience of him.

I am extremely grateful to Dr. Shripad Bhat, Dean, Arts Faculty, Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth, Pune, who has helped me a lot in completing dissertation within less period of time.

I also thank to Shri. Ravsaheb Shinde, Chairman Rayat Shikshan Sanstha and Prin. Dr. Ganesh Thakur, Secretary Rayat Shikshan Sanstha and also Prin. Dr. D. D. Patil, Joint Secretary Rayat Shikshan Sanstha, Satara for inspiration guidance and encouragement given to me in this research work.

I am thankful to my uncle Prin. R. K. Shinde, Former Joint Secretary and Executive Coordinator of Karmveer Vidya Prabhodhini, Rayat Shikshan Sanstha, Satara for his encouraging words and thoughtful criticism.

I specially thank to Dr. Dhanaji Dhumal, (Assist. Professor) S.M. Joshi College who as a good friend was always willing to help and give his best suggestions.

I am most grateful to my former college colleagues: Prof. S. V. Sakunde, Prof. M. M. Shinde, Prof. P. M. Katkar and Prof. M. S. Khalate for their scientific knowledge.

My deepest gratitude goes to the Principals under whom I worked in Rayat Shikshan Sanstha. Among them I thank Prin. Dr. M. A. Shaikh, Prin. Dr. R.B. Bawandhankar and Prin. Shri. R. K. Shinde for their constant encouragement to update myself.

I am thankful to Prin. Shri. M. K. Mogal of Nav Maharashtra Jurior College and my colleagues for sharing their enthusiasm for and comments on my work: Prof. Shri. S. D. Kadlag, Incharge vice – principal, Prof. Shri. G. G. Nikam, Head of Department Of English, Prof. Sou. S. G. Sawant Head Of Department Of Hindi, Prof. Sou. A. N. Bhawari, Prof. Sou. V. R. Kale, Prof. Sou B. S. Kulkarni, Prof. Sou. S. Dangare, Prof. Sou. A. D. Khedkar, Prof. Sou. Yogita Pachpohe, Prof. Sou. P. R. Shinde, Prof. M. S. Jedhe, Prof. J. P. Tone and Prof. Miss Sneha Bhegade and other teaching and non-teaching staff of Nav Maharashtra Junior College.

I specially thank to my invaluable network of supportive, forgiving generous and loving friends without whom I could not have survived the process; Dr. Mahesh Prakash Shinde, Prof. Nivruti Anna Mahind and Prof. Navnath Ramchandra Bhawari.

I extremely thankful to my mom, sister and brothers. My hard working mother, Rajani has sacrificed her life for myself and my siblings and provided unconditional love and care. My sister Jayashri and my two brothers Ramakant and Chandrakant have been my best friends of all my life. I thank them for all their advice. Special thanks to the newest addition to my maternal family, Savita, Ashwini, Omkar, Rajwardhan and Rohini who all have supportive and caring.

I take this opportunity to thank my family, my husband and his entire wonderful family who all have been caring and supportive in general. My husband: Vasant has been a true and great moral supporter and has unconditionally loved me during my good and bad times.

Last but by no means least; I thank my dearest son, Shashank, for always coming to my defence. He has been non judgmental of me and instrumental in instilling confidence.

Finally I thank Shobha De. Without her this thesis would still be whimsical idea floating in the back of my mind. She has brought my ideas to life and her words have inspired me. God bless her.

For any	errors	or any	inadequacies	that	may	remain	in	this	research	work,	of	course	the
responsibility is	entirel	y my o	wn.										

SUPRRIYA KARAANDAY

Research Student

Table of Contents

Chapter No.	Title			
Chapter: I	Introduction:	1-49		
	1.1 Introduction:			
	1.2 Traditional and Modern Indian English writing			
	1.3 Thematic Approach:			
	1.3.1 Theme as an Aspect			
	1.4 Well-known Female Writers in India:			
	1. 4.1 Shashi Deshpande			
	1.4.2 Manju Kapur			
	1.4.3 Arundhati Roy			
	1.4.4 Anita Desai			
	1.4.5 Ashapurna Devi			
	1.4.6 Ismat Chugatai			
	1.4.7 Chhaya Dattar			
	1.4.8 Bharti Mukherjee			
	1.4.9 Kamala Markandaya			
	1.4.10 Kiran Desai			
	1.4.11 Nayantara Sehgal			
	1.5 Shobha De:			

1.5.1 Shobha De: Biographical details
1.5.2 Her Works
1.5.3 The Honours and Awards
1.5.4 Selected Novels:
1.5.4.1 Socialite Evening
1.5.4.2 Sisters
1.5.4.3 Strange Obsession
1.5.4.4 Snapshots
1.6 Feminism: Shobha De
1.7 Cosmopolitanism: Shobha De
1.8 Significance of the study
1.9 Review of the Literature
1.10 Statement of the Problem
1.11 Aims and Objectives of the research
1.12 Statement of the Hypothesis
1.13 Data Collection
1.14 Scope and Limitations
1.15 Research Methodology
1.16 Chapter Scheme:
Chapter I: Introduction
Chapter II: A Thematic Analysis in <i>Socialite Evenings</i>

	Chapter III: A Thematic Analysis in Sisters					
	Chapter IV: A Thematic Analysis in Strange Obsession					
	Chapter V: A Thematic Analysis in <i>Snapshots</i>					
	Chapter VI: Concluding Remarks					
	1.17 Bibliography:					
Chapter: II	A Thematic Analysis in Socialite Evenings	50-87				
	2.1 Introduction:					
	2.2 Various Themes:					
	2.2.1 Image of Female					
	2.2.2 Realism and Realistic Picture of Female					
	2.2.3 Quest for Identity					
	2.2.4 Need of Identity					
	2.3 Cosmopolitanism:					
	2.3.1 Courageous Females					
	2.4 Feminism:					
	2.4.1 The Image of Rebellious Woman					
	2.4.2 The Picture of Open-Minded and Emancipated New-					
	fangled Woman					
	2.4.3 The Genderless Globe of Innovative Female					
	2.5 Marginalization					
	2.6 Female's Issues:					

	T			
	2.6.1 Wealthy and Rich Females			
	2.7 Man Influence			
	2.8 Marriage Conflict			
Chapter : III	A Thematic Analysis in Sisters			
	3.1 Introduction:			
	3.2 Various Themes:			
	3.2.1 Romance, Love-Disgust Connection:			
	3.2.1.1 Conflict for Self-identity			
	3.2.2 Male-Subjugated Society			
	3.2.3 Sophisticated Society			
	3.2.4 Patriarchal Authority			
	3.2.5 Courageous Females			
	3.3 Feminism			
	3.4 Male Influence			
	3.5 Marriage Conflict			
	3.6 Free-thinking and Open-Mined Female			
	3.7 Sexual Relationship			
Chapter : IV	A Thematic Analysis in Strange Obsession	153-165		
	4.1 Introduction:			
	4.2 Various Themes:			
-	1			

5-199
i-199
i-199

Bibliography	208-214
6.3 Some Suggestions for the Further Research work	
6.2 Major Findings	

CHAPTER I: INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction:

The portrayal of woman in Indian English fiction, as the silent sufferer and upholder of the customs and traditional values of family and society, has undergone a tremendous change and is no longer presented as a passive character. Kamala Markandaya, Nayantara Sehgal, Jai Nimbkar, Shobha De, Anita Desai, Shashi Deshpande, Arundhati Roy, Manju Kapur and many other women novelists have individuals rebelling against the traditional role, breaking the silence of suffering, trying to move out of the caged existence and asserting the individual self. The woman is trying to be herself and however, does not wish to break up the family ties.

The novelists of the Post-independent era have very skillfully and effectively presented the predicaments of women which are imposed upon them and while fighting against these predicaments, how they come out of their traditional roles as a mother, daughter, sister and above all as a wife or a home-maker and acquire many unimagined and novel roles like teacher, social worker, social activist, businesswoman or corporate personality and many more. The present research is completely based on the study of the female protagonists in the novels of these women novelists. In fact, these novelists are regarded as the feminist writers and their writing is supposed to be feminist. The prime objective with which the feminist movement was started was to change the destiny of the women who have no rights, freedom, no honour and no social importance in such a social structure where the men are supreme.

India is one of the traditional countries with male dominated society. In our Indian traditional male dominated society, the condition of the women is the same as that of the women who live in other male dominated societies in other countries. What the feminist movement did in the western countries, the same is done by the feminist movement in India. The feminist movement has done a great job by helping women to come out of the slavery of the male dominated society and made them what they wanted to be. The movement changed the very plight of

the Indian woman who thought that her world is within the four walls of the house.

Indo-Anglian female writers are taking place onward through their muscular as well as certain tread, corresponding the rapidity of the further female writers every above the globe. The researcher comes across them satisfied within filled flower dispersal their human being heady scent. They are documented for their innovation, adaptability and the aboriginal essence of the loam that they convey to their effort. Various well-familiar Indian female writers write in English are Kamala Das, Shashi Deshpande, Arundhati Roy, Anita Desai and Shobha De. They clutch their individual within the female author's globe of original refusal, sadness, family connections, domesticity etc.

Indian English fiction is one of the important forms of Indian English literature. It has achieved, equally fruitfulness as well as superiority of irritated fiscal. It also symbolizes different phase's growth of our innumerable enlightening and general life precise from the commencing of the 19th to the mid-nineties of the 20th century. It deals with the following three phases of development.

First phase; in the first phase, there is a number of advancement which is answerable for making Indian English literature. The beginning exponents are like Henry Derozio (poet) for, That Make You Cry, Michael Madusudan Dutt is translated three plays Bengali into English; Ratnavali (1858), Sanskrit play, Sermista (1859), and Is This Called Civilization? (1871), Toru Dutt's A Sheaf Gleaned in French Fields (1876), B. M. Malabari's The Indian Muse in English Grab (1876), and R. C. Dutt's Lays of Ancient India (1894). They are developed setters who commence to literary in the Indian replicate in an unfamiliar and foreign language. Although, their hard works are commonplace and lacking in originality of English fiction. They productively provide a new trend to Indian literature in English by writing on Indian olden times, mythology as well as legends. This phase is also called derivative phase. The writers of 1850 to 1900 are trying how to found this element of literature. The first four women novelists like Cornelia Sorabjee for Short Story, Love and Life behind the Purdah (1902), Sun-Babies (1904), Novel Between the Twilights (1908), The Purdahnashin (1917) and a play, Gold Mohur: Time to Remember (1930) Sathiananadan, Ghoshal etc.

they also attempted to write in the tradition of Victorian work of fiction. These women writers paved the way for Indian English creative writing. Although, these writers followed the narrative technique of Victorian novelists, they also challenge to portrayal the authentic situation of female within the gentleman subjugated civilization.

Second phase, of writers is the assimilative. This period starts from 1947. They were compulsive nationalist seeking to project the renascent consciousness of India caught in the maelstrom of historical conflict and turmoil and change, and culminating in the attainment of political freedom in 1947, self-expression was all important to the writers of imitation self-definition, accompanied by heartsearching probing into the cultural inheritance became the genuine concern of the writers of assimilation. The early writers were projecting landscapes, moods, fancies and dreams, while their followers sought a more radical assurance of their sense of origins and their sense of destiny. Toru Dutt and Sarojini Naidu constitute a kind of watershed between these two phases, in that they share their predecessor's individual nostalgia as well as their successor's sense of crisis and quest of identity. Toru Dutt is the inheritor of unfulfilled renown and the saint poets. Swami Vivekananda, Swami Ramtirtha, Swami Yogananda, Sri Aurbindo and Rabindranath Tagore left a body of writings which is glorious summation of Indian's hoary cultural spiritual and methodological heritage which dates back to the Vedas, the Upanishads and the Gita. In their writings, they endeavored to natives English language in order to make it a befitting instrument for the expression of Indian sensibility. During this period we have novelists like R. K. Narayan, Raja Rao, Muk Raj Anand etc. who have presented the various images of women in their own way.

Therefore, it is during this high opinion, Shobha De is different significantly from further Indian female writers in English. While, the researcher requests to discover as well as clarify in general descriptions of female come into view in her narratives, it is a charming revise from the Indian spot of vision.

Third Phase is the experimental phase, which begins after the Independence. There has been a conspicuous outbreak of literary activity

demanding the urgency of national self-definition and reflecting a painful heartsearching. Rajyalaxmi said:

"Our models have been neither exclusively Indian nor British, but cosmopolitan. Europe, Africa, America and Asia have all become a part of our cultural consciousness, offering impetus and stimulation. Our writers have been suddenly lifted from an exclusive to an extensive range of creative experience. They have been raised from a conservative to a cosmopolitan culture, to confront the new shape of things and acquire a new view of human destiny. The age has changed and requires a new image. This has been largely met by the writer."

Indian Women writing in English is being recognized as major contemporary current in English language- Literature. The likes of Salman Rushdie, Amitav Gosh and Anita Desai, Arundhati Roy, Kiran Desai, Shobha De, etc. have won worldwide acclaim for the quality of their writing and their imaginative use of English. These include the role of English as global lingua franca: the position of English in India. The Indian writers in English are writing, not in their native language but in a second language, and the resultant transcultural character of their texts.

1.2 Traditional and Modern Indian English writing:

Traditionally, the work of Indian Women Writers has been undervalued due to patriarchal assumptions about the superior worth of male experience. The factors contributing to this prejudice is the fact that most of these women writers have observed no domestic space. The Indian women's perceptions of their aspirations and expectations are within the framework of Indian social and moral commitments. Indian Women Writers in English are victims of a second prejudice vis-a-vis their regional counterpart's. Proficiency in English is available only to writers of the intelligent, affluent and educated classes. Writer's works are often therefore, belong to high social strata and cut off from the reality of Indian life. As, Chaman Nahal writes about feminism in India:

"Equally the awareness of female's situation in civilization like one of weakness or in simplification compared with that of male and also a longing to take away those is compensation." ²

The majority of novels written by Indian women writers depict the psychological sufferings of the frustrated homemakers. This subject matters often considered superficial compared to the depiction of the replaced and oppressed lives of women.

Indian writing in English is now gaining ground rapidly. In the realm of fiction, it has heralded a new era and has earned many laurels both at home and abroad. Indian women writers have started questioning the prominent old patriarchal domination. They are no longer puppets in the hands of man. They have shown their worth in the field of literature both qualitatively and quantitatively and are showing it even today without any hurdle. Today, the works of Kamla Markandaya, Nayantara Sehgal, Anita Desai, Geetha Hariharan, Shashi Deshpande, Kiran Desai and Manju Kapur, Shobha De and many more have left an indelible imprint on the readers of Indian fiction in English.

The most important expansion with contemporary Indian fiction is the enlargement of the feminine or female centered point of views, that looks for to mission as well as understand practice, since the position of a womanly perception as well as deep feeling. Therefore, one more feminist, Meyer Patricia says that:

"Here, it appears to be amazing that they describe a female's perspectives on the viewpoint adequately dissimilar to be identifiable throughout the nations."

Many Indian women novelists have explored female subjectivity in order to establish an identity. The theme is from childhood to womanhood-developed society respecting women in general. Santha Rama Rau's *Remember for the House*, (1956), Ruth Prawar Jhabvala's first novel *To whom she will*, 1955 and her later novel *Heat and Dust* (1975), Kamla Markandya's *Two Virgins* (1994), Rama Mehta's *Inside the Haveli* (1977), and Gaeta Hariharan *The Thousand Faces of Night* (1992).

The image of women in fiction has undergone a change during the last four decades. Women writers have moved away From traditional portrayals of enduring self-sacrificing women, towards conflicts, female characters searching for identity; no longer characterized and defined simply in terms of their victim status. A major preoccupation in recent Indian women's writing has been a delineation of inner life and subtle interpersonal relationships. In a culture where individualism and protest have often remained alien ideas and marital bliss and the woman's role at home is a central focus. It is interesting to note the emergence of not just an essential. Indian sensibility is but an expression of cultural displacement. The women's presentation is more assertive, more liberated in their view and more articulate in their expression than the woman of the past is.

1.3 Thematic Approach:

The thematic approach includes some definitions of 'theme' as an aspect of novel; themes handled by Shobha De in her novels. Along with the thematic discussions, it also includes Shobha De's inspiration and literary and philosophical influences on her; and any biographical or autobiographical relation in her handling of the themes.

1.3.1 Theme as an Aspect:

As the study relates to the thematic analysis of Shobha De's novels, 'theme' and 'thematic' should be defined to know the basis of interpretation. At the outset, researcher will deal with the etymology of the terms 'theme', 'motif' etc.

The etymology of theme and the definition of motif in Oxford English Dictionary as stated in *The Return of Thematic Criticism* edited by Werner Sollors (1993: Harvard University Press,p.1) is as follows:

Etymology of Theme: Greek *thema* proposition, from *tithenai*, put, set, place, lay down. "The subject of discourse, discussion, conversation, meditation, or composition; a topic." ⁴

Motif: Low Latin *motivus*, from *movere*, *motum*, to move; sb. Old French *motif*, Spanish, Portugese, Italian *motivo*. "In literary composition: a type of incident, a particular situation, an ethical problem, or the like, which may be

treated in a work of imagination; also in Folklore, a recurrent character, event, situation or theme".

Theme and motif are changed into literary treatment of a great variety of themes. **Thematic** is simply considered 'old' and hopelessly outmoded so discussions of literary 'treatments of' themes tend to call themselves by other names. Few Americanists seem to understand or define their work in the context of thematic. Literary texts may be asked questions relating to historical, social, or cultural themes.

After having stated the etymology of 'theme' and 'motif' now it becomes necessary to refer to the definitions of the given concepts from various dictionaries to understand its aspects. Most of the definitions given in various dictionaries and opinions given by some critics and scholars emphasize theme as the subject; or main or important idea that appears several times in the work or works along with other secondary ideas.

Some of them are the definitions as follows: Oxford Advanced Learner's Dictionary of Current English (Hornby A.S. ed. 1989(4th Ed.) OUP, Calcutta, p. 1329) defines 'theme' as "subject of a talk or a piece of writing or a person's thought or topic'; and 'thematic' as 'of or related to a theme'." 5 The New International Webster's Pocket Dictionary (2001: CBS Publishers and Distributors, New Delhi, India) defines 'theme' as 'a main subject or topic, as of a poem, novel, play, speech etc.' 6 (p.583) Compact Oxford Reference Dictionary edited by Catherine Soanes (2001: OUP, p.868) defines 'theme' as 'a subject on which a person speaks, writes or thinks' and 'an idea that is often repeated in a work of art or literature'. The New Oxford Dictionary of English (Judy Pearsall ed. 1998: Clarendon Press, Oxford, p.1921) defines 'theme' as 'the subject of a talk, a piece of writing, a person's thoughts or an exhibition' and 'an idea that recurs in or pervades a work of art or literature'. 8 It defines 'thematic' as 'having or relating to subjects or a particular subject'. In the dictionary, we also come across the words 'thematize' and 'thematics' which are defined as 'present or select (a subject) as a theme' and 'a body of topics for study or discussion' respectively.

Chris Baldick in his *Oxford Dictionary of Literary Terns* (2008: 3rd ed., OUP, pp.333-4) defines 'theme' as:

"A salient abstract idea that emerge from a literary work's treatment of its subject-matter; or a topic recurring in a number of literary works. While the subject of a work is described concretely in terms of its action – (e.g. 'the adventures of a newcomer in the big city'), its theme or themes will be described in more abstract terms (e.g. love, war, revenge, betrayal, fate etc.). The theme of a work may be announced explicitly, but more often it emerges indirectly through the recurrence of 'motifs'." ⁹

The definition focuses the abstract ideas and recurrence of motifs. The 'motif' has been defined in the same dictionary as:

"A situation, incident, idea, image, or character-type that is found in many different literary works, folktales, or myths; or any element of a work that is elaborated into a general theme. The fever that purges away a character's false identity is a recurrent motif in Victorian fiction; and in European lyric poetry the *ubi sunt* motif and the *carpe diem* motif are commonly found. Where an image, incident, or other element is repeated significantly within a single work, it is more commonly referred to as a 'leitmotif'." (Baldick, pp.215-6).

'Leitmotif' is defined as 'a frequently repeated phrase, image, symbol or situation in a literary work, the recurrence of which usually indicates or supports a 'theme'. [11] (Baldick, p.185) The definition by Baldick mentions the term 'theme' with 'motif' and 'leitmotif'. There also appear the terms like *ubi sunt* (Latin, meaning: Where are ----?); and *carpe diem* (meaning: seize the day) as the most frequent themes of literary works.

Theme has been defined in Handbook of Literary Terms, Literature, Language,

Theory by X. J. Kennedy et.al. (2005: Pearson, Longman Inc., p.153) "as The prevailing topic or issue conspicuously

running through a literary work. A short didactic work like a fable may have a single obvious theme, but longer works can contain multiple themes. The theme is an abstraction from the work."¹²

Ashok Thorat et.al. in *A Sprectum of Literary Criticism* (2001F.P., repr.2008: Frank Bros. & Co., New Delhi, p.273) "define 'motif' as a 'basic, recurring idea or theme, in a work of art'; and 'theme of a work of art is a longer idea or concept dealt with'.¹³

A.J. Sebastian and N.D.R. Chandra define 'theme' in *Literary Terms in Fiction and Prose* (Delhi: Authorpress, 2004, pp.231-2) as:

"The central idea of a literary work with its subject matter, concerns and pre- occupations. It unifies and controls the whole work. Through it the author commends on the subject matter and the various issues and shares his ideas with the readers. A theme is related to the organic unity of the whole work. In some works meant for pure entertainment like adventure stories or detective novels, the theme may not be so clearly defined. Sometimes theme presented by the writer may not be in accordance with the beliefs of the reader. However, it presents another point of view to the reader in a world of free ideas. The reader should be careful to avoid confusing the theme of the work with its subject matter. At times the title of a work can be indicative of its theme."

The definition given by Sebastian and Chandra speaks about the central idea as a controlling and uniting power for the whole work; they also speak of other points of idea i.e. sub themes or multiplicity of themes but advise not to confuse the subject matter with that of ideas.

Jacob Abraham in his *A Handbook of Literary Terms* (1998: Kalyani Publishers, Ludhiana) states 'theme' as "the term applied to a thesis or doctrine which and imaginative work is supposed to convey to the reader".¹⁵

Twin Hag in his *Dictionary of Literary Terms* (2003: Rajat Publications, New Delhi) states 'theme' as

"A common thread or repeated idea that is incorporated throughout a literary work. A theme is a thought or idea the author presents to the reader that may be deep, difficult to understand, or even moralistic. Generally, a theme has to be extracted as the reader explores the passages of work. The author utilizes the characters, plot and other literary devices to assist the reader in this endeavor.... In truly great works of literature the author intertwines the theme throughout the work and the full impact is slowly realized as the reader processes the text. The ability to recognize a theme is important because it allows the reader to understand part of author's purpose in writing the book." 16

Dianne Doubtfire in the first chapter 'Theme' of her book, *The Craft of Novel Writing* (1981) states some of her views and states some aspects of themes and thematics. The chapter starts with Lawrence Durrell's epigrammatic statement: "The theme of art is the theme of life itself". The statement indicates how inseparable life from art and theme of life that from theme of art. She calls 'theme' as the basis of the book; and the subject of the novel and can be expressed in one word, or at least in one sentence. Further she says that due to the constant change of scene and atmosphere it becomes difficult to formulate a theme. The writers should search for the quality of 'eternal truth' that underlies every contemporary situation. According to her the strongest themes are ageless, classless and universal.

Roy Johnson in *Studying Fiction* (1992: Manchester University Press, Manchester) states theme as 'the underlying topic or issue, as distinct from the overt subject, with which a work deals' ¹⁷ further he discusses it as 'a theme is the central, or underlying, or dominating idea in a literary work". ¹⁸ And in glossary he calls the idea 'often abstract concept which is made concrete through characters and action'. ¹⁹

Tomashevsky (Sollors, p.11) "defines 'theme' (what is talked about) as the unity of the meanings of the separate elements of the work. One may speak of the theme of the whole work and of the themes of its separate parts. Every work written in a meaningful language has a theme." (Boris Tomashevsky, "Thematics" (1925), trans. Lee T. Lemon and Marion J. Reis) Mikhail Bakhtin (Sollors, p.11) "thinks that the forms of the whole, i.e., the genre forms, essentially determine the theme." ²¹ Cleanth Brooks et. al. (Sollors, p.16) in *An Approach to Literature* (1975) states that "the story is theme, and the theme, story". ²²

'Theme' as stated in *Great Soviet Encyclopedia* (1976) is as follows:

"An artistic theme does not exist outside of an artistic image or, in particular, outside of a plot structure, even though it is more accessible than other components of an artistic work. Therefore, the theme cannot be treated as if it were circumscribed by a single meaning. Every work tends to have a multiplicity of themes. A theme exists in images, causing different works on one common theme."

(Sollors, pp.16-7)

Murray Krieger in his *The Thematic underside of Recent Theory* (1983) states:

"Thematizing is not bad, that it is inevitable ... it is better confronted than denied in one's own work and attacked in others". ²⁴ (Sollors, p.18)

According to Menachem Brinker, (Sollors, p.22 & 37) "theme is the principle (or locus) of a possible grouping of texts and its most common function is to aid in describing and interpreting the work or a group of works. He feels it difficult to set up a definite criterion for identification of all the themes of a fictional work." ²⁵

Claude Bremond in his article "Concept and Theme" (Sollors pp.46-59) speaks of thematization of a concept. According to him "thematization consists of an indefinite series of variations on a theme by organizing into a hierarchy of meta themes (most abstract and general wording), themes and subthemes" ²⁶ (several more concrete and particular wordings).

George Steiner (Sollors pp.299-300) "thinks that literature is by essence thematic and it can only operate in an echo chamber of motifs. He further states that the theme and motif are the weave of intertextuality and exist only by recognition these days. He regrets that the allusions and implicit motifs are inaccessible. He calls the thematic presences as the instrument of economy." ²⁷

Most of the definitions of 'theme' given above focus the main subject or idea of a book etc. But along with the main subject or idea, there are some subjects those are of equal importance. Consequently, a literary work may have one main or central theme and many sub-themes. The definition also refers to speech, art exhibition or discussion but neglects the secondary themes. Some of the definitions treat theme and motif as complementary. The definitions given relate it to literary works stating it a subject matter or a unifying idea. It also refers to musical ideas or an essay and linguistically the root word after removing all affixes. The views above mentioned state in one way or other the importance of the thematization of the concepts, implicit in a literary work that helps interpreting and analyzing the works of literature.

The above definitions include the overall themes in the novels of Shobha De. Some novels show characters with supernatural powers; some have existence of ghosts and some settings are haunted. Therefore, supernaturalness is one of the themes of Shobha De's novels. Mostly, her works highlight on the one of the major theme like cosmopolitanism which is commonly reflected. It also shows the image of female-protagonists.

1.4 Well-known Female Writers in India:

The previous three decade has observed the coming out of well-known female writers in Indian Writing to initiate among Shashi Deshpande.

1. 4.1 Shashi Deshpande:

Shashi Deshpande is one of the well-known Indian English writers. She is the next spawn of the renowned playwright, named Shriranga who is well-famous Sanskrit writer in Karnataka. She has done her graduation in television journalism at the Bharatiya Vidya Bhawan, Mumbai and worked for a two of months as a reporter for the journal 'On Looker'. Her primary work of fiction is *The Dark*

Holds No Terror. It is published in 1999. She is received Sahitya Akadami Award for her famous novel, That long silence. Her next well-known work of fiction is Roots and Shadows. She has anticipated impartially a new-fangled feminine face with prejudiced understandings through a geocentric hallucination. She imitates on the troubles as well as anxiety of the middle class metropolitan and Indian females. Her writings are entrenched during the civilization into which she lives. Her observations are responsive to the widespread each day an action as well as understandings. It also presents an imaginative appearance to incredible that is uncomplicated as well as commonplace. Her feminine is chiefly Indian. During the wisdom that it is stand out of the dilemma of Indian feminine located connecting conflicting individuality. The female characters are among the conventional which moves toward and annoying to bind relatives as well as line of work to preserve the qualities of Indian civilization

Her next work of fiction, *A Matter of Time* is a continuance of her examination into the various particulars of the womanly understanding into the text. During this narrative, she has demonstrated the subjects like stillness, femininity dissimilarity, unreceptive distress as well as recognizable associations into deeper dominion. It is a narrative surrounding three age group of female impending to conditions among their living-life within and every feminine globe. The family member, female characters split with their gentlemen is homered with stillness, deficiency or unresponsiveness. The hurting of breakdown of the relatives' is difficulty Aru, who believe herself for her father's achievement, furthermore, she locates to unfasten it. It is during this roasting ambiance the typescripts develop as well as move toward to a newer sympathetic of their life. The responsibilities of anger as well as fortune are playing as major subjects just about which novelist interlaces her fiction. She gives details about the responsibility of ferocity into her expressions:

"I am thinking of Puradars's procession, the hour smacks as well as I am frightened. I stopped up thinking in the living-life, I am leading unexpectedly it appears dreamlike to me, furthermore, I be acquainted with I may not go away on." ²⁸

However, her trouble-free and authoritative writing style understands similar to a grandmother's story that perforates the unfathomable into sympathy as well as reconcile. Next to one spot, the utilize of omniscient recitation taunt mostly the booklover like the presenter services actions, on the other hand, it is not to divide pending moment as well as scheme opens out it. Her *A Matter of Time* as well as Salman Rushdie's *Fury* equally turns just about subject of existential ferocity. Shashi Deshpande conveys Salman Rushdie's work of fiction not in from lamentation in New York City to a peaceful as well as reconcile Karnataka, in India, moreover, his knolls within the breaks a booklover may have missing desire intended for

The fundamental subject within her writings, it is individual relations specially the ones that survive connecting father and offspring, male-female, husband and wife, connecting nurse and descendant. Within every relation, the female engages the middle phase as well as considerably, the recitation shifts throughout her female realization.

Within her work of fiction, the writer, Shashi Deshpande has given three categories of misery of female characters and re-occurs with delicate modifies.

- The initial category feels right to the central characters and their nurse or mother stature, the conventional female, who thinks that her position is among her male-companion as well as relations.
- The next kind of female is bolder further person-dependent as well as
 disobedient. She may not corroborate to fabulous, subservient as well as
 submit dream of adulthood. Like deep-seated feminine, philosophy
 uttered, for instance, Sarah's comrade, Nathan in the *Dark Holds No Terror*.
- The final and third, category of female personalities, are the female within connecting neither conventional nor fundamental in their ideas as well as perform. For instance, one of the major character, Indu in the *Roots and Shadows*, vegetation her male-companion to hunt for place of safety during her familial residence. Human being a female herself, she commiserates through female. The Indian female writer, Shashi

Deshpande makes it clear during one of the meetings regarding feminine move toward within her characters:

"However, others observe a little feminine writer within my writings; I should declare that is not intentionally finished. This is because the globe for feminine is similar to that as well as I reflect the humanity." ²⁹

1.4.2 Manju Kapur:

Manju Kapur is also one of the outstanding Indian English female novelists. She is famous for her novel, *Difficult Daughters* and she got Common Wealth Award for it. Her next novel is *A Married Woman* which is about love at a moment of political as well as spiritual disturbance. It also deals with understanding as well as astuteness. A Married Woman is tale about a one of the performer whose image confronts the limitations about the middle rank living-life. The novelist Manju Kapur portrays during her central character, named Astha:

"A female ought to be conscious of reasonable physically powerful resolve, self-sufficient as well as balanced, encompass confidence within the internal effectiveness of adulthood A significant revolutionize may convey simply from inside by human being liberated within the deeper telepathic wisdom." ³⁰

The female protagonist, Astha similar to, encompass a fracture from the confidence on others. She also profits on the pathway of complete human being standing that facades a hazard to Hemant as well as his gentleman dominance. On the other hand, she comes across herself fascinated connecting the force of the contemporary increasing civilization as well as manacles of the antique unfairness. She puts out on her search for a new significant existence within her lesbian association. She consecrates as well as observes her affronted womanly deep feeling elevating the gentleman outburst to communal revolution within the civilization.

Her one of the famous novel, *Difficult Daughters* also highlights on the true picture of misery female. During the postcolonial time, the separation has

always been the mainly creative as well as well-known region for imaginative novelists. Throughout this stage, numeral of work of fiction is written on the idea of the devastation. It conveys the dilemma as well as gives miserable influential observations on the stop working on human being and their standards.

The novelist, Manju Kapur also highlights on the problems major during the circumstance of the patriarchal society; bury-sacred wedding ceremony, relations link, man-woman attachment, co-existence of history as well as current. She describes her female central character like a sufferer of environmental science, masculinity, familial hostility, along with state of affairs. Therefore, the writer believes to:

"Here is a gentleman inside all female as well as a female in all gentlemen. At what time, gentleman hood is difficulty adulthood is disjointed."³¹

A most important anxiety during current Indian female's writings has been a description of internal existence as well as delicate relations. During a civilization anywhere, uniqueness objection have frequently stayed behind unfamiliar thoughts along with wedded heaven as well as the female's responsibility at residence is the inner meeting point. It is motivating to observe the coming out of not presently a necessary Indian emotional response, other than, an appearance of enlightening entertainment.

1.4.3 Arundhati Roy:

Born in 1961, in Bengal, Arundhati Roy is well-known as well as prominent writer beneath the Indian English literature. She grows up in to the Kerala; she qualified herself as a draftswoman from the Delhi School of Architecture, however, it is discarded within connecting. She considers to:

"A feminine is a female who discuss to herself into a location where the writer has alternatives." ³²

Her one of the famous novel, *The God of Small Things*, she got Britain's premier Booker Prize in 1997. She is the primary non-emigrant Indian novelist as

well as the initial Indian female to have been successful this award. She has not at all confessed that she is a feminine one, other than, her work of fiction, *The God of Small Things*; makes known at various spaces of her feminine deportment. Her central character symbolizes womanly emotional response. Her mother declares that:

"My daughter, Arundhati is born talkative and also a writer. At what time, she was studying in school and college; it was a major difficulty to come across a trainer, who would deal with her insatiable hunger for writings as well as understanding. A good number of the moment, she is well-informed herself on her individual. I may keep in mind our vice-principal, named Sneha Zaharias is resorting a one of the famous play, The Tempest which is written by William Shakespeare. It is like a text for the small fourth ranking." 33

Her secure remarks as well as the microscopic features within the making of her fictional proficiency are examines during her further works. Her two significant piece of writing on the network are, *The End of Imagination*, one more is *The Greater Common Good*. Into her *The End of Imagination*, the writer condemns nuclear strategies of the administration of India. The novelist predicts the injurious penalty of nuclear armaments on creature beings as well as environmental science during it:

"Our metropolis as well as wooded area, our grassland as well as rural community will be on fire for existence. Waterway will revolve to poisonous. The atmosphere will turn into bonfire. The wind speed will increase the bonfire when the whole thing there is to smolder has be ablaze furthermore, the flames pass away, burn will increase as well as fasten out the sun. Here will be on daylight as well as simply never-ending hours of darkness. High temperature will plummet to far below sub-zero as well as nuclear wintry weather will locate within hose down will revolve into poisonous hoarfrost. Radioactive come to blows will trickle during the globe as well as infected groundwater. Nearly all living wage equipment, flora and fauna and vegetables, angle as well as chicken, will pass away. Simply cockroaches as well as pests will variety, develop, as well as

absolute through falsify, historical object gentle for what small groceries here is." ³⁴

1.4.4 Anita Desai:

One more well-known feminist writer is Anita Desai. She is born in 1937. She grasps an inimitable position between the modern female writers in India. There are 10 novels in her credits and some other literary work which has huge significance in Indian English literature. Her female protagonists within her work of fiction go against male-domination society to investigate their individual probable or to survive on their personal conditions, not considering of the penalty like, uprising might have on their survives. They receive the situation of unknowns to struggle as well as disparage those enlightening philosophies that move toward into their technique of flattering liberated persons, identity selected taking out, for these female, takes on the variety a bludgeon for continued existence within a patriarchal group of people. Her females are, as a result, desired for self-determination inside the population of gentleman as well as females, like it is the merely technique that will do well in satisfying them. Within the reality, her replica of a liberated female like Bimala in Clear Light of Day, it is about unattached female. Her matrimonial major female characters are Maya in Cry, a Peacock, one more, Monisha in The City, next, Nanda in Fire on the Mountain and finally, Sita in Where Shall We Go This Summer? They turn into miserable, aggressive or self-disparaging.

They misplace their own wisdom as well as destroy others, other than, they murder or demolish themselves. The vengeance of these females is not a confidential individual, other than, a consequence of the multifaceted communal circumstance, instantaneous family members, surroundings as well as the dealings among their gentleman. A lot of her female major characters are described as particular female. The writer never tries to neglect the organization of wedding ceremony or maintain unfriendliness from civilization.

A number of her female protagonists, similar to the, Tara, in *Clear Light of Day*, realize their realization within their wedding ceremony. In its place, throughout, the Bimala, the writer, Anita Desai highlights to a variety of feminine

liberation which dishonesty within not warning female to their conventional responsibilities, on the other hand, within increasing as well as beginning them to quite a few other potential. Their variety of existence, separately from individual stimulating, as well liberated them from confidence on gentlemen. The female protagonist, Bimala, during her human being liberty, demonstrates, one of the feminist writers, Simon De Beauvoir's explanation of a self-determining female within her volume. In her notable book, *The Second Sex*, Simon De Beauvoir states that:

"Comes to an end to be a scrounger, the classification pedestal on her confidence disintegrate; among her as well as the cosmos here is no longer at all requiring for a mannish intermediary." ³⁵

The same as, the female novelist, Anita Desai declares that:

"I may not believe somebody banish from civilization may explain a few difficulty. I imagine that the difficulty is how to survive within the civilization as well as, thus far, preserve individual's independence quite than distress from a require of humanity as well as a not have of feel right." ³⁶

In her initial work of fiction, *Cry, The Peacock*, Anita Desai is worried about her major character, Maya and Maya's psychosomatic troubles. Like a youthful responsive female, Maya's desires are to sex, love as well as survive. She creates up the intellect of her priest, named Gautama; he is more aged than Maya. She also is preoccupied continuously through the rationalistic move toward of her male-companion to the relationships of existence. She loves much to her husband overenthusiastically furthermore; she requests to be appreciated in go back; on the other hand, her husband's chilliness dissatisfies her.

The starting place of the complete work of fiction reclines within the foretelling of albino clairvoyant, who generates a dread hang-up within her intellect:

"The clairvoyant, which move stealthily crafty conjurer of my vision, no of itinerary they are not illusion. Arjun encompasses to demonstrate them to

me with yet supposed they live genuine? Have by no means whispered something to put forward that it is, I who has to pass away, perverted as well as sadistically for existence later than my wedding ceremony, not anything to put forward that he yet consideration that."³⁷

The prediction turns into difficult to her insensible intelligence. The novelist is workings on informative the untrustworthy psychological situation, supernatural explanation, internal motivation as well as existential tracking down of gentleman. She achieves something completely in contravention non-grounds for her imaginary fine art along with her modern although commerce with the quandary of gentleman as well as his community along with ethical predicament. She is similar to Kafka opens out the existential qualities of gentleman within the civilization. Her psychoanalysis is a gentleman during achievement in regulates to reveal his concealed objects at the back the facial authenticity of cognizant intelligence.

1.4.5 Ashapurna Devi:

At the present, the researcher talks about one more well-liked feminist novelist, named Ashapurna Devi. Mostly, her works highlights on the revitalization of a transformed conventional maturity which could contain females require for lucidity. It is similar to other female writers like Anita Desai and Bhandari, she believes schooling of female to be of greatest significance. She carries out, as a result, this is because, and the novelist observes a real lady, not now like a gentleman, like mediator of feminine domination. For that reason, she is more significant of female than she is of gentleman, her experiences are talented to dictate female. This is because needy as well as self-doubting elder female similar to mother in-law and her own mother facilitate them to carry out accordingly.

Within her well-known Trilogy are Pratham Pratishruti, Subarnalata as well as Bakul Katha. The novelist, Ashapurna Devi outlines that the development of the feminine association from the colonial to postcolonial stage within India. She discovers that the present-day, knowledgeable as well as cost-effectively self-determining female, similar to Bakul in Bakul Katha, the most recent element of

her trilogy, have developed into further self-absorbed than, the female of previous age group, similar to Satyvati and Subarnalata within Pratham Pratishruti as well as Subarnalata correspondingly. Further prominently as well as paradoxically, the writer comes across that their autonomy has not transport them earlier to further female. She sponsors a reconsideration of conventional group of people where the family members connecting gentlemen along with female with connecting elder as well as youthful female are not stand on the subservience of individual to the additional, other than, anywhere female like the identical civil rights as well as human rights as gentleman within a confirmation of human being standards. To acquire stillness at residence, the novelist desires female to fracture the ramparts of psychosomatic incarceration situated surrounded by them. The group of people, intended for the Indian English writer, ought to turn into the establishment that could liberate female by as long as them the concrete argument to situate resolutely.

The novelist also illustrates that how the human being or minor identity comes across freedom from throbbing as well as loneliness.

1.4.6 Ismat Chugatai:

One more important feminist writer is Ismat Chaugatai. She magnetizes reader's concentration towards her major work of fiction, named *The Hearts Breaks Free*. The novel carries out the tale about the subjugated citizens similar to the Bau. At this time, she explains the young-looking, very important, laid-back as well as enthusiastic one. The major character, Bau is within difficulty, actually as well as within strength, at what time, the writer presents to the supposed restructuring organize of the conventional relations. Within the dissimilarity, disobedient Qudsia as well as Shabir, through dividing themselves from the conventional group of people, are capable to come across a new-fangled, satisfying existence. She has dream towards the feminine utopia that conserves the individuality as well as pleasure of the browbeaten themes. It is not noticeably transformative like far as the patriarchal arrangement is afraid. What Shabir as well as Qudsia are capable to realize is a wonderful nationalist move away from the globe, an idiosyncratic as well as prejudiced feminine utopia, it is not

presented any mixture of sociality as well as independence inside the normative group of people.

Her work of fiction honestly discloses as well as emphasizes the world-shattering as well as reconstructive facial appearance of their utopian group of people to the civilization. As a result, that it may observe how the stranger society function like relatives in a comprehensive brainpower, on the other hand, it is dissimilar from the conventional Indian relations where the gentleman's as well as senior's influence speedily receives more than moreover, female are required to receive good point through surrender. A number of detractors have elevated to distress concerning the practicality of such feminine utopias. Within her piece of writing:

"The perfect group of people as well as the political affairs of Difference', one of the writer, Iris Young disputes that the utopian civilization through antithetical the obtainable communal configuration work against the idea of communal modify or development as well as in that way turn into motionless, carrying out exterior moment or olden times." ³⁸

1.4.7 Chhaya Dattar:

Both, Chaya Dattar and Popati Hiranandani, are struggled to generate self-substantiate thoughtful seats that release through separate their female major characters from their patriarchal create communal secure. The present feminist writer, Chhaya Dattar, within her biographical narrative, named *In Search of Me*; she portrays her familiarity like a communal employee during the ethnic globe. Although soundtrack, the unionized behavior of the ranch workers, who are typically, female. These female are engraving rancid provisionally from her individual feminine troubles. She also practices a mysterious satisfaction that moves toward during the relation through individual's identity, signify inside the tale through the novelist's undesirable spiritual union through ethnic countryside that without charges her, intended for those not many existence, from her communal doubts as well as reservations.

Her reply to her environment enjoy a elegiac as well as spectacular concentration that coherent her recently found power along with originality,

furthermore, the writer instigates to re-comprise her-identity through come across at what has composed her. The perform of examine this finding; initial element make stronger her to put forth her individual society more than her calculating relations element. Separately from the meditative chairs, she also comes across with empowerment from examination the ancestral female disclose their independence, through exercising their influence to emphasize their distress. Their personality starts to destroy as they attempt to create noticeable communal commonality. The malformed manifestation, of the or else springy ancestral female into noisy tone of voice undoubtedly coherent their true to well-mannered as well as deferential human being covering, authorize the novelist to diagram her individual get away from the imprisonment of objectification.

As a result, Chhaya Dattar demonstrates that the human being seats of feminine discharge are turning point on the inter-reliance of female. The communal commonality of female, within the writer's mental picture, interrupts the increase. It is exceptional as well as individual this is because influence is resulting from the communal verbal as well as energetic nonconformity. Therefore, she states that:

"It is one of the female's groups of people that may facilitate every female to maintain through ability the single individuality as well as autonomy that has been without to her through the patriarchal group of people." ³⁹

Her hallucination of feminine freedom Supply Boulevard of flattering within the globe as the records of female's understandings, within her narrative, is enclosed through an appointment through their refutation of confidence as well as unselfishness. Liberty, within their task of equally the novelists, is chiefly a psychological observable fact, wherever females believe to get ready for an alteration of realization. She presents imagery of feminine issues, vigorously generate their individual fates as well as these descriptions situate in difference to the iconic outline of the feminine as inactive, ethnically unchanging in an purpose association within that she is forever the substandard.

1.4.8 Bharti Mukherjee:

Bharti Mukherjee is one of prominent Indian English female writer. She is born in Calcutta, India in 1940. She has done her Master of Arts in English from the Baroda University and also completed her Ph. D. in English from Lowa University, US.

Her novels and other writings highlights on the observable fact of immigration, the position of new-fangled colonizer as well as the sensitivity of unfriendliness frequently knowledgeable by probability an Indian female as well as their fight. Her individual fight among individuality, initial as an migrant from India after that an Indian emigrant into the Canada, furthermore, lastly as an refugee within the US guides to her recent gratification of human being an colonizer in a realm of colonizers.

The First Stage: in this stage, Bharti Mukherjee's famous works are *The Tiger's Daughter*, published in 1972 and one more well-known work is *Days and Nights*. Her major work of fiction, *The Tiger's Daughter* deals with females' problems. The major character, named Tara who is very young girl, and she endeavors reverse to India later than various days of human being missing to come back to deficiency as well as disorder.

The Next Phase or the Second Stage: Her major works includes Wife, (it is published in 1975), An Invisible Woman (famous Essay), and The Sorrow and The Terror. Into the Wife, the novelist states about the woman, simple who is most important character. Simple has been censored through such gentleman; moreover, she challenges to be the supreme Bengali female-partner. Away from terror as well as individual incapability, she kills her male-companion, furthermore, finally, she entrusts suicide.

The Final Phase or Third Stage: In this stage, the novelist published her famous novel, named *Leave It to Me*, in 1997. In this novel, Bharti Mukherjee informs that the tale is about a youthful lady, Debby Di Martino, who plays major role. Debby also searches for retribution on blood relation. The narrative makes known her unappreciative interface among variety adoptive father and mother. She is an unforgiving explore for her authentic close relatives. The work of fiction

also comes across at the disagreement connecting with Western and Eastern globe moreover, about her relation with her mother is like political affairs as well as touching subjects by the most important character within her citation for the retribution.

1.4.9 Kamala Markandaya:

Next, Kamala Markandaya is distinguished writer of the contemporary Indian creative writing who is born in 1924. But she states her work with falsename, Purnaiya Taylor. She has done her graduation from the University of Madras. Later on she turns to U.K. after the India's Independence. She is recognized for writing regarding enlightening conflicts among Indian metropolitan as well as rustic civilization. Her major works are:

- *Nectar in a Sieve* (1955)
- A Silence of Desire (1961)
- *Possession* (1963)
- *Some Inner Fun* (1965)
- A Handful of Rice (1966)
- *The Nowhere Man* (1972)
- *The Rising* (1973)
- The Golden Honey Comb (1977)
- *Pleasure City* (1982)

Her famous work of fiction, *Nectar in a Sieve*, is regarding a physically powerful, major character, named Rukmani. Like, she describes her legends; the booklovers are concerned within her soreness. Missing her sons as well as considering her descendant turns into a prostitute, on the other hand Rukmani yet represents physically powerful. Rukmani the most important character as well as her daughter Ira put on illustrate distress during the work of fiction. She is

working very solid; furthermore, she is dedicated to her moderate male-companion. She also has struggled with deficiency, starvation, as well as separation of her unproductive descendant, the passing away of her sons, her daughter's bad manner as well as lastly her male-companion passing away.

1.4.10 Kiran Desai:

Kiran Desai is one of the outstanding female writers in Indian English literature. She is born in 1971; she is resident of India and an enduring dweller of the America. She got **Booker Prize Award** and **National Book Critics Circle Fiction Award** in 2006, for her famous novel, *The Inheritance of Loss*. Her primary work of fiction, Hullabaloo, also received **Betty Trask Award** in 1998. It is a reward specified by the civilization of novelists for the new-fangled work of fiction by general public to the Common Wealth of country less than thirty-five years old.

Her well-known novel, *The Inheritance of Loss*, highlights and starts with the story of the Indian young woman, named Sai. She is living along with her grandfather who is retired Judge in India. She is passionately mixed up with her math teacher, named Gyan. On the other hand, Gyan ultimately brings to mind from her understandable opportunity as well as he descends into among a crowd of cultural Nepalese dissatisfied.

The novelist, Kiran Desai grips quite a few most important problems of contemporary development within her next work of fiction. The perception of globalization is multi-sided. It has financial, supporting, communal, enriching as well as enlightening features. It might generate a chance or a hazard. This is because of Globalization, states of affairs have misrepresented, new-fangled thoughts have come out, and furthermore, the citizens have stride out their neighborhood of imprisonment to come across companionship as well as capability along with their oppose elements. One of the well-known scholars, Dr. Shubha Mukherjee states that:

"The novelist, Kiran Desai's famous novel, The Inheritance of Loss, gives the true picture of globalized India. The major female characters like Jamubai Patel, Mr. and Mrs. Mistry, central character, Sai, Biju Nomita and Lolita are exaggerated through Globalization. Like intellectual novelist as well as cautious spectator of individual performance, the writer observes the accountability of script regarding present astounding problems." ⁴⁰

Her writings are similar to other writers like Zadie Smith and Hari Kudzu, their creative writing acquires a normally confident outlook about what one Indian writer, Salman Rushdie remarks that:

"Hybridity, uncleanness, bury-come together, the alteration that moves toward of new-fangled as well as unanticipated amalgamation of individual, human being, traditions, thoughts, political affairs, movie theater, as well as songs." 41

1.4.11 Nayantara Sehgal:

Nayantara Sehgal (1927) is also one of the notable writers in Indian English literature. Mostly, her writings highlight on the India's best replying to the disasters brings about through political-supporting alteration. She is the first feminist, Indo-Asian novelist to accept extensive gratitude. She is famous for her works like, *Prison and Chocolate Cake*, published in 1954, *This Time of Morning*, published in 1965, *Strom in Chandigarh*, published in 1969, *The Day in shadow*, published in 1971, *Rich Like Us*, published in 1988 and *Lesser Breeds*, published in 2003.

1.5 Shobha De:

Shobha Rajadhyasha is known as a Shobha De. She is born in Girgoan, Mumbai, India in 1948. She is from Goud Saraswat Brahmin Family. She has also done her schooling from the Queen Mary School, Mumbai, and completed her graduation from St. Xavier's college at Mumbai, in Psychology. After that, she is also worked as a model for few years. Today, she is famous for an Indian columnist as well as novelist. Mostly her novels deal with the sex and socialites. She successfully exploits the popular image of social people and cosmopolitan life in the minds of ordinary people. Therefore, she is come to identify like Jackie Collins of Indian Society.

The novels of Shobha De also have variety of themes and need thematization for its better understanding. Most of her critical assessment states the difficulty in classification her writing in a literary tradition but grouping her works using the thematic basis will make it easier. Her novels depict mental and physical sufferings of female-protagonists and other women characters. She concerns with sufferings of women that finds a central place in the novels. She also mocks on cosmopolitanism society and women which marks her ironical attitude towards serious issues. Her autobiographical elements and biographical details also will provide an aid for the study of her novels.

As the study is thematic and every novel reflects multiple themes, the researcher thinks of stating the themes in every novel sequentially as prominent and secondary while analyzing the novel after giving a synopsis of the novel in brief. As the theme is the essence of the story, it emerges out of the main character, plot, setting, moral and such elements.

Shobha De has dealt with a variety of themes through her novels that makes difficult to defining or pigeonholing her. Her fiction has not been paid much attention to till she received the prestigious various awards. These novels, though, won several prizes and awards; Shobha De has not been included among the prominent contemporary women writers. Her behaviour of multiplicity of themes and the study of it poses a real challenge. The thematic study of all her novels might help to the booklovers to understand her handling of themes in the form of the prominent and subsidiary themes to interpret Shobha De as a contemporary woman novelist and her place among the contemporary novelists.

1.5.1 Shobha De: Biographical details

As it has been mentioned by many reviewers and critics that there is great variety with regard to themes in the writings of Shobha De and it is quite difficult pigeonholing her in one of the traditions of Indian literature. Moreover, she displays her varied interests through her writings. Thus, there is only one thing that can relate all her works that is her handling of various themes. Therefore it is an interesting and challenging task to examining her works thematically. But the researcher is aware of the limitations. The writer in question is a living and

prolific writer. The works of hers and the criticism in relation to the works might pour in abundantly. So the researcher wants to delimit the study to her five novels

However, it may not be an exaggeration to claim that the time has come to study her novels at doctoral level. It is necessary to have a critical, analytical and interpretative study of all her novels. Her skillful handling of variety of themes also necessitates the thematic study of her novels. It might prove useful for the students, researchers and also to the readers of literary works as a comprehensive study of her novels.

Shobha De's biographical details include her life; her literary output; and the honours and awards she received for her works.

1.5.2 Her Works:

- Small Betrayals, published in 2014
- *Shobhaa: Never a Dull De*, published in 2013
- *shethji*, published in 2012
- Shobhaa at Sixty, published in 2010
- Sandhya's secret, published in 2009
- Superstar India From Incredible to Unstoppable, published in
- Strange Obsession, published in
- Snapshots, published in
- Spouse: The truth about marriage, published in
- *Speedpost*, published in 1999.
- Surviving Men, published in 1998
- Selective Memory, published in 1998.
- *Second Thoughts*, published in 1996.
- Small betrayals, published in 1995
- Shooting from the hip, published in 1994.
- *Sultry Days*, published in 1994.
- *Uncertain Liaisons*, published in 1993.
- Sisters, published in. 1992.
- Starry Nights, published in 1989
- *Socialite Evenings* published in 1989.

5.3 The Honours and Awards:

Shobha De with her diversified themes in her novels including her recently published novel, she has received many prestigious awards. In her literary career, she had won various awards: she got 'Hallo Hall of Fame' award in 2011, in Mumbai. She also received 'Business of the Year' award in 2012.

1.5.4 Selected Novels:

For the present study, the researcher has selected the following Shobha De Indian English Woman Novelists and her novels:

1.5.4.1 Socialite Evening:

Socialite Evenings well-famous novel be Shobha de. It focuses on the image of the colonization of Indian females at the offers of their male-companion. The central character, Karuna's wedding ceremony is a breakdown, as it is sexless, delight-less as well as viaduct-less. There is no sympathetic connecting the male and female. She has immediately a official affiliation among her male-companion. Familiarity in male-female is missing for Karuna who not at all calls her male-companion by his given name. This novel is a whole realization in that high opinion. Karuna is an extremely know-how youthful female. She is, if something also Europeans. It demonstrates that wealthy, well knowledgeable Indians are not in the slightest tad timid regarding touching just about within western subjugated civilization as well as sophisticated relationships.

1.5.4.2 Sisters:

Sisters is one of the famous novel by Indian English women novelist, Shobha de. It is a tale of dishonest cosmopolitan civilization, where person and their associations have misplaced its every standard. At the same time, it is a fiction regarding distressing link among the two sisters like Mallika and Asisha. They are the daughters, one lawful as well as the other illegal, of huge moment trade gentleman, named Hiralal, who passes away at the opening. The legend revolves just about the dishonest cosmopolitan globe of trade into the Mumbai. It

is occupied with masculinity, disloyalty, abhorrence, conspiracy sex, as well as dishonesty.

The novel also highlights on the various realistic problems regarding cosmopolitan females through the development of trade realm. Gender and sex, both are trailing speedy its holiness. During this division of the globe, mostly females are in use as masculinity-doll. Unfaithfulness of the gentlemen, female, sex and wedding ceremony are their major difficulties. It also illustrates that how females are sufferer from men-excitement. It also stands for a true reflection of the confused existence as well as ethical disorder of the cosmopolitan females. Considerably, the writer, Shobha De applies descriptions like vultures as well as sharks for the dishonest trade, business person as well as mouse and angle for their female victims.

Therefore, the novelist, Shobha De effectively portrays the major problems like dishonest, cosmopolitan culture and civilization with deliverance of major characters outlines to these troubles. In the end, it is not deliverance or a get away, but it stands for an approval of realism.

1.5.4.3 Strange Obsession:

Strange Obsession is also one of the major works of Shobha De. It informs regarding the fascination of a psychotic female through a good-looking youthful. It also focuses on the anxious character of Minx, the simply as well as blemished teenager of the IGP (Inspector General of Police), who tops up into a fanatic as well as lesbian. She has an unhappy babyhood as an effect of her father's relocate as well as her mother's communal work. The novelist, Shobha De is paying attention to further on the emotional feature of Minx's behavior which is prohibited the impartial expansion of her personality. Her bright treatment of her environment as well as her cruel behaviour imagines illegal proportions.

After that, next daytime, she draws the concentration of an unexplained female named, Amrita or Minx. When the months go by as well as the order of her undesirable suitor cultivate, Minx's living life rotates into frightening. The unhappiness tops within a year's moment in which Amrita brings a pan bellied

tummy. She is getting doubles, furthermore, she comes about to interpret Minx's obituary which is joyful conclusion to the booklover's suffering as well as sadness including understand the grime. It is memorable work of fiction about the sexual fascination along with its disasters penalty. The novel also compacts through the lesbian connection among Amrita Aggarwal as well as Meenakshi Iyengar, named Minx. At this time, lesbianism itself is a hazard to heterosexuality.

Similar to her further works, within the Strange *Obsessions*, the novelist carries out the illogicality of existence in the upper classes of Mumbai. She delights the theme of love and sex ornately; the aggressive homosexual propensity of Minx gives the altitude of substitute love and sex.

1.5.4.4 Snapshots:

Snapshots is unstable innovative narrative of Shobha De. It also encloses bereavement, unfaithfulness, dishonesty, rape, incest as well as the wickedness that skulk under the each day life of citizens. While, the mauve as well as discussion start on to flow at a meeting among six females were associates at discipline, recollections initiates to outside; several joyful, others bittersweet as well as a not many that are unqualified venomous. It is required to tackle the shadowy undisclosed that, they deliberation, they put down covered bottomless within the ancient times. The females start to revolve next to one another as well as the atmosphere of the social gathering rotates terrifying.

Therefore, the above discussed novels of Shobha De are analyzed in this research work, which are thematically organized. Mostly her novels deal with the themes such as family unit, wedding ceremony, patriarchy, search for love, move violently for endurance as well as eccentricity, and several novels move about the life in movie business, Bollywood as well as deliberate fundamentally on desire as well as masculinity. To end with, the novels present the liberation of females and development the cosmopolitan way of life of neo-rich citizens.

1.6 Feminism: Shobha De

The term feminism is an ideology which denotes female. According to the Oxford English Dictionary, the term 'Feminism' was first used in the latter part of

nineteenth century and it was defined as having the qualities of females. In general, feminism is the ideology of women's liberation in all its approaches as a woman who recognizes herself and is recognized by others as feminist. The feminist consciousness is the consciousness of victimization. As a philosophy of life, it opposes women's subordination to men in the family and society, along with men's claims to define what is best for women. Feminism is defined as a mode of existence in which the woman is free of the dependence syndrome whether it is the husband or the father or the community or religious and ethnic group. Even today an average woman feels uncertain about his identity as a social being.

Feminism is to state that a female is a human being, not an attachment, other than, she is an independent human being, competent of discovery her individual identity. During its untimely period's feminism thinking of Amazon–Utopias, every-feminine globe, however, the current inclinations are a suggestion that it is achievable for a female to survive within the globe where gentleman also survive. The deeper, the majority distress of the writer during the India has been the human being and their relations, particularly male-female relation, as well as the carrying out of feminine consciousness. The modern-day writers are tangled into the difficulty about male-female relations as well as refinement of womanly realization.

The untimely picture of female in Indian English work of fiction as a quiet victim, an embodiment of endurance as well as staying power has steadily been battered. The female is described by the Indian female novelists is a depiction about a self-determining, open-minded human being. The female novelist like Shobha De is also mindful about the insignificant position of female in civilization. At this time, the revise is included includes key work of fiction of Shobha De. The attempt, at this point, assumes is a study of her work of fiction from feminine point of outlook.

Shobha De's works and their headings have starting from the letter, 'S'. Positively, it is not her luck. One of the Indian writers, **Pushpinder Syal** remarks that:

"The sis stands for right mind, gender, love identity and sex. Furthermore these, it appears, are the principal anxiety of Shobha De's characters." 42

Her primary fiction, *Socialite Evenings* is a tale about middle class young woman, named, Karuna. Her living-life starts in Mumbai, along with her guide, Anjali, who is visioning of a profession in reproduction as well as movies. The major character, Karuna hatred her middle rank derivation; moreover, to come out of it, she ignores her boy-friend also gets married "the incorrect gentleman for the incorrect motives at the incorrect moment." Anjali recommends Karuna a remedy of the extramarital concern that demonstrates incurable to her matrimonial living-life. She is unconnected with no the allowance.

She discards the gentleman standards for the confirmation of her womanly identity. One of famous researcher, **Pramod Nayar** comes across that:

"The initial authentic appearance of her sexual category constructs her experience undeserving of high opinion. This is because that she has drunk the phallocentric philosophy of sexual characteristics." 44

Into the reality, to be open-minded is not a wicked do something at the entire. It is attempted to accomplish her touching require, moreover, to go to the completeness of individuality. Unhappily, she acquires terminate not at all to be a nurse once more. At most recent, she proceeds to her close relative refuse an present from a male, she imagines to be particular. She takes home on her individual which is satisfied. Although, she may not acquire herself clear of the yearning to flirt, she appreciates that it has no outlook at every. As a final point, she realizes her own identity, other than; she has to disburse profound cost for it. Into detail, no moralist is similar to Karuna to drop into love with Krish, although, Shobha De':

"A contemporary feminine may not come across something morally wrong as well as frightening. At this time, she confines the dichotomy of standards in an incredibly motivating behavior." 45

Therefore, the researcher does not intelligence her forthrightness for absorbed on the un-happiness of female's brainpower as well as corpse. The images, now and then, acquire grimy, other than, there is not anything high-quality or terrible. Shobha De demonstrates herself an iconoclast to splinter our thought that the wedding fasten is holistic as well as not at all to be broken down at some charges.

Throughout, into a deteriorate civilization, the novelist, Shobha De portrays female's look for love during the gentleman globe. During her works of fiction, she has attempted to break patriarchal domination. Some levelheaded examination of her fictional writings from feminine perspectives, it may carry out to tolerate this reality into the brainpower. It is this issue that provides genuineness to writer, Shobha De; however, her imaginary globe has stimulated inquisitiveness as well as curiosity on single offer also condemnation on the further. Her volatile work of fiction, Sisters is distinctive for commerce with the supernatural disagreement in its open-minded female central character. It also spotlights on the seedy surface of dealing planet as well as internal earth of the central character, Mallika, pet-named Mikki. It is subsequent to the termination of her father and mother, she acquires accuse of her father's business that leave without her multicolored existence into the America. The major character, Mikki undergoes appreciative to construct her step-sister, Alisha her industry colleague. She fractures her appointment among Navin, at what time; she comes across him a simple marionette in his mother's hand over. Astonishingly, she clasps herself into the matrimony, although, she has captivated of the existence of autonomy. She entreats him:

"I may seem to be after you, the researcher may effort together, I may not have to remain hours to observe you." 46

Therefore, the present study also intends to focus on Shobha De's female characters and their look for individual liberty, without which afterward disobedient through resorting to the unprincipled do something. Providentially, she acquire liberate of her male-companion after his unintended passing away. Her knowledge is with him middle-aged her from a straightforward community butterfly to a full-grown female. Alisha hand round as frustrate to Mikki; equally

the sisters are dissimilar from every other. At most recent, Mikki as well as Alisha acquire amalgamated. The work of fiction move toward to closing stages with mutually the sisters appreciates their required to be alive jointly. At this point, Shobha De interlaces connection of sister-hood within the objection of the patriarchal set of connections.

As a result, Shobha De's works of fiction point to the entrance of a new-fangled Indian female. Her female heroines challenge insubordinately next to the accepted view of patriarchy. They demonstrate the writer's close thoughtful of the consciousness of females as well as their troubles.

1.7 Cosmopolitanism: Shobha De:

The word cosmopolitan comes from the Greek word, 'kosmopolites' which stand for the voter of the globe. It is also apply to explain an extensive multiplicity of significant observation in ethical as well as socio-political thinking. The unformulated center collective with the entire multi-ethnic or cosmopolitan or metropolitan analysis is the thought that every person, not considering of their supporting relationship, carry out, fit in to a solitary group of people, furthermore, that this society must be sophisticated. Dissimilar description about the cosmopolitanism imagine this society in diverse customs, a number of highlighting on supporting organizations, others on ethical or good standards or relations, moreover, at rest, some others highlighting on collective bazaar or outlines of enlightening appearance. The truth-seeking curiosity within the cosmopolitanism dishonesty in it's confronted to usually familiar accessory to fellow-people, the confined situation, parochially communal civilization, as well as the similar to.

Metropolitan or Cosmopolitanism is the philosophy that every human being, cultural groups belong to a particular group of people which is found on a communal morality. It can require various class of globe-administration or it can also merely submit to more wide-ranging ethical, financial, as well as supporting relations among homelands or personal of dissimilar homelands:

"A human being who sticks on to the thought of multi-ethnic in any of its forms is named a multinational or cosmopolite." ⁴⁷

It is an up-and-coming way within the communal hypothesis, which imitates equally an entity of revise as well as a distinguishing practical loom to the communal globe. It diverges from political supporting as well as ethical financial records of multi-ethnic as globe, universalistic civilization in its formation of cosmopolitanism as communally positioned. It is element of the self-constituting environment of the communal globe itself. It is a moved toward that move the highlighting to inner developmental procedure inside the communal globe, quite than considering globalization as the most important instrument.

The multi-ethnic or cosmopolitan thoughts may happen in any variety of civilization, and culture, furthermore, at every moment, however, it is fundamental to recent within so far away as this is a situation of self-identity, problematization, incompleteness as well as the consciousness that confidence may not at all be recognized one time as well as for every one. The coming out of female's writings within India throughout the previous part of the 19th century is of huge implication, during the intellect that it constructs the nativity of an period that undertakes a new-fangled contract for the Indian females. Mostly, Indian creative writing, as its starting point further than 100 years before, has contract with the situation of female within the civilization. Indian female writers in the modern times have fashioned plentiful literary production, their spotlight of characters, human being on sexual category as well as their responsibility of female in today's civilization. These novelists investigate into human being and their connection, as this is intimately worried through intellect as well as sympathy.

The previous couple of the decades, they have observer exceptional achievement inside the feminine writings in Indian English literature. Indian female writers have specified a new-fangled measurement to the Indian writing. It is observed that female novelists in India are included the returning feminine understanding through their writings.

During the 1990s, new-fangled as well as talented novelists sustained to produce up, well-known novelists sustained to donate considerably to the increasing variety. Every novelist, in their individual technique, has attempted to express their ideas into a different individual influence, female novelists have

frequently elevated their influence touching to the community as well as enlightening main beliefs that embarrassed their autonomy as well as carry out institutional isolation to the females.

During primeval time in India, the female were unused to the precise to schooling. One of notable feminist writer, Simone De Beauvoir states that:

"It has constantly been a gentleman's globe. But the past has revealed that gentlemen have, for all time, reserved within their hands to the entire tangible influence. This is because the most primitive days of the patriarchate, they have been thinking most excellent to stay female during a situation of reliance; their policies about the rule have complex next to her, furthermore, she has been certainly traditional like the further." ⁴⁸.

At what time, female turns into well-informed; they ongoing to declare that their personal point of vision as well as feminine writings comes out like the communal society next to their supporting, efficient as well as socio-culture intolerance. As a result, during modern time, female novelists have distinguished as well as described the spiritual brainpower of Indian females.

In the present day, the position of female has distorted. This is because the financially viable expansion as well as political-supporting contribution. Nearly every one cosmopolitan female are under pressure to generate a different identity or individuality inside their relations as well as away from it. The novelist like Shobha De, in her fictional works, has completed challenges to display the touching life of females, the complicated material of human being and their relations are portray expansively regarding the personal understanding of the females. Well-known Indian writers, Singh and Gupta remarks that:

"The novelist, Shobha De imagines that a female to be conscious of her individuality as an individual one as well as believe for her for her identity. Female ought to be a self-determining individuality through living being conscious of the alternatives unlock to her".⁴⁹

Therefore, the writer, Shobha De verifies to be the spectator of the civilization obtainable just about her, observing the whole thing minutely,

furthermore, it stands for the modern outlook of recent feminine through her inimitable manner. The present research work is a challenge to display that how the novelist, Shobha De's imaginary humanity depicts a require to pull down the conventional descriptions of the cosmopolitan females, and it is also forced through patriarchal civilization through describing the internal consciousness of youthful Indian females, their feelings and ways of thinking are not familiar by further new.

1.8 Significance of the study:

This research work will help the readers to understand the journey of Indian women from a typically traditional woman into a highly modern, educated and independent woman. It will help the readers to understand that how women are growing vigilant and conscious about their rights and how they are coming out of their limited world and acquiring new positions in the contemporary society. It will also provide new insight and new way of looking at the lives of the women. It will change the mentality of the traditional people who believe that the women should be within the house, and will make them more liberal in their treatment of women. It will create great awakening in the society about the plight of the woman and compel the society to think of woman as equal to man. Directly or indirectly, the present research will contribute to feminist cause of woman's empowerment. It will help the readers to look at the novels of Shobha De from different perspective. It will also provide them with ample opportunities of doing research on the life of Indian women with the help of these novels. It will explore cosmopolitan culture; however, it is not true reflection of the Indian culture.

1.9 Review of the Literature:

The novels of Shobha De and many other feminist woman novelists, who have presented new women with changed roles in their novels, are a great reservoir for research activity. Ample research has been done by the research scholars and ample is to be done. The critical books and the abstracts of the following papers on the writing of these novelists in national and international seminars and conferences, show that the writing of these novelists furnish opulent

opportunities and possibilities of doing research on many hidden issues and aspects in their writings.

Though, there is scarcely any comprehensive study of the works by Shobha De, there are some articles, reviews in some magazines, journals, periodicals in a scattered manner. For instance, her biographical details are found in *Contemporary Authors*, Vol. 125 (310-1). The articles on her works are brought together in *Contemporary Literary Criticism*, Vol.144 (208-244). The researcher also comes across some individual entries as contemporary writer by Rennison (2005, 2009) and others.

A great deal of work has been done so far on various Indian novelists in English. The main findings are regarding their style of writing and subject matter. A lot of work has been focused on portrayal of women in literature. The researcher thought it appropriate to focus on the feminism in literature, instead of confining only to the portrayal of women. The researcher has come across with the following research focusing in women and literature.

• Shobha De's Sisters: Not a Junk but a Novel: Yumana Prasad

"Yumana Prasad showed how an urban Indian woman confronted with a vicious under-world culture in the novel *Sisters*. He examined socio-urban culture is eating into the marrow of Indian tradition and ethos." ⁵⁰

Facets of Feminism in Shobha De's Starry Nights – Dr. Mrs. Sheela Rani Khare.

"Dr. Sheela Khare traced the bitter realities of the life of women through varied facets of feminism in keeping with contemporary feminist critical theories. Dr. Sheela Khare highlighted the role of woman in the suffering of women in one capacity or the other." ⁵¹

• The Novels of Shobha De: A Feminist Study- Dr. Patil

"Dr. Patil attempts to project Shobha De as a feminist who fights for the equality of women in a dogmatic patriarchic Indian society. Dr. Patil shows how De articulates her rebellion much in consonance with the view

of some noted feminist like Virginia Woolf, Simon de Beauvoir etc. through a bold projection of their quintessentially explosive and expressive heroines." ⁵²

• Bed as Battlefield: A Study of Shobha De's Starry Nights- Dr. Kanade

"Dr. Kanade considered bed as battlefield in Shobha De's Starry Nights. He is of the view that Shobha De's novels are the documents of sex and the negation of it may have disastrous results." ⁵³

• Shobha De's Socialite Evenings- A Feminist Study – Dr. S. P. Swain.

"Dr. Swain gave a focus on Shobha De's *Socialite Evenings* has the picture of marginalization of women at the hands of their husbands." ⁵⁴

From the above reviews, it is clear that though there are number of studies related to this present study, there is not any research work focusing on the present topic in a comprehensive way as the present research does. Hence, the research problem can be said as original and as pointed out in the first chapter, there is a need of conducting research work about the present problem.

1.10 Statement of the Problem:

The fairy-tale of the human chase starts with the female writers. This is because it is she who carries the innovative human genetic material. It is gloomy that the productions of historians have observed 'Gentleman' as the hero whereas in practicality it is the woman who merits the rank of a star. The future for humanity depends on her labor, her skill, her biology which holds the key to the destiny of the human race. The society in which we live today had specified certain rules which are different for men and women. The woman has to perform the biological function of reproduction and, therefore, her opportunities remain restricted. It is solely her responsibility to take care of the children thus putting an end to all her opportunities.

Some feminist writes have showed that it is significant to have child-care centers so that women could defend their jobs and depart to effort. Therefore, in the 20th century feminist objection became a chief social anxiety. Despite many

improvements in the society, the feminist groups undergo that sufficient has not been finished for them.

1.11 Aims and Objectives of the research:

The aim of the present research work is to study, identify, discuss, analyze and to interpret Shobha De's selected novels and thereby to place them in the belief of Indian English Literature.

- 1. To study the four novels by Shobha De keeping in mind the recurring themes mentioned by the critics and scholars.
- 2. To identify the secondary themes; cosmopolitanism East vs. West
- 3. To study various thematic aspects in the selected novels of Shobha De.
- 4. To focus on religious and domestic imagery to explore a sense of identity in the light of Indian English novels.
- 5. To make an interpretation of special glooms of love in her fiction.
- 6. To be acquainted with the thrash about of women for liberty and impartiality in the Indian Society.

1.12 Statement of the Hypothesis:

The selected fictions of Shobha De reveal various aspects and make available a standpoint of life. At the present lot of research work is done on the Shobha De separately. But nobody has attempted to study of the thematic analysis; women's image and to compare them to bring out feminine psyche, the changing faces of women and changing relationship between man and woman, including cosmopolitan life and culture.

1.13 Data Collection:

The data would be in the form of the primary and secondary sources.

a. Primary Sources: The Four novels of Shobha De and her other works would form the primary sources.

b. Secondary Sources: The reviews and articles published in various journals, magazines and in the books.

1.14 Scope and Limitations:

Women have made remarkable contribution to fiction in Indian English Literature. In fiction, there is ample scope for the expression of feminine sensibility. Women have inspired literature and the feminine theme has been a pivotal importance too. She is herself a creator of literature and is all pervading. Woman is the cause of all action. If woman is absent, there is no poetry, no song, no drama, no tears, no laughter and ultimately no life in this world. But they are still walking on a tight rope to achieve their rights and social justice. Indian woman at the turn of century are in a transitional phase via- a- vis the interface of tradition and modernity. The different aspects of feminism are stressed through many Indian English fiction. This study attempts to present various images of women protagonists projected by Indian women English contemporary and modern novelists like Shobha De.

This research work also tries to study comparatively the female protagonists in these fictions. Shobha De has written many novels but here it is impossible to analyze each and every fiction of them. The study will focus on only particular Indian English Woman novelist like Shobha De and her selected novels.

1.15 Research Methodology:

The analytical, interpretative and comparative methodology will be used for the present research work. The emphasis will be laid on the close reading of the primary and secondary data available on the subject, visit to various libraries for the collection of relevant information. Besides, discussion would be done with the persons who have done similar kind of study. Moreover, internet can be used for study. In the light of said methodology, the following tentative chapter scheme will be framed.

1.16 Chapter Scheme:

The proposed research work is divided into following chapters broadly:

Chapter I: Introduction:

The first chapter of this research work would deal with the brief history of Indian English women novelists. The concepts of feminism, cosmopolitanism, feminine sensibility would be discussed. This chapter would also take the sweeping survey of Indian English women novelists such as Kamala Markandaya R.P. Jhabvala, Jai Nimbkar, Anita Desai, Shashi Despande, Gita Hariharan, Shobha De and other contemporary women novelists.

Chapter II: A Thematic Analysis in Socialite Evenings

The Second chapter, 'A Thematic Analysis in *Socialite Evenings*' deals with the thematic analysis of the present novel broadly divided on the basis of the early writing representing the early phase of her writing. In this novel, the writer, Shobha De tries to explore the themes like childhood, family relations, mystery, alchemy, social identity, revenge, cosmopolitan culture and transformation.

Chapter III: A Thematic Analysis in Sisters

The third chapter, 'A Thematic Analysis in *Sisters*' also shows the multithematic handling of the writer. It also reflect the themes like childhood, family and family relations, conspiracy, violence, sex and morality, apartheid, ambition, poverty, greed, sacrifice, myth criticism of social and political system and transformation.

Chapter IV: A Thematic Analysis in Strange Obsession

The fourth chapter, 'A Thematic Analysis in *Strange Obsession*' covers the thematic analysis of the various themes that means within the first decade of the 21st century. Shobha De deals with childhood, family and family relations, lesbian relationship, conspiracy, supernaturalism, religion, culture, sex, love and conspiracy, criticism of social and political systems, marriage, male-domination and transformation.

Chapter V: A Thematic Analysis in Snapshots

The fifth chapter, 'A Thematic Analysis in *Snapshots*', deals with diversified themes through her novels. The researcher thinks the following themes also contribute to her novels along with the themes mentioned by critics and reviewers. The present novel highlights various themes like Childhood, Family and Family Relations, Alienation, Isolation, Loneliness, Supernaturalism, exploitation, sex and conjugal relationships, hidden realties of cosmopolitan life.

Chapter VI: Concluding Remarks

The final chapter, 'Conclusions' covers Shobha De's various thematic comparisons with her contemporary and some women writers with regard to their thematic handling. It takes a stock of the analysis done in previous chapters to evaluate her contribution to English novel as a contemporary novelist and her skill in handling multiple themes contributing to the theme of transformation in all her novels.

1.17 Bibliography:

The bibliography would be prepared of:

- a) Primary Sources (the original works of the author i.e. Shobha De)
- b) Secondary Sources (The reviews, articles, postcolonial works published in various journals, magazines and in the books).

References:

- 1. An interview with Rajyalaxmi.
- Chaman, Nahal, Feminisms in English Fiction— Forms & Variants in feminisms and Recent Fiction in English, Ed. Sushila Singh, New Delhi, Prestigious book, 1991, pp. 17
- 3. Smacks, Patricia, *Stage of Self: Notes on autobiography and the life cycle in the American autobiographies*, Pen Craft, Washington DC,1989, p. 48
- 4. Werner, Sollors, *The Return of Thematic Criticism* [ed.], Harvard University Press, 1993, P.1
- 5. Oxford Advanced Learner's Dictionary of Current English, Hornby A.S. ed. 1989(4th Ed.) OUP, Calcutta, p. 1329
- 6. *The New International Webster's Pocket Dictionary*, 2001: CBS Publishers and Distributors, New Delhi, India, p.583
- 7. Catherine, Soanes, *Compact Oxford Reference Dictionary* [ed.], OUP, p.868
- 8. *The New Oxford Dictionary of English* (Judy Pearsall ed. 1998: Clarendon Press, Oxford, 2001, p.1921
- 9. Oxford Dictionary of Literary Terns (2008: 3rd ed., OUP, pp.333-4)
- 10. Baldick, pp.215-6
- 11. Ibid. p.185
- 12. *Handbook of Literary Terms, Literature, Language, Theory* by X. J. Kennedy et.al. 2005: Pearson, Longman Inc., p.153.
- 13. Ashok Thorat ET. al. in *A Spectrum of Literary Criticism*, 2001F.P., repr.2008: Frank Bros. & Co., New Delhi, p.273

- 14. J. Sebastian and N.D.R. Chandra define 'theme' in *Literary Terms in Fiction and Prose* (Delhi: Authorpress, 2004, pp.231-2)
- 15. Jacob Abraham, *A Handbook of Literary Terms* (1998: Kalyani Publishers, Ludhiana)
- Twin Hag, Dictionary of Literary Terms, 2003: Rajat Publications, New Delhi.
- 17. Roy Johnson, *Studying Fiction*, Manchester University Press, 1992, P. 9.
- 18. Ibid. P. 71.
- 19. Ibid. P. 212.
- 20. Tomashevsky, (Sollors, p.11)
- 21. Boris Tomashevsky, "Thematics" (1925), trans. Lee T. Lemon and Marion J. Reis) Mikhail Bakhtin (Sollors, p.11)
- 22. Cleanth Brooks et. al. (Sollors, p.16) in An Approach to Literature (1975)
- 23. Great Soviet Encyclopedia (1976), Sollors, pp.16-7
- 24. The Thematic underside of Recent Theory (1983), (Sollors, p.18)
- 25. Menachem Brinker, (Sollors, p.22 & 37)
- 26. Claude Bremond in his article "Concept and Theme" (Sollors pp.46-59)
- 27. Gerorge Steiner (Sollors pp.299-300)
- 28. Dr. Gunjan Sushila,' Deshpande Shashi , *Roots and Shadows- A feminist Study* [Ed.] Amaranth Prasad, Swroop Book, 2009, New Delhi, pp. 129
- 29. Deshpande Shashi, Interview with M Rati,
- 30. Ashok Kumar, *Portrayal of New Women- A Study of Manju Kapur A Married Women*, Indian ink, New Delhi, 2002, 1998, p.90.

- 31. Bhagwat Naik, Feminine Asserssion in Manju Kapur's, A Married Woman, The Indian Journal of English studies, R.K. Dhawan, Ed New Delhi, IAEI, 2003 on, Vol. page. 13
- 32. Roy Arundhati, *An Ordinary person's guide to Europe*, Penguin, New Delhi, 2005, p.32
- 33. Ibid. p. 65
- 34. Prasad Amaranth, *Arundhati Roy life*, *Mind and Art New lights on Indian Women Novelist In English Part 3*, Swroop and Sons New Delhi, 2005, pp. 110
- 35. Arundhati Roy, *The End of Imagination*, D C books, Kottpayam, 1998, p. 53
- 36. Susana Singh, *The novels of Margaret Atwood, And Anita Desai -A comparative study in Feminist Perspective*, Creative books New Delhi, 1994, pp. 98
- 37. Simon De, Beauvoir, *The second sex*, Cambridge, London, 1949, p.76
- 38. Jabir Jain, *Stairs to the Attic: The novel of Anita Desai*, Raipur, Princely Publication, 1987 pp. 19
- 39. Anita Desai, *Cry*, *the Peacock*, New Delhi: Orient paper backs 1995, page.120
- 40. Mukherjee shubha, *Kautilya's Concept of Diplomacy: A new Interpretation*, Minerva, 1976
- 41. Rushdie Salman, *The Art of Critical Appreciations of Indian Novelists*, Starred Reviews, London, 2008.
- 42. Syal, Pushpinder, *Powder, Puffs and Shobhaa De's Fiction: The novel as Consumer Product. Contemporary Indian Women writers in English:*A Feminist perspective. Ed. Surya Nath Pandey. New Delhi: Atlantic, 1999, pp.59

- 43. De, Shobha. Socialite Evenings. New Delhi: Penguin, 1989, pp.65
- 44. Nayar, Pramod K., *Socialite Evenings: Towards a Feminist Romance? The Fiction of Shobhaa De*. Ed. Jaydip Singh Dodiya. New Delhi: Prestige, 2000, pp.138
- 45. De, Shobha. Starry Nights. New Delhi: Penguin, 1992, pp.196
- 46. _____. **Sisters.** New Delhi: Penguin 1992.
- 47. *Cosmopolitan Dictionary.com*. Retrieved 7 April 2012.
- 48. Beauvoir Simone De, *The Second Sex*, trans. H.M Parshley, Penguin Books, New Delhi, India. 1980: 93-171.
- 49. Singh Neelam, and Rashmi Gupta. *Depiction of women in the Novels of Bhabani Bhattacharya and Shobha De: A contrastive study. Indian Writing in English: A critical study.* K. A. Agarwal. (Ed) Atlantic, New Delhi, India. 2003:213-23.
- 50. Researcher, Shobha De's *Sisters*: Not a Junk but a Novel: Yumana Prasad
- 51. Researcher, Facets of Feminism in Shobha De's *Starry Nights* Dr. Mrs. Sheela Rani Khare.
- 52. Researcher, The Novels of Shobha De: A Feminist Study- Dr. Patil
- 53. Researcher, Bed as Battlefield: A Study of Shobha De's *Starry Nights* Dr. Kanade
- 54. Researcher, Shobha De's *Socialite Evenings* A Feminist Study Dr. S. P. Swain.

* * *

Chapter II: A Thematic Analysis in Socialite Evenings

2.1 Introduction:

In Chapter I, the researcher has taken an overview of Shobha De's various themes. These themes expose as a subject matter, unifying ideas or recurring ideas of the literary work. The researcher also has the concept of multiplicity of themes means the main theme with many sub-themes used to create an overall impact.

Shobha De is well-known, pretentious, humorous, broadly recognized as well as honored writer in Indian English writings. Indian English writing is no longer a trailer of its British features; on the other hand, it has shaped its innovative point of view of its individual one. Mostly, the Indian novelists have intended a situation of their individual into the English among their enlivening work of the fictional ability. The writer has increased dense organization and is stubborn by in advance distinguished accomplishments.

Shobha De's understanding, her piercing imminent, her prejudice to identify a shovel a scoop have donated to her overwhelmed method of script more than the times of the days. The writer has made an authentic hurricane through an enthusiastic yearning to modify civilization. She highlights the actuality of the upper-class civilization within metropolitan city in India.

Her limitations about novels are that of West. Furthermore, her feelings are about East within which a female releases her cheerfulness. Moreover, she desires to except from feminine supremacy. She also exercises enclosure with emotional terms through text affectionate; hurting at new time's unfavorable writings to display the upsetting painful of the upper-class group of people. It also challenges to build wide-ranging serious remarks on her literature through a highlighting on the picture of female portrayed into her narratives. It also intends at the examination of the all-around character of Shobha De. All her fictional works highlight on the picture of upper-class female in modern-day, India. The writer has an unusual capability to talk about the awfully responsive features of individual connection into all-purpose as well as male-female connection within exacting. On the other hand, the moment hardened

populist component of sexual category and an emotional approach to donate to her building as one of the well-liked writer nowadays. The writer considers into an extremely free way and unfolding events as well as unlocks heartedness. Not anything is set aside within her invented story. It is during this high opinion; Shobha De is dissimilar drastically from further Indian female writers in English. While, the researcher requests to find out as well as illuminate in wide-ranging descriptions of female come into view in her narratives, it is a delightful modify from the Indian spot of idea. As the current revise is limited only to her narrative in print up to 1996, further importance is on the picture of female through serious remarks about the newfangled up-and-coming female of contemporary multi-ethnic India. She depicts a diversity of female from the customary, conquered with marginalized to the tremendously contemporary as well as open-minded female.

A broader estimation of her effort makes known her complaint next to the high-quality aged picture of female 'as accessory' as well as 'a supporting'. Shobha De endeavors to unfasten this patrician along with fuzzy picture of female who cries for self-determination as well as parity which silent leaves to no avail inside the patriarchal humanity.

From this point of view, the female in her effort are further influential than gentlemen. Female fundamentally stand for femininity, open-minded as well as open thoughts have turned into identified as the "innovative female" into the afterward 20^{th} century imaginary tale. Her female might or might not be flappers; however, they are a lot of corporeal as well as healthy than their nurses have been.

She is compared with other female authors like Amrita Pritam, Kamala Das, Kamala Markandaya, Anita Desai, Nayantara, Sahgal, and further newly, Arundhati Roy write on the Indian female as well as their achievement along with disappointment during the civilization. An Indian reviewer has truly assumed that:

"During the India, females are also writers, they have courageously moved toward through close particulars of their life within their life history. At what time, the female writers may speak so liberally regarding themselves, it is normal that they may be further unrestrained during their writings, in particular within their narratives." 1

As the various theme or themes show it an abstraction and it could be concretized differently by different people according to their attitude, it cannot be discussed in vacuum. To deal with the themes of any literary work it becomes necessary to study or discuss it in terms of the concrete elements through which the literary work exists. The thematic study of the novels is possible through the study of the elements or aspects of novel: structure (plot); technique (narrative etc.); character; setting; imagery; and symbolism and other elements.

2.2 Various Themes:

The Indian Woman novelist, Shobha De is a specialist in describing equally: the inside and outside intellect of her typescript. Her influence is seen in molest civilization. She does not hesitate to call her female characters as love-slaves or bitches or simple helpmates at residence. Into her novels, she most probably mirrors her personal feminist as well as bigot intellect place in her selected novels.

2.2.1 Image of Female:

Indian convention has awfully powerful clutch above the Indian civilization. Even, it has a stronger grasp over its female-folk. Furthermore, the Indian civilization is fundamentally a Hindu civilization where females are given an inferior position to that of males.

The customary policies as well as standards connect the Indian female into virtually all section. The initial reformist who writes for the cause of females are like Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar, Swami Dayanand, Swami Vivekananda, Raja Rammohan Ray, Sir Syed Ahmed Khan, Keshav Chandra Sen as well as others. They wrote on female's liberation from traditional civilization through annoying to clean out sati, baby matrimony, dowry system as well as other male-violent activities. Culture turns into not simply gentleman's grassland, other than females as well. It has a significant responsibility to teach Indian female the conventional of expansion. One of the famous Indian writers, Swami Vivekananda remarks that:

"Every country has achieved magnitude through paying appropriate high opinion to females. That kingdom as well as that realm which do not value to females has not at all turn into huge, nor will yet within the potential. The most important motive why this battle is so a lot dishonored is that you have no value for these living wage descriptions of Shakti."²

Socialite Evenings is one of the famous works of Shobha De. In this novel, the author depicts females as ones who structure a new-fangled as well as greatly fascinating cluster; mostly, they are courageous, well-informed, avant-garde, astute, wealthy as well as self-absorbing through unfastened principles. It also demonstrates the variety of existence led by recent female. The female characters in this fiction are alive like enjoyable, pleasure seeker as well as self-pity.

In this novel, the major character, Anjali gets married with a rich and highprofile gentleman Abe. Her husband provides her all the lavishness that she has dreamt of. She is not at all envious, at Abe taking a new-fangled young woman to diven. These are everyday effort; furthermore, Anjali is habituated to it. During the seashore social gathering, Abe frankly illustrates inedible his unclean carnal tradition.

The bhang is functioning its hazardous enchantment on all and sundry. Abe, the male-companion as well as the female are created to dine drunkenly transversely a slender maintain partition down the border of the possessions. He is shouting:

"Why do not you take away your pinnacle, moreover, she receives inedible my underside as well as she turns into individual?"³

2.2.2 Realism and Realistic Picture of Female:

The term 'realism' means "is an approach of considering, uncomplaining as well as recognizing circumstances like they, in reality, are with no some complexion of our feeling or phony anticipates." It illustrates possessions like they are in certainty. Shobha De's narratives stands for existence- similar to state of affairs of persons feel right to the prosperous as well as influential higher rank of contemporary, Mumbai, in Indian, a well-known Asiatic metropolitan area that is ethnically at parity through its Western equivalents similar to the U.K. or New York.

In her initial work of fiction, named *Socialite Evenings*, the enthusiasm of a well-informed central rank determined female to be an element of the lofty civilization is evidently observed within one of the major character, named Karuna. Her self-righteous is of human being familiar among the female character named, Anjali. Anjali's put on show of her assets mesmerizes Karuna further than determine:

"Her delicate scent washes down above me. After that here it is, a massive, very well Impala within silvery grey. It moves smoothly up similar to an extremely large flounce discuss its technique history pushcart elevators, ambler, minicab as well as confined buses. It is the just right motor vehicle for her." ⁵

2.2.3 Quest for Identity:

Shobha De's *Socialite Evenings* traces the quest for identity or individuality. Identity, in universal, describes a person's commencement and appearance of his/her individuality or collection associations with general and enriching identity. The central thought is that individual's wisdom or identity is strong-minded mostly by the alternatives and promises completed concerning definite individual and social qualities.

The significance of female has been documented in writing on a variety of grounds. For centuries, the individual understanding is one and the same with the masculine familiarity. Gyno-criticism has opened up new vistas of study and research. The feminist philosophy projects the problem of "self" seeking of female's individuality is a characteristic pattern of feminist literature as well as a middle task of feminist literary criticism. Accordingly, Shobha De's works of fictions reflect their high critical mind of women's identity seems to reveal the essential and typical theme of feminist literature. Her major novels show how the "feminine mystique" deceives women, and that the persona, a wise mother and good wife, is no more female's desirable identity. And it is presented through a heroine who suffers from the inner dissociation, furthermore, attempts to wander outside the house. To be the other is to be the non-subject, the non-person, the non-agent; in short, the mere body. Deeming females emotional and unprincipled, these thinkers advocated confining women to the

domestic sphere where their vices might be neutralized, even transformed into virtues, in the role of submissive wife and nurturing mother.

The portrait of women, the entire globe have been all-too-myriad in their complexion, as they have been all-too-rich in their composition and all-too variegated in their character. Picked up from the different times as well as diverse climes, even a random sample of these images soon reveals the wide spectrum of richness of their code, content and treatment, their colors and contours. There is, however, no denying the fact that the one-time idealized and idolized images of women have undergone some unprecedented metamorphosis in the entire world over, especially in the nineteenth and the twentieth century's.

According to Indian tradition, a woman must defer to her husband in every possible respect. She must make the marital home pleasant for him. She must cook the meals; wash the dishes, as well as to take care of the children. She should not enquire about money and she must acquiesce to her male-companion's orders. On the other hand, what happens when the old customs lose their power and the woman no longer believes her life should be determined in this narrow fashion? This viewpoint is the underlying theme of Shobha De's novels in which her lead protagonist undergoes profound changes against the backdrop of an India that is also evolving. There is a shift in values as well as females have started acknowledging themselves the coequals of man. Although, the high hopes of feminism have been washed away in the present social milieu, the relationship between male and female becomes one of structured interdependence. Still the woman has to work for her liberation without resigning herself to her destiny. Gender - equality remains a myth.

The present novel, *Socialite Evenings* also deals with 'Quest for Identity' which is major thematic aspects of Shobha De's Novels. The novel tells story of the voyage of a well-known Mumbai socialite, named Karuna, from a commonplace central rank young woman to a socialite civilization. During the itinerary of voyage, her search for identity surfaces the system to develop into a self-reliant female. An appropriate thoughtful of individual's identity self-facilitate a human being to locate his or her objectives as well as information correctly according to his individual happiness that in revolve provides him self-comprehension is anticipated during the

most important character, named Karuna. She is a human being who is for eternity prepared to fracture the scheme which induces her to suppose the position of other. Through, every annoyance moves violently as well as disobedient personality. Moreover, through her way of thinking, she ambles the customs bad-tempered to the civilization as well as remnants a diverse human being all the way through. Karuna's sister sanities it:

"You are for eternity the bizarre individual, accurate from babyhood; I could not conflict full-size elsewhere. I am utilized to believe you are unhurried or stratum or equally. On the other hand, there is constantly incredible departing on surrounded by your intelligence that not any of us be familiar with regarding. You are not similar to others". ⁶

All over the work of fiction, female character like Karuna records as feminine one. She also emphasizes that her womanly consciousness records objection as well as disobedience. She records as a womanly, not wounded. The novelist compacts among the influence equations connecting the masculinity; furthermore, it's a change into the material of fine art. The researcher does not have pigeonholes which are connected among gentleman imaginative depiction about the feminine one. The female protagonist, Karuna's commencement into the trendy humanity of recent existence instigates at Anjali's believe position during the Malbar mount. On the other hand, Anjali blames Karuna of botchy as well as lechery, her voracious hunger for sexual category. It tolerates, at what time, Karuna meetings among the ad film-maker within the city, London. One more, her waiting in United States provides her a sensitivity of pre-eminence; moreover, it composes her self-confident. Karuna reduces subscription to stereotypes and denies succumbing to the hegemony of the malist civilization.

Therefore, the fiction, *Socialite Evenings* depicts the immigration of females with their husband. Karuna's wedding ceremony is a breakdown as it is loveless, to goblet as well as bridgeless. There is no sympathetic among male-companion and female-companion. That's why; she feels that she has wedded with the incorrect gentleman. She comes across that her companion is presently the regular Indian

partners who are monotonous, not stimulating as well as qualified. He is not ready for introspection. The regular Indian female's matrimonial living is to her;

"A worn out age group of among the females no imaginings existence."

She comes across her partner incompatible wedding ceremony; furthermore, she acquires this pigeonhole society within itinerary of moment. She diesels the outlook of care for gentleman just before female-partner, reflect on male-companion a protection hierarchy, an astound to the female-partner. They are not completely terrible or malevolence, moreover, the wife is barely a marginal human being. Therefore, Karuna states that:

"You are condensed to human being like unimportant citizens. The whole thing which is subject to underestimate. The meaning is 'she does not actually calculate, apart from within circumstance about her main concerns.' It receives for settled which our desires less important to here are. Furthermore, so as to within various techniques, she should to be obliged for encompass a source more than our skull as well as four-sided figure food a day of the week". ⁷

The sub-ordination of female is like home-wife stalk from a castration-terror on the element of male-companion. The Indian gentleman is presented through the works of the Shobha De who is awfully endangered with independent female. The female protagonist, Karuna is fed up with her male-companion's obsessive mingling, his atrocious expedition costumes as well as the chewing gum, he continuously masticates.

Texts, paper and chess are her simply protection to complete monotony. She understands that although she rebels sometimes, she is a submissive, Indian female-partner; on the other hand, she distributes the similar balanced human being personality like gentleman carries out. Karuna mingles within herself equally reality as well as daydream. Her yearning for the realization of her bodily longing finds manifestation in her dreams. She believes that she is fascinated with a worthless wedding ceremony. Karuna escorts an existence of touching formality. There may not be significant discussions connecting the associates, no beams, no hilarity, no open

swap over of feelings as well as thoughts, no question as well as difficulty, however, make quiet.

In spite of these moving annulled within her married existence, Karuna toes the pathway of perfect house-wives in compliance to the anxiety of the practice. Her male-companion is cooperative as well as forbearing category of human being who is not unkind as well as hardhearted human being to bowl missing her for her failings i.e. her relationships through Girish. Slightly, he provides her one more possibility for a new-fangled opening. This perform of clemency through Karuna's male-companion is in reality an act of his gentleman personality, his declaration of advantage. He is not capable to appear unfathomable within the organic requisition of Karuna's feminine personality. But she has some issue through Girish, it is merely to complete her emotional as well as touching requirement. Karuna shares dissimilar responsibilities at dissimilar period to complete her moving as well as psychosomatic longing. She is a mold like house-wives, a civilization woman and an artist-author as well as a paramour.

Dissimilar with another matrimonial female slavishly label to convention, the female protagonist, Karuna has her technique to set out. She reveals, moreover, unfolds herself to make active, the imaginative advise muffled inside her. Furthermore, this perform to relieve herself is a concession among herself. Females in the Shobha De's fiction also represent the larger than powering greediness as well as the need of theology, that characterizes contemporary period. Through the breakdown of ethical as well as principle standards, there is an internal disagreement that constrains the contemporary Indian female to search for protection within dissimilar individuality for short-lived consolation.

2.2.4 Need of Identity:

Crisis for identity is one of the important themes of Shobha de's fiction. One of the prominent female characters, Anjali flings off the customary get-together of ethical standards as well as seductively increases to the communal condition of the higher ranks. She endorses matrimony of selection, Abe; her lover is a well-knowledgeable scrape among an uncultivated status. Encompassing an obsession for

unlimited sexual category, she has everyday experience of love and sex that she enjoys in the company of Karan and Abe. Yet, Karuna is also castoff the inflexible set of laws or a worn-out as well as exhausted convention for supporting and treasuring her extra -wedded association among the Krish Mukarji. Anjali, Karuna and Ritu are the females who within the humanity of dissolute as well as unobstructed libido. In the *Socialite Evenings* Shobha De declares that her individual proclivity vamps fine art. Furthermore, she also presents the troika of feminine characters that signify unqualified self-determination of womankind from the entire forms of patriarchal hang-up. As a result, Shobha De's fiction demonstrates the move violently of female next to the greedy gentleman-under enemy control civilization.

Female into the Indian culture get married among not single the gentleman but also his relations as well as consequently loses her individuality within the wedding ceremony, surrenders her self-determination, moreover, she puts regarding enjoyable all and sundry. The female protagonist, Karuna discards the hierarchisation of gentleman principles, somewhere the feminine issue is abridged to a unenthusiastic, furthermore, she is approximately invalidate. Her declarations articulate her yearning for the confirmation of her female identity. Into the detail, it is a look for on her element for the unadulterated feminine identity in a gentleman subjugated patriarchal civilization.

The female character, Karuna is secluded from the conventional Indian inheritance as well as its common suggestions. Therefore, the writer, Shobha De has entirely uncovered the womanly planet of the typescript, intended for her humanness ought to be recognized with "feminine one." Among the rebellious females similar to Karuna as well as Anjali repressive masculinity responsibility may be deconstructed, moreover, female will receive happy innovative responsibility. The novelist's female characters undergo, this is because they do not appreciate authentic fervor, other than, artificial excitement. They present the conservative wisdom of principles; also they make known the erotic merriment of corpse. It looks like that the writer's analysis females like not anything, however, a gender, sex, love as well as romance, earnings to make happy mannish desire.

At the ending, Karuna arrive out like a human being, among a certain declaration that solitary is high-quality for her. She is, as a result, convinced of her choice while; she recognizes it is a strange emotional feeling concerning the Indian female. Karuna's search is trimmings, at this time, or else not remnants a difficulty any longer. Towards the finale, the researcher may observe Karuna come across vacantly into freedom, by your-self within her opportunity. The gentleman is a communal living thing. He is a touching as well as scholar human being. It is in the natural history of gentleman or feminine to contribute to their ways of thinking. This superiority within the gentleman always looks for a friend. Karuna is no omission, she as well wants a companionship, other than, and she is an overcooked young person. She may possibility once more. Cost-effectively, spiritually as well as bodily, she is an open-minded female, up till now as an individual person; she must be desire for that variety of friend who will not steal from her sour her autonomy, which she has increased. Within this high opinion:

"They symbolize the female of 20th century, who is rotate flanked by self-determination as well as gut feeling, the correct pronouncement is, up till now, to be in use, the seek might not closing stages at this time, it power carry on to receive new-fangled conclusion."

2.3 Cosmopolitanism:

The term cosmopolitanism is one of the Western concepts that symbolize to require communal cause has to imagine of a biased as well as enlightening thing, superior than their individual motherland, which should include every individual creature on a worldwide level. It is in antique Greece destined resident of the globe. It also presumes a constructive outlook towards dissimilarity, a yearning to create extensive commitment as well as identical. It is diplomatic inclusive society of populace who must be capable to converse crossways enriching as well as communal limitations shaping a Universalist commonality. Its wide-ranging compel is nearly all manifest in instant of disaster of extra manner of in lieu of as well as quality relationship to obtainable socio-political as well as enriching elements. A great deal is of the melancholy as well as misinterpretation. It also connected to its uncertainty, to is, its exclusive method of connecting dissimilarity as well as parity, a palpable

impossibility of desiring to put to rights widespread standards through a multiplicity of ethnically with in history create theme location.

Therefore, the novelist, Shobha De also highlights the very important realism. It also creates to the readers' conscious of the altering feelings of metropolitan contemporary female of conventional in India. She has shaped inventive modernization of disgusting authenticity which she has experimental in full-size conurbation that construct her story bound globe exclusive as well as genuine. Intended for her feminine heroines, the male-companions guide them to institute further-wedded relations, various recognize gesture covering as a method of existence whereas the others believe the method of cooperation. The tender survival of female protagonist form the chief element her fiction. However, her definitive deliberation is to demonstrate these female's unconquerable daring to struggle with their husband and the patriarchal domination:

"Her females are rebellion about the conventional picture of Indian feminine in terminology as well as activities, live it dealing or sexual characteristics bubbles. During wisdom, Shobha De is the forefront sprinter of the up-and-coming Indian female among her open-minded independence".

As per the above lines, they are dissimilar the conventional female, they, not at all, believe of suicide as a resolution to their anguish in its place, they revolve, disobedient. Thus, Shobha De also emphasizes to require of truthful standards in the modern-day civilization. This is reproducing in their result not to encompass kids. This is because they appear at them as an enduring accountability. These females too utilize sexual category as premeditated approach to increase common as well as monetary reimbursement.

During the fashionable circumstances, there are various feminine novelists, during their creativity, has been victorious in extrapolative the advocate for communal impartiality. However, life form an extremely courageous as well as destructive novelist of the current period the novelist is challenged to discover the concealed actuality of the multinational existence. Her reputation as a novelist chiefly breaks on her cherished sympathetic of the consciousness of female as well as her tribulations.

2.3.1 Courageous Females:

During modern time, the celestial society of wedding ceremony as well as male-female relations has collapsed down in Indian society. The revise about the male-female relations has definitely put forth wonderful crash on the Indian civilization and feelings of contemporary metropolitan Indian females. But, Shobha De's female protagonists do not consider in distress passively, they apply every one the revenue to realize happiness as well as victory in being.

Most important female protagonist, in *Socialite Evenings*, Karuna since her babyhood objection is about the conventional alleyway of good manners as well as protocol. Therefore, she declares that:

"In the Indian residence do not skipping at the resonance about father's influence flourishing away various authority. Not situating her material not here later than discipline. leave-taking a unclean thali on the eat desk, shriek in the bathtub scope, reverse brushing as well as joking her locks, rejecting to bring the trays with tea for uninteresting guests, human being sassy among relations as well as, chiefly, not tremble in the being there of leader". ¹⁰

Unsurprisingly, when Karuna cultivate up, her recommend to guide magnificence existence makes her expand a companionship among the Charlie and correlate, her identity with advertisement charity. Karuna turns into a mock-up alongside her father's willpower. Afterward, Karuna congregates Anjali, a well-known socialite, also the partner of a well-heeled boy-friend. Karuna is a self-determining as well as good-looking moneyed woman. She requests to come in into method globe similar to Anjali to fulfill all her requirements. She is wedded with a prosperous production man. However, her wedding ceremony is a absolute breakdown like she has simply prescribed affiliation among her male-companion. The connection connecting them is absolutely underprivileged of communal thoughtful, sex as well as fondness. Their worthless wedded connection is articulated in her expressions:

"He actually makes her unwell. She imagines that their wedding ceremony is over the daylight hours our dreadful wedding happening. They acquire not anything leaving. She does not sex with him. Like for him, she actually does not identify to this daylight hours why he decide to find married her. She doesn't imagine you yet recognize who his matrimonial. He does not have evidence what genus of a female she is. He is exhausted of his self-satisfaction, their infuriating characteristics; the technique he receives her for arranged as well as be expecting her to go down into in general method of belongings... as a result, now find inedible her backside". ¹¹

Karuna's friend Anjali symbolizes the thought of wedding ceremony customary in the wealthy division. The doubtful issues involved in her wedding ceremony situate the quality of her wedding. Furthermore, those of further matrimony are in the narrative. Anjali is less involved in learning. She also has enthusiastically required to get a hold liberate of her middle-group conditions. She is a nice-looking, youthful, young woman, involved in considering spaces as well as gathering citizens. As a result, it is similar to further good-looking as well as elegant young woman of her moment, she has attached as a hostess in Air India Company. Her friend, Abe has a "knowledgeable gather among an untamed standing". 12

A little regarding Anjali's roughly frosty behavior has concerned him, moreover, he is wedded with Anjali:

"The wedding ceremonies as well as relatives are the revenue exercise with civilization to organize licentious love and romance. The debauchery is about male's liveliness. It may be intended for as well as used in numerous other helpful waterway, devoid of at the similar moment, hold back sexual category". ¹³

On the other hand, wedding ceremony, is in veto technique, locates several self-control about Anjali's and her friend Abe's individual love and romance orgy. Abe has various patrons through whom he snoozes, not together from the infrequent pick-ups. No difficulty is provoked through Anjali. This is because; Anjali is moderately inattentive with her individual love and romance come across. Anjali goes

about from lone guy to a new and lastly into a moment wedding ceremony, every because of her longing to preserve the community position. Anjali's issue in the narrative demonstrates that how she is prepared to do whatever obsession for a complicated existence. Her subsequent wedding ceremony to the homo sexual Kumar is not anything, however, a put back intended for:

"The porche is, bright green, local holiday in Biarritz, Shopping all along the champs-Elysees, a holiday residence in Ooty, social gathering all nighttime, unlimited sparkling wine. Moreover, the alternative is to select her individual bed-mate although only inconspicuously". ¹⁴

Karuna also expands an unlawful association among the Krish, an aged comrade of her male-companion. By individual phase, she candidly confesses her second-wedded relations presently in facade about her partner. She informs that her male-companion extremely forthrightly:

"Karuna loves her companion about their, with her desire to be with his; in Venice. There is a good quality possibility that she will suffer methodically disenchanted later than. Might be the husband will have various truthfully unclean individual behavior that will disappoint her. During which holder it will actually be "A Death In Venice". He identifies through currently that Karuna is not the changeable variety. She does not flirt at haphazard similar to her extra acquaintances. She is stable as well as beached. This is about Taurean in her that is developing this existence. Extravagance this is like a quick-fix desire that will dress in itself away. Moreover, then they may go away flipside to dealing like customary". ¹⁵

Karuna's unlock uprising move toward onward, at what time, Karuna spots out that his breakdown to appreciate her as a female is the genuine grounds of her extraordinary manners. She determined to guide a solitary existence through charitable separation to her male-companion. Later than her separation, Karuna male-companion gets together her as well as needs her to approach rear to him.

By tradition to these circumstances, female overlook the unkindness about Karuna's male-companion. However, her comeback is dreadful as well as

unanticipated. This is because Karuna resolutely rejects her male-companion. She shouts about him like that:

"Moreover, she remains every this although to inform her. In a minute acquire the misery away of her home as well as existence. She does not yet desire to see you once more. She permits him in this moment, but not at all once more. She will identify the steal but she endeavor as well as occupy his residence in potential. She is yet further of a young insect than her idea. She merits Winnie. He anticipates that Karuna has acquired a increase game of his. She will propel to the Karuna various further fasten to attach to it. At this time, receive their frigging tube as well as away". ¹⁶

Karuna's nurse too puts across the similar observation as well as perseveres about Karuna to get married once more consider that a female may not exist unaccompanied. However, she declines the suggestions. She also retorts that:

"However nurse, why do securities relax with gentleman? She is receiving as a good deal as every male. She has a covering more than her start. She does not in reality contain one farm duties. She is stillness among her identity. She is not responsible to anybody. She does not undergo similar to make difficult her living through receiving into a subsequent wedding ceremony ... She may not create every devotion, not at present?" ¹⁷

2.4 Feminism:

The *Socialite Evenings* deals with feminism or feminine one. The novelist, Shobha De is one of the famous Indian feminist in English. The present novel, *Socialite Evenings* formulates wide-ranging significant remarks through a prominence to the picture of female describes. Mainly her novels are top wholesalers like Shobha De practically scheme the picture of the high-born female in modern-day in India. She has an unexpected capability to talk about the extremely responsive features of individual connection in wide-ranging along with male-female affiliation in scrupulous. The writer considers in an awfully forthright recitation of happening as well as unfasten-heartedness. The gesture of supposed feminine has stimulated the new inclination of Indian literature in English. It has also guided new-fangled manner

of appearance in Indian literature. The portrayal of feeble situation of female, counting their wedded clash as well as category has been an incredibly fashionable observable fact currently. The female's living-life, approach as well as rank are nowadays quickly altering through the passageway of occasion. These altering viewpoints of female like human being have been brightly highlighted on her writings. On the other hand, other feminist writers like Manju Kapur, Anita Desai, Shashi Deshpande and Shobha De are carrying out the varying icon of conventionally restricted female, particularly wedded female. However, she indulgences the theme another way. She believes that an exact modify must come out from the consciousness of female.

2.3.1 The Image of Rebellious Woman:

The present novel, *Socialite Evenings* highlights on the new image of rebellious female. It also focuses on the diverse customs of complaint about their domination as well as immigration. As an effect about female's development as well as conquest, to declare their individuality, these female rotate into insubordinate. There is an alteration on their element. At present, the females are attentive of their privileges. Therefore, the rebellion females are alongside the conventional models as well as struggle for impartiality into the man-conquered Indian civilization.

Shobha De, like female Indian novelist, her works elevates a well-built objection touching the man-subjugated in Indian civilization. The females are deprived of the autonomy to do something as well as survive according to their resolve. During this speedy varying globe, the responsibility of female in the culture as well, is shifting speedy, distressing really love and romance is society with community standards widespread inside the civilization. She responds next to the man civilization as well as powerfully despises to the immigration of females. She is the original to walk around the globe of municipal female of superior collective section. In municipal vicinity chap domination is no longer suitable like female have ongoing thoughts for themselves.

Shobha De's writings make known her objection about the illustration of female like a supplementary. She obliterates this unclear likeness of female. Thus, the

feminine protagonist in her works come into view new authoritative than male. The voyage of female-protagonist, Karuna, in *Socialite Evenings*, is a crossing from a high-rank young woman to a self-reliant female. Her doorway is in the enchanting humanity of modeling as well as companionship about Bunty is doing something of insurgence. Later than wedding ceremony, Karuna creates new-wedded affiliation with the Krish, rebellion next to her insensible male-companion as well as to end with separation with her frist boy friend. She also discards the thoughts of her next wedding ceremony. Karuna desires to be conventional to the conventional picture of female any longer. The female is, like Karuna, challenged to obliterate the sexual category unfairness; an authentic starting place of female domination.

2.3.2 The Picture of Open-Minded and Emancipated New-fangled Woman:

The novel, *Socialite Evenings*, a self-effacing challenge, is completed to portray the picture of open-minded as well as unbound female. The present study too flings an important glow on how the conquered as well as immigrated females, during their uprising. They realize freedom as well as unrestraint. In detail, the imaginary humankind, the writer is conquered through the female protagonists while the men protagonists are hard-pressed into the periphery. It is the female in the novel Karuna, who clutches every victory cards. Karuna is a manipulator whose bright policy comes across further than the man intellectual capacity. Within this high opinion, the novelist's female is innovative Indian female. During the 1960s, through the increase of feminine one, there come out the new-fangled female, who is entirely diverse from her conventional corresponding item.

An innovative female is cognizant, convinced as well as occasionally yet belligerent. Karuna, the female character engages the middle-class. She has acquired free of her place about the 'further'. At the present, Karuna is conscious about her objective, so as to is, to unshackle her identity from the command of undeserved unthinkable as well as civilization forced on her through the man conquered civilization. The contemporary females portray by novelist, cannot depend, for their continued existence, on their own parents, loving-partners, and even son also. They are monetarily self-determining. They have necessary potency to facade existence through every it's come as well as go. They are self-confident, sensible as well as

physically powerful. They go down into the class of innovative female who cracks her troubles her-self.

Like Indian English novelist, Shobha De puts her views about female's issues and their entire liberation of female. She also gives some thoughts of therapeutic female during individual-understanding. Like an individual-understanding, the female protagonist, Karuna in the novel, *Socialite Evenings*, she selects to lonely-lid like an approach about the living-life. She also rejects the proposal from Ranbir and Girish. She acquires the entire to survive of Karuna's existence on her individual conditions through declining the proposal of receiving wedded next occasion. Karuna is liberated next to the conventional responsibility of female. Furthermore, she too dictates her gentleman matching part. She stands for contemporary innovative female. She is self-determining in each technique. She smashes away the attachment of wedding ceremony. Moreover, her domains her base is rigid in the line of work of her selection that is representation.

Lastly, novelist too splits the manacles about language regulation through courageously utilize extremely offensive speech, in that way, healing the verbal communication from the man-domination.

2.3.3 The Genderless Globe of Innovative Female:

As an Indian novelist, Shobha De is talented with unexpected capability to converse incredibly responsive characteristics of individual being delicately. The method, Shobha De recounts every feature of individual connection in all-purpose. The male-female relation in meticulous is actually astonishing. The traditional citizens Indian scholars are her for her unfasten debate of love and romance issues. However, Shobha De's novel has acquired marvelous reply from quite a few European kingdoms. On the other hand, all the read her novels as well as get pleasure from her creative writing. It is no smaller quantity an achievement. In reality, like a novelist, Shobha De diverges significantly from further Indian female; writer, characters in English. She is a novelist who considers in extremely honest recitation of episode as well as unqualified unfasten-heartedness. The researcher does not search something set aside in her invented story from account point of view. She is the most

recent human being to be concerned for what traditional readers declare regarding the theme of her imaginary tale. Like an imaginative novelist, she is flattering hugely well-liked daytime by daytime. A good number of the readers benefit from her unexpected description system and her matter issue.

One more motive about the Shobha De's reputation like a novelist is her cherished sympathetic of the consciousness of female as well as her troubles. Her behavior of the fashionable metropolitan female's situation as well as the dares, Shobha De highlights, is not with no consequence. Therefore, she declares that:

"She writes among enormous transaction of understanding just before female; devoid of signal the womanly standard, she undergoes incredibly powerfully regarding the female's circumstances." ¹⁸

Mostly talking, Indian creative writing represents three types of female:

- 1. The underprivileged female, feel right typically to the pastoral category, describe by novelists; Markandaya Kamala and Narayan R. K.
- 2. The middle-rank female, in particular, the well-informed as well as engaged, describes by novelists as Nayantara Sahgal as well as Shahsi Deshpande.
- 3. The neo-prosperous noble female illustrated by the writers such as Gokhale Namita and Shobha De. They regularly endeavor to splinter patriarchal domination as well as they elevate an influence of complaint about the mansupremacy.

For that purpose, Shobha De investigates the globe of metropolitan female in the Indian society. Her women-heroines are outstanding when deliberate about the male. One more scholar, Madhu Jain in her essay, 'A Protest Against the Patriarchal in Shobha De's Work' declares that:

"The male-female's harmonizing picture has been entirely devastated in Shobha De's novels". ¹⁹

Shobha De's writing are lay down on the dazzling background of Mumbai's common ground somewhere male-female guide well-appointed, although, uncontrolled life, chuck missing every conventional and ethical self-consciousness of

the traditional civilization in India. Shobha De's female protagonists are preoccupied with ambition for prosperity, influence as well as eminence. They obtain a picture of the conventional Indian females those dedicate their life into the examiner with their male-companions along with relatives. These female are decidedly demanding, well-informed as well as self-confident. They are away to inform males that whatsoever they achieve, they also are allowed to carry out the identical.

The female heroines depart into the elevated speedy profession as model, cinema, lofty supremacy trade, newspaper writing as well as marketing. They remain a thread of male attached below their girdles, thus, that when individual be unsuccessful to survive up to their opportunity, they should budge on to the after that one. Into the reality, Shobha De's writings appear to be the contemporary description like 18th century picaresque novels. She instigates her profession like a reporter. She asserts that it is to be:

"An initiate in the meadow of well-liked creative writing. She too maintains that it is to be "amid the primary to walk around the globe of the metropolitan female in India throughout her writings."²⁰

Mostly, Shobha De's literary writing deals with interest as well as curiosity. However, it is also unqualified refusal as well as condemnation to the further. The novels of this, "elevated high priestess of tittle-tattle along with suggestion". ²¹ It is like "comparable of Hindi Movies along with female's knothole voyeurism". ²² While, Socialite Evenings first published novel, highlights on the aggressive analysis. For instance, was well-known like that:

"Middle-class civilization assortment, tasteless as well as prosaic spine with orgy-bootlace festivity and voyeuristic helping of soaped- awake, four swing to move – love and romance in every bearing." ²³

Therefore, the novelist, Shobha De should believe the treatment of the individuality of female like the mainly important donation finished through her novels. Her novel, *Snapshots* stands for photograph as of:

"The living of 6 females and their friends at School, young woman from St. Maria School, which is most important conventional, ordinary life of household as well as probable ecstasy". ²⁴

The female friends of Karuna have floated out into, unpaid way; also "fall apart throughout wedding ceremony, relocates as well as unshared wellbeing." ²⁵

Her novel, *Socialite Evenings* is highlighting the importance of similarity of influence. When, the stability falls down, there is anxiety in civilization along with twofold transactions as well as insincerity preponderate. The writer should effortlessly imagine modify in this admiration enchanting position in the modern civilization. This new-fangled female is enthusiastic to acquire the identical authority similar to male to; therefore, Shobha De states that:

"When, the females are completed aware of their individual probable as well as influence. Shakti wants to connect going to and walk around for the furtherance of generally individual progress. The awfully thought about the sex, love and romance are protected in undying fight is unenthusiastic as well as disparaging. At what time, individual utters about the Shakti set free, single too memorize the both suggestion of him, the negative awtar is as powerful like the imaginative lone. It is in preserve the situation of symmetry among these both contrasting services that guides to imaginative as well as active synchronization." ²⁶

However, the males, Karuna says that, are not enthusiastic to recognize it. Moreover:

"Various male are uttered their nervousness more than the misrepresented influence equation." ²⁷

2.4 Marginalization:

The novel, *Socialite Evenings* presents the depiction about the immigration or the marginalization of Indian female along with their male-companions. Therefore, the novelist, Shobha De is clear portrait of feminine one not only like female heroine but like inspiring issues into the Indian civilization. It also starts as well as legalizes

their individual live and the life of the others in voluptuously. It is enthralling globe of Mumbai, its tempting shine as well as glamour. The writer utters that the standard of Indian female's wedded existence. It is a tired production of females with no feelings missing. The wedding ceremony is as a covering sensitivity, an annoyance. On the other hand, she is not frightened to visage this aggravation, this sensitivity. She bravely as well as disobediently comes across it. In this novel, the female protagonist, Karuna, not at all, delights her male-companion like her colleague admirable payable consideration as well as worry. His occurrence is reduced as more potential. The first name of the male-companion is not exposed during the narrative; merely the declaration, he is utilized to submit to him. Later than, separation her male-companion, her nurse perseveres her to second marry, but she declines through states that:

"However, the Karuna's mother, why does refuge relax along with a male? Karuna senses positive, at the present, that she seems later than her mother. She is making more than any man. Therefore, she has a cover above her head. She does not in reality include every task. She is at quiet with her mother. She is not accountable to anybody; Karuna does not feel that confusing her living-life, through receiving into a next wedding ceremony." ²⁸

Therefore, the novelist, Shobha De says that:

"Wedding ceremony is not anything to acquire energized or else concerned regarding. Presently, it is amazing to acquire to utilize too". ²⁹

The female protagonist, Karuna acquires to employ to this pigeonhole communal institute in the itinerary of moment. She despises to situate of angle as well as unfeeling approach of the male-companion. Frequently, they continue to them to full of activity in hammer droning actions similar to interpretation the industry sheets. However, in spite of their carelessness:

"A companion is higher than ever, a protection hierarchy, astound to the female-partner. They are not completely terrible or malevolence as well as the female-consort likes a female in simply a nonessential human being". ³⁰

2.5 Female's Issues:

The novel, *Socialite Evenings* also deal with the one of the important theme, feminine and their major issues. The novelist, Shobha De's complete center is to highlights her novels much further sensible measured like an outstanding harmonize with the dominion of well-liked creative writing. Her novels are a rebellion beside civilization as well as common standards put down to undervalue female. Her female is annoying to look for identity to complete during identity, actualization. The original female is away to whittle away an individuality of her human being. She is small enthusiastic to survive inside with in the walls about the residence. She needs to progress away of it, moreover, it also discovers innovative perspectives. She projects to receive well-known, beneficial trades. pending newly a female, on the other hand, well educated strength comprise be have to be satisfied through communally acceptable jobs similar to schooling, medication, regulation, etc.

However, currently her profession favorites have tainted. Shobha De's females are interested in replica, movies, publicity, writing, production, etc. Her purpose is to renovate this recognized communal theory regarding female. She wishes that man has to come to recognize woman's influence as a unhelpful one. She has calculated an atmosphere where female is not existing as a injured party but a victor. In her works, she has supporter rebellious sort of female ready to revolt next to established common forbidden which tie her to perform as inactive one and forever be subjugated by man's authority. A well known critic Janaki Ramchandra, correctly comments concerning Shobha De':

"You may sex and love or hate her, but it is difficult to ignore it." 31

2.4.1 Wealthy and Rich Females:

The study attempts to focus on feminism as the central theme in *Socialite Evenings* (1989). Mary Wollstone Craft, a British writer, philosopher and the mother of feminism, in her *A Vindication of the Rights of Woman with Structures on Political and Moral Subjects* (1792) argues that women are not naturally inferior to men, but only appear to be because they lack education. She suggests that both men and

women should be treated as rational beings and imagines a social order founded on reason.

Feminism is a revolutionary global ideology. In India the revolutionary zeal of women was an indispensable part of our culture. In puranas Sita, Dhraupathi, savithri, Kannagi have fought and have succeeded well in the male dominated society. Now, a positive sense of feminine identity has found recognition and women are stepping out of the rigid sex roles assigned to them traditionally.

At what time, the female heroine endures her academy cram; she find into speak to through a socialite, Anjali. While, Karuna's friend Anjali is threshold of the globe to, she desires for, but Karuna is not talented to receive to the Anjalii from her living. She turns into a model. Both, Anjali and Karuna have comparable motives in decide a wealthy male as their living buddies.

The female protagonist, Karuna's engagement with Bunty is refused, a supervision apprentice in a cosmopolitan compact:

"Whose barely ineligibility is his predictability." 33

Moreover, Karuna gets married with the male, an inheritor to 100 years aged, sell abroad -bring in compact, a tolerable gentleman who "should not receive no for a reply".³³ She believes that her existence should be dissimilar in the method globe which may convey a living most important to affluence, autonomy, position also mostly the realization of Karuna's needs.

In a while, Karuna comes across her male-companion to be "a standard Indian male-partner". The female protagonist, Karuna is into a complete bafflement as well as dissatisfaction. This is because; Karuna is completed to survive a subsidiary living as her own mother. Her replica prevents. She is finished a well-behaved female-partner paying attention to her male's ideas. Her husband convinces to Karuna, and he also composes Karuna to suffer low-grade as well as valueless. She turns into dreadfully acquiescent. She also attempts to get to know about her own identity to her male-companion. She is similar to not disagreeing with her male-partner when he is miserable as well as liability effects the method he needs. Karuna

suffer as a submissive as well as immobilized. She struggles not to believe regarding her desires. She is pressed to exist her living now similar to her nurse. She is simply a dummy within the tender of her direct male-companion. Karuna, in nastiness of her sentiment dreadfully throttle endeavors to regulate with the male-partner. She yet recommends to the Anjali to attach about her boy-friend, Abe or she remains that one. This is because Karuna will not obtain a first-class colleague at that time. On the other hand, Anjali dissociates her male-companion as well as right away creates her friend following journey.

Here, in the Indian civilization (Mumbai), mostly females job, get married, dissociate as well as hang about solitary. It catches an instance to the Karuna to move toward into that civilization. There happens a beginning in Karuna when the male-companion disparages her as:

"A dark horse as well as "not at all quantity to something". 35

She engrosses her-identity in theatre to modify her male-companion's observation. This association conveys her earlier to Krish, a wedded gentleman and a buddy of her male-partner. Her male-companion desires to separation believe her fatherliness. She budges away as well as creates an existence about her identity.

At this time, the female-protagonist, Karuna diverges from her nurse. She is talented to move toward absent of her wedding ceremony connection daringly dissimilar her nurse. Her male-companion deceives her through not charitable the maintenance, subsequent to the separation. She is as well not anxious in the currency from her male-companion. Yet, through the era, she had been unconnected by her male-companion. They have to budge from situate to leave in explore of a work, her outlook of individual her identity does not moderately go away her. Her solitary anxiety throughout this period also is, how, she may tremble sour her middle-rank environment. Her desire for an aristocratic existence as well as her aspire to survive separately devoid of any monetary hold up from others create her employment in the unconfident globe of service providers.

Yet, in this situation, she struggles to include a personality for her identity in Indian civilization. Therefore, she, in reality, seems onward to substitute. Karuna's

boy-friend, Girish, is the movie producer, who is frightened through her performing proficiency as well as presentation, devices to provide her the chief quality responsibility about Shakuntala, in his movie Shaluntala, a modern description of the Kalidasa characteristic. Apart from her boy-friend's writing, the compact she efforts for, belongings the trailer society reward for the most excellent trailer of the time. Furthermore, the Karuna gets a human being reference like copy-writer of the time. She is, yet, requested to come across bicentenary get-together which is well thought-out further praiseworthy. She modifies from script to building poster movies. It is inquired to writing a most important television series subsidize by a yielding drink companionship. She is dialogued through, 'The Washington Times' which is an American news-paper. Little by little, she is elevates to the summit of reputation.

Enclose understand that living wage unaccompanied also be able to provide pleasure, Karuna declines about old-partner, level although he pleads at her end to move toward reverse to him. She declines the suggestion about Girish. She doesn't desire wedding ceremony to be a blockage in her occupation. Furthermore, the previous wedding as well as the resentment of it has qualified her not to have such horrifying understanding any additional in her existence. She is not concerned in having brood in addition. She has the accountability to come across after her parents. She is positive sufficient to features the globe unaccompanied devoid of sustain of anybody. She is received as a great deal as any male as well as she doesn't desire to make difficult her existence by receiving into a wedding ceremony.

The female protagonist, Karuna never desires to depend on gentleman in the potential. She needs to be self-determining as well as requests to be eulogized as well as documented by every one. She doesn't crave to be presently a commonplace female come across after the male-companion as well as the kids. She treads out of the inflexible sexual category responsibility allocate to them conventionally. She:

"Shapes out her individual position in the competently bloodthirsty globe of publicity as well as obtain every the possessions". ³⁶

The unrestrained is autonomy essential to be alive a self-determining existence with no male to say aloud conditions.

2.5 Man Influence:

A great feminist, Virginia Woolf in her book, *A Room Of One's Own*, says that no one should predict that it could provide increase to a new-fangled philosophy on subject pertaining to the position of female. She also supposes that they are "also undemanding with that "thus, a great deal has been absent away, unchallenged".³⁷

One more, feminist female writer, Simone De Beauvoir, in her, *The Second Sex*, states about the feminine principles, is in the 17th and 18th about the 20th century that diverse problems stirring female are measured analytically. An affirmative wisdom of female individuality has created acknowledgment. These females are pacing away of the inflexible love and romance responsibility dispense to them conventionally. They are demanding to Westernization as well as the metropolitan squares in Indian society along with self-identity. Their individuality and identity are not needy on gentleman. The mindful of the troubles initiate from patriarchy, they might not support the knowledge about Tennysonian partition of responsibility as well as bubbles of movement:

"The male is used for the pasture as well as female is designed for the fireside. The male is meant for the rapier as well as for the prickle she". ³⁸

The Indian feminists have concerted about the female's issues in their novels. They also give voice to an objection about the male-authority. The Indian civilization is chiefly patriarchal wherever a female is known the inferior responsibility.

Therefore, the Indian feminist, Shobha De is budding as a feminist novelist nowadays. Her novels are increased status for their proclivity towards this fair-haired masculinity, moreover, the realistic portrayal of their search as well as approach. These elevate a complaint about man subjugated Indian civilization wherever the female is deprived of the autonomy to do something according to their willpower as well as persist to appreciate their possess thoughts in uselessness. The females are indulgence like a subaltern one and sheer male's gloom-identity. They are measured the strangeness of male as well as not individual through male or persons. On the other hand, the responsibility of female in civilization has been altering with every decade of the century, constantly through a high-quality contract of common quarrel

as well as ideological move violently. These have missing an enormous pressure on love and romance civilization as well as common policy of the widespread humanity which in revolve is well personified by the Shobha De about her female characters.

The Shobha De's influence is about male society. It muscularly perceives the immigration about female. She does not consider in unfolding her female protagonist like sex for sex or simple helpmates at residence. She also reflects her individual feminine and sex psyche situate. A broader assessment about her novels discloses her objection about the picture of female like a limb or a secondary. She struggles to unfasten this slanted as well as vague picture of female. It also blubbers for autonomy as well as equal opportunity which silent leave ineffective in Indian civilization. On the female's time, Shobha De's feminine feelings emerge in *Times Life* that she states that:

"There is existence when she utter to her identity, "knockout!! Life form a female is the most excellent obsession that has come about to her." Such existence employs to be every day. The declare, in a datebook time, these expressions should have resonance her emotion at smallest amount 200 out of the 365 time. Not any longer. They standard one hundred at most excellent. Along with yet then, she no-win situation in my opinion inquire "presently who is she unserious?" ³⁹

Starting this viewpoint the female about Shobha De's works are more authoritative than male. The females are fundamentally symbolized for love and sex which is unconventional as well as open minded idea. They also have turned into recognized like the "innovative female". However, yet new amazing is the potency about her female protagonist in the extremely civilization that has arbitrator her. Her feminine heroines are predominantly simply after they have disappeared during their individual know-how; move toward to their genuine identity. Her female might or cannot be flappers, yet they are much more physical and athletic than their mothers have been. In Harper's essay, 'Feminist-New Style' (1927) says that:

"In Harper's journal affirmed the recently develop contemporary be animate a composite shape, a boy, young woman who coalesce the flapper corporeal autonomy, sexual category, moreover staying power with feminine identity forcefulness as well as conventional household femaleness, a female who might contentedly coalesce, happiness, hauler as well as wedding ceremony. To the highly developed youthful gentleman of the moment, this new-fangled female appears the wonderful attendant - courageous, brilliant as well as enthusiastic to contributor to effort, in drama, in matrimonial sexual category."

Shobha de challenges to describe the over talked womanly feature. Her feminine characters are very soon outstanding, as soon as calculated next to gentleman. Male-female relation is approximately unfilled as well as negotiation. The male-female's flattering picture has been totally traumatized. Within her work of fiction, she has attempted to emphasize the disagreement within wedded connection. It is frequently throbbing as well as disparaging to be collectively. Unquestionably, the feminine characters require the friendship of a gentleman to gratify their ordinary advice. Her feminine is courageous and creates further wedded affairs to acquire liberation of their matrimonial boredom. These females are not tentative in utilizing love and romance; it is designed policy to increase communal as well as monetary reimbursement: matrimony for them is simply an indemnity next to common unfriendliness. Karuna' marriage is a failure since it is without love, joy and mutual faith. Her male-companion is just a standard Indian husband as he is "having a baby, not stimulating, untaught. He is not completed for introspection." ⁴¹

The researcher observes that the female characters, Karuna states that:

"A wedding ceremony is not anything to acquire animated or concerned regarding. It is presently amazing to acquire utilize to." 42

However, she turns into a fine qualified female-partner; there appear to be no significant contact among the pair. Karuna influence her complaint about her pointless as well as worthless matrimonial connection:

"Karuna imagine about her wedding ceremony. It is done the daylight their honeymoon in progress. They have found not anything going away. She does not interest to sex with Karuna. The same as friend, Karuna, in truth, may not

recognize this day why you desire to get married with him. She might reflect him even distinguish who is connubial." ⁴³

There is an entire touching invalid: only silence, give and take as well as alteration appear to triumph among the both. This matrimonial monotony escorts her to institute a concern through her mates, Girish that she believes away from indulgence. She is happy to articulate with no uncertainty her sex and love recommend for gentleman, but her male-companion. She has a resourceful declaration regarding her internal longing in the subsequent language:

"She loves her comrade of yours, as well as, she may undergo methodically disenchanted later than. Might be, he may encompass various truthfully unclean individual behavior which may disappoint her. Within that crate, it may actually be alive, A Death In Venice."

At this time, it comes into view like female protagonist Karuna, who has just official affiliation among her male-companion. It is familiarity among the two look like misplaced collectively.

Shobha De's, as a result, women are more full-grown than their comrades. on the other hand, in their human being sphere her male have a approximately strategy regarding the stoic maleness, during that it is to recognize themselves inside their relationships to feminine that does not provide positive attainment. As a rule, male looks like incredibly subservient into the respond to feminine; they are unsympathetic as well as unfeeling, reluctant, not capable to receive deed, to understand liability for the method equipment revolves away. However, during the Indian gentleman subjugated civilization, female is immigrated through their own mates, lovers; the writer's female characters are very dissimilar. They encompass the capability to despise the unresponsive as well as unfeeling outlook of the male-companions that regularly remain themselves full of activity within the dowdy repetitive behaviors similar to evaluation trade credentials as well as playing games.

In the *Socialite Evenings*, the female character, Karuna may understand that how the Indian females have allocated a secondary as well as comparative situation, while she speaks that:

"She is shortened to existing being auxiliary population. The entire craze is that material to us is undervalued. The announcement is our exact of approach. It is acquired for determined that her requirements are less imperative to theirs." ⁴⁵

Karuna is capable to identify that how our Indian female are finished to pay attention, furthermore, endure, moreover, are deprived to survive like self-sufficient human being. However, her male-companion is not unkind. However, definitely, her husband struggles to enforce his dominance, Karuna declares that:

"Her male-companion persuades her determinedly. She is equipped to experience appreciative, in addition, within the legal responsibility. It is very dreadful; on the other hand, it is, yet, her persistence on functioning as well as contributory to the consecutively operating cost of the dwelling has turned into a struggle region". 45

Shobha De's male characters are conventional as well as pigeonhole. They are not the perfect male-companion as they are unfinished as well as not enough. As a result, they are not capable to take over their female-partners. The novelist, Shobha De has offered gentleman resorting to more than a few resistance devices next to their identity positive wife. They are horribly endangered through their feminine.

2.6 Marriage Conflict:

The marriage conflict is also one of the important themes of the *Socialite Evenings*. Wedding to them is an appropriate agreement to behavior and reasonable as well as haphazard existence which might be completed at any moment unquestioning on the annoyance and needs of the associates. It is generally afflictive as well as distractive for the connections to accumulate both. Typically, a lot of wedding ceremony undergoes in *Socialite Evenings*, but several of them are depraved.

A wedding ceremony is the situation of individual. A wedded team willingly connected for existence or waiting separation. It is an appreciated or secure unification in which the matrimonial connection is prosperous. The love and romance are renowned. At the present time, in urban society, it is seriousness as well as

applicability has misplaced during the 1980s. The establishment of wedding ceremony has unparalleled significance in the existence of a youthful female in India. Polyandry is normally accepted. The matrimonial connection is essentially cowed in the *Socialite Evenings*. Therefore, the writer, Shobha De moans to section all concept of respectability associated with wedding ceremony. She charges the empty space as well as double standards in Indian wedding ceremony.

The Indian English novelist's works are visible to achieve an innovative female (Indian). They discard insolently the responsibility of patriarchal ample. They are not poignant, subservient as well as incapable females about their behavior. They, however, are courageous, moneyed as well as coherent. Their titillating is love and romance fantasies resolutely and amazingly. They also turn into aggressive, deepseated, audacious, haphazard with flat explicitly malevolent. The prototypal Indian man has describing as hopeless within the murkiest insignia.

The *Socialite Evenings* has an awfully outstanding idea of wedded conflict. The female heroine, Karuna states that gravely her long-winded as well as unsuccessful matrimonial connection, therefore, she utters that:

"She imagines that her wedding ceremony is done, the daytime of her marriage happening. Both, Karuna and her husband have obtained nobody going away. She does not love her male-partner. Like her husband, Karuna, truly, does not recognize to this daytime; why she decides to get married with him. She does not believe him still identify who he is wedded." ⁴⁶

The lines say that the Karuna's male-companion is like a normal Indian male-companion. He is lifeless as well as an untaught gentleman. Therefore, she obtains uninterested about her partner who never contribute in her contribution. He also struggles to behind her sadness by understanding texts as well as answer crossword dilemma. But, the Karuna exists a life of astounding frostiness. She is the unfilled woman of the current contemporary valueless unoccupied wilderness. Thus, without sex with Karuna, her partner has extra conjugal relationships. She more martially relations about next man, named Krish. She refuses wedding ceremony. She also represents her individual demonstration. She does not desire to have an infant. She

endures abortion when she is visualized. It is confirmed that she may not imagine any longer. Therefore, the reviewer, Swain S. P. says that:

"The Indian novelist, Shobha De articulates the depiction of female as a central character. She has inspiring feature in civilization, commence as well as changeable their individual existence and the life of additional in the voluptuously enthralling humanity of Bombazines, its tempting sparkle with glamour enamoring countless a Karuna's to its entangle as well as appealing delicate." ⁴⁷

The female protagonist, Karuna's separates from her male-partner to create her individuality as well as accept reporting as her profession. Her need of familiarity as well as uneducated is approached to fallout in separation, when her male-companion holds Karuna in a transgression through Krish. She is unrelentingly mortified in matrimonial connection as well as not accepts the wedding ceremony. The most important reason of Karuna's annulment is bounce promiscuity in love and romance relationships.

In the Socialite Evenings, Karuna's Anjali and her wedding represents the indispensable features by screening a distinctive instance of manipulate from luxurious curriculum. Karuna is beautiful, young woman. She is also spellbound to observe spaces as well as assemble public. She gets wedded with her boy-friend, named, Abbas Tyabjee. He is a gentleman with unsophisticated character. Anjali is not quite frosty caricature has concerned him. They initiate to deception every one in wedding ceremony. They, not at all, urbanize close acquaintance as well as emotion of close accessory in their married existence. Abbas Tyabjee is a philanderer as well as Anjali is a distort. They are dissimilar sticks in a similar display place of wedding ceremony. He is never concerned regarding his passionate behaviors. He dissociates to Anjali who leaves from male to male to acquire undergo in the contracts. Anajli turns into pleased as well as wretched. The wedded connection between the Anjali and her close-friend breaks down. She becomes enormously unsafe as well as proclaims her subsequently issue. After separation, Anjali thinks about over rewedding like the new-fangled substitute to her resolution to exist a wealthy life with a innovative male-companion. She also gets out of her middle-rank conditions. The greater standard of Anjali's next wedding ceremony with homosexual Kumar Bhandari is too not needed. Kumar Bhandari presents her every facilities, jewelleries as well as pleasant saris.

Therefore, the current fiction, *Socialite Evenings*, the researcher highlights various themes as well as various troubles faced by feminine central characters; Karuna and Anjali. It is not captivated of the beliefs of delightful wedding ceremony. Breaks in contemporary spousal connection in urban or metropolitan (in Indian Civilization) are enlarged. The associates are dejected that a quantity of cooperation. Moreover, it is also giving out of the very important feelings wonderfully builds a muscular wedded connection in their lives. Thinning the decrees might prevent the separation. The standard should too counsel the citizens that how to get better matrimonial relations, love and romance exist as well as back of kids. The wedding ceremony, although, an almost worldwide common fasten is observed as an difficulty as well as obstacle in *Socialite Evenings*.

References:

- Sharad, Srivastava. The New Woman in Indian English Fiction: A Study of Kamala Markandaya, Anita Desai, Namita Gokhale and Shobha De, New Delhi, 1996, p. 1.
- 2. Anil, Kumar Singh. *Women in Indo-Anglian Fiction: A Concentrated Study of Major Cases in Point*, Unpublished doctoral dissertation, Manipur University, 1991, p. 57.
- 3. Shobha, De. *Socialite Evenings*, in Shobha De Omnibus, New Delhi, 1995, p. 31.
- 4. A. S. Hornby. *Oxford Advanced Learner's Dictionary*: sixth edition, 2000, p. 1055.
- 5. Shobha, De, *Socialite Evenings*, in Shobha De Omnibus, p. 4.
- 6. De Shobha, *Socialite Evenings*, New Delhi, Penguin Books, 1990, Pg 180.
- 7. Ibid., p. 69.
- 8. Millet, Kate. Sexual Politics, Garden City, N.Y.: Doubleday, 1970
- Pushpalata. A Protest Against the Patriarchal in Shobha De's Works, The
 Fiction of Shobha De. Jaydipsingh Dodiya (Ed) Prestige Books, New Delhi,
 India. 2000:67.
- 10. De, Shobha. *Socialite Evenings*, New Delhi, Penguin Books, 1990, P. 6-7.
- 11. Ibid. P.176-177.
- 12. Ibid. P.6.
- 13. Pandharinath H, Prabhu. Hindu Social Organization: A Study in Socio-Psychological and Ideological Foundations, Popular Publication, Bombay, India. 1958, P. 209.
- 14. De, Shobha. Socialite Evenings, New Delhi, Penguin Books, 1990, P. 17.

- 15. Ibid. P.178.
- 16. Ibid. P.256-257.
- 17. Ibid. P. 268.
- 18. "Raj Reversal" Sunday 8-13 Dec., pp.32
- 19. Madhu Jain. "Cat on A Cold Tin Roof" (India Today), 15th Oct., 1989, pp.41.
- 20. Sunil Seth "De' in De' out", seminar, August 1991, pp.41.
- 21. Madhu Jain, op.cit.
- 22. Seth, op.cit.
- 23. Op.cit.
- 24. Shobha De', *Snapshots*, New Delhi, Penguin Books, 1995, pp.70,
- 25. Ibid. p.11.
- 26. De, Shobha. *Shooting from the Hip, Selected Writing,* New Delhi, UBS1994, p.111.
- 27. Ibid, pp. 16.
- 28. De, Shobha. *Socialite Evenings*, New Delhi, Penguin Books, 1989, pp.201.
- 29. Op.cit. Shobha De, Shooting From the Hip.
- 30. Shobha De, *Sex in the Time of Stress in Kushwant Singh & Shobhaa De*, ed,
 Uncertain Liaisons, Sex, Strife and Togetherness in Urban India, New Delhi,
 Viking / Penguin Books India, 1993, p. 6.
- 31. E. Satyanarayana. *The Dialectics of Self-Assertion: The Liberated Woman in Sisters*, Vikas Publishing House, New Delhi, 2007, p.211.
- 32. De, Shobha. Socialite Evenings, New Delhi: Penguin, (1989), P. 9.
- 33. Ibid. P. 56.
- 34. Ibid. P. 65.
- 35. Ibid. P. 163.

- 36. Chandra, Subhash. (2000). Family and Marriage in Shobha De's Socialite

 Evenings. The Fiction of Shobha De: Critical Studies. Ed. Jaydipsinh

 Dodiya, New Delhi: Prestige Books, p, 142 148.
- 37. Woolf, Virginia. A Room of One's Own, New York: Harcourt, 1929, p.105
- 38. Nahal, Chaman. *Feminism In Indian English Fiction, Indian Women Novelists* ed. by R.K. Dhawan, Prestige Books, New Delhi, 1971, p.30.
- 39. De, Shobha. Socialite Evenings, New Delhi: Penguin, (1989), P.9
- 40. Beauvoir, Simone De. *The Second Sex*, trans. and ed. H.M. Parshley, London: Penguin, 1974, P. 148.
- 41. De, Shobha. Socialite Evenings, New Delhi: Penguin, (1989), P.65.
- 42. Ibid. P. 68.
- 43. Ibid. P. 185.
- 44. Ibid. P. 186.
- 45. Ibid. P.69.
- 46. De, Shobha. Socialite Evenings. New Delhi: Penguin Books, 1989, p.185.
- 47. Swain, S. P. Feminist English Literature. Shobha De's Socialite Evenings. A Feminist study. New Delhi: Prestige Books, 2000, p.128.

* * *

Chapter III: A Thematic Analysis in Sisters

3.1 Introduction:

The female novelist, Shobha De, is human being, a recent influence, turns into the sign, which emphasizes diverse point of views of female's self-determination as well as release. The writer struggles energetically beside the entire customary viewpoint as well as good standards disparaging them as a way of has steadily curved into an unambiguous irritation, in addition to, it lastly acquires the outline of an release revolt ever since the antique period, mostly females have printed work of fiction in copiousness, on the other hand, their narratives challenge portraits of living like it is observe during the look at of gentleman. Other than, at the present, the novelist smashes this globe of English narrative with variable from gentleman's point of view to female's outlook, moreover, she is also highlighting from the outside to the interior globe.

Within her work of fiction, the novelist, Shobha De's most important center is to identify those society, civilization and traditional gathering of the civilization which position female within a situation low-grade to their corresponding item gentleman. On the whole, within the time-honored, traditional civilization; females are pleasured low-grade in relationship to gentleman in terms of actually, politically, efficiently as well as communally.

3.2 Various Themes:

The Shobha De's fiction, *Sisters*, depicts the ethical as well as religious collapse of contemporary civilization's wedding ceremony structure as well as wedded relationships. The novelist also attempts to carry out the difficulty between the human relationships and breakdown wedded relationships most important to aggravation, clash as well as solitude.

The *Sisters* describes the ridiculous wedded relationships unpaid to require of religion. Females (Mikki and Alisha) in this work of fiction are after console, capital and love and romance. They are worn, ill-treated and not needed by gentleman. The male-female connection appears very ridiculous as well as outlandish in the *Sisters*. Mikki and Alisha have no sensitivity of responsibility or sorrow regarding their

relationships, moreover, gentleman is also slightest worried. Mainly, the Mikki comes across wedding roasting as well as uninteresting. The gentlemen (Binny and Navin) are unromantic. The wedding ceremony demonstrates communal, erotic as well as idealistic divergence.

In the novel, *Sisters*, during females (Mikki and Alisha) the novelist also demonstrates how the idea of wedding ceremony as well as faithfulness in sex has undergone a marvelous modifies. Mikki's come across with diverse gentlemen assist her to expand into a self-determining female who at the charge of her eccentricity lastly put aside the Hiralal Company. Mikki and Alisha who are unattached also come into view to be articulated their require for sexual freedom. One more female, Alisha states the writer's yearning of freedom for female in love and romance issues.

Like a feminine novelist, Shobha De's *Sisters* elevates a physically powerful objection next to the man-subjugated Indian civilization where female is starved of the autonomy to proceed, furthermore, Mikki survives according to their resolve. Within this fast altering globe, the responsibility of female in the civilization also, has been shifting speedy, touching really the masculinity traditions as well as communal standard widespread in the civilization. The writer also responds touching the gentleman civilization and powerfully abominates the immigration of female. She is the original to walk around the globe of urban female of superior communal stratum. Within the metropolitan area gentleman domination is no longer good enough as females have in progress philosophy for themselves.

Her novel, *Sisters*, disclose her complaint alongside the picture of female like a supplementary. She obliterates this unclear picture of female and as a result, the feminine characters in her novels come into view additional authoritative than gentleman. The journey of Mikki in *Sisters* is a voyage from a middle-class young woman to an independent female. Her entrance in the enchanting globe of representation as well as companionship with Binny, are perform of uprising. After wedding, Mikki institutes second-love connection with Navin, rebellion next to her unfeeling male-companion as well as lastly dissociates him. She also discards the thoughts of her next wedding ceremony. She does not desire to be conventional to the

customary picture of female any longer. The females like Mikki and Alisha attempt to obliterate the masculinity unfairness; the genuine cause of female's domination.

Therefore, the novel, *Sisters*, deals with various themes like lone and romance, male-dominance, feminine one, marriage problems, loneliness, semi-urban culture, sexual relationship; woman's struggle for their identity, etc can be studied as follows:

3.2.1 Romance, Love-Disgust Connection:

It is one of the most important themes of the Shobha De's novel, *Sisters* which is measured as a volatile. It is recognized for its "*Pacy tale superiority*" also for its "apparently cherished observation of showy surface" ¹ of Mumbai existence. The work of fiction deals among the supernatural clash in its open-minded female central character that is trapped among an individual identity as well as a communal identity. It is also based on the following points:

3.2.1.1 Conflict for Self-identity:

The present novel, *Sisters*, highlights on the one of the major theme, female's struggle for their own identity within the man-subjugated culture. To one side from this, the story reports the distress of a female within the patriarchal locate up. Within this locate up; she is delight as an objective. This commerce is on the edge of economic failure. The reasons for the practical fall down of Hiralal business are at rest unidentified to the female protagonist named, Mikki.

According to the depress description, it is the participation about the female protagonist's Mikki's vicar within multi-core disgrace as well as his monetary money owing to the harmony of eighty central parts. This outcome is in the passing away of her vicar. She required receiving grasp of the manufacturing of her minister, which necessary a group of concentration. The novelist, Shobha De says that every one citizen require love and romance. It is amazing particular, incredible good-looking, incredible communal. The female may acquire masculinity on her conditions at the present. There is not anything disparaging or secret in sexual category.

Into the reality, love and romance is "the rock layer of every one relations,"² to a difficulty through a female 'love romance, there is require the novelist answers', "everyone, sweetheart all and sundry."³

She influences her anxiety throughout major characters in the entire her work of fiction. Her female is not uninformed of their sexual category prospective. Merely various self-centered, convention are carried people converse unwell of it. The writer also receives up the subject of feminism. She as well talks about the question of female's release in an extremely demanding as well as unconventional behavior. She does not be uncertain to contract with sexual category. The sexual category is entitled a "forbidden subject matter".

Shobha De also acknowledges that:

"It is significant for female to converse regarding it. Our nurse tolerate, it noiselessly, this is because it is a forbidden question. Nonentity is involved within female's observation on love and romance. Whether it is erotic verse or writing style, the point of view is constantly that of a gentleman. It is merely currently that female is articulate the technique, they experience concerning this the majority straightforward ... feature of matrimonial existence. It is a variety about the emotional feelings."

Her work of fiction captivates:

"Both male-female are at the age of 16th to 19th.⁴ One of the research scholars, Ramchandran states that: "You might sex and love her or abhorrence her, however, it is not easy to disregard."⁴

Within the work of fiction of Shobha De, man is portraying as uncertain, coward as well as apprehensive. Her female is not departing to be poignant, restrained as well as feeble woman of etiquette. On the other hand, they are to be self-confident, hardheaded as well as physically powerful. Her females:

"Represent the overriding greediness as well as the need of theology that distinguish contemporary period".⁵

Within the work of fiction, *Sisters*, the researcher has come across a female protagonist, and her conflicts with restraint of individual female. To finish, she be successful into to declare her individuality. It talks about:

"Treaty that has battered as well as currency that he is powerless to reimbursement. Advance to the harmony of eighty cores. Authorize that has been attain beneath doubtful state of affairs. An opponent whose development has been over-involved with reassures strategy within, Delhi, India. Is her priest such a manipulator? Or have he turn into fatality of his human being objective within the ending?" ⁶

The female protagonist, Mikki is an extremely full-fledged and important female personality. She is dissimilar to the Alisha who is love-romance passionate. She is also dissimilar female later than her father's passing away. She performs added and additional dependably. She may be deceive or ill-advised. It is about central character, Mikki; she grasps the center to result.

The novelist also imagines that how female characters have emphasized their self-government in regulate to declare their personality within the civilization. One of the notable writers, K. K. Sinha states that:

"The novelist, Shobha De symbolizes for equivalent as well as standard behavior to the female in this hustle and bustle globe of ours. She is most important authors represent the male-female connections particularly in municipal, urban in India. She also represent to all new-fangled female, informal come across, other than, go-getting, specialized listening carefully as well as in organize. She has a schedule, moreover, she may work towards it solitary mindedly as well as even unaccompanied, but she involve be alive."

One of the major characters, Mikki has self-confidence, aspiration, yearn, greediness as well as abhorrence which an unconventional feminine one. On this opinion, the work of fiction has been described Indian within forenames as well as surroundings in motivation. One of the notable scholar Sarbani Sen states that:

"The novelist, Shobha De is going to generate a desi description about a American most excellent-retailer where the Indian people ambience is simply an eroticizing on an unambiguously American lump." ⁸

As a result, the writer does not anger about the Shanay, her cousin. Shanay's nurse, Anjanaben who powerfully needs that Shanay is wedded with female protagonist named, Mikki. On the other hand, the boy named Shanay is frightened along with terrified about Mikki. He is initiates into the famous business (Hiralal) by Mikki. His instruction is loathed by nearly all of the employees as well as above all with, Ramanbhai. The female protagonist, Mikki is extremely diplomatic like she reemploy about the Shanay with his business not to assist him, except to help out her. She inquires him to stay a secure observe more than the behavior of citizens. He also plants extremely genuinely about his girl-friend, Mikki not for receiving her tender in wedding ceremony; this is because he recognizes that:

"His sex and romance for his good-looking cousin is predestined."

The above line indicates that Shanay is going to hard work to make happy his girl-friends, Mikki. She also reclines complete confidence in the running about him. He conveys about her to tale of the supposed assassinate of her priest. This story is not relied winning through Mikki. Her exceptional personality is apparent during the information that she does not conviction within the outside actuality. She desires to depart yawning into the material. Simply after methodical confirmation as well as psychoanalysis, she recognizes the reality about the issue. She informs to the Shanay to leave profound into the information about the Mikki's father's passing away. She is in authenticity ill-equipped for some accountability. Therefore, the novelist, Shobha De suggests a full-grown outlook to love and romance. The sexual category for her female is conspicuous, animated as well as convincing authenticity. They do not vacillate to acknowledge it as an imperative fraction of being. They do not stay behind submissive to allow gentleman receive the entire proposal.

However, they always imagine as well as speak regarding it honestly. They contribute in it vigorously, rotating wrong side up the conventional representation of female. For this female, sexual category is reprehensible, concealed indulgence of her

survival. Mikki only just come into view to raise any sentimentalism at the passing away of equally her blood relations.

Into the opening, she appears to rather her aspiration as well as flavor to the communal gathering. Her detestation for a few illustrate of sentimentalism is noticeable to us. At the commencement, the novelist formulates her purposes. In cooperation about Alisha and Mikki decline to brood, furthermore, they come into view submissive in regulate to appear clear-headed as well as disciplined. The passing away of their minister, during the Mikki's box equally the close relatives, do not look like to issue a lot to them as they would like to acquire to their selling quicker than the civilization wait for them to perform. The major character, Mikki also appears anxious to catch flipside to America to recommence her intermittent semester. The focal point of the achievement does not move away a great deal from these two young women. The writer, innovative, is deliberated on top of Mikki. Mikki appears to be a suspended, even-tempered physically powerful as well as full-grown young woman. She receives more than the workings of the commerce from her deceased priest. She embarks on to plough her method during the industry globe complicatedness. Mikki does not similar to to be support. She is courageous as well as convinced. Anjanaben describes her, "a complicated young woman." 10 She scarcely doubts her sexual category as well as decisively considers in herself, her potential to choose the favored as well as throw away objectionable.

3.2.2 Male-Subjugated Society:

During the todays patriarchal, male-dominance culture, it is typically the gentleman who chooses, steer as well as straight the feminine. Into the collection of male-companion like the buddy, Mikki is extremely cautious as well as sensitive. She discovers that the Navin is not an appropriate, "male-companion substance." make longer the verdict is one more technique of negative response or refutation. Navin is not needed due to this extending. The heroine, Mikki is also fascinated to the one more character, Binny. She creates up her mentality to get married this gentleman similar to Asha Rani in the novel, *Starry Nights*. The female protagonist, Mikki has a weak point of flattering touching similar to the other female characters, Asha, Rani.

She expands a yielding angle for Binny, although, the Binny disgraces her as well as strikes her.

Thus far, the Mikki is not remembering him. Binny comes into view to be incredibly uncomplicated originally. He informs to the Mikki that:

"She is a female behind my individual sympathy. No homicide moment, no slaying language. Towards the position." ¹¹

This terminology application to Mikki who sanctions to get married him still later than Binny has situated both physically powerful circumstances for wedding ceremony. Binny speaks to her like "king." ¹¹

The above passage suggests that this statement is sufficient to sweet-talk with. She departs within for a full-grown Binny. What magnetizes her to him is his strange destructive method. He assists to the Mikki to discover regarding the additional face of her individuality.

The entirety compliance is a distinctive of a conventional female. This attach to the incomparability of gentleman as well as consequential development of female. Her celebratory with Binny is to ending in a debacle. Binny is a feminine one, moreover, he has previously acquire a relations. His wedding ceremony with Mikki is simply to remain up his picture in the civilization. Powerfully sufficient, Mikki may stay put soundless, for she may not think about for his historical existence. On the other hand, she may not endure to the Binny's unresponsiveness to her. Apart from for a little instant, at what time:

"Binny dispense falcon of happiness on her extremity". 12

Mikki's living-life with Binny turns into an authentic torment. The development of dehumanization of her starts, at what time, every her possessions is relocated to her boy-friend, Binny. In addition, Mikki is deprived of parenthood for she has to stay for eternity healthy for him. Being a delegate of the tyrannical classification, Binny does not like Mikki's yearning to be a vigorous colleague equally in existence as well as big business. He is naturally outspoken, at what time,

Binny informs Mikki that he wants a female-companion. She is cognizant of her uncertain circumstance. She implores among Binny.

This variety of objectification of female, moreover, her suppression to gentleman rages, the novelist, Shobha De. She also hates the society of wedding ceremony. Previous to marriage ceremony, every gentleman acts as a slave to their potential wife. Mikki's boy-friend, Binny speaks to her as his princess. Other than, later than, wedding ceremony, his guidelines her be alive her slave. He rationalizes this situation of female on the position that the genuine point of lady is in the residence as well as not exterior. Earlier than wedding, the boy, Binny performs as an awfully aged slave with his girl-friend, named Mikki. He also hugs to Mikki in place of work. He embraces her single-mindedly as if a little child embraces his recently acquire dolls. Mikki's wedding is a breakdown one. Therefore, she speaks to the Amy that:

"She required somebody among whom she may split her living-life. Be that as a not possible belief." ¹³

The above line suggests that Mikki's requirement to fulfill her own desires with her close-friend. Therefore, the novelist, Shobha De depicts metropolitan well-informed female who acquires as a gentleman like a play-boy. She also highlights one more female character, named Alisha and her sexual relationship with her close-friend, named Navin. Alisha recognizes to Navin to be unavailable among her sister, Mikki one time. Her deed is performing about the vengeance towards her sister quite than every romance and sex. Another connection about the Dr. Kurien who concentrates on her in the sanatorium is simply corporeal as the medical doctor has his female-companion along with kids. The physician's comments about the Alisha and the writer's point of view regarding cosmopolitan female is that:

"Intended for female similar to Alisha, gentleman looks like a play-boy, at the moment, she desires to smash up her wedding ceremony. Next day, she may acquire uninterested as well as move about on to various further gentleman, wherever may to go away her." ¹⁴

In the *Sisters*, all female major character like Mikki, Alisha Leelaben, Urmila and Sapna belong to the metropolitan globe. On the other hand, they are powerless to struggle alongside individual game or sexual category descriptions. The writer not pass to eloquent female's irritation alongside gentleman. The female's fury provides a unsatisfactory significance in the narrative inscribe behind 45 years of self-determination. At what time, Amy aggravates about Mikki who is to declare her self-esteem, the final is disinclined to irritate the border of a distinctive customary Indian female. She pictures her pitiable defenselessness, at what time, she articulates:

"Binny (Mikki's male-companion) is similar to a divinity to Mikki. She does not mind who he snooze among. One more female character, named Leelaben is tumbling inside the infirmary." ¹⁵

On the other hand, Mikki's sister Alisha has abruptly turned into affluent is consumption as well as boogie among Navin in a nighttime association. She has sufficient currency to expend on her mother's behavior; however, she has no moment to split her soreness. A well-known scholar, Dr. Kurien's fine-connotation guidance to Mikki's sister, Alisha is evidence to what close relatives wait for their kids. Alisha emerges as an annoyed youthful female. Her response to the reports Binny's father's death stay alive through his only spawn, Mikki's tremble her dreadfully. Her individual individuality as one more spawn about the Binny's father, Hiralal appears to be misplaced within this reports. The Alisha's influence and Shobha De's individual desire for their freedom are in sexual issues. She is also given away like having masculinity with dissimilar gentleman. She waves sideways the sexual category conformity. She lopes after the longing of cadaver devoid of any common or ethical shyness. There are widespread prospects of her love and romance meet among Navin. She appears to imagine whether Mikki achieves the similar effects among Alisha's boy-friend, Navin as she copulates among him. The writer also appears to straight us to this fraction of her soundless, delicate retribution. She appears to sustain our outlook for Mikki. Mikki's sister, Alisha may that:

"To wipe out any reminiscence Alisha's lover, Navin may retain of his sex assembly among the female she detested." ¹⁶

The above lines indicate that the open love and romance come across contribute as well as take pleasure in the sex and romance acrobatics among the Navin. She is enormously domineering of him. She is aggrieved to observe him to single out his fob- watch a moan of his going away, later than, their romance and sex create. It appears that she may, not at all, be pleased and he has encompassed sufficient masculinity. Within a moving picture that pursue, Dr. Kurien articulates a like design like he exclaims, even as include romance and love with her:

"Every one, the wealthy female is the similar: she desires extra every one the moment not anything makes happy her. At this time, receive it every on... It's liberated." ¹⁷

Dr. Kurien's vicious sex assaults to Mikki's sister Alisha who also figure up his aggravation about Alisha like, she looks like to encompass a voracious love and romance perception. This honest viewpoint about love and romance with Alisha persists cultivate the ending of the narrative. She also maintains to follow man for their substantial satisfaction. The previous picture of the work of fiction finishes on a significant entertaining forewarning through her toward the spinsters who disburse no concentration on the Mikki as well as her sister, Alisha.

Equally, Mikki and Alisha create themselves as self-confident, dominant, paying attention as well as sexually honest women throughout the way of the work of fiction, *Sisters*. She speedily instigates to come into her parent's dealing shoes roughly productively. Concurrently, she also initiates to recognize the anxiety of her soft tissue. She distinguishes a female deep feeling within herself. She productively flirts through the Shanay. He is appreciating that:

"Alisha merely is vision of discouraging delusion other than, at rest, not pass to acquire her goes away of Navin's structure." ¹⁸

The female protagonist, Mikki opens to move about to settle along with her sister, Alisha. Later than, a set of hard work, Mikki's sister, Alisha triumph larger than. Mikki is to be a pragmatist. She is not the variety of female who filling to survive a self-centered as well as egocentric life. Mikki's life encourages her to go away to focus the burial of her boy friend, Binny Malhotra. Therefore, the present

novel finishes through an epilogue. This finale symbols the rhythmical concluding about the Sisters, leave-taking positive harmony humming within the booklover's spirit as well as presumption. In cooperation, they choose to go away to London. Their going away is a variety of deliverance from the troubles of dishonest commerce humanity. It is for an absolute make well as well as revolutionize and reception of existence. Equally, they desire to have existence colleague or a masculinity colleague as well as possibly, it might be the shortly.

3.2.3 Sophisticated Society:

The Indian conventional civilization highlights on the female to surrender their eccentricity to go ahead an existence helping the gentleman folk. The huge bulk of Indian female mutely undergo for epochs at the give of business through no earnings of articulate or satisfying their top secret desires. On the other hand, contemporary female have their individual area, objectives, imaginings as well as requirements. This recommend has completed them redefine the existence approach which present a personality nourishment and extent for freedom as well as their own identity. A lot of female novelists have described this altering image of female, furthermore, the female novelist, Shobha De and her novels are noteworthy with exclusive approach as well as actuality.

Therefore, the present research work is a challenge to examine how the novelist explores yawning into the internal sensation of female protagonists and convey that how the female protagonists lastly unchained themselves from the command of gentleman supremacy as well as common standards to come out like liberated female. As a result, in the current Indian situation, the revision of Shobha De's work of fiction definitely assists to comprehend the altering approach of contemporary female.

A distinctive Indian feminine narrative proceedings the distress of metropolitan middle rank females within the patriarchal situate up. This category of narrative normally contain enlargement of a young woman within the Indian center rank relatives with her gentleman sibling to spotlight on masculinity unfairness; later on it highlights on the confront of her matrimonial existence where she is useless, abandoned as well as censored. Moreover, to conclude this concealed volcano of

female protagonist outcomes like independence, self-confidence and fight back for their own identity. Indian female novelists like Deshpande Shashi, Roy Arundhati, Desai Anita and De Shobha have unclear conventional depiction of continuing, self-denying females through new-fangled courageous as well as unconventional metropolitan women protagonists within their creative writing.

As an Indian novelist, Shobha De is prominent for courageous as well as free approach about her inscription. She looks at the life of uninterested female characters and their loveless wealthy male-companion as well as relatives. Her narratives reflect the existence approach about the privileged as well as the middle-rank of metropolitan globe. Her method of arguing about female's problem within her work of fiction is rather demanding as well as unconventional. She may not shilly-shally to contract love as well as romance with their husband. One of the major scholars, Geeta B. J. says that:

"The novelist, Shobha De's fiction, Sisters is minuscule of the untidy livinglife as well as ethical disorder of the metropolitan society." ¹⁹

The novel also emphasizes on the spiritual disagreement of the female, major characters that are trapped connecting an individual identity as well as a common identity. It is the narrative of the living-life of the youthful male- female of the metropolitan humanity wherever sex and qualities are deceased.

The novel, *Sisters*, also rotates regarding the female protagonist, Mikki Hira Lal. She comes back to house from America to attend the interment of her mother and father, there were murdered. One Newspaper says that Hira Lal's participation with multi-interior dishonor along with his economic liability something about Eighty Crores reasons for the his passing away. However, the female character, Mallika turns into the individual title-holder of her parent's enormous possessions. She also receives clutch of the business of her parent, that is needed very much concentration. She is slightest exaggerated psychologically through Mikki's deceased father and mother. She recalls her parents never situate *'Sindoor'*. The cause at the back that obsession is parents unresponsiveness, that she suffers inside her babyhood. At this time, the novelist reflects to the contemporary metropolitan society anywhere relatives

misplaced its every standard as well as kids observer of the parent's unresponsiveness.

Furthermore, she also appears smallest amount associated to the family unit. She is very full-fledged as well as influential female personality. Therefore, the novelist constantly attempts to provide her female protagonists and their individual identity into the urban civilization through building them courageous, convinced as well as proficient inside the metropolitan environment. Thus, one more scholar, Sinha K. K. remarks that:

"The novelist, Shobha de symbolizes for equivalent as well as standard action to the female in that hustle and bustle globe of the ours...She also sings for the original female; informal seeming, however, determined, proficient paying attention as well as within organize.".²⁰

The female protagonist, Mallika looks like courageous as well as positive inside the industry humanity, subsequent the prototype of the writer's distinctive feminine major characters. One female character, Anjanaben describes her; 'a complicated young woman.' She has self-assurance, objective, desire, greediness as well as detestation that create her unconventional female. But, the feminist writer, simply situate the Indian names and its Indian setting inside the *Sisters*, the fiction is more stimulated through Westernization and its civilization.

To one side from the human now a qualified female, Mallika's next major assignment is to be successful spirit with her sister, Alisha from her parent's reserved, Leelaben. That undisclosed is recognized to the Ramanbhai, who is confidence worker of the Hiralal. But, Alisha disgusts her as well as suspects her. It is not easy for Mallika to grip equally of that charges owing to her greenness. She is irritated through the editorial; this set is 'stay alive through his simply youngster, an offspring, Mink, learning in the America'. She also seems like an irritated youthful female. The major difficulty of her personality is her disagreement regarding her individuality.

The female character, Alisha also issues:

"Along with what regarding myself? What am I? A puppy? A kitten?" 21

Alisha also observes to her sister, Mallika like her opponent figure individual. It is intended to Alisha, affluence is further expensive than family member. However, it is to Mallika, relationships are further significant than currency. She also speaks to Mikki in an obnoxious language similar to fucking assistance as well as bitch. The difference among these both sisters creates that fiction significance understanding. Mallika stands for a metropolitan prosperous category female. The writer also describes her females like metropolitan aged female through relating her attention during social gathering. Furthermore, she is in her get in touch with youthful as well as middle matured people. Mallika also believes on the Ramanbhai, an elderly correlate of her parents. She remarks that:

"The business globe is complete of the crooks, Ramankaka. I am happy that I like you on my elevation"²²

On the other hand, with the realism, Mikki's trusted man, Ramanbhai is a complicated male. He presently desires to amplify her confidence ahead him. The various youthful figures are more attracted to her. Her buddy, Navin, Shanay, Anjanaben's son as well as businessman, Binny are more concerned with her. But Shanay is Mikki's cousin and Anjanaben powerfully requests that Shanay gets married with Mallika. On the other hand, he is frightened as well as apprehensive to her. He is introduced into the Hiralal Business by Mallika. His introduction is not to similar to through mainly about the employees as well as chiefly through, Ramanbhai. Mallika also inquires to him that to stay a secure observes more than the behavior of the citizens. But, Shanay does very honestly for Mallika. He also comes across with the reason of Mikki's parent's kill. Mallika never believe that the statement. Her raggedness of her personality is obviously reproduced through, the detail that she never belief within the outside actuality. She desires to go away deeper into the issue. Her suggestions are to her cousin to go away into the statement of her parent's passing away.

The female protagonist, Mallika is diplomatic with the assortment of a being colleague. She also comes across with Navin like not appropriate to her male-companion. She is engrossed with other boy, Binny who is being a master for sex. He is also loveable and enjoys sex with Mallika. Her other buddy, Amy too informs her

about Binny. She also chooses to get married with Binny, a middle aged man. He is even with hostility from Shanay, Amy and also Ramanbhai. He also illustrates authentic personality of his character, later, wedding ceremony. He makes to carry on to happy with other females. Previous to wedding ceremony, he speaks to Mallika like 'my prince, however, later wedding, he gives her instructions like 'be my worker'.

The creature of division of the patriarchal classification, one of the male characters, Binny never permits to Mallika to be a vigorous colleague mutually in the business as well as in living-life. He needs to her to stay within his residence. At this time, the writer also gives a satirical account of the wedding ceremony as well as patriarchal civilization. Sooner than, wedding ceremony, every male perform similar to workers to their wife. Mallika's wedding is breakdown. She is compressed as well as required to go away the home by her friend, Binny. She also returns to her father's home and search to the Alisha's help. Here, her sister, Alisha engages with her boy-friend, Navin for sex, she recognizes that the Navin has connection with Mallika also in the long-ago. It is a do something of the vengeance; never perform of the sex. Her relation with Dr. Kurien presents her in his sanatorium is merely bodily like the physician has her partner as well as his kids. Alisha stands for the writer's personal yearning for emancipation for female with love and romance issues.

The novelist, Shobha De says that:

"Every one citizen requires love and romance. It is amazing particular, amazing good-looking, impressive common." ²³

To a difficulty through a female:

"The love and romance ...who require?" But the novelist replies that everyone, sweetheart each person." ²³

The novelist never disregards the theme of the sexual category. The sexual category is measured an unthinkable theme.

The novelist, Shobha De, declares that:

"It is significant to the female to chatter regarding it. But our parents tolerate it wordlessly. This is because it is a forbidden theme. Nonentity is concerned with the female's observation on the love and romance.....it is a variety of the catharsis".²⁴

The love and romance of the Shobha De's woman are living-life of the realism. They also understand that is like an undividable element of existence. They imagine as well as converse regarding, it honestly. At this point, these women characters think that love and romance are like realism of their living-life. They are Mikki and Alisha, both irritated the border of an emblematic conventional Indian females.

On the other hand, Alisha, the one more female character, and her living-life is put aside by Mallika who provides Alisha blood in her serious condition within the infirmary. That episode carries out them to very near. Furthermore, they come together among each other. But Alisha's obsession for love and romance is carry on at the end of the novel. She also maintains to have love and romance with men. One of the male characters, Binny expires in a vehicle calamity simply time previous to his separation with Mallika. She comes into every about her partner's possessions also. One side, Ramanbhai needs to murder her, but Shanay saves her life. The Sisters concludes with one of the main epilogue. These sisters choose to go away to London. It is not a going away, however, a rescue or a get away from the troubles of the dishonest dealing globe. The most recent picture is an advice by Alisha to the spinsters. They pay not concentration on her and Mallika. They create their identity like unconventional, courageous as well as honest for sex; they are from the metropolitan society all over the narrative.

Consequently, the Indian novelist, Shobha De also portrays the metropolitan globe; somewhere the male-female does not turn into one inside the wedding ceremony: they simply perform like companion for sex. The self-determination of the metropolitan society, unrestrained obsession for the love and romance, with desire devastate the gorgeous life of the male-female. They lastly acquire aggravation of the being. The lofty speedy contemporary metropolitan civilization is annihilating civilization as well as convention. The currency has taken position of the human being and their friendliness. The money-oriented achievement of the metropolitan globe has cleaned up to every individual standard. The writer's, novel, Sisters, is reflection of

predator similar to metropolitan society somewhere every individual relations have misplaced their principles.

3.2.4 Patriarchal Authority:

Patriarchal Authority is fine displayed in the fiction of Shobha De. The contemporary females are well-informed as well as fashionable within their customs. They are predestined to a conventionally submissive as well as mile subsistence inside the wedded set of connections. The fiction *Sisters* also provides an apparent depiction of the patriarchal authority. In the fiction, the female protagonist, Mallika struggles constantly for sex and come first her personal male. However, her male-partner, Binny performs entirely next to his female's potential. She is concerned to help him in an industry, other than she is starved of along with her male-companion informs her that:

"Your occupation is to come across attractive, acquire garments, acquire jeweler. Go away to the attractiveness parlour. Participate connection, to know golf. Concentrate on the cookery lecture. But no difficulty".²⁵

However, well-informed in the U. S. and well-growing thoughts as well as manner, Mallika likes Binny from the hub of her sympathy. She also loves him very much. She goes away her dealings and to turn into a submissive as well as dedicated female-partner. She also stands for an archetypal conventional spouse through entirely put forward her personal with her male-companion.

On the other hand, Mikki's friend, Binny has a wife along with children. But he gets married with her to remain his self-importance as well as picture inside the culture. He too removes his life-partner of the parenthood requires her to suffer abortion with intimidates her which if not he will dissociate to Mikki. Binny is unsuccessful to appreciate his female's touching way of thinking. She is deprived of eccentricity, self-determination as well as moving protection. The deceptive feelings of the Binny are reproduced with his declaration:

"Mikki, You are Binny's life-partner; and you superior begin performing similar to her. With our relations, the female is qualified to follow with their male-companion. Be grateful that your superstars you may not have a mother-

in-law to make happy. You do not, I do again, not at all, difficulty with I.... or grumble. You do not have anything to protest regarding to get this. Your life is wonderful. You have the lot the whole lot. Anywhere I leave, I perform what I act, at what time, as well as through, whom is my big business. I may expend like more amid you like I desire to."²⁵

Mikki is "enthusiastic to negotiation her personal living-life. But is means that he has observed her, pay attention on her, recognize her subsistence." She never wants to go with her husband, Binny. This is because Binny is disclosed with his buddy, Amy:

"The difficulty is, I like male. Name me a carpet a worker, a sufferer, something. However, Mikki suffers discouraging as well as powerless. It is like, but I neither have nor recall what satisfaction is ...or yet is. Binny may and does flatten every above me."²⁷

However, Mikki's wedded existence is traumatized, at what time, her husband, Binny believes on her chastity, moves her from his house. On the contrary, Mikki requests as well as implores unknowingly:

"Mikki's boy-friend, Binny, why? Why are you liability of that? What have I performed? I like Mikki. Only you. I am not guilty. Delight my Binny...I may not live with no you."²⁸

Therefore, the novelist and her females never appear to endure from the common tribulations. However, they are disconcerted as well as motivated owing to the wisdom of acknowledged man dominance. They also oppose to the men's feelings to choose as well as identify their survival along with anticipate with them to mould their living-life according to the man requirements.

3.2.5 Courageous Females:

The novelist, Shobha De also gives perfect account of the female's daring and their fight against male dominant society. The customary observation of the female about wedding ceremony is articulated through the female, Aparna and her mother in the fiction, *Snapshots*:

"Keep in mind, a female in our civilization is nonentity lacking of a male-companion. Learning is like more you want. Be successful rewards; acquire a high-quality profession. On the other hand, they never allow every these effects of influence on you, provide you a huge beginning. You might be the major priest of India for next day, however, at what time; you move toward residence, you mechanically turn into your male's wife. But, you not recall to it you are completed. Your wedding ceremony is ended". 29

It is similar to *Sisters*, the novelist, Shobha De and her female character's face adversity, development as well as imperfection at the diverse period with their living-life. But they are never disheartened. The female protagonist, Mallika is throwing out of her male-companion's residence. She has obtained sufficient bravery as well as potency to wrestle along with confronts prejudice. The writer also obliterates to unclear as well as depreciate picture of the female. Her women institute their one more marriage relations to obtain liberate of their wedded monotony. The wedding ceremony for them is now a question of expediency, entirely not including of a touching affection.

The major purpose of the high-class female is to like this living-life. They also disburse without concentration to the standards of the conventional civilization and the combined relations structure. They fracture all common customs as well as honest systems. They concurrently maintain the mother-in-law missing with domesticated the male-companion. With this observe, the female, Reema's suggestion to Surekha is significance substantial:

"You now have to declare your, identity again. One time, your male-partner turns into a 100% needy on you, he never seems somewhere else. The other males like their reassures. As well as, they are spoilt children. Provide for them to well and good. Sex them frequently with assemble stretched. This is the way to remain them. The power is with them. The respite is uncomplicated. Trust on me, she is in your shoes not so extensive before". 30

As a result, Shobha de highlights on the approach of the contemporary female are having daring to rebellion along with decline living being dummy with the hands of male with the name of the custom as well as culture. Her depiction of that

distinctive as well as characteristic modern authenticity constructs her diverse from other feminist in India.

3.3 Feminism:

Mostly, Shobha De is known as a feminist writer and also novelists. Her loom is just before feminine one. Her feminism look is extremely straightforward as well as not difficult and multifaceted like the Western reviewers word it. She also receives feminine in her realistic move toward existence or living-life. She affects it into describing several of the vinegary certainty of feminine globe, particularly the twofold typical, inconsistency as well as utilization revealed by the man-subjugated, conventional as well as conventional civilization. She wonderfully as well as frankly places of interest the troubles of distress of female grounds by the inconsistent, communal, civilizing as well as ethical standards set by gentleman. The novelist also relates wedding ceremony, separation, post-marital association, lesbianism etc. as the utensils to development her feminist attitude.

In a modern day, within the Indian country, the feminism may silent in its family member among the idea of wedding ceremony. The wedding is a society during the India which bonds gentleman and feminine to survive mutually as partner and female-companion. It is also a religious society which accompaniments in entire country, correctly from the opening of culture as well as civilization. As a historical base, the Dharmashashatra's point of view, the wedding ceremony stands for self-punishment. on the other hand, The perfect has, at the present, acquired to resolve with moment, moreover, it is various new-fangled adjustment as well as variation are captivating position from instance to instance during this society. Other than, within our Indian country, the wedding ceremony structure has been capture with reviewers in diverse customs.

As a feminist novelist, Shobha De, a contemporary influence, turns into the representation of importance diverse point of views about the female's self-determination as well as liberty. In the Sisters, the novelist is highlighting two major female characters, Mikki and Alisha and their various issues as a feminine one. She also emphasizes to identify, those society, customs, ways of thinking as well as traditional gathering of the humanity which position females in a location substandard

to their matching part gentleman. On the whole, in the conventional, traditional civilization; female are delighted substandard in assessment to male in conditions of bodily, politically, inexpensively as well as communally. This feminine point of view has increased eminence yet as such female authors Kamala Das, Amrita Pritam, Kamala Markandaya, Shashi Deshpande and also Shobha De.

Shobha de also instigates to generate as well as treat female's problem into their workings and put down to prominence on the reason of their self-determination and emancipation. A diversity of tinted lenses of female's intellect; moreover, their troubles are imitating in the writings of these female Shobha De's *Sisters*. The fundamental idea of her writing is wisdom of uprising touching the communal lay down by her female major characters like Mikki and Alisha. The novel, *Sisters*, highlights on the Mikki, who is no longer describe in the conventional surroundings where she is presently recognized as humble, feeble, subservient as well as devotional human being. The Mikki's character and her invariable fight is the loveliness of donation of the reality that during these time female may not be wronged. One of the remarkable scholars, L. Sonia Ningthoujam truly comments regarding:

"The depiction of female central character by this feminist writer, Shobha De: This feminist author has fashioned female central character who understands that she also has her possess personality likes as well as dislikes. She desires her influence to be listening to in the civilization. Whether the influence of Shobha De female is traditional by thoughtful or unable to heed ears is not what issue. What, definitely, issue is that a new-fangled class of female has move toward which is complete to receive on the humanity to encourage the female's point of view."

The above paragraph suggests that it is the real situation of Indian society like Mikki. Predominantly, contemporary, Indian feminist writer, Shobha De is accessible a dissimilar variety of female characters like Mikki and her sister, Alisha. These female characters are the narrator of their viewpoint of female's freedom as well as lack of restrictions. Their donation heaves glow on the steady fight back of lady for their endurance in a globe which is too aggressive and as well simple along with dreadful towards them. Mikki, who is moderately avant-garde as well as

unconventional in the appearance of female behaviour in *Sisters*, is hypothetical to be the existent presenter of female's resist for autonomy, fairness as well as consolidation of female authority during the civilization. One more notable writer K. Mirabai states that:

"Shobha De's Sisters and the female protagonist, Mikki strivers as well as desire, for the self-determination, for honesty, for a sympathetic humanity. Her good quality is a superiority of spirit, mentality and strength a variety of undamaged blamelessness as well as truthfulness." 32

The novelist has acclaimed to emphasize the troubles faced by Indian female into the hands of accepted view from moment to moment. She has also shaped like female characters that are not prepared to flame theme-selves into the finances of their male-companion relatively, they are prepared to struggle for their identical privileges as well as high-status livelihood. She also asserts that it is to be initiated into the countryside of well-liked creative writing. This is because she is with the earliest to discover the globe of metropolitan female in India. Mainly, her writings explode patriarchal domination. The citizens observe to female poorer to male. This is because of their dissimilar sexual category. One of the notable feminist writers, Jardine Alice precisely comments regarding different tribulations come about female's living-life. This is because of their diverse gender:

"The laying with discussion of female like that the procedure identify is essential to the contemporary, it is really the valorization of the feminist female and her required, which is traditional, implications, like someway fundamental to innovative as well as indispensable manners of thoughts, speaking and writings." ³³

Into the Indian civilization, the situation of the female might be experiential with their relations with male. The major spotlight has been strained through writings of the Shobha De. She is also on the authority as well as yearning to state female according to their point of view. Her writings have highlighted to the significance of correspondence of influence among male and female. At any time, that stability falls down; there is nervousness into the civilization along with accordingly absurdity as well as insincerity take over. The word influence and authority have been re-

iteratively used into her fiction, *Snapshots*. She has delightfully obtained the influence amusement sufficiently played into the urban areas, particularly with the brothels. Champabia is major female characters in *Snapshots*, who identifies the influence of the game superior. She is also the proprietor of the brothel, speaks to the Rashmi into directly onward behaviour:

"Not at all to provide your identity to any male for liberated. You identify why? The male does not assessment something that they acquire thus, without problems. This is why we are there; to make happy their desire, not for the love and romance but the influence. The authority is above female. It is above us and me. But they acquire your love and romance, give for you, they suffer similar to emperor. Provide it to them along with sex for not anything and they will kick you with the burn down." 34

The feminist, Shobha De, in her attitude of feminine one, conveys appropriately financial characteristics of the authority fight back. According to her point of view, her financial confidence of the female ahead male creates to them slave in every moment. But they have to be cost-effectively identity, needy, this is because currency is the enormous strength in the time, that has decidedly been subjugated as well as prejudiced through propel along with illustrate, anywhere the whole thing is correlated with conditions of the currency as well as currency. She also understands that the similar circumstance, at what time, she declares that:

"In the end, the whole thing bubbles downward to currency the immense leveler. There may be no converse of self-determination for female, with no financial independence. A self-determining mentality or liberated strength is worthless as extensive like the corpse as well as psyche is individual reserved collectively through an important person as well." 35

Shobha De's most important anxiety is to observe female within extensive as well as large point of view. She is less concerned with effective of the narrative of Indian antique custom of the surrender correlated to the female like described through several historical writers and also bards from the moment to moment. It is dissimilar to that, the her most important center is on the living-life, attainments, expectations as well as disappointment, way of thinking as well as sentiments of the business

female, sophisticated female, upper-class female. Moreover, the female is actually violating their man equivalent in day by day living-life. Once more, the novelist, Shobha De also understands that the monetary self-determination as well a lot. According to her point of view, if the female might live with their personal selection, there may not be every difficulty into their living-life.

The present novel, Sisters is well-known fiction by Shobha De. It also emphasizes as well as portrays the tale of the sisters named, Alisha and Mikki as Mikki and Alisha as a feminine one. Her feminine central characters are presently outstanding when calculated next to gentleman. She also emphasizes the male-female (Binny and Mikki, Alisha and Navin) relationship and how it is approximately unfilled, incompetent as well as negotiation. The male-female's flattering picture has been entirely devastated. The novel is also focused on the globe, which is absent about love-romance classify. She attempts to emphasize disagreement in matrimonial association as a feminism style. It is typically throbbing as well as unhelpful for them to be collectively. For instance, the feminist writer, Simon De Beauvoir states regarding wedding ceremony:

"The wedding ceremony is the providence conventionally presented through civilization." ³⁶

Within her works, from the *Sisters* current one, the novelist illustrates her feminine point of view towards the gratitude of the prejudice about the philosophy as well as main beliefs prearranged by the females. Exactly to the female of the 3rd world, feminism stands for a revolt in which the female resists to realize a cultural, common, financial, ethical, rational and religious impartiality with the male. Therefore, one more feminist writer, Grimke Sarah accurately understands like a remonstration:

"The male has conquered female to his will, it is used for like a means to encourage his self-interested requirement, to preacher to his physical enjoyment, to be influential in encouraging his reassure; on the other hand, not at all, has he preferred to make higher her to that status as she was fashioned to fill up. He has completed every one, he may do to humiliate as well as yoke her intelligence." ³⁷

Within her works, the novelist, Shobha De's female decline to ally themselves through the customary unfinished man principles. They are self-confident female who frequently receive ground-breaking responsibility. They also desire to obliterate the obtainable common construction. Within sort to confirm a spot that female yet does not shilly-shally to alternative to deep-seated, the lesbian is further an outgoing, sex and romance plays with diverse men. The novelist her-self agree with thoughts of that female through represent their love and romance amalgamation through men within element in her novel.

In detail, the novelist does not vacillate inside unfolding the both of yet, that female who are reasonable feminine one. The love and romance exploits of Amrita in *Strange Obsession* and Mikki in *Sisters* are like feminine statements of the writer herself. Therefore, the critic, Swain S. P. says that:

"The pornography in Shobha De writings turns into an indicator as well as sign of the woman's disobedience of a man-synchronized feminine gender relation". 38

Shobha De is one of the major proponent of the feminine and her, influences about the male society and powerfully abominate the immigration of consider within unfolding bout her females like sex-slaves and bitches or most childlike female or subservient wife at the home. Therefore, Shobha De's wisdom about feminine is observable ubiquitously. Thus, again, one of the major scholars, Pushp Lata notes that:

"The novelist, Shobha De struggles to disengage that headings and unclear picture of female who weeps for her self-determination as well as impartiality that yet, leave useless into the today's globe. From that point of view, the female in her novels are extra authoritative than the male. They are also fundamentally characterized like, sex, gender open-minded as well as liberated to opinion with have turn into acknowledged like 'original female' within her 20th century novels. However, yet, further outstanding is that the potency of her females into the incredibly civilization which has reviewer by her. Mostly, her females are, particularly simply later than, they have disappeared throughout their personal familiarity, move toward to their

realization for her identity. They also might or not might be flapper. Thus far, they are much corporeal as well as healthy than their mothers have been." ³⁹

Thus, the novelist's feminine is focused on Shobha De's portrayal of corporal self-determination, gender; love and sex, energy along with feminine identity forcefulness, within those conventional household standards have been distorted. A female is liberated to believe regarding the amalgamation of the happiness, profession as well as wedding ceremony. On the other hand, Shobha De's youthful female appear to be the defender as well as buddy about youthful male. This is because her boldness, intensity as well as contemporary point of view.

Shobha De's writings like *Strange Obsession, Socialite Evenings*, and *Sisters*, she challenges to describe those greatly talk about womanly feature through dependability as well as enthusiasm. She also demonstrates her female characters like the middle of the acquisitiveness and how those well-informed as well as upper-class female move toward towards innovative standards of the human being. Thus, the famous critic Pushp Lata again states that:

"Within the Shobha De's Sisters, she challenges to describe over-argue feminine distinctiveness. Her feminine central characters are immediately extraordinary when calculated next to gentleman. Male-female relative is roughly empty, unimpressive as well as negotiation. The male-female's flattering picture has been entirely devastated. Within her work of fiction, the globe is out of sexual arranged. She has struggled to emphasize disagreement in matrimonial association. It is typically throbbing as well as disparaging for them to be mutually."

Deliberately, the novelist imagines the post-married issues of female like fondle to fracture the conventional as well as ethical standards in civilization. This is one of the mainly significant features of her feminine. Her females are courageous as well as daring in found add-wedded relationships to make happy their ordinary advocate. These female are not uncertain in with gender as intended policy to acquire communal as well as monetary advantage. The wedding ceremony for them is an indemnity beside communal standards. For example in her narrative *Sisters*, Alisha and Mikki are such a females who refuse to pursue the conventional pathway Her

wedding ceremony confirm to be breakdown, this is because it is lacking love, happiness, shared sympathetic and attachment for every extra. Her male-companion is the factual delegate of a standard Indian male-partner; this is because he is monotonous, submissive as well as not stimulating. She voices her complaint as well as indignation alongside her pointless as well as worthless association with her male-companion. She articulates disgracefully:

"She believes our wedding ceremony is more the daytime our wedding in progress. They have acquire not anything departing, she may not sex her not at all encompass. Like for you, she is actually not recognize to this daytime why you decide to get married me. She may not believe you plane know who you wedded."⁴¹

Her feminine highlights on the new-fangled prototype of communal, enriching and contemporary standards in which female feel self-determining and throughway to assume being as they require. She is more concerned in obvious the altering conditions due to the result of substance affluence in the life of female. At the present, female are not complete to recognize conventional responsibility and movement allocate to them for a lot longer episode. Shobha De's female are obviously and deliberately purple those society, civilization, conference which are the foundation of utilization in the conventional as well as customary civilization. She endures the attempt of Nayantara Sahgal who is possibly the initial Indian female writer in India to complete the outlook of disobedience. One more characters, Smirit declares in her narrative, *The Day in Shadow*:

"I disgust this kingdom apart from for the autonomy, it conveys for realm as well as citizens, particularly for female. Other than, it is barbaric or else, filled of decomposed, flexible principles as well as the reverence of currency. I hatred complete collection of human being relationships." 42

Therefore, within her work of fiction, the novelist, her female go away in like the rank as the original recent female is familiar to like every the contemporary amenities obtainable about them. They blow apart the ancient idea of conventional Indian female with their physically powerful wisdom of brazenness, distinctive move toward existence; moreover, they command fairness in all bubble of confidential as well as communal existence. In the *Sisters*, the new-fangled female has got tremendous sovereignty particularly in the meadow of wedding ceremony, placewedded dealings and in gender self-determination. They do not desire to depend on gentleman for every as well as the whole thing.

3.4 Male Influence:

In the same way, Shobha De's females are unattached too emerges articulating their basic require for sex, love and freedom. The novel, *Sisters*, the female protagonist, Alisha initial attaches to the Navin for sex and desire to fulfillment. Furthermore, afterward, it carries on swinging her with Dr. Kurien. With a touching picture whereas Dr. Kurien loves Mikki very much, he occurs to declare that:

"Every, the prosperous females are similar, you need much, every moment, not anything gratifies you. At this time, he receives it the entire...its gratis". 43

Like Alisha, her sister Mikki also believes that and she anxieties of the desire. She effectively flirts with another boy, Shanay. It is similar with Susheela, the female and heroine of the novel, *Susheela's Secret* too comes clean her concealed yearning to have love and romance with other man apart from her husband. Therefore, she says that:

"At the present, Mikki believes that it would be somebody. He may artist, a movie celebrity like Nana Paterkar, Jockie Shroff and Amitabh Bachchan. She should initiate to visualize Mr. Deshpande will my side." 44

At this time, Mikki tries to fracture free from the customary sex, love and romance get-together. At last, she has with her manager. The females are like, Karuna in *Socialite Evenings*, both sisters, Mikki and Alisha from *Sisters*, and Susheela from *Susheela's Secrets* seem to be disloyal contemporary female in India. They also confront with accepted view for sex as well as common forbidden. They are definitely diverse form love and romance, bad-mannered female of India. One of the famous writers, Singh Khushwant describes an aged observation regarding females in India:

"That is every female in India. They know love and romance; a distasteful helplessness to the male's yearning; obligatory with classify to have kids, manageable. This is because of their conciseness". 45

However, the novelist, Shobha De, irritates from this analysis awfully powerfully within her novels. Her women confront with the conventional situate of the civilization. With the track of the flouting this common customs as well as gatherings, they also try to create gender relationships with no every emotion of the responsibility.

The novelist and her female protagonists are far much self-confident, heavy-handed as well as courageous with contrast to their husband. They also are not subservient. They are never responsible regarding their love-relations as well as feelings. It is similar to *Sultry Days*, the female protagonist; Sujata gives invitation to everybody once and twice. She also encourages one and all to her drudgery horizontal to snoop to call bards from far throw seats:

"The female protagonist, Sujata should play parent chicken as well as get together every on her lips to her bossom...literally." 46

Mikki believes that her responsibilities are finished like her kids are self-reliant. Concerning her relationships, she daringly asserts that:

"All right...they believe, why would not they? I have been a superior partner as well as also an excellent mother. I'm yet there, staying with the similar home. They are thankful; I might effortlessly absent as well as moved out, not here. Thus, several male are extended to do me theirs. I accept wedding ceremony application every moment...yet currently".

But in *Sultry Days*, the female protagonist, Sujata is fairly disgusting as well as nauseating with her mid-forties. She also notes that her poetry and her happy among anything, she likes. She leaves it through her intelligence. She never exists a being that she clears through her male-companion. She also goes behind her accepted impulses. She own creates law for her. She barely thinks about for the society described humanity. Correspondingly in the *Sisters*, the female protagonist, Mikki also receives business after her father's death. One of the male worker, Ramankaka, is

her father's close buddy and intimate of her father's dealings difficulties, recommends to her that he is discussed with all her choices regarding industry dealings. On the other hand, Mikki grasps an explanation to judgment; she acquires a palpable conquest like she speaks out:

"Be grateful you for your suggestion, Ramankaka, I also understand as well as assessment your expressions. However, I would need you to their little of excavate nowadays. I never change my love, unhappily...although I might modify presently regarding the whole thing also...moreover, I mean to...that is leaving to be my illustrate as well as I propose successively it on my conditions".⁴⁷

But Alisha's sister, Mikki is never expressive, submissive as well as pathetic, similar to customary female in India. On the other hand, she is more self-confident, realistic as well as physically powerful. At this time, she also dares the customary conventional hallucination of a civilization. She is a dangerous female, who simply along with no some wisdom of the responsibility fractures sour of her commitment with new one, Navin, he is not succeed in response to her desire.

3.5 Marriage Conflict:

The fiction, *Sisters* too symbolizes to the conflict with wedded affiliation of the Mikki, a female protagonist and Binny, a business owner. She cautiously gets married with Binny. But their wedding with Binny is outrageous breakdown. Her husband, Binny is previously wedded as well as simply to clutch up an iconic psychological demonstration with the civilization where he gets marry with Mikki. She also suffers unrestrained, not reserved as well as expressively encouraged to the spot of the prehistoric discard. Binny has ethically dishonored her with parenthood along with exercised Mikki to suffer abortion. He is also unsuccessful to achieve female. He is not succeeding to carry out necessary ethical activities through supplying her eccentricity, self-determination as well as exciting safety to the friendly female-partner. Therefore, her husband, Binny says that:

"Mikki, you are Binny's life-partner. Also you would superior create perform similar to her. With our relations, females are qualified to follow their malecompanions. Be grateful, your idol, you never have a mother-in-law to satisfy. You won't, I do again, not at all, difficulty me... or grumble. You have not anything to criticize regarding....acquire it? Your living-life is wonderful as well as great. You want something.....something. Where should I leave? What can I act, when and with whom, is my dealings. I may pay out like more moment through, you like I desire toward".

Thus, Mikki and her fantasy dealings to like the outgrowth of the wedded existence cleaned out, at what time, her husband; Binny is alleged with her celibacy and revolve with her of his residence. Therefore, the novelist, Shobha De remarks that:

"That may not sufficient to have a brain of their individual, but he does not have any profits to competition through that financial self-determination has approach forcefulness self-confidence along with his refusing to be extravagance like gate doormat." ⁴⁹

Thus, Mikki's husband, Binny dissociates with her for his seventeen alleges counting infidelity. The wedding ceremony lingers incomplete. It is lastly canceled. Mikki also changes since a measly common butterfly to a middle-aged female along with gently protect outline is evident, while she rotates her consideration just before her separated sister. She is trapped with the vortex of multifaceted human being circumstances.

It is also happened in *Sultry Days*. Shobha De describes the wedded disagreement of Pramila and Vilas. She is conventional female, radical from Nagpur. She gets married with Vilas who is Engineer. He is enclosing a high-quality profession sanctuary as well as good-looking kids. But Pramila obsesses a motorcycle of her own to take her loan. She is brilliant and starts writing poetry to realize an open-minded standard of living. She goes to Mumbai for greener paddock discarding her relatives. Finally, she rises to disconnect. Her husband is confused with:

"Vilas is influenced her female, who has been attracted through a hypnotist or tantric. He also has throw a predict above Pramila. The kids are silent else youthful to appreciate to her parents has uninhabited to them. The younger, individual whined to week as well as declined to consume." ⁵⁰

The female protagonist, Pramila has one more relation with Yashwantbhai who is political leader in Mumbai. After getting divorce, she has two kids. She has diagramed the deviation experience through informative her companion as well as family unit. Finally, she gets achievement; however, she has unsuccessful with her wedded existence. Therefore, both Pramila and Vilas have wedded connection eliminated.

3.6 Free-thinking and Open-Mined Female:

The novel, *Sisters*, a self-effacing challenge, is completed to portray the picture of open-minded as well as unbound female. The present study too flings an important glow on how the conquered as well as immigrated females, during their uprising. They realize freedom as well as unrestraint. In detail, the imaginary humankind, the writer is conquered through the female protagonists while the men protagonists are hard-pressed into the periphery. It is the female in the novel Mikki, who clutches every victory cards. Mikki is a manipulator whose bright policy comes across further than the man intellectual capacity. Within this high opinion, the novelist's female is innovative Indian female. During the 1960s, through the increase of feminine one, there come out the new-fangled female, who is entirely diverse from her conventional corresponding item.

An innovative female is cognizant, convinced as well as occasionally yet belligerent. Mikki, the female character engages the middle-class. She has acquired free of her place about the 'further'. At the present, Mikki is conscious about her objective, so as to is, to unshackle her identity from the command of undeserved unthinkable and civilization forced on her through the man conquered civilization. The contemporary females portray by novelist, cannot depend, for their continued existence, on their own parents, loving-partners, and even son also. They are monetarily self-determining. They have necessary potency to facade existence through every it's come as well as go. They are self-confident, sensible as well as physically powerful. They go down into the class of innovative female who cracks her troubles her-self.

As an Indian feminist, Shobha De puts her views about female's issues and their entire liberation of female. She also gives some thoughts of therapeutic female during individual-understanding. Like an individual-understanding, the female protagonist, Mikki in the novel, *Sisters*, she selects to lonely-lid like an approach about the living-life. She also rejects the proposal from her friend. She acquires the entire to survive of Mikki's existence on her individual conditions through declining the proposal of receiving wedded next occasion. Mikki is liberated next to the conventional responsibility of female. Furthermore, she too dictates her gentleman matching part. She stands for contemporary innovative female. She is self-determining in each technique. She smashes away the attachment of wedding ceremony. Moreover, her domains her base is rigid in the line of work of her selection that is representation.

The main female character, Mikki and Alisha go by disagreeable understanding about their living-life. They also ultimately appreciate their self-determination, autonomy to survive a being of their personal selection. Later than, their parents death, they move violently to keep the location, that their parent leaves to them. But Mikki gets shock to listen her father's death. It is undoubtedly discovered, while she orders to Gangubai:

"Leave and acquire me a chocolate". 51

Yet, Mikki is an unfamiliar person to the interment ceremony as well as the multitude. The writer portrays her isolation with some words:

"Mikki's father is dead. Here is no one for her worry. Moreover, no one is thinking about her." ⁵²

In the novel, *Sisters*, primary, Mikki moves to Navin to fulfill her sex desires and later, she also goes with Binny for sex and lastly she gets married with him. It points out that the idea of ethics occurs away from sex and similar someone is outmoded. The female pleases her living-life by the work for sex previous to as well as later than wedding ceremony and yet exterior marriage ceremony. It also discloses the idea of wedding ceremony as well as dependability with sex has undergone a wonderful modify. She also undergoes during her wedded existence. It is throughout

Mikki's feelings that she becomes conscious the skill of livelihood. Like a contemporary youthful female, Mikki is courageous sufficient to articulate her difference through her male-companion thought of the wedding ceremony with the next terms:

"Nothing, it is never, Mikki told, her tone increasing, by slightest, it is never the variety of the wedding ceremony, she is seeing to. She is also thinking, his husband should be doing effects simultaneously. Take pleasure in existence. These days, she acquires to observe him merely by social gathering." 53

Although, Mikki's Sister Alisha disgusts to be envious about Mikki. She situates to her longing of the freedom for female with sex issues. She also disregards to the common standards as well as ethical rules along with liberally like gender through dissimilar male. Opening of the novel, Mikki moves to Navin for sex and then, she also goes to Dr. Kurien to fulfill her sexual desires. Within on more astounding views, even as pleasuring gender or sex through Alisha. Therefore, Dr. Kurien remarks that:

"The entire, Mikki, prosperous female is similar. She needs to more times. Not anything gratifies him. There, she receives that every. It is liberated." ⁵⁴

That forthright as well as honest viewpoint for love and romance carries on till the finish of the fiction. Her sister, Alisha is strong-minded to shatter the customary picture of the female. She also pampers with open-sex with male like plaything. She also wants one more male, Dr. Kurien to go away his female and kids. However, living being an all-embracing, he discards her resolve as well as remnants realistic to his female. Whilst articulates his displeasure, he says to Alisha that:

"To female as Alisha, male is playthings. But at the moment, she wants to rupture her wedding ceremony. Next day, she will acquire uninterested also progress to one more male." ⁵⁵

Hence, Mikki's sister, Alisha stands for lovable female and escorts an enticing existence. While it appears violate of ethical system, it is a pole to the entrance of an innovative worth classification as well as a method of the self-declaration. at this time, she looks like a budding innovative female. Her sexual relation with Dr. Kuien

is merely bodily and to provisional sex enjoyment devoid of any touching fervor. With her manner and feelings, she is similar to her sister, Mikki.

At this point, the novelist, Shobha De appears to illustrate an influx of the innovative lady. She stands for a revolutionary with obtainable sub-ordination as well as obedience of the female that:

"The venture is her personal enthusiasm with other male and like female influence- game with classifies to deconstruct to the man's self-image." ⁵⁶

After that, one more female character, Taarini is from middle-class family. She declares that her sex with Shashi, even with her male-companion as well as kids. Here, her subsequent declaration to Mikki is vinegary observations about the metropolitan female:

"Mikki believes that simply prosperous civilization is permitted to sex with other male. Fine, she tells that the male, she is concerned with, he is not moneyed or else influential similar to her male-companion. He is like a few of other male, she knows. He is self-effacing operate unionist. He does in her office and she respects his fortitude. In the way, he gets marry with her. He is truthful, righteous, dedicated to his basis." ⁵⁷

Here, Taarini also symbolizes to original female. She defends to other relations and also she declares that the precise about the female to have her personal character as well as eccentricity. With this correlation, she says that:

"That is never simply enchanting, attractive female ha sex-relation. Yet, a common female is similar to me. She occasionally comes across somebody, her sex with others, thinks about her, and requires expending his living-life with Taarini." ⁵⁸

Lastly, the female protagonist, Mikki triumphs above her sister, Alisha for her sex with other male. Her relation eventually is successful more than revulsion. Here, Alisha decides two Indian male who are going to U.K. with her. Mikki also laughs as well as sees by the skylight at the nightfall the blue exterior:

"Alisha is pointed to one evening luminary. Her sister, Mikki swiftly prepares a desire. A yearning, she identifies that she is leaving to approach right, at last." ⁵⁹

At the present, in the novel, *Sisters*, the female protagonists, Mikki and Alisha are entirely liberated as well as independent having open survival. At last, they are unconventional and believe on the wedding ceremony is like realism.

3.7 Sexual Relationship:

Since primeval moment's female observe wedding ceremony like a consecrated connection that they struggle to defend with the face of every strange smooth distress. Inside a wedding ceremony, the sex is a combine element of aggressive existence; the sex is interaction, it signifies the amalgamation about their corpse as well as spirit. A female resting with her male, do something with their point of view to the well about her male is frequently described the wonderful partner. However, they are looking for their personal obsessive happiness, sex self-determination are also entitled whores by the civilization.

One time wedded, a female is anticipated to be faithful with her male, and though for her husband, it is her enjoyment whether to respect to the marriage ceremony or fracture it or have fun among it. But a female comes about to enclose a surreptitious connection later than wedding ceremony, she should be generally as well as inside the relations disliked like a female of without a personality. These confines forced ahead female about the position her at the subaltern place. One more feminist writer, Simone De Beauvoir too examines that the ethnically forced subalternity over the females as well as remarks that:

"The female has no true to every sex movement separately from the wedding ceremony. The sex is interaction and it is flattering a society, yearning, as well as fulfillment are minor to the curiosity about the civilization to both genders, but male, human being goes beyond just before the worldwide like employee as well as civilian, may have conditional enjoyment earlier than wedding ceremony as well as second martially." ⁶⁰

With the lesbian relations, one of the lesbian buddies might imagine vigorous element, it is called butch. Like Linda and Minx both are in such lesbian, there is affinity, not duality. It is seen by feminist writer, Simone de Beauvoir:

"The connecting female, sex thoughtful; embrace are projected fewer to increase ownership of the further than steadily to reconstruct the identity during her; disconnect is eliminated, there is no fight back, no conquest, no conquer; in precise reciprocity every is at one time subject matter and entity, self-governing as well as slave, duality turns into sympathy". 61

Examining through that point of view, the female's self-determination as well as civilization's limitations more describes that modern as well as chronological instances, the wedding ceremony has been measured like one of more significant common foundations. In Indian civilization, a female gets married not just the male, but his family unit as well as afterward misplaces her own identity with wedding ceremony, surrenders her self-determination. She also locates regarding enjoyable all and sundry. The female's own familiarity is chiefly definite during inter-personal, typically familial, filial relations, helping the desires of further. Her individuality stays alive that:

"For the most part like individual, for, further, rather than human being, for, it." 62

Conventionally, wedding ceremony is domination as well as binds female. It also escorts her that:

"Purposeless existence is without letting up repetitive, existence that glides missing quietly just before decease devoid of surprised its rationale." 63

At out-comes, Maya's desires with Ranjan and his sex may not come across the accomplishment, she desirable. She also occurrences initial like upset through their four day ungainly sexual category, nuptial at the miserable lodge, a mount remedy close to Mumbai. There, she knows that he naps with one more female; he attempts, however, "it does not effort."

Therefore, he clears that:

"However, the sex is creation that pursued is for eternity a disappointment. I have struggled to create associates with them...but is has not worked." 65

With one more circumstances, Maya is with sex mood, but her friend says her to stay, and declares that:

"He does not set, however, Maya... You may have to be uncomplaining. It is leaving to get moment. He does not. He just does not." 66

It is also baffled with her determine. After ten days, one time, Ranjan comes back from Calcutta, Maya diffidently nuzzles with him and embraces him, although, about her disgrace as well as dreadfulness, Ranjan bounds rear and he rebukes to Maya that:

"Coming return is like although; I have established a stimulating distress. I have also reclined tremulous with bed for far time, my inhalation serious; my eyes are turned to close. Discontinue perform is similar to a despicable female. A sexy female, I have mumbled previous to spinning approximately and leaving to snooze." ⁶⁷

One more male character, Ranjan thinks that such an affair is extremely unenthusiastic feelings, a theme of huge chuckle, a variety of gibberish. It also appears that Ranjan, wants to eat, resting, liability as well as presence in common responsibilities, is sufficient to his flourishing living-life. For love and gender, he does not observe that, it is imperative to someone. He also says that:

"An individual's intelligence is demanding and he tries to remain his energetic-identity, there might not be moment to be anxious regarding sexual category". ⁶⁸

Ranjan also needs one more female, Maya to active with extra objects and not remember to love, romance and sex. It gets to shock to Maya seriously. An unremitting irritation about the physical desires may be devastating with somebody. Therefore, S. Freud points psychosis about female for sex and gender disappointment ensuing since the rigors of enlightened sex and romance goodness. He also remarks in his one more book, *The Psychology of Everyday Life*:

"Much exactingly a female has been conveyed. The much, she has presented her difficulty of society. One more, she is frightened of enchanting that system away. With their fight with their needs as well as their wisdom for responsibility, they search for protection inside psychosis. Not anything to defend them, the good quality is steadily like infection." ⁶⁹

It is done with Maya. Thus, she starts to shrink similar to her interior plant life. On the other hand, here is no one who may convey her living-life from emaciated structure as well as appreciate May's definite necessities. She also "powerfully suffers like misplaced amazing lacking precisely meaningful what this amazing is." Nevertheless, the reality vestiges that is incredible, it is that actuality, Maya has "not love and romance, has not knowledgeable with an orgasm, and has understood it she should not tolerate broo."

An anxious female as Maya is responsible to search for reassure since several new resources. Maya's comradeship with one male character, Nikhil facilitates to her to trounce her hopelessness. Moreover, her crumble emotions are worthlessness with their matrimonial existence. Their amalgamation makes well to the Maya's injury and loveless wedding ceremony. It is an ordinary consequence to an internal recommend to make happy their extensive concealed longing to find out sex as well as obsessions to living-life. While Maya escorts more concealed survival, her wedding ceremony lastly ruptures every ethical system. She leaves with her new friend, Nikhil to discover Mumbai with her male's nonexistence. Her sexual relation with other male confirms that it is be the last rage to the wedded connection in Rajan with her pursuition to self-determination.

Inside the verity, it also appears that the consummation about the Maya's bubbling sex for Nikhil. He never moves toward unpredictably. The incubation time, it is being more, the subaltern female strides about their subalternity like courageous, unafraid, and hardhearted as well as glance in advance. She has also wrecked, one time these standards that her male, Ranjan has disregarded from epochs. It looks like a glimmer of expect from her, an innovative system to continue living, an original guarantee of being.

Consequently, the researcher observes that Shobha De's female characters come across to their identity. They are more to be Freud says that in his text, *Civilization and Its Discontent*, that:

"They enforced with their conditions through declares about the traditions."⁷¹

They also assume that: "the detrimental feelings just before it."⁷¹ They appreciate that they are going to become wounded of ethnically as well as generally forced with subaltern. They too suffer and fight against their protect, their subaltern group.

Hence, somebody may find out the more sexual relations are observed in further sympathetic as well as suppleness in the writings of Shobha De. Twinges about the sense of right and wrong provide technique to inspirational recommends of the spirit. Here is no unsighted disapproval about the perform.

The researcher also finds that the issues might be liable for an eccentric perform through, if not conscientious wife and husband. The key feature is sentiment about the abhorrence as well as unresponsiveness connecting with male-female, erotic appeals to vanish. The male-female suffers that sex is no huge with bury prejudiced understanding, that both depart further than their identity: "however, slightly a variety of the multiparty masturbation." ⁷² like rough fulfilling about male's sex are not sufficient to gratify her female about their love, romance and sex.

For that reason, gentleman, this is because of their love, romance and sexual domination, has for eternity believed similar to subjugator, furthermore, their sexual develops have their take-over, on the other hand, the female's vice-exchange responsibility in the authority amusement has been fundamentally distorted by the novelist. It comes into view that her female do not stay put soundless in wedding ceremony, wherever they have been situate in a sexual vice-interchange arrangement. In its place, they awfully shrewdly employ additional married affiliation to struggle their fight next to sexual subalternity. The novelist extremely competently tears down the typical picture of gentleman like the leading masculinity as well as discovers his Achilles' heel. Throughout, her work of fiction, she also requests to found the detail

that a female has the identical approach, excitement, objectives, as well as standards as a gentleman has, furthermore, she is strong-minded to wrestle it away from home for understand her imaginings.

As a result, in this chapter, the researcher is going to observe that how the Indian novelist, Shobha De's views toward feminine one is extremely simple as well as not difficult and multifaceted like the many reviewers phrase it. She acquires various feminine aspects in her sensible come near towards living-life. She also relates it in define several of the vinegary reality of feminine globe, particularly the twofold average, inconsistency as well as development exposed through the mansubjugated, conventional as well as traditional civilization. She wonderfully and frankly emphasizes the troubles of distress of female source by the inconsistent, societal, enlightening as well as ethical standards locate by gentleman.

The writer also uses various themes like wedding ceremony, separation, sexual relationship, lesbianism etc. as the utensils to development her feminist deportment. She does not desire to locate herself in some class concerning the combination of her detestation about the gentleman's behaviour as well as an exceptional as well as eccentric intelligence of self-government which necessity be individual to females in every as well as all bubble of existence.

References:

- 1. Ramchandran, Janaki. "Call it a Day, De Did". *Indian Review of Book*.Vol.3, No.7. p. 26.
- 2. The Illustrated Weekly of India. 1992.
- 3. Singh, Khushwant. And De, Shobha. (ed.) 1993. *Uncertain Laisons: Sex, Strife and Togetherness in Urban India*. New Delhi: Viking India, p. 208.
- 4. Ramchandran, Janki. "Survival Tactics." February 2, 1997. The Hindu.
- 5. Swain, S.P. Socialite Evenings: A Feminist Study. Dodiya, Jaydipsing, p.133.
- 6. De, Shobha. 1992. Sisters. New Delhi: Penguin Books, P. 104-105.
- 7. Sinha, K.K. *The Current Agenda of the New Woman: Feminism in Some Novels of Shobha De.* Dodiya, Jaydipsing. (ed.) 2000. *The Fiction of Shobha De.* New Delhi: Prestige Books, 2000. p. 98.
- 8. Sen, Sarbani. *The De Debate: Cultural Politics and De's Novels.* Dodiya, Jaydipsing. (ed.) 2000. *The Fiction of Shobha De*. New Delhi: Prestige Books, p. 63.
- 9. De, Shobha. 1992. Sisters. New Delhi: Penguin Books, P. 42.
- 10. Ibid. p. 37
- 11. Ibid. p. 56
- 12. Ibid. p. 109
- 13. Ibid. p. 119
- 14. Ibid. p. 116
- 15. Ibid. p. 118
- 16. Ibid. p. 497

- 17. Ibid. p. 541
- 18. Ibid. p. 438
- 19. Geetha, B.J. "The Wacky World of Spurious Affinity an Appraisal with Reference to Shobha De's Sisters."
- 20. Sinha, K.K. *The Current Agenda of the New Women: Femininism in Novels of Shobha De. The Fiction of Shobha. De.* Ed. Jaydipsing Dodiya. New Delhi: Prestige Books, 2000.
- 21. De, Shobha. Sisters. New Delhi: Penguin Books, 1992, p. 102.
- 22. Ibid. P. 110
- 23. Singh, Khushwant. And De, Shobha. (ed.) 1993. *Uncertain Laisons: Sex, Strife and Togetherness in Urban India*. New Delhi: Viking India, p. 208.
- 24. Ramchandran, Janki. "Survival Tactics." February 2, 1997. The Hindu.
- 25. De, Shobha. Sisters. Penguin Books, New Delhi, India. 1992, P. 116.
- 26. Ibid. P. 140.
- 27. Ibid. P. 497.
- 28. Ibid. P. 141
- 29. Ibid. P. 24-25.
- 30. Ibid. P. 151.
- 31. L. Sonia Ningthoujam, Image of the New Woman in the Novels of Shobha De, p. 102.
- 32. K. Mirabai, *Tradition and Modernity: The Portrayal of Women by Women Writers*, Indian Women Novelists Vol.- I (New Delhi: 1991), p.41.
- 33. Alice Jardine, *Gynesics: Configuratios of Women and Modernity*: Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 1986, p. 25.

- 34. Shobha De, *Snapshots*: New Delhi: Penguin Books, 1995, p. 60.
- 35. Shobha De, Shooting from the Hip, p.110.
- 36. Simone De Beauvoir, *The Second Sex*: Penguin, 1985, p.445.
- 37. Sarah Grimke, *Letters on the Equality of the Sexes and the Conditions of Woman*: New York: Burt Franklin, 1970, p. 10.
- 38. S. P. Swain, *Shobha De's Socialite Evenings A Feminist Study*, *Feminist English Literature*, ed. Manmohan K. Bhatnagar, New Delhi: Atlantic Publishers, 1999, p. 137.
- 39. Pushp Lata, A Protest Against the Patriarchal in Shobha De's Works, The Fiction of Shobha De, ed. Jaydipsinh Dodiya, pp. 62-63.
- 40. Ibid. p. 63.
- 41. Shobha De, Socialite Evenings, p. 185.
- 42. Nayantara Sahgal, *The Day in Shadow*: New Delhi: 1976, p. 35.
- 43. De, Shobha. *Sisters*. New Delhi: Penguin Books, 1992, p. 541.
- 44. Ibid. P. 314
- 45. Ibid. P.5
- 46. Ibid. P.727
- 47. Ibid. P.430
- 48. De, Shobha. *Sisters*. New Delhi: Penguin Books, 1992, p.187.
- 49. Janaki, Ramachandran. Survival Tactics. The Hindu. Feb 2. 1997.
- 50. De, Shobha. Sultry Days. New Delhi: Penguin Books, 1994, p.263.
- 51. Sarah Grimke, *Letters on the Equality of the Sexes and the Conditions of Woman*: New York: Burt Franklin, 1970, P. 10.

- 52. Betty Friedan, *The Feminine Mystique:* Harmondsworth: Penguin, rpt., 1971, P. 282.
- 53. De, Shobha. Sisters. New Delhi: Penguin Books, 1992, p. 115.
- 54. Ibid. P.186.
- 55. Ibid. P.164.
- 56. S. P. Swain, Shobha De's Socialite Evenings A Feminist Study. Feminist English Literature. ed. Manmohan K. Bhatnagar, New Delhi : Atlantic Publishers, 1999, P. 133.
- 57. De, Shobha. Sisters. New Delhi: Penguin Books, 1992, p. 145.
- 58. Ibid. P. 146
- 59. Ibid. P.222.
- 60. Simone, De Beauvoir, *The Second Sex*: Penguin, 1985, p.445.
- 61. Ibid. P. 448.
- 62. (Waugh, 1989).
- 63. Simone, De Beauvoir, *The Second Sex*: Penguin, 1985, p.447.
- 64. De, Shobha. (1996). Second Thoughts. New Delhi: Penguin India, P. 110
- 65. Ibid. P. 107.
- 66. Ibid. P. 121.
- 67. Ibid. P. 124.
- 68. Ibid. P. 101
- 69. Freud, Sigmund. (1960). *Determinism Belief in Chance and Superstition Some Points of View, The Psychopathology of Everyday Life*, tr. Alan Tyson, Harmondsworth: Penguin, P. 123.

- 70. De, Shobha. (1996). Second Thoughts. New Delhi: Penguin India. P. 119.
- 71. Freud, Sigmund. (1939). Civilization and Its Discontent. London: Hogarth
- 72. Beauvoir, Simone de. (1988). *The Second Sex* (Le Deuzieme Sexe 1949) Paris, Trans, and Ed. H. M. Parshley. London: Picador, P. 122.

* * *

Chapter IV: A Thematic Analysis in Strange Obsession

4.1 Introduction:

The present novel, *Strange Obsession* deals with dissimilar from other fiction of the Shobha De. It also highlights on the subject of rejection of contemporary Indian female to take the shipment of conventional principles. Its purpose is to focus on female's freedom from the read out of customary man-dominated culture. Her female characters productively move toward away of their contracting surroundings. They situate high as well as self-determining, with charmingly recognize the liability of the ending of their courageous result.

4.2 Various Themes:

Shobha De's current fiction, along with its heading like *Strange Obsessions*, describes Mumbai's rich-class living-life, stuffed through the Bodice-cleaving develops the power, starving magnate as well as dishonest male-companions. At the ending, although, the awful boys are for eternity attained their punishment. Thus, she says that: The female protagonists in her novels are absolutely not carpets. They are reluctant to be dribble approximately. Indian increasing high-class loves in her ways. She has totally distorted the thought of writing through growing curiosity in English pound creative writing. It is also based on the following themes:

4. 2.1 Struggling with the Body:

Strange Obsession (1992) talks about pathological anxiety of female protagonist, Minx. It portrays that how the beneath the overpowering anxiety, she fractures downward further than recuperation. Throughout her peculiarity, she attempts to retaliate her identity on the surroundings which is the foundation of her nervousness. The narrative advices regarding the fascination about a psychotic female, Meenakshi (Minx) along with Amrita, an nice-looking young woman who moves toward to Mumbai to construct her vocation in the globe of representation. Minx's concerned as well as mistreated infancy seal her haughty behavior with unfriendliness which revolves to the Amrita's living-life or existence terrifying.

To manage through the disquiet as well as anxiety which are the product of her inaccessible babyhood? The female protagonist, Minx neglects through her personal priest, she receives to develop citizens. Control to others turns into an enduring meeting into her individuality. It also comes across to face Minx's handling of Amrita more than whose being; she finds out entirety organize forcing to her in obedience. Each moment Meenakshi comes across Amrita powerless earlier than to her, Minx informs that a happiness which recompense for her individual nervousness. Her irregular manner is the effect of her abandoned babyhood, unfeeling protect as well as dictator parent. Into the reality, the novel is a casing revises of the anxious character like Meenakshi, the simply as well as blemished youngster of Iyengar who is IGP. Minx has a miserable babyhood, like an effect of her parent's relocates along with Minx's mother's communal efforts that:

"Merely youngster, alone kid, planking discipline... She informs.... she is unnerved away of couple of schools.....disqualified. Her parents are therefore embarrassed. Minx does not recognize how to facade her associates in the Bridge Club. They grip her simply method, he identify. As a result of girdle her.....He congested simply behind he observes the blood". ¹

But the female protagonist, Minx discloses that the most horrible element of her parent's unkindness. Thus, she says that:

"Attention...my parents...okay. The similar male, he is too authoritative, hence treasured, well terror. He is like a monster. A monster is like the most horrible variety. He ...he has sex with me."²

Therefore, her parent (father) stands for the Oedipus theme that occurs to do incest fairly knowingly. Her father is like huge monster, which always persuades with her into approving to law states that Minx's mother has rejected her father to love and romance with her. He creates Minx to think that her mother never sex, for that purpose Minx has to do him happy with sex and it is her major duty to complete her yearning. She remarks that:

"Minx thinks to her father. She also knows that how he is with the other female and their house..."²

Those incidents create a precipitous point about the nervousness of her daughter, Meenakshi, who has completed her into enthusiast as well as heterosexualism. One time, Minx's mother also knows about Minx and her husband's relation, she gets terrible which goes to supplementary weakening about her individuality. In the same way, Minx's homo-sexual nature with Amrita is ending of her bad ill-treatment with her own father. It goes to training inside that is homo-sexual manner turns into an aversive motivation. Minx and her father's sex relation are similar to subaltern and homo-sexual relation. That's why, she states that:

"Young female has been sex with their parents and come across affairs along with other male is intimidating and sickening along with rotate to more female for their accomplishment as well as expressive require like sex."

An anger and violence with Minx's nature is that who seems like warning to her activities to achieve protection as well as secure release about her nervousness is Minx's attempt to defend her sanctuary. But Amrita is getting all that at the end. Meenakshi never prevent something with arrange to take away from every that who move toward Amrita. She also does not feel guiltiness whatever. On the other hand, she comes across with the whole thing significance liability, but it assists her to magnetize Amrita's understanding near her like, it should make happy her anxious require to love and to manage with other male's life. That happiness requires love and sex with some feels right that also carry her wisdom of accomplishment as well as instants of the self-understanding. Meenakshi's aggressive inclination too is the demonstration with her pains to handle by her own emotions like separation as well as lack of confidence. That attempts are completed through Meenakshi to acquire earlier with Amrita and her efforts are tried to realize accomplishment.

The wisdom to feel right as well as human being does not survive with her living-life. In the novel, *Strange Obsession*, the novelist carries on the ludicrousness of the living-life inside the rich-civilization in Mumbai. She also delights the main theme like gender, love and romance ornately; an aggressive subaltern and homosexual nature of Meenakshi symbolizes the loftiness of substitute sex with love and romance. While, Meenakshi is not the initial, the Indian feminist to highlight with love and romance, hunger for, she is primary to envelop every potential characteristics

of it with aspects. Through dumping the entire self-consciousness, Meenakshi has entirely demolished the conservative suggestion in the Indian English literature.

The Indian feminist, Shobha De is "an Empress of the Erotica." She also states that sex is just like muggy with their interpretation about homo-sexual desire like Westernization and their literary writings. On the other hand, Shobha de writings intend to:

"The love and romance know-how about male in India, and also with female in India differences are much stretched, self-conscious like Western colonized female." 5

That is with other male, Meenakshi torments her-self and tries to put it in arrange to complete her desires. Yet, she also struggles to acquire purge of her chest like this, she may have a masculine appear as well as be satisfactory with Amrita who is like a wife. That is an:

"Utter of unreserved nervousness, which Meenakshi never happy with own husband for sex and love. It understands that her impulses about substitute sex and love."

Meenakshi is prepared to go with other man for sex and love to fulfill her sexual desires. She also validates that it is like forgo of Amrita's sake like she blames with the crate of the reforming her chests.

"Yes, there, after that... I am going to plan to suffer to change sex with other male. Ok dear. I shall do it for you. You need a perforate to go on you. I will also move and acquire single. The currency may purchase you something. I should say, even a bloody dick."

The female protagonist, Minx's attempts are to defend her fascination. Her strange performs are her resistance response to save her identity from the hazard as a depression as well as responsibility. Her leaving to operation with sort to decrease her chests are just to know male gaze, is a nonstandard stride. Due to those motives, Meenakshi provides that it is based on her dishonesty as well as buckle of the realism. She struggles to guilt about her father for something. She charges on him to enormous

chests for the frequent gender and sex comes across with Meenakshi and her father. This is as rape with Meenakshi from her father. And she blames to her father for that purpose. She becomes a sufferer that:

"At what time, Meenakshi was youngster; he used to attempt her chest to bind them. Other than, her father... ok... this misrepresent, he used to touch her continuously, furthermore, he informs her that how a good-looking, they were. She instigated to actually disgust her chest after-wards. She also was responsible to him and whatsoever was doing with her. He also used to herself and believes that they had been slighter, that awful obsession should not at all cover come about."

Meenakshi and her father's relation is sensitively phrases like *protuberance*, a self-protective response through revenue about others that are observed like liable for the individual's entity crime as well as uncharacteristic desires. Within that example, a criminal youngster shames her father's manner with her and teacher is being a recusant, unsympathetic as well as un-thoughtful. Other's guilt is a method of handling into the personals discarded advises through changing them on to somebody also. An extrapolative fault with other leaves to the coverage which Minx turns into obsessed. Inside the suspicion:

"The citizens, her mission, their individual deplorable aggressive thoughts regarding other male in a complete classification of the thoughts that they suffer to other males are away to acquire them."

Through outcrop, fault with other male, someone may decrease an anxious nervousness occurring from the inside clash between them. About their disturbed nervousness psychological hypothesis comments on that:

"This is because human psychology stresses are instinctual, childish, as well as unprincipled. They should infertile through their self-image as well as ego. It is like clash as well as determination of unfulfilled difficulty; nervousness [unclear anxiety] along with fault is stimulated. The human being searches for habits to protect their self-image from the nervousness as well as fault through situation on the coastal defenses." ¹⁰

It is with female protagonist, Meenakshi and her hallucination appears awfully commonsensical as well as authentic. She also looks like ordinary until incredible comes about to make active with her disturbed frame of mind. Therefore, self-image declares that the more citizens are like above irregularity approach from their relatives through:

"A demanding as well as exceptionally dictating is oppressive as well as significant". 11

It is surroundings that insignia with their sensitivity and emotional nature about the male with wide-ranging. Their insufficient common is checked on them from their sympathetic with other male's perspectives. With their common dealings, their nature is aggressive, distrustful as well as controlling. They also observe with other male that:

"The weak point, they may not recognize with them-selves." 12

Thus, Meenakshi is also mindful regarding her disadvantage of irregular love and sex. She also ventures with other male like powerless through they use that language may not impotency.

Minx says to Amrita that:

"The atmosphere of the violence which in its place of her, it may be one of these hires." ¹³

Meenakshi's nonstop doubt about Amrita should run away from her, or somebody grasps her from her elevates the point about her nervousness. She should predominantly unconfident, later than, study Amrita relates with other males, smiling, happy, yet flirting calmly. She should answer aggressively ill-treatment, condemning as well as cursing with Amrita.

4. 2.2 Homo-sexual Effects on the Amrita:

The female protagonist, Meenakshi suffers from a huge with playing her malecompanion to Amrita. But Amrita has to endure various affecting turbulence, this is because of the Meenakshi. She is enforced by Meenakshi; she also creates to reply about Meenakshi's heterosexual as well as homo-sexual move forward, that situate with Amrita into a shape of expressive calamity whether, she may capable to survive a agreeable wedded living-life with one more male, Bhatia Rakesh. Meenakshi does her good to persuade her-self and remove all prospects to male with their living-life. Inside reality, the subaltern female, Amrita's implicit submit to Meenakshi's peculiarity as well as harassment is the suggestion about her introjections of Meenakshi's living-life with classify to defend her identity about anxious nervousness increasing with her. Introjection is a resistance response with that somebody understands that with other male's standards as well as significance like individual's personal. They yet are different to the individual's preceding customs as well as principles. That is comparable with derivative education, that time; the youngster recognizes about their own relatives. That recognition is really, a protection method that turns into emotional feelings about significance. It also defends to the human being beside personal depression.

On the other hand, the introjections might go to critically imprecise as well as maladaptive manners. The female protagonist, Amrita attempts to introject, the eccentric habits of the Meenakshi that she may evade her fearful response as well as ridiculous retribution. Though, it simply inserts to her unhappiness like she may not entirely recognize to Meenakshi's uncharacteristic sex and bad habits. The previous to convention with Bhatia, Amrita appears to have developed her-identity with Meenakshi. The company with Rakesh pretense a huge hazard to the strange understanding about the Minx's creates to consider humanity. The hung-up disquiet fashioned through that impending hazard provides to increase to aggressive response with Meenakshi. With a situation about extreme anxiety, she assaults to Amrita in classify to convey her rear in her direct and she obtains the former status of the sanctuary. She glows about Amrita's eyelashes along with common tresses into regulate to horrify her. She never prevents to do and heaves various rigid as well as extensive things inside her vagina. She also pursues to Rakesh and Amrita after their wedding ceremony. She becomes successful to capture them during their celebratory. She orders to Bhatia to do sex with Amrita, while she goes to their hiding place with the afforest. She might force him to do love and sex with her. She also locates to put on bonfire with a situation of frenzy.

An ending breakdown about Meenakshi's character is sourced through aggressive enlarge with her worry rank like male, Bhatia Rakesh. He appears a continuous foundation of hazard to Minx. The menace sensitivity is thus, awe-inspiring, which she suffers to attendance with Rakesh in Amrita's corpse. She never comes across with a good-looking for sex. On the other hand, the overpowering Amrita seems to disgusting to her. With truth, the desire of sex is come first through wellbeing desires that should be completed previous to personal desires to sex and well think about. But, Amrita is secure standard to Meenakshi's ruthless to manage among the nervousness ensuing since her inaccessible as well as nonstandard babyhood. Meenakshi too thinks that Amrita is like secure foundation to complete her own desires with Rakesh and it is similar to her instantaneous surroundings. However, she suffers from the unselfconfident as well as endangered through the innovative enlargement with her nature, sex and love desire to receive a rear place, other than, Amrita seems no much lovely and beautiful to her.

During detail, it is never human being, individual, described Bhatia Rakesh who intimidates with Meenakshi. It also highlights the charisma of the influential man outlines. The man stands for her fantastic-steal parent who has sex with her daughter. He frequently persuades her and leaves her powerless. That time, she also joins with him and to suffer that she may no huge prolong with her unforgiving strategy for the entire globe. Meenakshi is dead with her nervousness as well as diffidence from her sympathy, protected a crunchy along with succinct obituary with broadsheet.

"Minx is dead on 7th Aug. in Mumbai with some heartbreaking state of affairs. No one commiseration make happy." ¹⁴

Strange Obsessions, the novelist, Shobha De highlights on the Meenakshi's character with psychological base. She has also disallowed the unbiased progress about Meenakshi. Minx's intelligent exploitation about her environment along with her merciless manner presumes illegal magnitude. The fulfilling her physical search for desires, longing as well as sexual category, Amrita goes to complete her wellbeing desires. She also effectively protects a status of security as well as steadiness during her parent's high-class situation along with her personal overriding manner. She threatens with every this that moves toward with her system to protect silky live-in relative through Amrita. She knows that it is like an effort to complete her requires of

feel right as well as sex. On the other hand, she takes that desire on a disturbed personality. This is because; it is Amrita's uncharacteristic babyhood.

Even though, Amrita moves violently for her unfavorable conditions annoying to complete her desires. She also cultivates with her character according to ladder about her wants. But she becomes unsuccessful to realize her own actualization. She attempts her honesty to triumph over her uncertainty; however the strength about her nervousness is too enormous that her equilibrium falls down below it. It guides to the entire bewilderment of her individuality.

4.3 Heterosexual Relations and Subaltern Female:

With the homo-sexual affair, the female has to give its worth with her individual outlay. While she has to devastate her identity, her influence, intelligence, as well as individual enlargement, to male's desire. She is measured with the subaltern female. In explanation with this, the novelist, Shobha De discards essential homo-sexuality and she recommends to female to female affair or subaltern and lesbian is superior than male to female connection. She also portrays subaltern and lesbian relation in her fiction. It is cause of human, a female may do better with another female than male, and one more cause might be other reason can be rebellion of the female about the civilization along with its customs that undervalue female. The current analysis portrays homo-sexual relations with lesbian of the Shobha De's female in arrange to find liberate about their inflexible as well as conventional matrimonial outlines. Therefore, the female characters, Meenakshi and Amrita move toward for their sex and subalternity that has been forced on them throughout periods.

The subaltern group of the people has an inferior position. They don't have an influence or their status is not listened. But it is extensive class, which tries to distinguish personals. Their influence as well as achievement have been subdued, radically understand, vanished, or intentionally removed not here. Within the diverse chronological circumstances, the subaltern people have been unwritten like similar identity with female, kids, regal issues, underprivileged, uneducated, waged people and spiritual with cultural alternative.

With the description of convention as well as ethical standards, the female has been familiarized to control their longings like sex, love and romance. It also escorts to subaltern rank with conditions of the sexual self-determination. This is because, their training with relatives as well as civilization, a lot of females are never happy with their husband to do sex and romance. The bogus viewpoint regarding sexual category with her corpse may direct for sex and love incongruity as well as despondency during wedding ceremony. Subaltern is actually an effort to oppress and silence women making her subaltern. But Shobha De's women understand their subaltern status so they do not meekly follow traditional guidelines.

The word lesbianism is derived from the Greek 'Lebios'. It is a Greek Island in the Aegean Sea. "It is the local place of Sappho who is seven century B. C. Poetess and she writes love poems about the females." Kamasutra is well-known traditional of Hindu erotica and it deals with lesbianism. But, in the present day, it is widespread phenomenon wherever the females come across to sex and their completion with their friends. It is growing in the traditional Indian civilization in spite of the culture's need of detection to this perform. The motive individual a female may toil up one more female superior than a male; while a male achieves as well as later than liability it he turn into unresponsive to his feminine colleague or illustrate need of worry for her. One more motive may be the upheaval of the female next to the culture as well as its standards which undervalue female. The lesbian relation is extra importantly observed with the higher-affluent curriculum.

Within a fresh review a female provides the next motives about her lesbianism first choice: it is greatly simple to present in provisionally to a female, to submit ego; her pelt is compliant as well as straight:

"No one be anxious whether her corpse is sufficient; no agonize regarding the colleague's sex and romance for ethical finding, wherever she is leaving to be positioned on the variety of feminine infirmity". ¹⁶

At this time, the yielding of self-image is significant, the allegation individual, it is simple to submit previous to individual's personal love and romance than to the men who previously regulations, develop as well as control the feminine. An affectionate move toward is an imperative obsession, in this manners. This

partiality is too; this is because of diverse variety of supernatural relationship connecting female may not to come across into the hetero-sexual relations in which a female's responsibility is substandard. She is:

"Traversed above through the gentleman. She is completed sex to, not finished her sex through". 16

Furthermore, in this, she moves toward with one more facade about lesbian manner, that is becoming conscious, self-determination from the man which is one more significant standard of the feminine one and female's fight back about subalternity. It has too political suggestions. One more writer, Hite states that:

"Lesbian may support. The love and romance with second female may be a response next to male as well as it is subsequent division position through them in civilization".¹⁷

One of the major themes in Hite's review declares that:

"Frequently, the romance and love with a male is starting to political education. The love and romance is with female means self-determination from gentleman". ¹⁸

A grouping through a male gives the permission to female for the heterosexual human rights, several of which are re-classified through the decree; belief as well as relatives. On the other hand, the female has to give its value at her individual charge, like she has to devastate her own identity, her influence, intelligence, as well as individual enlargement, for a male's require, into these agreement. Therefore, the novelist discards required homo-sexuality as well as proposes female to female relative or lesbianism is superior than male to female affiliation that she represents within her writings. She too rejects to take part in the diversion of antagonism for male. She tackles her individual love and romance and it does confront the standard positioned winning her through civilization or culture. Furthermore, in decline to the perfect prototype of manner, this lesbian avoids the equipment, the most important component of that is high opinion for patriarchal say aloud of possession, in that ways frightening to undermine the classification with appropriate gentleman license.

Therefore, the homo-sexuality is observed like argue against-innovative or a comeback to love and romance like subaltern people in her writings.

In *Strange Obsession*, the novelist, Shobha De elucidates that male. This is because about their sex and love domination, include forever suffer similar to "defeaters" as well as their love and sex develops. They have their "defeats". On the other hand, the females and subaltern people's responsibility in the influence amusement has fundamentally distorted through the novels of Shobha De. It also comes into view that Shobha De's female incredibly intelligently apply love and romance to struggle their fight with their subaltern people. Like one of the female character, Rashmi says that average female exercise that:

"The love and romance is like entice, however, the astute female clutch their husbands and remain them imprisoned." ¹⁹

This human consciousness absolutely decreases male's influence above female. The contemporary, metropolitan, identity-enough, cost-effectively self-determining as well as positive females are of the writer, thus, they have distorted them from merchandise to individuality. The novelists extremely competently knock down the representative picture of male as the foremost sex as well as discover his Achilles heel. The bodily realism has profound connotation for the Shobha De. She is through declaring female's sex superiority once more revise the standard. Throughout, her writings Shobha De look for to found the reality that a female has the similar thoughts, obsession, objective as well as principles like a male has. She is also strongminded to wrestle it absent for understand her thoughts.

The male constantly believes to them. As a result, to gratify females require for sex, they, various a moment, develops them with love and romance with expressively. On the other hand, her female protagonists have known fine art of fulfilling their needs through them and as a result, they are gratis from male-obsession.

In the novel, *Strange Obsession*, the female protagonist's, Meenakshi's alteration turns into lesbianism which is based on Electra multifaceted. She moves to her own father, she was 13 years old. She also deceives her-self to faith, which never

she needs bodily correlation with her father. While her sexual relation with her father, gender is incest, as a result she visualizes her rape and she conspires from her father. She slightly misfortunes to her parents sexual life and she thinks that it is to be Minx's responsibility to complete his desires. It generates a psychosomatic fissure that escorts to a wretched situation. She is capable to acquire what she desires; other than, now she is unsuccessful. Consequently, she turns into a gender participant with her personal parents. She too knows that how a type of patriarchy as well as too friends it with her babyhood pounding, that she has acquires since her minister. It too creates her argue against ground-breaking to the existing civilization as well as humanity. She extracts from the civilization. Inside her babyhood, she befalls companionless. The separation creates her psychosomatic unwell. She enlarges detestation to her individual parents and all male. She also turns into lesbianism and vigorously drops into forthcoming female, Amrita.

However, the female protagonist, Amrita leaves secure to Meenakshi like the final realize mainly of her desires, a high-quality residence as well as someone intriguing think about of her investments. The simply obsession, she is not capable to acquire from their sexual correlation is an adolescent. Therefore, the innovative female's looking for implementation yet inside her personal masculinity is observed obviously with the Shobha De's female. This innovative female illustrates her yearnings to verify that they might not require depending on male's business. Meenakshi is so determined to triumph her sex that she yet suffers operation to eliminate her chest. In some way, she desires to satisfy Amrita:

"Not lovable feeling. No one damage me. Perhaps, she injures her-self. She is thinking that it should create me cheerful. It's a work...good mainly female leaves to that doctor of medicine to superficial operation to develop their chest—boy. She might provide me a not many names, other than, she really inquires him to decrease excavate. She recognizes, segment them sour." ²⁰

The utilization about sound segment them rancid illustrates that how more Amrita not loves to male. She is not capable to tolerate what male similar to:

"Never inquire me, why, although, Amrita acquires the emotions her does not similar to them, which their enormous dimension, situate her inedible. She does not ask them whichever." ²⁰

That is a variety about counter-rebellion of the Meenakshi about her parents and civilization. She awfully potently confronts the civilization along with its existing standards. That is the spot, at what time, the female protagonist; Amrita is started with falsification as well as expands thoughts to Meenakshi. Within the fictive stipulations, Amrita demonstrates to be nectar to Meenakshi. That is where her potential acquires inextricably associated with Minx. To Meenakshi, lesbian is an outcome of detestation as well as dread of dishonesty from male. That is a rebellion alongside civilization as well as standards puts down to under-rate-female. Through, she feels right, Amrita is defending along with serving her, and she is facade an enormous hazard to man. Therefore, in the novel, *Strange Obsession*, the novelist, Shobha De delights to the theme of the masculinity ornately; the aggressive to the homo-sexual propensity of the Meenakshi describes the elevation of substitute sex and love.

A pioneering feminine is mindful, influenced and irregularly yet aggressive. Meenakshi, the feminine character engages the middle-class. She has acquired free of her place about the 'further'. At the present, Amrita is conscious about her objective, so as to is, to discharge her identity from the domination of undeserved ridiculous and society forced on her through the man conquered culture. The contemporary females represent by writer, cannot depend, for their continued survival on their own parents, loving-partners, and even young man also. They are monetarily self-determining. They have compulsory potency to facade existence through every it's come as well as go. They are self-confident, sensible as well as physically powerful. They go down into the class of original feminine who cracks her troubles her-self.

As a result, the researcher observes that man-woman relationship is like matrimony that the female's feelings as well as thoughts are measured subalternity is like unequal like the relative of a sex-female to her client. Thus, that wedding ceremony turns into a variety of the female where partner, she has masculinity through their male-companion undergoes roughly separated to her personal identity. Therefore, Waugh P. says that:

"Traditionally, feminine has constantly utilized their upper body like realize about their displeasure regarding their female pointing as well as categorization." ²¹

The lesbianism is a generally unconventional manner to precise from the untimely the past, various community do not like it. This is because it is a diverse object. Within discourse the treaties, *Manusmriti*; penalty is specified for ruin a young woman during lesbian time, shared love, and romance and sex fulfillment:

"However, a young female is disfigured one more lightly cooked young female in addition, she is trained her lecture of self- ill-treatment or grateful through her manipulate or other forged gentleman appendage or cylindrical material she is accountable to give all right of two hundred coins. In addition, the penalty, she is to support financially the close relation of the defoliated young feminine with twice over the quantity of the calculated offering with also to believe ten lashes."²²

However, the further noteworthy complexity is why lesbian manner as well as this receives to reader further than, the physicality of it. The respond is to be creating extra in female's awareness than in her dead body, not that the corpse is every fewer imperative. Individual, identify that amongst the humans love and sex is not only restricted to the genitalia, it is in the intelligence, the genitalia are merely the intermediate. That is why it is too describe the instrument. The psychosomatic suggestion of lesbian manner are additional appropriate to the narrative in circumstance of the superwoman. Within lesbian connection physicality is a part of the superior moving connection. While Linda declares that:

"Let me understand to you what no man might have completed". 23

Shobha De does not intensify for the undemanding purpose that male may do not be female whichever in love and romance in proceed or in his corpse. The male within classify to macho is constantly unsympathetic as well as irregular in move toward. It is never that hostility has a position with *ars amatotia*. Their corpse do not be pliable similar to female. Furthermore, there put down the dissimilarity.

However, the further significant difficulty is why lesbian manner as well as this receives to reader further than, the physicality of it. The respond is to be creating extra in female's consciousness than in her dead body, not that the corpse is every fewer imperative. Individual, identify that amongst the humans love and sex is not only restricted to the genitalia, it is in the intelligence, the genitalia are merely the intermediate. That is why it is too describe the instrument. The psychosomatic suggestion of lesbian manner are additional appropriate to the narrative in circumstance of the superwoman. Within lesbian connection physicality is a part of the superior moving connection. While Linda declares that: "let me realize to you what no gentleman might have completed".¹³

Shobha De does not amplify for the undemanding motive that male may do not be female whichever in love and romance in proceed or in his corpse. The male within classify to macho is constantly unsympathetic as well as irregular in move toward. It is never that hostility has a position with *ars amatotia*. Their corpse do not be pliable similar to female. Furthermore, there put down the dissimilarity.

From now, the attendance of lesbian in Shobha De's writings is a fraction of the innovative disobedient female. They need a different balance with male for sex. The major female characters, Meenakshi, Amrita, Asha and Rani, are demonstration about the innovative female who request to completion inside their personal sexual relation. At this time, it is moderately remarkable feminist writer; S. Gubar and Gilbert state that:

"The sex fights. This is because it play a role to modify, however, the sex fight, love it-self revolutionize." ²⁴

4.3.1 Male Dominion:

In the novel, *Strange Obsessions*, the female protagonist, Meenakshi stands for the lesbian masculinity monger, pursues to Amrita and she sources her profound nervousness. Later than, the beacon is happening, Amrita enquires that Meenakshi moves towards and feelings does not him like parents, he responds considerately:

"He is for eternity frightened about her...terrified of her frenzy, unconfident of what she strength does, but he answer. However, here is gentleman. His

beliefs reserved an eye on her more of the moment. Although, Minx is outsmarted them too."25

One of the outstanding feminist, Simone De Beauvoir, in her, *The Second Sex*, states regarding the feminine main beliefs, is in the 17th and 18th about the 20th century that miscellaneous troubles stirring feminine are calculated analytically. A confirmatory wisdom of female individuality has created appreciation. These females are pacing away of the inflexible sex and romance responsibility distribute to them conventionally. They are challenging to Westernization as well as the metropolitan squares in Indian society along with self-identity. Their individuality and distinctiveness are not disadvantaged on male. The watchful of the troubles commence from patriarchy, they might not maintain the familiarity concerning Tennysonian separation of liability as well as bubbles of movement:

"The guy is used for the territory as well as feminine is considered for the fireplace. The male is predestined for the rapier as well as for the irritate she". ²⁶

The Indian feminists have concentrated regarding the female's questions in their novels. They also provide influence to an objection about the male-authority. The Indian empire is primarily patriarchal wherever a female is known the inferior dependability.

Consequently, the Indian feminist, Shobha De is up-and-coming as a feminist writer currently. Her novels are augmented grade for their proclivity towards this fair-haired masculinity, moreover, the realistic portrayal of their search as well as approach. These make higher a grievance regarding man subjugated Indian humanity wherever the female is deprived of the self-sufficiency to do great according to their willpower as well as persist to appreciate their possess thoughts in uselessness. The females are indulgence like a subaltern one and sheer male's gloom-identity. They are deliberate the peculiarity of male as well as not individual through male or persons. On the other hand, the liability of feminine in culture has been altering with every decade of the century, constantly through a high-quality indenture of common quarrel as well as ideological move violently. These have missing a massive pressure on love

and romance society as well as widespread policy of the widespread humanity which in gyrate is well embodied by the Shobha De regarding her feminine characters.

The Shobha De's influence is about male society. It muscularly perceives the immigration about female. She does not consider in unfolding her female protagonist like sex for sex or simple helpmates at residence. She also reflects her individual feminine and sex psyche situate. A broader assessment about her novels discloses her objection about the picture of female like a limb or a secondary. She struggles to unfasten this slanted as well as vague picture of female. It also blubbers for autonomy as well as equal opportunity which silent leave ineffective in Indian civilization.

Starting this viewpoint the female about Shobha De's works are more authoritative than male. The females are fundamentally symbolized for love and sex which is unconventional as well as open minded idea. They also have turned into recognized like the innovative female.

It is similar with Mikki in the novel, *Starry Nights*. During the present position, male-dominance culture, it is typically the gentleman who chooses, steer as well as straight the feminine. Into the collection of male-companion like the buddy, Minx is extremely cautious as well as sensitive. She discovers that the husband is not an appropriate, "*male-companion substance*." make longer the verdict is one more technique of negative response or refutation. Navin is not needed due to this extending. The heroine, Mikki is also fascinated to the one more character, Binny. She creates up her mentality to get married this gentleman similar to Asha Rani in the novel, *Starry Nights*. The female protagonist, Mikki has a weak point of flattering touching similar to the other female characters, Asha, Rani. She expands a yielding angle for buddy, although Binny disgrace her as well as strikes her.

4.4.1 Lesbianism:

This innovative sex and love carry out i.e. lesbian. It stands for the relationship with male-female and their dealings. At this time, it does not indicate simply sex relationship among male-female. This human being realization completely decreases male's influence above feminine. The modern-day, urban, identity- enough, economically autonomous as well as constructive females are of the novelist, thus,

they have distorted them from merchandise to eccentricity. The novelists extremely competently knock down the representative picture of male as the foremost sex as well as discover his Achilles heel. The bodily realism has profound connotation for the Shobha De. She is through declaring female's sex superiority once more revise the standard. All through, her writings Shobha De look for to originate the authenticity that a female has the similar thoughts, fascination, purpose as well as principles like a male has. She is also clear-thinking to struggle it absent for comprehend her thoughts.

In addition, in reject to the ideal prototype of approach, this lesbian avoids the paraphernalia, the most significant constituent of that is high attitude for patriarchal say aloud of possession, in that ways frightening to destabilize the categorization with appropriate male license. Consequently, the homo-sexuality is observed like argue against-innovative or a rejoinder to love and relation like subaltern citizens in her writings.

4.4.2 Male-Female Relationship:

The innovative female seeks to loving move toward with male-female relations. The wedding ceremony is measured a patriarchal enclosed space. The blessedness of wedding ceremony arranged particularly for female is appropriately watered down through her females. The novel, *Strange Obsession* deals with one of the major theme, sexual relationship. It is fine instance of this feminine one. It also acquires its ticket from the snapshots of the common example major feminine characters like Meenakshi as well as Amrita. They obtain jointly to split cherished familiarity. Within the itinerary of their understanding to kindness regarding the confessional converse, truthful disclosure of this stage show of being is obtainable. Equally, Meenakshi and Amrita are separated. They are self-possessed adequate to refuse regarding the sexual category and love for their companion. The female character, Meenakshi is not spiritually get prepared to get married once more with to her, the word 'companion' is 'a dreadful utterance'.

4.4.3 Hunger for Identity:

Shobha De's *Strange Obsession* traces the quest for identity or eccentricity. Identity, in widespread, describes a person's inauguration and appearance of his/her

individuality or anthology associations with wide-ranging and enriching identity. The central thought is that individual's knowledge or individuality is clear-thinking typically by the alternatives and promises concluded concerning specific personality as well as common qualities.

The implication of feminine has been recognized in writing on a diversity of grounds. For centuries, the human being sympathetic is one and the same with the masculine familiarity. Gyno-criticism has opened up innovative vistas of revision and research. The feminist viewpoint projects the difficulty of identity looking for female's independence is a characteristic prototype of feminist literature as well as a middle task of feminist literary criticism. Accordingly, Shobha De's works of fictions reflect their high dangerous intelligence of women's identity seems to reveal the essential and typical theme of feminist writing. Her most important novels show how the feminine mystique deceives women, and that the character, a wise mother and high-quality wife, is no more female's attractive identity. And it is presented through a heroine who suffers from the inner dissociation, in addition, attempts to wander outside the house. To be the other is to be the non-subject, the non-person, the nonagent; in short, the mere body. Deeming females emotional and unprincipled, these thinkers advocated confining feminine to the household specialty where their vices might be neutralized, even malformed into virtues, in the role of subservient partner and encouragement mother.

The visual rendering of female, the complete worlds have been all-too-myriad in their features, as they have been all-too-rich in their composition and all-too multicolored in their character. Picked up from the diverse times as well as diverse climes, even a random sample of these images soon reveals the wide spectrum of richness of their code, content and treatment, their colors and contours. There is, however, no denying the fact that the one-time romanticizes as well as idolized descriptions of feminine have undergone some extraordinary metamorphosis in the entire world over, especially in the nineteenth and the twentieth century's.

According to Indian convention, a feminine should defer to her husband in every probable admiration. She should create the marital residence enjoyable for him. She has to roast the meals; wash the dishes, as well as to take care of the offspring. She ought to not enquire concerning money and she must consent to her male-

companion's orders. On the other hand, what happens when the old traditions lose their influence and the feminine no longer believes her life should be strong-minded in this contracted approach? This point of view is the fundamental theme of Shobha De's novels in which her lead central character undergoes profound changes against the surroundings of an India that is also evolving. There is a shift in principles as well as females have started recognizing themselves the co-equals of man. Although, the high hopes of feminism have been washed away in the present social milieu, the relationship between male and female becomes one of prearranged interdependence. Still the woman has to work for her emancipation with no resigning herself to her fortune. Gender-equality remains a legend.

Every work of fiction, feminine character like Meenakshi records as feminine one. She also emphasizes that her womanly consciousness records objection as well as disobedience. She records as a feminine, not wounded. The author compacts among the influence equations involving the manliness; furthermore, it's a change into the material of fine art. The researcher does not have pigeonholes which are related among male ingenious portrayal about the feminine one. The female protagonist, Meenakshi's origination into the fashionable humankind of recent existence instigates at Amrita's believe position during the Malbar mount. On the other hand, Amrita blames to Meenakshi of botchy as well as lechery, her voracious hunger for sexual category. It tolerates, at what time, Minx meetings among the ad film-maker within the city, U. K. One more, her waiting in United States provides her a sensitivity of pre-eminence; moreover, it composes her self-confident. Minx reduces donation to stereotypes and denies succumbing to the hegemony of the malist society.

4.4.4 Gender Difference:

The gender or sex variation is not obstacle to the Post-modern female to complete her self-conscious about her sex and love advise during, she goes with province about lesbian refusing the system of the behavior preordained to the female in India. In the *Strange Obsession*, the female protagonist, Meenakshi clutches the record, she begins to shoot her surprising photos, centering on the little four-sided figure shuffle at the moment. She also utters that:

"Meenakshi needs to recall all fragment to you, all aperture, all infiltrator, every tiny tress". ²⁷

Subsequent to, is appears similar to an hour. But it is most likely now a little dumpy proceedings; the female protagonist, Amrita observes that her hurdle sour as well as sprint with her lavatory. In a while, she comes across with her bath, scrutiny the now, shot ribbon on the diminutive display frequently.

That is fairly astonishing to believe, which a female turns into defensive devotee as well as an alternate for male. She also assembles with Bhatia at the hotel, Rangoli. She notifies to Meenakshi that she is inedible to the Oberoi Tower's Shopping Mall to two hours. Therefore, she states that:

"We have turn into an uninteresting aged matrimonial pair." 28

This observation creates Amrita believe self-conscious. With this case, their relation resolves with the docile channel. Meenakshi also looks like future much connected regarding it. Her friend, Rakesh laughs with gracious. He also receives equally Amrita's arms and declaring that Amrita is mainly attractive young woman. It is much better than two hour while the Amrita recalls going house. He also needs to go down with her sour; however, she also favors to come across her personal system residence. She suffers that she is reassured from the assaults of the Meenakshi. She is giving to croissant at the restaurant offset, while she knows that Meenakshi is calling her. She is quaking, at what time, Rakesh inquires to Meenakshi to go with Amrita to him.

Here, her friend, Karan is unexpectedly get up through the unrelenting humming of his glockenspiel. It is nothing that, but Meenakshi is in her emaciated shape. She merely declares that:

"She may not survive exclusive of him." 29

After that, Meenakshi falls down on the approach. That time, Karan gives an advice her to not remember Amrita speaking that Meenakshi's sex is uncharacteristic as well as it carries on to Amrita who has a precise to survive her living-life according to her personal. The bottomless is attraction of the Lesbianism move to her husband

who is obtainable healthy at this time. One of the famous critics, Ningthojam Sonia says in her easy, Aesthetics and Morality:

"That is innovative female's force used for autonomy, that punctual to Meenakshi to walk around original meadows similar to subaltern. But Shobha De's description about unambiguous sexual category among female is a straight depiction of the innovative actuality that is approaching speedy with the contemporary humanity. It also highlights on the self-determining femalefolk, they are fling confront against male with approximately every bubble about the individual movement." ³⁰

The novel, *Strange Obsession* is distinctive description that is examined with the sexual relation of the Karan and Amrita. Here are few than two days missing to their wedding ceremony. The female protagonist, Amrita advises to her one more friend, Rakesh which their sex-nigh would be dissimilar. The nighttime previous to the wedding ceremony, she expends one hour to talking with the parents and reexisting babyhood reminiscences. While Amrita leaves sex, afterward, Meenakshi disturbs her and her also imaginings.

Next time, while, wedding ceremony is on, she observes to Karan who is eminence at the edging about the little multitude. She is also pleased to observe him. Later than, an observance, as soon as, the three of them are set to discussion contentedly, her husband, Karan advises to Rakesh that the both of them create a beautiful pair of the male-female. Here, Amrita begins to Karan that she is saying to hoard her living-life with much customs than personal. Karan is most excellent companion to her. Here, Rakesh is detained away from hand. Karan inquires consent to kiss with Amrita to previous moment. Enchanting the agreement with Rakesh, she also tries to kiss to Rakesh on the lips and sees his eyes. She also believes that Karan is on her backside, opening to make tighter to their clutch.

Unexpectedly, an enchantment is not working thus, that he treads missing from the wedding ceremony lobby as well as a way of their life. This variety of the relationships is incredibly ordinary with an influential encircles. Amrita point out towards to Partha who is standing against one of her brother. The greeting is never too generous as well as secure associations' observation about the unfussy character of

the merriment. One of the famous researchers, Wanjari Priya says in her easy, 'De-Analysis of Marital Relationships':

Into the novel, Strange Obsession, male-female relation is concerned through unhelpful fascination of Amrita with Meenakshi. Next to get married with Rakesh, Amrita has a strong desire to run away from Meenakshi's command. When she makes similar movement bundle of uncertainties, whether she should be appropriated and fulfill her needs with her male-companion. The unprincipled sex and relationships with Meenakshi reason unprovoked results on the mind of Amrita."³¹

When there is query about the lesbian relationship, like male-female relationship. It also goes ahead to disorder as well as confusion with the standard customs about the matrimonial relationships.

While Amrita, starts is, a cartridge as well as her friend, Rakesh's circle revolves away. She moves toward termination that the Rakesh is captured for payoff once every. She also attends to influence of the Meenakshi on string by an inevitability to facilitate is unsettling. Thus, Meenakshi states that:

"It is bye-bye, my dear, you do not have to endure the noise of her tone with her expensive ears once more. However, by, she has to go with you, here is one more duty, and she has to done."³²

The recorder ends suddenly, furthermore, Amrita tweaks rear with actuality. It is silent on and next, she listen to quiet noise from Rakesh's tone. Amrita celebrates like he is energetic with her. The police-man imagines that the group is playing a original devices.

With detail, the attendance about the man outline pressures Meenakshi very greatly. Here, Rakesh also ogles at his tormentor inside the disrespect with his eyes. But Meenakshi symbolizes a little bottom missing wearing clothes with her ordinary black attires. Rakesh is detained within an overcrowded register small house on the crumple as well as misplaces awareness. At what time, he moves toward to sanity, he inquires to Meenakshi what she does to Amrita. Then, she may introduce tipple to him and he snacks it downward inside moments. Therefore, Meenakshi notifies that:

"Bye-Bye, not to utter, good, he will speak; Amrita is excavated as well as stay behind excavation. Nothing, what he says that she has spaded with their bearing, which is the certainty. She loves to Rakesh very much and he may be blood-spattered convinced, she loves him at this time." ³³

Here, the female protagonist, Amrita desires to go away to investigate about her male-companion on her personal. She is treading to the forest. She also comes across to blemish that the napkin is lynching. Here, a childish son highlights on the prominence with the detachment. She also demonstrates with him little currency. However, Rakesh recognizes to go with her not including captivating the currency. They come across with Meenakshi immediately like Amrita is equipped to provide and revolve flipside. The prospect is about the female, Amrita who does not disclosure her at every. Meenakshi lays her hand, exhausted her downward to the pedestal of the hierarchy.

The feminine character, Amrita lingers to Meenakshi to handle her, however, it is astonished, as soon as, Meenakshi draws missing abruptly, she goes to flipside earsplitting that:

"She might not... he tangs very dissimilar. He stinks about a male, you people. He is the entire above him. All over the place."³⁴

Although, Rakesh and his looking style reduces that he marks to Amrita encloses within the front entrance. Meenakshi moves toward to him. She also unfastens the loops, wounding throughout the filament through a marker table knife. Amrita sprays alongside her companion as well as enfolds him. Meenakshi guidelines those to acquire prepared to the presentation, furthermore, she becomes to bring her camera. Meenakshi instructions to Rakesh to play the amusement of sexual category as well as shout that:

"Nice-looking thus far away. She pair should think the sapphire movies mutually." ³⁵

One more measurement is in the fiction that the female is preoccupied most important a distressed existence with babyhood. Her parents (Iyengar) guide to Amrita missing from the hospice area. They also talk to her that her father is well-

versed, along with, they are on the way. He shows gratitude to her male-companion to save his spawn, Meenakshi. Amrita also gives details to him the lot what Meenakshi states regarding her father and how her parents try to utilize her. She also observes that Meenakshi's father wrinkle earlier than her eyes like he erratically achieve to a manage. Subsequently, he talks to her that:

"My dear is cruelly bothered youngster of concerned parents. She undergoes with hallucination, her dishonesty, she formulates narratives, the numeral of the discipline, she has disqualified from the containing their personal stories to tell. He attempts rigid, also durable, to be equally nurse as well as vicar to her. Near defend her, however at present; she understands immediately how bluntly she has unsuccessful". 36

At what time, Amrita needs to give details her not natural connection through Meenakshi waggles not to make clear something regarding it is like he previously is familiar with it. Therefore, a critic, Vats Naresh K. in his essay, 'The Escape: *Strange Obsession*' states that:

"The novelist, Shobha De has determined infiltrator about the psychological characteristic of the Meenakshi's individuality that has disallowed the disinterested expansion of her character. It also talks about Minx's fearful disposition as well as unconventional moves about with colorful particulars." 37

Like a description of principles modifies since moment to moment, the present female in India, who is carving her personal photograph inside huge-colored glooms that is a original as well as another time, energizing her-self from the tyrannical male planet. He declares that Meenakshi is never permissible to move toward somewhere next to her over again as far as he is lively. The mali moves toward to notify that her father is coming. Therefore, a critic, Vats Naresh K. in his essay, "The Escape: *Strange Obsession*' states that:

"The description speaks regarding pathological jumpiness of Meenakshi with multi-colored in sequence. It also describes how with overwhelming nervousness, she breaks at the rear away from deliverance. All the way through, her peculiarity, she challenges to strike back her-self on the atmosphere that is reserve of her apprehension."³⁸

This narrative, *Strange Obsession*, demonstrates the fundamental observation of the postmodern metropolitan female touching the society of wedding ceremony. It is a run away from the man area in arranges to look for her preferred individuality delimited through simply female.

4.4.5 Masculinity and Femininity:

Ever since primordial moment's feminine examine wedding ceremony like a consecrated relation that they struggle to preserve with the face of every outlandish smooth distress. Within a wedding ceremony, the masculinity is a combine element of destructive existence; the femininity is interaction, it signifies the incorporation about their corpse as well as courage. A feminine resting with her male, do amazing with their point of view to the well regarding her male is frequently described the wonderful partner. On the other hand, they are looking for their private fanatical cheerfulness, masculinity autonomy are also permitted whores by the society.

One instance married, a female is anticipated to be faithful with her male, and though for her husband, it is her enjoyment whether to respect to the marriage ceremony or fracture it or have enjoyable among it. But a female comes about to enclose a surreptitious connection later than wedding ceremony, she should be normally as well as inside the relations disliked like a female of without a personality. These confines forced ahead female about the location her at the subaltern place. One more feminist writer, Simone De Beauvoir too examines that the ethnically forced subalternity over the females as well as remarks that:

"The feminine has no true to all masculinity society separately from the wedding ritual. The femininity is interface and it is gratifying a society, hunger, as well as realization are negligible to the inquisitiveness about the society to both genders, but male, human being goes further than just before the all-inclusive like worker and inhabitant, might have provisional enjoyment earlier than marriage ritual as well as next martially." ³⁹

With the lesbian relations, one of the lesbian buddies might imagine vigorous element, it is called butch. Like Meenakshi and Amrita, both are in such lesbian, there is affinity, not duality. It is seen by feminist author, Simone de Beauvoir:

"The involving feminine, masculinity considerate; squeeze are predictable fewer to amplify possession of the further than gradually to restructure the identity during her; disconnect is eradicated, there is no struggle back, no subjugation, no conquer; in accurate reciprocity every is at one time theme, issue and body, autonomous with slave, duality turns into understanding".⁴⁰

Tentative during that point of view, the female's independence as well as civilization's restrictions further describes that current as well as chronological instances, the marriage ritual has been measured like one of more noteworthy widespread foundations. In Indian civilization, a female gets married not just the male, but his family unit as well as afterward misplaces her own personality with wedding ritual, surrenders her autonomy. She also locates regarding pleasurable all and miscellaneous.

References:

- De, Shobha. *Strange Obsessions*. New Delhi: Penguin Books India, 1992,
 p. 43.
- 2. Ibid. p. 45.
- 3. James C. Coleman, *Abnormal Psychology and Modern Life*. Bombay: D.B. Taraporevala Sones & Co. Private Ltd., 1988, p. 595.
- 4. An Australian reviewer of her books: Singh, 1994, p. 15
- Chilla, Bulbeck. Re-Orienting Western Feminism: Women's Diversity in a Postcolonial World. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1997, p. 130.
- De, Shobha. *Strange Obsessions*. New Delhi: Penguin Books India, 1992,
 p. 113.
- 7. Ibid. p. 110.
- 8. Ibid. p. 93.
- 9. Clifford, T. Morgan, Richard A. King, John R. Weisz, and John Schopler, *Introduction to Psychology*. New Delhi: Tata McGraw Hill Publishing Company Limited, 1996, p. 589.
- 10. Ibid. p. 588.
- James, C. Coleman. Abnormal Psychology and Modern Life. Bombay:
 D.B. Taraporevala Sones & Co. Private Ltd., 1988, p. 334.
- De, Shobha. *Strange Obsessions*. New Delhi: Penguin Books India, 1992,
 p. 334.
- 13. Ibid. p. 134.
- 14. Ibid. p. 208.

- 15. Pandeya, Prabhat Kumar. *Tender, Beautiful and Erotic: Lesbianism in Starry Nights. The Fiction of Shobha De*, ed. Jaydipsinh Dodiya, New Delhi: Prestige Books, 2000, p. 201.
- 16. Hite, Shere. *The Hite Report: A Nationwide Study of Female Sexuality*. New York: Dell, 1987, p. 205-06.
- 17. De, Shobha. *Strange Obsessions*. New Delhi: Penguin Books India, 1992, p. 205-06.
- 18. Ibid. p. 409.
- 19. Ibid. p. 414.
- 20. Ibid. p. 93.
- 21. Waugh, Patricia. Feminine Fictions. London: Routeledge, 1989, p, 174.
- 22. *Manusmriti*, VIII, 369-70
- 23. De, Shobha. Starry Nights. New Delhi: Penguin India, 1991, p, 65.
- 24. Gilbert, Sandra. M. and Gubar, Susan. *The mirror and the Lamp: Reflections on Feminist Criticism. The Future of Literary Theory*, Ed. Ralph Cohen. New York: W. W. Norton, 1958, p, 98.
- 25. De, Shobha, *Susheela's Secret*, in Shooting from the hip, New Delhi: UBS 1995, p. 8.
- 26. Lodge, D. *Modern Criticism and Theory: A Reader*, London: Long man, 1989, p. 264.
- 27. De, Shobha. *Strange Obsessions*. New Delhi: Penguin Books India, 1992, p.128.
- 28. Ibid. p. 141.
- 29. Ibid. p. 162.
- 30. L. Sonia Ningthoujam in her article, 'Aesthetics and Morality', p. 70.

- 31. Priya Wanjari in her article, "De-Analysis of Marital Relationships" (Contemporary Fiction: An Anthology Of female Writers), p. 197.
- 32. De, Shobha. *Strange Obsessions*. New Delhi: Penguin Books India, 1992, p.185.
- 33. Ibid. p. 191.
- 34. Ibid. p. 195.
- 35. Ibid. p. 199.
- 36. Ibid. p. 203.
- 37. Naresh K. Vats in his article, 'The Escape: Strange Obsession', p. 111.
- 38. Ibid. p. 99.
- 39. Simone, De Beauvoir, *The Second Sex*: Penguin, 1985, p.445.
- 40. Ibid. P. 448.

* * *

Chapter V: A Thematic Analysis in Snapshots

5.1 Introduction:

Shobha De is renowned feminist writer of the 21st century. She starts her career with unintentional opening like a youngster into the enchanting globe of modeling, then newspaper columnist, TV screenplay author as well as biographer. As an Indian innovative writer, Shobha De is extremely enthralled to discover the modern daytime situation throughout the female protagonist in the *Snapshots*.

Although, the novel, *Snapshots* is painstaking chestnut to female protagonist, Surekha to inscribe about family and wedded existence, to smear it through the insignia of atrocious truthfulness is that novelist, Shobha De situate away. The high-class civilizations in India or Indian high-class people are, to set it in rare idiom, handily insincere. The novelist, Shobha De is valiantly rendering this covert High-class living-life in Mumbai privileged. The novel, *Snapshots* may be read in dissimilar protocol, although, what the hysterics it most excellent is a realism narrative in which during fabricated female protagonists ahead a raised area, actuality is portrayed. Undoubtedly, the novelist has the metropolitan as well as high-rank booklover in brain like it is they, she symbolizes during her females. It also initiates the females one by one into both sections to create of the story. Her females are a combine of performers, socialites' upper class home wife.

The *Snapshots* covering disclose to the readers that 6 aged comrades get together for eat. It is here that the bundle of shady top secret is exposed as well as declaration finished. Anybody sentient of the reality about so-called best for their civilization may not go away the chance to understand further.

Astonished like, the researcher should proceed, it is renowned as well as fine-unobserved reality that if the Indian have unoriginal something from Western with the term like being contemporary, at that time, it is unfaithfulness, no threads fasten relatives, 6 comrades and so on. Along with next to with this move toward incest, rape, and dishonesty as well as malevolence that hang about in the darkness of the anticipated authenticity.

The wedding ceremony stands for come across, social figure, bank stability, residence, and of way sexual category. In addition, love and romance is effortless currency as well as it is a shortcut to every thought. It is roughly a song of praise. Like courageous as well as considerable novel is, it has most important liability. The more well-known of every is identify. The novel, *Snapshots* does not recount greatly to the fairy-tale. The mainly suitable good reason for this heading is simply that when every the 6 comrades in the narrative are preparation to assemble, one of them moves toward with the design to carry aged impulsive attempts.

The novel, *Snapshots* does revolve up but are barely applicable to the subject of the account; although, females make include a tiny masala to the narrative in one exacting case. Certainly, the novelist may have finished new fairness to the legend. Next, the nearly all thoughtful defect is as well much of love and romance in the novel. There is, thus, greatly of superfluous conversation as well as explanation of love and romance in the tale that at various spaces individual mislay pathway of the fairy-tale. It is needless center on love and romance; a general booklover might disrespect the story like 'grubby' or merely understand it for mortal polluted, also not achieve away from it to the experience which the novelist proposes. In its place of benevolent so much freedom to chatting regarding sexual category, that legroom might have been worn superior to expand a noisy as well as muscular narrative.

The invented feature of the narrative or the tale is not fine shaped. Shobha De uses a method named 'psychology' in which the novelist utilizes the unconscious recollection of the female protagonist and moment to discover and carry out the coming of the females to the booklover. On the other hand, she assembles an opinion for a tale, and then foliage it lynching. The finish is rapid and the booklover is also surprised to recognize it.

5.2 Various Themes:

In *Snapshots* the women turn into useful plaything for men in patriarchal society. The ruling ideology that favours men prompts these women to fall prey to the designs of men. All the men presented in the novel are tyrants whereas the women – Aparna, Rashmi, Swati and Noor are all victims of male tyranny.

Further, the get-together of six former school friends at Reema's house in *Snapshots* also reveals how the women are obsessed with sex and sensual enjoyment. They express their grievances against men in general and husbands in particular. They break the social norms and moral codes. Most of the women in the novel, bored with their husbands, seek new relationships outside marriage and challenge the patriarchal system. In fact, *Snapshots* is the world of Shobha De's Women where men stand on periphery and women fight for power and supremacy.

5.2.1 Lesbianism and Sexual Subalternity:

The utterance lesbianism is derivative from the Greek 'Lebios'. It is a Greek Island in the Aegean Sea. "It is the native place of Sappho who is seven century B. C. Poetess and she writes love poems about the females." Kamasutra is well-known traditional of Hindu erotica and it deals with lesbianism. But, in the present day, it is widespread phenomenon wherever the females come across to sex and their completion with their friends. It is growing in the traditional Indian civilization in spite of the culture's need of detection to this perform. The motive individual a female may toil up one more female superior than a male; while a male achieves as well as later than liability it he turn into unresponsive to his feminine colleague or illustrate need of worry for her. One more motive may be the upheaval of the female next to the culture as well as its standards which undervalue female. The lesbian relation is extra importantly observed with the higher-affluent curriculum.

Within a fresh review a female provides the next motives about her lesbianism first choice: it is greatly simple to present in provisionally to a female, to submit ego; her pelt is yielding as well as horizontal:

"No one be anxious whether her corpse is sufficient; no agonize regarding the colleague's sex and romance for ethical finding, wherever she is leaving to be positioned on the variety of feminine infirmity".²

At this time, the yielding of self-image is significant, the allegation individual, it is simple to submit previous to individual's personal love and romance than to the men who previously regulations, develop as well as control the feminine. An affectionate move toward is an imperative obsession, in this manners. This partiality

is too; this is because of diverse variety of supernatural relationship connecting female may not to come across into the hetero-sexual relations in which a female's responsibility is substandard. She is that:

"Traversed above through the gentleman. She is completed sex to, not finished her sex through". 3

Furthermore, in this, she moves toward with one more facade about lesbian manner, that is becoming conscious, self-determination from the man which is one more significant standard of the feminine one and female's fight back about subalternity. It has too political suggestions. One more writer, Hite states that:

"Lesbian may support. The love and romance with second female may be a response next to male as well as it is subsequent division position through them in civilization"⁴.

One of the major themes in Hite's review declares that:

"Frequently, the romance and love with a male is starting to political education. The love and romance is with female means self-determination from gentleman". ⁵

A grouping through a male gives the permission to female for the heterosexual human rights, several of which are re-classified through the decree; belief as well as relatives. On the other hand, the female has to give its value at her individual charge, like she has to devastate her own identity, her influence, intelligence, as well as individual enlargement, for a male's require, into these agreement. Therefore, the novelist discards required heterosexuality as well as proposes female to female relative or lesbianism is superior than male to female affiliation that she represents within her writings. She too rejects to take part in the diversion of antagonism for male. She tackles her individual love and romance and it does confront the standard positioned winning her through civilization or culture.

Furthermore, in decline to the perfect prototype of manner, this lesbian avoids the equipment, the most important component of that is high opinion for patriarchal say aloud of possession, in that ways frightening to undermine the classification with appropriate gentleman license. Therefore, the homo-sexuality is observed like argue against-innovative or a comeback to love and romance like subaltern people in her writings.

In *Snapshots*, the novelist, Shobha De elucidates that male. This is because about their sex and love domination, include forever suffer similar to "defeaters" as well as their love and sex develops. They have their "defeats". On the other hand, the females and subaltern people's responsibility in the influence amusement has fundamentally distorted through the novels of Shobha De. It also comes into view that Shobha De's female incredibly intelligently apply love and romance to struggle their fight with their subaltern people. Like one of the female character, Rashmi says that average female exercise that:

"The love and romance is like entice, however, the astute female clutch their husbands and remain them imprisoned." ⁶

This human consciousness absolutely decreases male's influence above female. The contemporary, metropolitan, identity- enough, cost-effectively self-determining as well as positive females are of the writer, thus, they have distorted them from merchandise to individuality. The novelists extremely competently knock down the representative picture of male as the foremost sex as well as discover his Achilles heel. The bodily realism has profound connotation for the Shobha De. She is through declaring female's sex superiority once more revise the standard. Throughout, her writings Shobha De look for to found the reality that a female has the similar thoughts, obsession, objective as well as principles like a male has. She is also strongminded to wrestle it absent for understand her thoughts.

The male constantly believes to them. As a result, to gratify females require for sex, they, various a moment, develops them with love and romance with expressively. On the other hand, her female protagonists have known fine art of fulfilling their needs through them and as a result, they are gratis from male-obsession. At what time, the female protagonist, Aparna believes that an ugliest spectacle in the globe is of a male through a creation, Balbir observations that he constantly consideration that maybe female similar to the spectacle of "prepared to

deed raise". [7] One of the female characters named, Aparna is paying attention and grunts that:

"It is a favourite man parable, one more dim-witted stud daydream, that's every one. The reality is female does not require male at every one, there are habits as well as customs of looking for fulfillment.' She more make known, female are so self-reliant, male may not tolerate it. That's what acquires them. Nonentity is like slave." ⁸

This new-fangled sex and love carry out i.e. lesbian. It stands for the affiliation with male-female and their relations. At this time, it does not signify simply sex relationship among male-female. One more researcher, named Rich Adrienne advises her thought that:

"The lesbian continuum which include a variety ... of female recognized know-how; not merely that a female has had or deliberately preferred genital familiarity through one more female". ⁹

The female protagonist, Surekha's male-companion may not gratify to her actually, as a result, she engages in lesbian relations with her college-friend, named Dooly. She appreciates obviously Surekha's male-companion location in Surekha's living-life. Therefore, she is not envious. She does not believe on Surekha's male-companion a challenger. He is simply the male who salaried the entire invoice as well as command his matrimonial human rights occasionally. She discerns well to Surekha reviled including love and romance with her husband. He is disliked all pairing. On the other hand, they together are sensible sufficient to understand that is the permit to observance the wedding ceremony departing. Moreover, like Surekha frequently let know to her that:

"What is here? It may not charge on her whatever thing. She unfastens her crutch automatically as well as looks intently at the timepiece on the partition crossways the cot. It is every in regarding 6 o'clock at to 8 proceedings." ¹⁰

Therefore, the researcher observes that the man-woman dealings like wedding. Wherever, the female's sensation as well as sensitivity is measured. The subaltern people are like a manipulative, like the family member about the prostitute to a client.

As a result, this wedding ceremony turns into a variety of prostitution anywhere the spouse who has gender with her male-companion suffer roughly estranged from her personal identity. Presently, the Marxists declare that a female's sex is detailed domination. Here, the female endures like a subjugated female-partner. Shobha De's most important females, are Karuna, Anjali, Maya, Reema, Aparna and Surekha, are their wives as well as prostitutes. They do not do a little; on the other hand, they are proceeding ahead, a thing of submission, of individual submits in sexual category with no every contribution in it. There disinclined corpse represents protest with anger. One more critic, Waugh Patrica states that into her *Feminine Fictions*:

"By this ritual, female has forever applied their corpse like implement of their complaint about their female location as well as classification". 11

The lesbianism is a generally unconventional manner to precise from the untimely the past, various community do not like it. This is because it is a diverse object. Within discourse the treaties, *Manusmriti*; penalty is specified for ruin a young woman during lesbian time, shared love, and romance and sex fulfillment:

"But, a young woman is disfigured one more uncooked young woman, furthermore, she is trained her lecture of self- ill-treatment or grateful through her manipulate or other forged gentleman appendage or cylindrical material she is responsible to give all right of two hundred coins. In addition, the penalty, she is to support financially the close relative of the defoliated young woman with twice over the quantity of the premeditated offering with also to accept ten lashes." 12

However, the further significant difficulty is why lesbian manner as well as this receives to reader further than, the physicality of it. The respond is to be creating extra in female's consciousness than in her dead body, not that the corpse is every fewer imperative. Individual, identify that amongst the humans love and sex is not only restricted to the genitalia, it is in the intelligence, the genitalia are merely the intermediate. That is why it is too describe the instrument. The psychosomatic suggestion of lesbian manner are additional appropriate to the narrative in circumstance of the superwoman. Within lesbian connection physicality is a part of

the superior moving connection. While Linda declares that: "let me achieve to you what no male might have finished".¹³

Shobha De does not amplify for the undemanding motive that male may do not be female whichever in love and romance in proceed or in his corpse. The male within classify to macho is constantly unsympathetic as well as irregular in move toward. It is never that hostility has a position with *ars amatotia*. Their corpse do not be pliable similar to female. Furthermore, there put down the dissimilarity.

It is compare to, *Starry Nights*, the female protagonist; named Asha Rani is definitely not extremely cheerful with her husband and his management. Yet, the simply male whom she is in reality sex, named Akshay Kumar. He is not delight to Asha Rani enhanced than a reserved, while he is wedded. Therefore, Asha Rani disputes that:

"Every one from you are now the similar, however stay, she will illustrate him. She does to man what they attempt to achieve to her. She may rotate his every-strike his at their individual entertainment!" ¹⁴

Thus, her beleaguered spirit is relieved simply through her relationships among female, survive it Thai young woman or the *theater* correspondent to Linda. She also suffers not at all to be over and done excitement of the feminine tissue from the Thai young woman. It is the wonderful endowment:

"That was an understanding, so sumptuous, so touching, so absolute, to that was days previous so Asha Rani should not recall to experience about both, horizontal, yielding, lubricate just about breast less corpse on moreover area of her, poignant, thrashing, knocking all unclothed shuffle, creation her casing shiver, she also approaches to breathing in a technique, Asha Rani does not have anticipated probable". ¹⁵

The female protagonists, Asha Rani's familiarity is that the furthermost orgasm of her living-life. It is similar or multi-sensor feelings that she is kept amused through her friend Linda, who also demonstrates that Linda may do similar to a purusha.

Their emotions are personified with other superiority of the picture of new-fangled female. She also needs the whole thing. Her knowledge is with meaningful as well as reasonable. Both Asha Rani and Linda do not anything abnormal to the innovative variety of female. Asha Rani suffers from gender through a female is more fulfilling through a male who depart her every injure as well as unclean later than include pleased himself with barely a next thought whether a female has taken pleasure during the do something or not. Therefore, the lesbianism is too element of the disgusting strength within the innovative female. They appear to be every away to make happy all feminine recommend as well as yearning. Yet, but, it is the sex single to be satisfied within they possess sexual category. On the deeper height of female's awareness this understanding too involves self-government from male.

As a result, it might be whispered about lesbianism is a ordinary outcome of hopeful for affecting alongside subalternity on sex and love pedestal. That is outcome of her internal advocate to acquire romance fulfillment. It also has unreasonably unused to her through colleague who through and huge think about simply for his individual happiness. It is thoughtless to her thoughts as well as needs. The female believe lesbian relations improved than hetero-sexual relation.

With the lesbian relations, one of the lesbian buddies might imagine vigorous element, it is called butch. Like Linda and Minx both are in such lesbian, there is affinity, not duality. It is seen by feminist writer, Simone de Beauvoir:

"The connecting female, sex thoughtful; embrace are projected fewer to increase ownership of the further than steadily to reconstruct the identity during her; disconnect is eliminated, there is no fight back, no conquest, no conquer; in precise reciprocity every is at one time subject matter and entity, self-governing as well as slave, duality turns into sympathy". ¹⁶

The best example is *Sultry Days*. It deals with lesbian behaviour. In this novel, the male character, Firoze is one more girl contravention the get-together:

"Innovative, calculating as well as complete of bizarre variety of appeal, she acquire approximately to spaces mainly citizens simply hallucination about it." 17

Also she is like lesbian, The Firoze eventually get married with one more girl, named, Kiki.

"During the night, Firoze has turned out to be family unit forename every more than India. Her snap along with Kiki, are speckled all over; amused, kissing, clutch hand, comforting. One periodical has disappeared to the amount of ear-piercing; wedding ceremony chimes for the commerce's earliest lesbian couple...." ¹⁸

Thus, it is declared that for each a decision given by High-Court, New Delhi, and confidential consensual gender among matures about similar gender is to be measured an unlawful movement any longer. Among that India turns into a best as compare to other nations to receive the guiltiness away of the homo-sexuality.

As a result, the occurrence of the lesbian theory in the novel of Shobha De is an element of the innovative insubordinate female who desires an identical balance among male. These females are, Asha Rani, Linda, Minx and Amrita, distributed symptom of the original female who search for realization within her individual sexual characteristics. It is the new-fangled females compel for independence which rapids her to walk around original meadow similar to lesbian. Therefore, the novelist's diagram of unmistakable gender connecting female is an ingenuous depiction of the new-fangled authenticity which is approaching speedy within the contemporary humanity and its more and more self-determining female folk who are heave confront to male in roughly each bubbles of human being movement. Lesbian, although an indignant idiom to speak regarding in motionless conventional civilization, desires to implicit as well as justify examining yet in superior specifying.

Anybody may finish it that Shobha De's females will no longer put up with masculinity subalternity. They have originated lesbian like a comeback to gender subaltern. They are entirely self-determining of male. Self-determination means human being capable to receive worry of individual's personal desires in a vigorous approach, with no a male. The masculinity freedom is knowledge to happiness with her own identity. It may very authorizing to a female. It is a society next to subaltern on the gender partiality for female. Darkness evaporates from the Shobha De's dream

and they observe the comprehensible picture of the day with the modernization as well as innovation of their genuine feminine identity.

5.3 Search for Identity:

The novel, *Snapshots* deals with one of the important theme like search for identity. Since the antique time, vicinity of communal importance is completely possessed by male. The Reema Surekha and also others are conventionally anticipated to provide their male-companions with no living being self-sufficient. Every female is projected to participate a significant responsibility in their relations. Surekha, the female protagonist, is not invented to obstruct in every further societal problems. She is also pleasure like a monster of saddle, or an entity of happiness. Within a male-domination civilization in India, the females have remained long-sufferingly for way out to their troubles as well as containments. On the other hand, no such answers are presented through male. As a result, the female themselves in progress inquire for their civil liberties. Thus, the search for individuality as well as autonomy has turned into an extremely overriding idea in Indian English writing.

5.3.1 Gender Freedom:

Shobha De's Female characters are thinking diverse and desire to generate a globe of their individual. They infrequently illustrate some attention in family unit, relations as well as familial relationships. They willingly talk about qualified being, dealing material as well as subject connected to gender as well as gender freedom. The thought of wedding ceremony as well as faithfulness in sex has undergone a fabulous modify in contemporary Indian civilization. Her females are prepared to take pleasure in their being during corporeal consummation of sex sooner than and later than wedding ceremony as well as yet exterior wedding. The variety of modify that marks the contemporary female's manner is most excellent reproduced with the characters in *Snapshots*.

These female within the fiction liberally pamper in chatting regarding their history and current sex and love relations, before and after wedded dealings about their own selection. They also suffer liberated to talk about their relationships among other male. They are also seeing to at times several of them are individual like by the

similar male. That is during their manner as well as discussion; therefore, Shobha De heaves momentous luminosity on the dilemma for the Indian female. They converse regarding together sex and romance honestly with community. But Swati's observations on sex as well as sexual category are articulated like that:

"Sex isn't muddy, our brain create it hence. Gaze at the Khajurho Konark... include some of you calculated with Kamasutra? Enthralling. That is very misfortune, they acquire persuade through several aggravated, self-conscious idiots. She believes that love and romance are the celebration, the highest form of belief". ¹⁹

Here is an enormous transaction about sex and self-determination with her female character. But it is not a sexual promiscuity; yet, wedding ceremony does not restrain to the sex self-determination about her female. That is fine uttered within the terms of the heroine, the Reema states that:

"The dreams do not recognize every other corpse, a few other emotions, at all other consciousness. Eternally, echoes dreadful. It is similar to drinking dalchaval daytime in with date out". ²⁰

The female's manners about sex turn out to be unprincipled also within various luggages still irregular. In the novel, *Socialite Evening*, Anjali remarks that:

"It is the better-looking obsession to include come about to Anjali. She announces that, it is knowledge which I have coming up to."²¹

The Shobha De's novel and her female talk about as well as carry out sex through remarkable honesty. Therefore, in the Snapshots, the female protagonist, Swati looks upon gender like á relaxation:

"Intended for several, it may be very strong individual. To one more, transitory believe". ²²

She too articulates that:

"She suffers remorseful to every female lynching on, therefore, dreadfully to outmoded thoughts of cleanliness, principles and chastity. It is pitiable". ²³

Therefore, the novelist, Shobha De's work designates the coming out of an innovative female inquisitive to rebellion touching the conventional ethical acknowledged observation of the patriarchal common scheme.

5.4 Untrue Companionship:

Untrue friendship or Companionship is significance theme of the Shobha De's *Snapshots*. The novelist, Shobha De is writer of Indian English Writing that has a long convention about the feminist writers. Other female writers like Markandaya Kamala, Gokhale Namita, Kapur Manu, Desai Anita, Roy Arundhati and Deshpande Shahsi have presented their indisputable objectives highlighting on the narrow-minded civilization. Shobha De states that what she observes into the civilization. She also depicts the furtive of anxious as well as unprincipled citizens of metropolitan culture. The major character, Swati, owed to need of parental love. She is prejudiced through Westernization and their traditions acquire self-seeking and changeable scenery deceives her existence. She misleads her five school buddies for matter expands. She wants to take vengeance of them.

During the open-minded stage of feminine in India, various Indian writers depict their dazzling novels through their significant novel. The feminist achieve a positive stature and proficient wide-reaching eminence. They mimic as well as pursue to the British feminists like Bronte Sisters, George Eliot, Jane Austin and Virginia Woolf in describing their female characters also. They have opposed effectively as well as numerically in regarding the inner mirror image of female. They also acquire make known with their individual classification. Their portrayal in the narrative continually shares acknowledged reliability to their feminist thoughts, respect and point of view.

There are eighteen books in Shobha De's credit, both fiction and non-fiction. She is a volatile writer of modern metropolitan society as well as an extensive read journalist in leading periodicals. She is too a pompous advocate of the feminine reason along with a promising mastermind in the field of contemporary writings. She describes the factual image of contemporary urban live-life. Her works mostly highlight on the male–female of the metropolitan privileged category their fixation, frustration as well as uncertainty. She acquires immature practicality. She also decides

about the female character. She imitates them as they are and not they ought to have been. She notes to stirring the civilization through notify the decayed certainty existing in the metropolitan influential division of urban city of India typically Mumbai. She tangles to a huge deepness in the internal consciousness about the females. She excavates the buried behavior as well as corruptness by the Western culture. The companionship is one of the mainly estimable module of Indian society is devastated and misplaced its charge in *Snapshots* by Shobha De.

The populace has sensitiveness, persuadibility, and the capability to catch, it relies on the individual to apply or mistreat it in family. In positive casing it's apply based on the circumstances as well as infrequently on the purpose of the human being. In the *Snapshots*, the female protagonist, Swati's entrenched aggravation, worried thoughts as well as disappointment outcome into delicate misleading comradeship.

The comradeship highlights an important responsibility person's living-life, it provides hilarity, distribute uncertainties as well as reminiscences along with entertaining. Precisely it is occurred in *Snapshots*. Six friends from St. Maria High School like Aparna Reema, Swati, Noor, Rashmi, and Surekha come together on the provocation about the Swati conduit at the Reema's home to remember their historical recollections, with various aged snaps and appreciably the older team associates approach secure to individual one more for eat on the Tuesday at time, while they are most important predictable, commonplace, life of familial as well as anticipated happiness. They are including troubles of their individual; however, they all are there it. Their obvious antagonism disillusioned the impression as well as their companionship twisted to be terrifying. The novel also describes the postcolonial moment that concretize, the exciting activities of authoritative, open-minded new-fangled female.

The novel, *Snapshots* displays a metropolitan culture wherever male places on the external periphery, on the other hand, females stand on the challenge for authority. It is a communication of the novelist to illustrate the fraudulent comradeship customary in metropolitan in Mumbai. It is conspired of vengeance to the Swati, the female heroine. This is because her deceits as well as dishonesty her buddy owed to her dismissive character. She receives existence like an amusement along with constantly thinking to come first and if the amusement is misplaced, she devices to

receive vengeance of the champion. This automatic sentiment happen in her owed to impatience as well as disapproval in existence.

Shobha De has depicted to the female protagonist, Swati as an instance to every Oriental female who avoids every customs as well as wretched. It also approves through her to escort a pleasant as well as commendable existence. Within this story, Swati is an opponent of her *untrue comradeship in Snapshots*. The buddy and Swati want to take revenge on each of them. It is complicated to classify her actually, her extraordinary comes across hypnotizes all and sundry. She has innate her nutmeg features from her Malayali father and somewhat from abroad characteristics through tilt-twisted of oriented eyes from her mother. She is envious of Aparna. She thinks about Aprana a challenger for Reema an award company, for Rashmi a haughty bitch, for Noor, who is upper-class wherever, while for Surekha; she is an unpredictable self-seeking as well as calculating.

The female protagonist, Swati is variable, positive, pretty, enticing, economically as well as generally more prevailing. She is too a vocalist with calculating from her educate time. She works out manage above other males. She is generally sensitive along with knowledgeable. She creates a truthful appearance. Her impulsiveness is inclined to deactivate misgiving, which formulates simple for her to get missing through her dishonesty. She symbolizes her identity efficiently.

One more female character, Noor is similar to Swati in division. She is also an undamaging variety of young woman as well as charming. She is unreasonable. But her friend, Swati enchains with Noor with inferiors her self-respect which drives to Noor to entrust suicide. Her mistake is that she exposes to her friend, Swati's top secret of drumming during electronic microbe located clandestinely through her within the extent. Swati urbanizes a domineering mind-set about Noor behind vanquish her brother Nawaz in illegal dishonest sexual connection through him immediately to do well Nawaz from Noor. She takes pride beneath the thought that she is faraway superior to every female. She needs further and additional virtually the absolute total that engrossed her. She have too stolen object from Noor's home. Nawaz talks about that:

"But, the Mummy comes across, that is it. She will ban your comrade from upcoming above. After that, I observe Swati, and I am leaving to inquire her regarding the hoary ashtray. And, the ivory pony."²⁴

Swati misleads to Noor reproach her. She informs that nonentity wants her not yet her individual brother whom she has reserved the incest connection. She energetically articulates that:

"I have acquired your unwell small sex-remarks also, what amusing. Visualize how they will come into view in produce. You will depict for what you are and constantly have been, desperate psychotic bitch. You are not anything, Noor. Not anything at every one". ²⁵

The dread about an experience of incest connection with her brother, guides to Noor to think feeling shame. She jeopardizes every above her existence. She assigns suicide through finishing her-self within the restroom.

The female protagonist, Swati too betrays to Reema. But Reema is a trimming human being, unclear as well as imprecise. She is charming and soft-speaking human being exclusive of some authentic beliefs. Reema is concerned to Raju in school time and she has love and romance with him in backside settle of stolen vehicle. On the other hand, she does not notify everybody. She is pregnant and is propel to residence from the school in dishonor. She is unsuccessful with her incurable. She is terrified, responsible; puzzled as well as unwilling. She steers clear of Raju. Other than, Swati is also perceptive as well as overbearing shape rotates Reema's nakedness to her improvement among her assist with her aunty. The reality remnants are that through serving to Reema with an hour of her distressed circumstances, Swati forgives her for an entire existence moment. Like Swati, Reema is extremely cherished to the professor and her score are also superior to Swati. She has also bagged the guide role in the yearly discipline cooperate and also utilize to decline Swati to present a lift to educate every daytime. It reasons enviousness regarding Reema to Swati and she divulges to the Reema's top surreptitious. Her one more buddies confine but she expresses:

"It should go off with no drawback, along with Reema's misfortune should have stay behind a top secret, but somebody shriek. That is not at all recognized who the culprit is but everyone supposed to Swati." ²⁶

Without hesitation, Swati helps to Reema at the time. But she does like a confession and exposed the top secret about the Reema and her father and mother through notifying with them a nameless awful engrave note in her individual scribble. Owing that Reema has to get married Ravi a male not of her selection and Raju her comrade is assassinated.

One new female character, named, Aparna is also endured and suffered from the humiliation at the hands of her friend, Swati. The starting of enmity, covetousness and detestation are put down in the Swati's brainpower much previous all through their school time. While through widespread approval, the Aparna is preferred like the most camera-friendly as well as preeminent pretty, young woman. She also validates about other females are female's most horrible opponent. The protectiveness regarding Aparna impairs to her individual identity and lastly tops her comradeship with Swati. She aggravates covetousness to realize clutch greater than her Aparna. Her male-companion turns into a sickening utterance of the Aparna. Her friend, Swati wants to take revenge of all as well as each young woman. She has unfriendliness as well as greediness of her comrade allocated to several shrewish to motive of her individual. She also employs to laugh nervously cheerfully through Rohit and should create that Aparna to suffer similar to a gatecrasher in her individual residence. She attracts with Aparna's companion along with she obliterates her pleasant-sounding being.

By they have a meeting instant like to entice, the female protagonists, Aparna and Swati initiate to kneading their significant to the it's a China technique which she has study from a Hollywood psychoanalyst. She wants to think her effective; she does not to be so exaggerated, with inquirer to her does not to influence her. Therefore, Aparna states that:

"There are not single object into the planet, you should act for not anything. You do not into the long-ago, also you positively will not at the moment. I own have inquired to me..... You are and are the more precarious human being, I recognize."²⁷

The above passage reviles to Swati. She turns into extra enraged regarding her school-friend, Aparna. She is presented various packets to the Rohit, it is her hand written by Swati. When Swati requires revealing to Aparna's male-companion, Rohit with her love-relation with him, and how Rohit loves to Swati in its place of his partner. He also respects her in cradle presentation. Thus, Aparna articulates explicitly through overflow of the snuffle curving from Aparna's eyes:

"Swati is deceitful, Aparna says, bluster her snout. She does not think on Swati. She knows that Rohit is good than he knows him-self. But he does not love me. Only me. Not anything, you utter change to. You shatter our wedding ceremony. You murder me. What do I ever act? You become on me similar to a monster." ²⁸

Suitable to that Aparna also ensnares with her office-mate, Prem from his wife Renu. It merely comes about the Aparna's charming the greatest young woman award into her School time. However, Swati remembers to embarrassment, the damage behind trailing the award reason to her. It also moves out a disfigurement on to the Aparna's brainpower. It prepares to her disillusioned and overwhelmed and she takes vengeance about the Aparna through obliterate the wedded connection of her and cleaned out her in her slumber.

On the other hand, Swati also applies Dolly's comradeship in arraign of choral group perform and hypocritical manner to be successful 'preeminent domicile' defend cranium through the Aparna. With this issue, she should inculcate to the Dolly to demolish the opponent 'the Green Home' pains through detective about their practices, decision out regarding their selected chants. She is also finding to play, they are made plan.

Aparna also sees to Dolly, who gives out her at her resolve, merely. This is because Aparna comes to clean like boast stranded 20 laxatives with Priya's soft drink, the brilliant young woman singing Eliza Doolittle into the Dramatic rivalry to the 'the Green Home' invention, named *Pygmalion*. In it, Dolly has ragged both of her ostentatious attires. She also has completed listen with Swati's instructions, to prevent from her to endearing this award. Somebody has marked out to Dolly in fitting to imbibe. It lastly shrieks and Dolly is dismissed from this school. No one young woman is enthusiastic to speak to her for days later than this happening. in the interim, Dolly expands the mainly cherished and religious connection with her wedded buddy, Surekha. She responds to when she moves toward to identify that the Swati has called to the Surekha:

"All women are almost ruined me. But I have not excused them. Along with not at all motivation. However, You....why? Why do you desire to go away? What will you acquire of that unintelligent dine? Have you inquired to yourself a single difficulty.....not? I am definite not. The merely motive, that Swati is inquired to you to injure me. What too?" ²⁹

The female character, Dolly also ruins disadvantaged as well as irresponsible during her living due to her bodily and thinker dilapidation through the Swati. The trepidation of receiving uncovered jeopardizes to the Dolly. She lastly does suicide, common misdeed as well as disastrously tops her living-existence. It also highlights on the Swati's simulated as well as objectionable component of living which leaves touching to the culture of India and traditions as well as human being standards.

The quandary of contemporary Indian female is enhanced understand through, the scholar, Bijay K. Das states that:

"The novelist drops profound with the spirits of open-minded, upper classes female in the modern culture as well as portrays her female characters like they are and not like them not like they must include."³⁰

Shobha De notes truthfully regarding amazing, if it is disagreeable as well as goes after Dr. Freud's attitude as well as pictures the shady clandestine of living-existence which are imperceptible to one's eyes. She also advises that the hazard as well as the terrifying circumstances departing within metropolitan influential humanity.

The heroine Swati is unprincipled as well as exceptionally horizontal just before individual self-centeredness. Swati's untruthful behaviors detest to her friend Surekha for the uncomplicated motive that she assists to Dolly with her disgraceful circumstances, in that way tenderness her self-image boundlessly. She is self-centered and not to help Rashmi, an unwed her parents. This is because her human being bodily better-quality to her. She also attempts to humiliate her through throw states that:

"What are you frightened of? You have not standing to protected safeguard. Also your foolish boy should recognize that he has a whore for a mother and father." ³¹

The statement of the malevolent declaration damages Rashmi's status with other buddies. They are ongoing to struggle every one with an appalling mode. The blood initiates to come out of Rashmi's hand and legs. They bankrupt an Onyx night light in the Reema's residence.

A few may believe that various precise type of common sense dye-function authority like counterfeit manners and behaves. One scholar and psychologist, Ford Charles says that:

"The dishonesty is beneficially applied through persons as well as common grouping to acquire influence, gender and sex fulfillment, with substance commodities or the prosperity." 32

Without any question, Swati is ready to challenge her potential within doubtful techniques. She acquires that the wisdom to fine human being along with self-assurance into her own living-life. For that reason, Swati is played it diplomatically as well as deceived the mainly confidence connection, like the comradeship.

Thus, the female protagonist, Swati require to more and more that she captivated to her own. The single technique to gain them she thinks that it is currency as well as equipment. Swati's extravagant yearning thrusts to her to construct an indigo motion picture. It is to the Westernization views about that the Swati does surreptitiously and the arrangement is unsuccessful. This acknowledgement of attainment abroad established adoration backside residence. She is designed to

employ with her buddies, influence to the get-together to manufacture a courageous brawny ongoing, named, *Sisters of the Sub-Continent*, to acquire more and more currency. Thus, the writer is also against to the thought that various Indian people are advertising their principles, independence, nationwide thoughts, the connotation as well as mistreatment of comradeship for experienced increases from the Westernization. It also is imposing irreversible injure to the nationwide respect as well as standing. She also maddens covetousness to realize achievement. On the other hand, the envy is regarding her associates those have not assisted her to realize something with living-life. That kind of comradeship guides from the civilization and human being misplaces its wisdom of reason. Consequently, one more researcher remarks that:

"To find out India throughout the Indian eyes." 33

The female protagonist, Swati's detection for triumph is unyielding. She comes out like a conqueror from the 5th std. in exam, struggle as well as dramas. She also leaves to UK and connects to educate of play. However, Swati turns into a casing of elevated strength of mind as well as is unproductive. She is teenager deserted from her mother and father. Her mother is a well-known public employee as well as lecturer of Anthropology. He was dedicated her existence to the upliftment of the plug away ample, He, moreover, was infrequently at residence. He was also, a civil engineer, exhausted mainly of his moment on location away of township. Therefore, their house was single-handed as well as freezing. But Swati does not have her parents love, worry, kindness as well as respect in her babyhood. She is familiarized to diverse *ayahs to* receive mind of her. To preserve the wonderful personification is within her house according to her parents. They should rarely preserve workers.

Within the deficiency of friendliness as well as understanding within Swati's babyhood, she expands through a spiteful as well as wrong psyche. She is not capable to rationalize her individual manners. She suffers only not including her father and mother. She attracts the surroundings and the friendship of diverse ayahs. She also interrelates with the terrible atmosphere from an awfully premature epoch. As soon as, Swati is matured and she is accept their dependence similar to sex and love. She

also neglects as well as psychological circumstances of the *ayahs*. She counterfeits touchable poignant relationship to her fully developed custodian.

But Swati's character turns into dismissive which contaminated her existence, intellect as well as corpse. She is also dishonored her to absolute nothing. Her shadowy feature of human being character creates her to acquire vengeance of her companions. She herself situates her in injury owing to her unlawful or hazardous manners. She does not recognize the relations as well as the significance of relations within her existence owed to that she deceives about her buddies. She is unproductive within her wedded life along with she has amplified jeopardy of material mistreatment. She may encompass feels and encloses her wound in various techniques through her father and mother, or through existence circumstances. She also feels that the simply technique for her to increase implication is to retaliate her on the furthers ensuing in untrue comradeship. Need of parental love outcomes an emotion of lack of confidence, little identity affection as well as potentially difficulty in conserve to interpersonal relations about her. A well-regarded Psychologist, Winnicoot Donald says that:

"Children do not turn into different human being, straight away after beginning. They wade inside the parent-hood regularly, marker through the tranquil as well as defensive irrigates of relations. An extensive following the umbilical string is engraved, a moment faraway powerful string vestiges. This instant string is focused on accessory hypothesis of epigentic birthright, of the environment or cultivates subtraction. It rotates from the sex and the relationship, that ghostly thread, as well as expands rearwards throughout the invention as well as superficial during relatives, group of people, kingdom, and eventually, the complete world."³⁴

Their parents actually issues that it guides to her to basis corporeal, cerebral as well as touching injure about her. To agreement with this difficulty, they should offer to them moment, love and think about babyhood to their brood to extend high-quality as well as trustworthy companionship. They also require additional inner relations. 18th century feminist writer, Mary Wollstonecraft has given the female's problems in her well-known text, named, *A Vindication of the Rights of Women*. It also states that:

"Her permit about additional comradeship is to be establishing with the man than the feminine globe, furthermore, that male have an advanced wisdom of righteousness." ³⁵

These don't seem like the words of the feminist she was. She wanted to explain that men are fair in friendship and give justice to friends than women. Shobha De on the other hand has undoubtedly and unambiguously rebel against this traditional approach. She understands the psyche of women and is keen to project the rein of power firmly in her female characters hand without considering the pros and cons of the situation to create their own world.

Thus, in the present research work, the researcher observes that an unenthusiastic comradeship is twisted mayhem. Therefore, it was unhelpful, doubtful, injurious as well as deficiently wrecked. One of the central character, Swati and her internal wits is unquestionably observable during her deceptive comradeship. In this friendship, Swati has persecuted to her associates for her happiness, but they are unsuccessful. It recommends that kids require their parents love and direction to enlarge them. It also suggests that they need to achieve the filled enlargement of their individuality to turn into an absolute individual, living being. However, their parents should provide them instance and educate their district the lecture of conserve society, faithfulness, fondness as well as interminable deference with one more to guide them from departing off target. This part of writing may absolutely outline the brain inside the civilization. It requires that to believe on the above this serious difficulty disappearing metropolitan influential culture in India.

The entire five buddies are communally worried; they obtain embittered form the Swati, need of capability to perceive her dishonesty. Toward, to achieve sex as well as common acknowledgment, the female, Swati move back and forth from the hither and thither and hoodwinks with her living-life and pour her buddies.

5.5 Marriage Conflict:

The marriage conflict is one of the significant themes used by Shobha De in her novel, *Snapshots*. In it, one of the major female characters, Aparna is ill-mannered with her male-companion, Rohit who stands for factual personality. Aparna loves

Rohit very much. She also contains own identity to his create consider manners. It notifies that her lover, Rohit is controlled during second affair with Swati. She also makes troubles into Rohit's enthusiastic proclivity or dedication to his female-partner. Due to this motive, Aparna endures as well as feels ignominy, at the hands of male owed to dishonesty as well as intrigues about Swati, a typical female character. She dangerously articulates that:

"The definite, both have quarreled brood as well as effort elsewhere, however, it is to be anticipated to provide individual personality." ³⁶

Aparna's boy-friend, Rohit is egotistical as well as useless human being. Both quarrel more than the individual responsibility of them in wedding ceremony. However, Aparna does not require love and romance with her lover, Rohit. She also requires amusement as well as handles little dear instant, as learn temperate considerate buddy in the shape of her male-companion. However, her lover misleads her in every sanity. He starves of her to provide children as well as separation her through on foot away of her existence. Therefore, the disbanding of wedding ceremony receives position. The colleague stays behind in diverse just before the matrimonial implication.

In *Snapshots*, the woman, Swati acquires wedded to one of her most excellent friend. She remembers that he is the single to understand her paramount. She accepts the ghastly lifestyle, but initiates boozing as well as sexual category. One more critic, Adhikari Madhumati highlights that:

"The Wedding ceremony is a Patriarchal attachment. It may be extensive clutch female behind. The wedding as well as parenthood, signs of parental influence with authority are subtle by the writer, during the Rashmi, a nurse, Swati and Aparna are split. However, satisfactorily influential is to refuse the sex of the man. Swati might get married on her personal conditions; on the other hand, Aparna's male-companion is a dreadful as well as polluted statement." ³⁷

One more, major female character, Swati has gone into the matrimony various a periods. However, all moment, she is removed. This is because they are not able to stimulate sentiments of feminine one or parenthood with her. Swati needs to be an entire female. She being also 'identity engrossed' and intimately connected in the institute of the wedding ceremony. A research scholar, Agarwal K. A. states that:

"Shobha De's female characters are undergone for heterosexual relations without understanding, adulthood as well as ignore and non - accommodating approach about their male-companion." ³⁸

In reality, several of the wedded relations in *Snapshots* are fallout with sadness as well as unfaithfulness. It also disintegrates losing or separated due to troubles in being of the buddies. They acquire unfocused with wait out of matrimony through dishonest each further. It is accurate that a budge in several of our essential principles in India is enchanting position. These wedded relations in the urban town are bizarrely exaggerated through large metropolis designer existence, manufacturing progression, modern living method, capitalistic manner as well as need of offspring hence on. All major females are required their declaration of self-determination to the personal freedom, compatibility through the colleague as well as generous situational issues. As a result, they depart the wedding ceremony to do not complete their basic desires. The matrimonial unions in the Shobha De's writings acquire conflict. This is because all female-protagonists too leave exterior their wedding to examine poignant awareness or encouragement about their attractiveness from the conflicting love and romance. The female-protagonists are generally recognized. They believe that the wedding connection is like preliminary. The writer has given the significance to wedding ceremony within her existence. However, she describes the male-female relations deliberately into the Shobha De's writings and naked the unclothed germ daringly.

Through, this is viewing the matrimonial conflict in Shobha De's writings. She is initiated to the researcher to the internal life as well as consciousness of the privileged female in metropolitan city, Mumbai. It is owed to need about their mother's love and appropriate direction in babyhood. They also endure the confusion of matrimony. The male-female are in the adolescent time, egotistical along with

extremely well-informed with superior earnings, thus, these females have superior separation charge.

Thus, Shobha De, throughout her writings, attempts to describe womanly responsiveness. Into all-purpose being; woman like man is opposed to desire to freedom in the entire, they go to and gratitude. They move violently for impartiality for female privileges traditionally as well as politically. They highlight on the significance of female within the civilization.

5.6 Sexual Relationship:

The novelist, Shobha De stands for contemporary metropolitan feminist and her female has malformed them from possessions into persons. The wedding ceremony is measured a patriarchal enclosed space. The blessedness of wedding ceremony arranged particularly for female is expediently watered down through her females. The novel, *Snapshots* deal with one of the major theme, sexual relationship. It is fine example of this feminine one. It also acquires its label from the snapshots of the communal precedent major female characters like Aparna, Swati, Noor, Surekha and Rashmi. They acquire jointly to split cherished familiarity. Within the itinerary of their sympathy to kindness about the confessional converse, truthful disclosure of this stage show of being is obtainable. Both, Aparna and Swati are separated. They are self-confident sufficient to refuse about the sex and love for their husband. The female character, Aparna is not spiritually get ready to get married once more with to her, the word 'companion' is 'a dreadful utterance'.

At this time, Rashmi is also get married look after with an accountability of a bastard young man; she "extravagances love and sex like "shared require, shared enslavement". ³⁹

More female characters like Reema as well as Surekha stand for contemporary female in the novel, *Snapshots*. Both are complaints about subaltern people on sex and love on the sexual grounds. They are matrimonial domicile-wife. They have prearranged wedding ceremony like 'a reward vicious circle' into the exceedingly bloodthirsty wedding ceremony marketplace. Reema also employs her male-companion to supply herself through fabric console. On the other hand, unpaid to

displeasure within the sex issues, barrenness as well as not have of announcement wedding ceremony appears to include misplaced its blessedness as well as implication for her. She remembers regarding her wedding ceremony that:

"Their personal (relation about love and sex) is like enervated as well as not stimulating like it has been as the premature being of their wedding ceremony. She has reclined unquestioningly under her husband, Reema's intellect on the ensuing living has lunch social gathering or various little tittle-tattle with Reema, and she attends to more than the telephone". ⁴⁰

Toward conquer about Reem's troubles; she diverges in look for delight, identity, announcement, as well as possessions. As a result, Reema also takes pleasure in unlawful connection with her brother-in-law. To achieve the fairness on top of sex and its foundation in Shobha De's writings and her females convey a deep-seated revolutionize in the assessment-classification as well as principles; therefore, the ladder of gentleman is endangered. Moreover, they are no extensive during a location to work out their authority more than the feminine globe. At the present, male's defeat has been female's increase. The female character, like Reema, Karuna from *Socialite Evenings undergoes* that:

"They indulgence wedding ceremony as a covering allergy-an annoyance every correct, however, it is not incredible that should debilitate with their husband. They have their individual top secret living-life, and through to Karuna does not mean underground relationships." ⁴¹

Thus, it is innovative ethics that continually appears as well as turns into observable within the writer's picture of the original female. Next to through extravagance wedding ceremony similar to skin- allergy, Shobha De's female too identify that how to organize their male-companion through satisfying as well as exhausting throughout gender. One more major female character, Ritu from the Socialite Evenings develops with her sex and love comes through, her feminine potentiality to maintain her male-companion inside her arrives at, in her power. Ritu advises to her friend, Karuna regarding her policy:

"To create them suffer, they have finished them a good turn through get married them. To build them sense unconfident. Allow them believe that they will saunter away on them, but they may not toe the streak. This is what stays them within their rest". 42

That's why, the Indian novelist, Shobha De considers about love and sex and their human rights. She may not vacillate to tittle-tattle regarding sexual category liberally. There is an immense agreement for gender self-determination into her female but, it is not gender promiscuity. In the novel, *Snapshots*, one more female character, named, Swati silent takes pleasure in through her previous malecompanion, who is in London, as they show the way:

"The separate but receptive is existence. They appreciated every further very much, however, they guide severely individual human being and their living-life."

It is intended for the Swati, the love and sex are "a leisure pursuit" as well as regarding Swati's relationships; she suffers to "there is not anything to be embarrassed of". ⁴³ Like Swati derides at "an outmoded thoughts of cleanliness, principles, chastity". ⁴⁴ It is meant for her it's wretched to hold back individual's sexual category as well as declares:

"The sexual category is not dirty. Their intellect constructs it so. Appear at the Khajuraho, Konark.... have every of them considered about the Kamasutra? It is a misfortune, they acquire persuade through various aggravated, self-conscious idiots. She thinks that love and romance are the festivity, the uppermost form of belief." ⁴⁵

At the same time as, in attendance, the razor-sharp dissimilarity connecting the sexual characteristics enthusiast similar to Rashami from *Snapshots* and the deserted as well as chilly wife as Maya from *Second Thoughts*, and Karuna from *Socialite Evenings*, Aparna from *Snapshots* Shobha De attempts to demonstrate that the contemporary female of nowadays is not a bathmat to use as well as what time necessary with male in spite of opposite to the subaltern people as well as immigration, the recent female actualizes and accomplishes their individuality, their

authentic identity. Furthermore, into this technique, they move about to the subaltern people. They are no deviation like patriarchal globe believe them. The writer's think in new-fangled humanism with innovative principles, female is not to be full like a:

"Love and romance is a thing and a glamour toy, supply on phony ideas of eternal childhood, calmed into the submissive responsibility, which wants no personal individuality". 46

Therefore, Shobha De, in her fiction, Snapshots, appeals to new-fangled wedded ethics found on common belief, reflection, liberality, and deficiency of pretence, egotism, as well as egocentricity. Thus, the female character, Aparna states that:

"Make females require to love and romance? The woman, Aparna has constantly sneered about belief. Nothing, she should utter, the female only require caring as well as loving. Sex has rest every dreams on to their head the daytime, he finishes caring to her initial moment, in a vacant workplace, on the grimy base, through carpenter works now a skinny panel missing." ⁴⁷

The innovative decency is based on the self-determination from terror, honest statement as well as shared love which may, Asnani Shyam declares that:

"Make the oxygen of sympathetic that may put aside the current invention from the unstable spiritual disturbance of wedded clash". ⁴⁸

She also appears to highlight the importance of what is mainly noticeably missing specifically, contact, and vigorous interpersonal standard relationships. As a female, the writer, Shobha De thinks on the original principles reason, a severe hazard to the societal structure which is based on man-authority. As given away, these females might have filament about the second love with another one to oppose the misbehavior of their male-companions. They might modify their buddy like regularly; they also adjust their fashionable clothes.

Although, lawfully as well as ethically is second marriage relationships are misdeed, it is immobile leftovers as a leveler, in search of, to height downward the anxiety that taken place in the itinerary of each day existence. One more major

character, named, Balbir who is from *Snapshots* in nastiness of life form a male appreciate the females require for love and sex and their family members, while about the nervousness. Therefore, Balbir states that about female's desire for sex as well as custom is that:

"The females are for all time signifying fanatical equipment. Perhaps terror as well as anxiety is the eventual get going. The most excellent twist she has had through unhappy female. They would like it, hence, deficiently; it is an enormous rehabilitation for them. A wave-coaster traverses of her". ⁴⁹

During this time, the world-wide excitement, an ever-increasing figure of citizens observe infrequent of second-wedded relationships like respirator provided that unmarked heavens of nourishment to a essence creature smother in discontented background grounds through erroneous alternative or incompatible wisdom as well as deep feeling. The male protagonist, named, Mohan from Khushwant Singh's *The Company of Women* has too states that and suggestion:

"An infrequent disloyalty, the protagonist, Mohan does not carry out to obliterate a wedding ceremony; moderately, habitually, it establishes to be a reinforcing issue like within suitcases anywhere the male-companion might not provide his female-partner like greatly sexual category like she desirable, or, anywhere the spouse is frosty. It is ridiculous to denounce disloyalty like wicked; it frequently put away wedding ceremony from breaking up." 50

One more research scholar disputes that man-woman dealings into such wedding ceremony anywhere female's sentiments as well as thoughts are well thought-out vice-exchange are like manipulative, like the relative about the prostitute to a client. Like wedding ceremony, as a result, turn into a variety of the prostitution anywhere the female-partner who has sexual category with her male-companion undergoes roughly separated from her individual identity. Just before, the Marxists say that a female's love and romance is detailed domination. Here, the woman endures like a subjugated female-partner. Shobha De's major females, are Karuna, Anjali, Maya, Reema, Aparna and Surekha, are their wives and prostitutes. They do not do something; however, they are preceding ahead, an entity of obedience, of individual submit in sexual category with no every contribution in it. There averse

corpse represents complaint as well as anger. One more critic, Waugh Patrica states that into her *Feminine Fictions*:

"By this ritual, female has forever applied their corpse like implement of their complaint about their female location as well as classification". ⁵¹

Therefore, the present research work emphasizes next-wedded relationships about the Shobha De's females in order to acquire divest of their unbending as well as conventional wedded edge effort. The next-wedded relationships appear to effort like respirator given that unmarked atmosphere to an association which is throttle into miserable environment grounds through incorrect alternative and incompatible. As a result, they move toward about this sex subalternity, it has forced on them throughout periods.

References:

- Pandeya, Prabhat Kumar. Tender, Beautiful and Erotic: Lesbianism in Starry Nights. The Fiction of Shobha De, ed. Jaydipsinh Dodiya, New Delhi: Prestige Books, 2000, p, 201
- 2. Hite, Shere. *The Hite Report: A Nationwide Study of Female Sexuality*. New York: Dell, 1987, p, 205-06
- 3. Ibid. p, 205-06
- 4. Ibid. p, 409
- 5. Ibid. p, 414
- 6. De, Shobha, *Snapshots*. New Delhi: Penguin India, 1995, p, 49
- 7. Ibid. p, 226
- 8. Ibid. p, 226
- 9. Rich, Adrienne. *Blood, Bread and Poetry: Selected Prose*, 1979-1985. New York: W. W. Norton, 1976, p, 87.
- 10. De, Shobha. *Snapshots*, *p*, 218.
- 11. Waugh, Patricia. Feminine Fictions. London: Routeledge, 1989, p, 174.
- 12. Manusmriti, VIII, 369-70
- 13. De, Shobha. Starry Nights. New Delhi: Penguin India, 1991., p, 65
- 14. Ibid. p, 8
- 15. Ibid. p, 66
- 16. Beauvoir, Simone de. *The Second Sex* (Le Deuzieme Sexe 1949) Paris, Trans, and Ed. H. M. Parshley. London: Picador, 1988, p, Beauvoir, 155
- 17. De, Shobha. Sultry Days. New Delhi: Penguin India, 1994, p, 149-150

- 18. Ibid. p, 152 19. Ibid. p,164 20. Ibid. p,152 21. De, Shobha. (1989). Socialite Evenings. New Delhi: Penguin India, p, 78, 96. 22. _____. 1995. Snapshots. New Delhi: Penguin Books, p. 164 23. Ibid. p,165 24. De, Shobhaa.1995. Snapshots. New Delhi: Penguin Books, p.84 25. Ibid., p.302 26. Ibid., p.139 27. Ibid., p.253 28. Ibid., p.256 29. Ibid., p.220 30. Das, Bijay Kumar. 1997. The Author and the Text: A Study of Shobha De's Snapshots, Prof. R. S. Pathak, Indian Fiction of the Nineties. New Delhi: Creative Books, p.16.
- 31. De, Shobha. 1995. Snapshots. New Delhi: Penguin Books, p.304
- 32. Ford, Charles.V.1999.*Lies! Lies! The psychology of Deceit.*Washington: American psychiatric Press, Inc.p.21
- 33. Vellani, Sarita.1991."Interview with David Davidar, "Seminar, 384, August, p.41
- 34. Dr. Nicole, Letourneau& Justin, Joschko.2013. *Scientific Parenting*. Toronto: Dun Durn.p.201.

- 35. Dr. Block, Joel D & Diana Greenberg.2002. *Women&Friendship*. USA: Wellness Institute, Inc.p.28.
- 36. De, Shobha. *Snapshots*. New Delhi: Penguin Books, 1995, p.25.
- 37. Adhikari, Madhumati. *The Equation of Power shots in Snapshots*. New Delhi: Prestige Books, 2000, p.257.
- 38. Agarwal, Krishna Avtar. *Indian Writing in English. A Critical Study*. New Delhi: Atlantic Publishers and Distributors, 2003, p.223.
- 39. De, Shobha. (1995). Snapshots. New Delhi: Penguin India.
- 40. Ibid. p,
- 41. De, Shobha. (1989). Socialite Evenings. New Delhi: Penguin India
- 42. Ibid. p,
- 43. De, Shobha. (1995). *Snapshots*. New Delhi: Penguin India.
- 44. Ibid. p.
- 45. Ibid. p.
- 46. Asnani, Shyam. (1991). New Morality in the Modern Indo-English Novel: A Study of Mulk Raj Anand, Anita Desai and Nayantara Sahgal. Indian Women Novelists, ed. R.K. Dhawan, Vol. I, New Delhi: Prestige.
- 47. De, Shobha. (1995). Snapshots. New Delhi: Penguin India.
- 48. Asnani, Shyam. (1991). New Morality in the Modern Indo-English Novel: A Study of Mulk Raj Anand, Anita Desai and Nayantara Sahgal. Indian Women Novelists, ed. R.K. Dhawan, Vol. I, New Delhi: Prestige.
- 49. De, Shobha. (1995). *Snapshots*. New Delhi: Penguin India.
- 50. Singh, Khushwant. (1998). *The Company of Women*. New Delhi: King Press
- 51. Waugh, Patricia. (1989). Feminine Fictions. London: Routeledge

* * *

Chapter VI: Concluding Remarks

6.1 Introduction:

The present chapter deals with the concluding remarks pedestal on the observations, discussions, and interpretations in the novels of Shobha De. The conclusions would also cover following points: 1. The greatness of Shobha De as an Indian Writer 2. Comparison with them other Indian writers. The thesis is only a modest attempt to deal with the Shobha De's own experience and thereby to understand the complexity of her selected novels.

She is post-modern Indian novelist. Though, her novels reflect the comic element, she is by nature a serious novelist stating the moral vision. All her novels depict her view of life—to some extent optimistic and mostly pessimistic. Her life provides subject matter and themes for her works. But this reflection does not make her works purely autobiographical. Some real experiences also provide themes for her works.

These novels, though, won several prizes and awards; Shobha De has not been included among the prominent contemporary women writers. She has written ten novels with a variety of themes as marital and family life, ghosts, impact of social and political policies, alienation and repression of women, inequalities of class, race and gender; historical novels based on the religion and redemption. She shows a unique sensibility combining compassion and black humour.

The thrust of this study was the thematic study of Shobha Des novels as it has been mentioned by many reviewers and critics that there is great variety with regard to themes in the writings of Shobha De and it is quite difficult pigeonholing her in one of the traditions of Indian English literature. Moreover, she displays her varied interests through her writings. Thus, there is only one thing that can relate all her works that is her handling of various themes. She presents the multiple themes without restricting herself in one of the genre of the novel. She has tried her hand from domestic novel to the historical novels.

The present study is focused on the following points:

- 1. Shobha De's life and works and thematic in general.
- 2. The themes mostly occur: childhood, family and family life, isolation, mystery, subaltern, friendship, sexual relation, quest for identify, religion and culture contributing the basic theme of 'transformation'
- 3. Major themes restricted to some novels.
- 4. Sub-themes in the novels.
- 5. The reflection of all the themes culminating to the basic theme of transformation through characterization mostly.
- 6. Multi-thematization in the novels.

The current research work seeks to observe the selected novels under analysis from thematic point of view. It is divided into six chapters:

The first chapter of this research work would deal with the brief history of Indian English women novelists. The concepts of feminism, feminine sensibility would be discussed. This chapter would also take the sweeping survey of Indian English women novelists such as Kamala Markandaya R.P. Jhabvala, Jai Nimbkar, Anita Desai, Shashi Despande, Gita Hariharan, Shobha De and other contemporary women novelists. It is being an introductory has two sections: the first section presents a brief biographical sketch of Shobha De. The section contains her life in which her childhood and her illness playing vital role in adopting the career as a writer; her literary output. The second section discusses the thematic approach on the basis of the various definitions of theme and themes in the novels of Shobha De; and the literary and philosophical influences on her writing. The section discusses the theoretical aspects of the multiple themes.

The Second chapter, 'A Thematic Analysis in *Socialite Evenings*' deals with the thematic analysis of the present novel broadly divided on the basis of the early writing representing the early phase of her writing. In this novel, the writer, Shobha De tries to explore the themes like childhood, family relations, mystery, alchemy, social identity, revenge, culture and transformation.

The researcher finds that in the today's civilization, it is man who misuses and his subaltern behave about female. She also comes across with the male's dialect in the erasure from their psyche of every feeling about female's autonomy as well as impartiality. In the *Socialite Evenings*, the female protagonist, Karuna and her metaphors are yearning to complete her bodily need. She frequently departs emblematically the protrusion about her imagine, her vision that is an actuality in Malabar Hill.

But Karuna's male is not an unkind human being. Yet, he tosses left her crimes similar to her sex with another male, Girish. In a while, she goes from her male's home and staying with Anjali. One more time, the thought is Karuna, whether her father should believe with Karuna as a baby. She also presents a feeling about her beliefs, later than, her male-companion has conversed with her at duration regarding their resolution.

<u>The third chapter</u>, 'A Thematic Analysis in *Sisters*' also shows the multithematic handling of the writer. It also reflect the themes like childhood, family and family relations, conspiracy, violence, hetero-sexuality, sex and morality, apartheid, ambition, poverty, greed, sacrifice, myth criticism of social and political system and transformation.

The researcher also highlights on the Mikki's character. In the *Sisters*, Mikki's wedding ceremony too turns into a need. This is because it gives them safety, category as well as extravagance. However, it allows to them to pamper with infidelity, to infidelity is potential simply inside wedding ceremony. It may start like a probable get away from the hollow wedding like occurs with the case of Mikki and her sister Alisha's sexual relation. In spite of this surface about female's individuality, in *Sisters* Mikki and Alisha, both struggle their system behind their separation, finds gratitude with marketing as well as TV invention. Therefore, the novelist, Shobha De highlights on the aestheticism, feminine one and female's liberation.

<u>The fourth chapter</u>, 'A Thematic Analysis in *Strange Obsession*' covers the thematic analysis of the various themes that means within the first decade of the 21st century. Shobha De deals with childhood, family and family relations, conspiracy, belief, culture, masculinity, subaltern, homo-sexuality and conspiracy, criticism of social and political systems, marriage and transformation.

Therefore, the researcher observes that the Shobha De's female characters do not huge to sex and subalternity. They also have created some lesbian aspects like fight back about sex and homo-sexuality. They are entirely self-determining of male. Self-determination stands for a being capable to get worry about one's own desires with a vigorous behavior, devoid of a male. Sex-Freedom is culture to enjoyment her-self. It might be allowed to female. It is a society about subaltern on homo-sexual on sex prejudices to female. The gloom vanishes from the female's hallucination. They also observe that the lucid beam of the time of the understanding as well as finding of their genuine feminine identity.

The fifth chapter, 'A Thematic Analysis in *Snapshots*' Shobha De is a writer with feminist leanings. And it is interesting and at the same time awesome to see women seeking sexual relationship with women without bothering for any social sanction. Shobha De's women go all out in enjoying the status as new modern woman. They shatter the age-old concept of the traditional Indian woman with their assertive, individualistic and carefree attitude towards life. In this new image the new women have got extreme independence in almost every field and one of the most striking and freedoms they enjoy is sexual freedom. No longer is the new woman dependent on man for her sexual fulfillment. De has made a bold and innovative attempt to portray heterosexual relationships.

In this chapter, Shobha De also challenges to illustrate feminine sensitivity. Into all-purpose being; woman like man is opposed to desire to freedom in the entire, they go to and thankfulness. They move violently for impartiality for female privileges customarily as well as politically. They highlight on the implication of female within the development.

The final chapter, 'Conclusions' covers Shobha De's various thematic comparisons with her contemporary and some women writers with regard to their thematic handling. It takes a stock of the analysis done in previous chapters to evaluate her contribution to English novel as a contemporary novelist and her skill in handling multiple themes contributing to the theme of transformation in all her novels.

6.2 Findings:

Some of the writers have not claimed that they belong to feminist's movement yet their writings suggest that their inner spirit and feelings are for the welfare of the women only.

- The above study shows that women writers have gone up from difficult to tribal and rural areas too, but all of them have expressed their concern for women and their problems.
- 2. The variety of subjects, they have touched upon is a huge contribution in creating awareness for the modern women all over the globe.
- 3. The Shobha De's novels come out to be avant-garde as well as intolerable to a long-established empire, on the other hand, what she is irritating to make known during this individualist technique is the in existence being as a feminine overpowering inside the restraints of the urges of a patriarchal culture.
- 4. The writer declares that require of each feminine to be accredited as a person everyone all through her writings.
- 5. Each female character has an identity, individuality and a yearning to achieve the pinnacle of this broad globe, other than; she is without all this human rights.
- 6. The diversity of themes handled by them considering Indian environment needs an appreciation.

- 7. Shobha De's fiction have headings that start with 'S' like does her initial name.
- 8. Shobha De's first novel, *Socialite Evenings* is based on the voyage of a well-known Mumbai socialite named, Karuna who is from ordinary middle-rank young woman to a socialite Indian civilization.
- 9. Within her voyage Karuna's search to come across regarding her own identity overlays the method to turn into anyone enough female.
- 10. During, the *Socialite Evenings*, the female protagonist, Karuna stands for an Indian female who declares her female consciousness during objection as well as disobedience. She records like a female not sufferer.
- 11. Shobha De deals with the influence equation with male-female and their transformation in the substance of fine art.
- 12. The Researcher does not want to pigeonholes connected with man inventive illustration of female. The female protagonist, Karuna discards the hierarchisation of man standards where the feminine issue is abridged to an unenthusiastic as well as is approximately invalidated.
- 13. Shobha De's female characters like, Meenakshi, Amrita, Reema, Reena, Swati, Surekha, Alisha and other females are realized that they are going to become dead of ethnically as well as generally forced to sex, love, homo-sex and subalternity with them.
- 14. The current research work also emphasizes on the more sexual relations with other male of the Shobha De's female in classify to acquire divest about their inflexible along with traditional wedded task.
- 15. The more sexual relations with other male appear to do like respirator offer unmarked space to such affairs that are stifled with miserable setting reasoned with incorrect option and incompatible. As a result, these females move toward about that homo-sexual subaltern that is compulsory to them.

- 16. Shobha De's female characters attempt to preserve their stability with flourishing profession and unbeaten wedded living-life.
- 17. She also struggles to examine regarding the consciousness as well as suffering. It is under the enchanting and dazzling life of the female in the writings of Shobha de.
- 18. While it moves toward their relation with other males. Their psychosomatic troubles are the equal whether they feel right to high-class or lover-class of the culture.
- 19. The novelist describes that the female with so more dynamism as well as aptitude. On the other hand, they do not have any difficulty, important a living-life of their own; violently disobey of the patriarchal standards with culture.
- 20. Though, it is imperative reality that the Shobha De and her novels are packed to women, the investigation of her writings also disclose her center is merely on the female characters, one more, other minor female character are basically declared.
- 21. Moreover, Shobha De's writings move about simply the urban female while rustic female does not come across position through her fiction. They are entirely unobserved.
- 22. The novelist also confines to her female protagonists to the metropolitan region, disregarding their everyday living-life, uneducated as well as rustic females in India.
- 23. However, the writer has symbolized her females who pamper to open-sex, living trendy as well as prosperous existence, she called them modern female.
- 24. The present research work highlights on the sex prejudice, all selected fiction assist to enlarge as well as unswerving feelings with traditional beliefs to applicable troubles to distressing females in Indian civilization.

25. Finally, her selected fictions are used to criticize in variety to classify to discover its innovative life of the person's consciousness in the contemporary area.

6.3 Some Suggestions for the Further Research work:

The researcher thinks that the present study is not the final statement about the novels. Rather, these novels may be seen from the perspectives of:

- 1. Application of feminist theories.
- 2. The thematic study of the fiction is also suggested.
- 3. The application of the psychoanalytical theories will give remarkable output.

The suggestions regarding the scope of the research of these novels are certainly useful for the up-and-coming intellectuals think about of the source the fiction from the diverse angels.

* * *

BIBLIOGRAPHY

Primary Sources:

De, Shobha. <i>Small Betrayals</i> , <i>Forthcoming book</i> , Hay House India, New Delhi, 2014.
Shobha: Never a Dull De, Hay House India, New Delhi, 2013.
Shobha at sixty, Hay House India, New Delhi, 2010.
Speedpost, Penguin, New Delhi. 1999.
Surviving Men, Penguin, New Delhi, 1998.
Selective Memory, Penguin, New Delhi. 1998.
Second Thoughts, Penguin, New Delhi. 1996.
Small Betrayals, UBS Publishers' Distributors, 1995.
Snapshots, New Delhi: Penguin Books, 1995.
Shooting from the hip, UBS, Delhi, 1994.
Sultry Days, Penguin, New Delhi. 1994.
Uncertain Liaisons, Penguin, New Delhi. 1993.
Strange Obsession, New Delhi: Penguin Books, 1992.
Sisters, Penguin, New Delhi. 1992.
Starry Nights, India, Penguin, New Delhi, 1989.
Socialite Evenings, India, Penguin, New Delhi, 1989.

Secondary Sources:

- Anderson, Linda. At the Threshold of Self: Women and Autobiography. Moira Monteith (ed). Women's Writing a Challenge to Theory. Sessex: Harvester Press, 1986.
- Barat, Urbashi. From Victim to Non-Victim: *Socialite Evenings* as a version of Kunstlerroman. Jaydipsinh Dodiya (ed). *The Fiction of Shobha De*. New Delhi, Prestige Books, 2000.
- ______. Feminism in The Day in Shadow: Archetypal Patterns and Interpersonal Relationships. K. K. Sharma (ed). Points of View. New Delhi: K.K. Publications, 1995.
- _____.The Medium is the Message: A Study of Snapshots. Jaydipsinh Dodiya (ed). The Fiction of Shobha De: Critical Studies. New Delhi: Prestige Books, 2000.
- Barche, G. D. Facets of Feminism in Indian English Fiction. R. K. Dhawan (ed).

 Indian Women Novelists. Set III. Vol. I. New Delhi: Prestige Books, 1995.
- Beauvoir, Simone De. *The Second Sex*. Trans. H.M. Parshley. Penguin: Harmondsworth, 1979.
- Chakranarayan, Mohini. *Style Studies in Anita Desai*. New Delhi: Atlantic Publications, 2000.
- Das, Bijay Kumar. *The author and the Text: A Study of Shobha De's Snapshots*. *Critical Essays on Post-colonial Literature.* 2nd ed. New Delhi: Atlantic Publishers and Distributors, 2007.
- De, Shobha. *Selective Memory: Stories From My Life*. New Delhi: Penguin Books, 1998.
- Dwyer, Rachel. *Starry Nights: The Novels of Shobha De.* Theo D' Haen (ed). (*Un)Writing Empire.* Amsterdam: Rodopi. B.V, 1998.

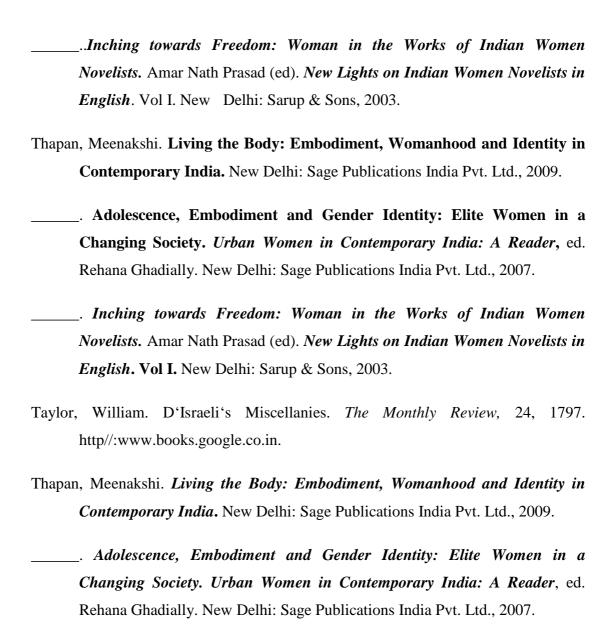
- Friedman, Susan Stanford. Women's Autobiographical Selves: Theory and Practice.

 Shari Benstock (ed). The Private Self: Theory and Practice of Women's Autobiographical Writings. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1988.
- Gaur, Rashmi. Images of Indian women in Shashi Deshpande's That Long Silence: Stereotypes, Myths and Realities. Women's Writing: some facets. New Delhi: Sarup & Sons, 2003.
- Giri, Mohini. Women are Not Just Commodities. The Tribune, 19 June 1998.
- Iyengar, K.R. Srinivasa. *Indian Writing in English*. 3rd ed. New Delhi: Sterling Publishers Private Ltd., 1983.
- Jain, Jasbir. Nayantara Sahgal. Pier Paolo Piciucco (ed). *A Companion to Indian Fiction in English*. New Delhi: Atlantic Publishers and Distributors, 2004.
- Jhabvala, Ruth Prawer. Esmond in India. Harmondsworth: Penguin, 1980.
- Khan A.G. Shobha De Vatsyayani. Veena Noble Das and R.K. Dhawan (eds). *Fiction of the Nineties*. New Delhi: Prestige Books, 1998.
- Kumar, Anil. *Kamala Markandaya: A Thematic Study*. New Delhi. Sarup & Sons, 1995.
- Kumar, Nagendra. *The Fiction of Bharati Mukherjee: A cultural Perspective*. New Delhi: Atlantic Publishers and Distributors, 2001. *Practice of Women's Autobiographical Writings*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1988.
- Gaur, Rashmi. Images of Indian women in Shashi Deshpande's That Long Silence: Stereotypes, Myths and Realities. Women's Writing: some facets. New Delhi: Sarup & Sons, 2003.
- Iyengar, K.R. Srinivasa. *Indian Writing in English*. 3rd [Ed.] New Delhi: Sterling Publishers Private Ltd., 1983.

- Jain, Jasbir. Nayantara Sahgal. Pier Paolo Piciucco (ed). *A Companion to Indian Fiction in English*. New Delhi: Atlantic Publishers and Distributors, 2004.
- Jhabvala, Ruth Prawer. *Esmond in India*. Harmondsworth: Penguin, 1980.
- Khan A.G. Shobha De Vatsyayani. Veena Noble Das and R.K. Dhawan (eds). *Fiction of the Nineties*. New Delhi: Prestige Books, 1998.
- Kumar, Anil. *Kamala Markandaya: A Thematic Study*. New Delhi. Sarup & Sons, 1995.
- Kumar, Nagendra. *The Fiction of Bharati Mukherjee: A cultural Perspective*. New Delhi: Atlantic Publishers and Distributors, 2001.
- Kumar, Sudhir. *Artist as Vamp: A Feminist Approach to Starry Nights.* Jaydipsinh Dodiya (Ed). *The Fiction of Shobha De: Critical Studies.* New Delhi: Prestige Books, 2000.
- Lejeune, Philip. *On Autobiography*. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 1989.
- Markandaya, Kamala. *Nectar in a Sieve*. Bombay: Jaico, 1973.
- Mukherjee, Bharati. *Jasmine*. New York: Grove Weidenfled, 1989.
- Mullaney, Julie. *Arundhati Roy's The God of Small Things: A Reader's Guide.* New York: The Continuum International Publishing Group Inc., 2002.
- Myles, Anita. *The Enigma of Feminist Existentialism in Shobha De's Snapshots*.

 Jaydipsinh Dodiya (ed). *Indian Women Novelists in English*. New Delhi: Sarup & Sons, 2006.
- Pathak, R.S. *Modern Indian Novel in English*. New Delhi: Creative Books, 1999.
- Pratt, Annis. *The Archetypal Patterns in Women's Fiction*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1981.

- Raizada, Harish. *East-West Confrontation in the Novels of Kamala Markandaya*. Madhusudan Prasad (ed). *Perspectives on Kamala Markandaya*. Ghaziabad: Vimal Prakashan, 1984.
- Rani, G. Sheela Swarupa. *The Quest that Led to Take Decisions: Socialite Evenings*. Jaydipsinh Dodiya (ed). *The Fiction of Shobha De*. New Delhi: Prestige Books, 2000.
- Roy, Arundhati. *The God of small Things*. New Delhi: India Ink Publishing Co Pvt. Ltd., 1997.
- Sahgal, Nayantara. *A Passion called India*. K. Satchidanandan (ed). *Authors Speak*. New Delhi: sahitiya Akademi, 2006.
- ______. *Storm in Chandigarh*. London: Hienemann, 1969.
 ______. *The Day in Shadow*. London: London Magazine Editions.1975.
- Singh, Hitaishi. Feminism in Post-Independence India: Contribution of Women English Writers. Anju Bala Agarwal (ed). Post-Independence Indian Writing in English. New Delhi: Author press, 2008.
- Sinha, Raghuvir. *Social Change in Indian Society*. New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company, 1978.
- Smith, Sidonie and Julia Watson. *Reading Autobiography: A Guide for Interpreting Life Narratives*. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2001.
- Smith, Sidonie. A Poetics of Women's Autobiography: Marginality and the Fictions of Self-representation. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1987.
- Smitha, K. Autobiographical Elements in The God of Small Things. K.V. Surendran (ed). Women's Writing in India: New Perspectives. New Delhi: Sarup & Sons, 2002.
- Sree, Prof. S. Parasanna, ed. *Psycho Dynamics of Women in the Post Modern Literature*. New Delhi: Sarup & Sons, 2008.



- Trivedi, Nisha. Search for Identity in Starry Nights. Jaydipsinh Dodiya (ed). The Fiction of Shobha De: Critical Studies. New Delhi: Prestige Books, 2000.
- Vats, Naresh K. Shobha De: A Critical Response. New Delhi: Creative Books, 2010.
- Verma, Shivika. *The Novels of Shobha De: A Feminist Study*. Binod Mishra and Sanjay Kumar (eds). *Indian Writings in English*. New Delhi: Atlantic Publishers and distributors, 2006.
- Walsh, William. *Indian Literature in English*. London: Longman, 1990.

Wanjari, Priya. *De-Analysis of Marital Relationships. Contemporary Fiction:* An Anthology of Female Writers. Ed. Vandna Pathak, Urmila Dabir and Shubha Mishra. New Delhi: Sarup & Sons. 2008.

Woods, Tim. Beginning Postmodernism. Viva Books, New Delhi. 2010.

Wright, Elizabeth. Lacan and Postfeminism. Worldview India, Delhi. 2005.

* * *