

A study on trends of women's political participation in recent times

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Political participation is a basic concept in political science and scholars have defined the concept in different ways. It may be defined as the actions of private citizens seeking to influence or support government and politics. However, simply political participation means that a person participating for political process under her/his personal attitude and beliefs. However, there is a discussion among the society about the women's political participation because the women's political participation seems to be not impressive than the male political participation. Anyhow the main objective of this paper is to identify the trends of women's political participation in present era. This study is based on secondary data, which obtained by reports, research papers, relevant books and articles. Also content analysis used as for the methodology. Finally the study reveals that there are many negative and positive trends of women's political participation such as there are political movement which conducted by women's to gain their rights, women's are still in a lower level of participating for politics and policy making procedures because their numbers are comparatively lower than that of men and also some countries took positive steps to increase women's political participation such as introducing a quota system in Sri Lanka.

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