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The forthcoming issue proposes to explore the intersectionality of disability studies with gender, caste, class and other vectors. Though no longer treated as individual medical pathology and widely acknowledged as a key defining social category, a gendered approach to disability is still a far cry. Neither women's studies nor the disability studies have amply addressed the issues and concerns vis-a-vis women with disability or the gendered concerns of disability. In the light of the shift in nomenclatures from handicapped to disabled to differently abled or from *Viklang* (deficient body) to *Divyang* (divine body), the gendered dimension of the lived realities of this significant section of society (over 80 million population in India) needs to be studied, researched and theorised for direct action, access, equity and justice.

Some of the themes the issue aims to highlight are:

- Contemporary constructions of women with disability in India and the world: biomedical, social and political perspectives
- Disabled women in disability movements: Disabled women in feminist movements
- Gendered approach to disability narratives in literature, culture, Media and Cinema; women writing disability; Biopolitics and Aesthetics; Women with disability in ableist, masculinist narratives
- The State, Civil Society and Women with disability: politics and practice
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