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**QUESTION:** Is Gender Relations Changing in the 21st Century? What are the areas of change and the factors driving it.

**Gender** is a state of being a male or female. It can also be defined with reference to social and cultural differences rather than biological differences. Or relations between men and women, both perceptual and material, It is not determined biologically as a result of sexual characteristics of either women or men but is constructed socially.

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