

Preface

The present Ph.D. thesis **Women and Politics at the Grassroots: A Study of the Role of Women in Uttar Dinajpur District.** tries to explore the patterns and dimensions of women participation, role and other dimensions in the system of Panchyati Raj in the District of Uttar Dinajpur. Attempt has been made to explore the origin of the system of Panchyati Raj in India, the 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act, its impact and contribution in the matter of women empowerment and other related areas.

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