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 Women's Empowerment and Economic Development: A
 Feminist Critique of Storytelling Practices in
 "Randomista" Economics, Written by – Naila Kabeer
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#### **ABSTRACT**

The 2019 Nobel Prize in economics was awarded to three scholars on the grounds that their pioneering use of randomized control trials (RCTs) was innovative methodologically and contributed to development policy and the emergence of a new development economics. Using a critical feminist lens, this article challenges that conclusion by interrogating the storytelling practices deployed by "randomista" economists through a critical reading of a widely cited essay by Esther Duflo, one of the 2019 Nobel recipients, on the relationship between women's empowerment and economic development.

The paper argues that the limitations of randomista economics have given rise to a particular way of thinking characterized by piecemeal analysis, ad hoc resort to theory, indifference to history and context, and methodological fundamentalism.

#### Feminist Economics - Vol.26, No.2, 2020

 Gendered Time, Seasonality, and Nutrition: Insights from Two Indian Districts, Written by – Nitya Rao & S.Raju
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#### **ABSTRACT**

Some of the key pathways linking agriculture and nutrition run through women's work, yet the evidence on these links are weak. Using time-use data from two Indian districts, this paper seeks to fill this gap. In principle, women's agricultural work could have positive and negative implications for nutrition, through increased control over incomes or intensifying work burdens. The emerging evidence points to the nuanced ways in which social identity, seasonality, and context mediate women's work in agriculture and consequently food intakes and feeding practices.

#### Feminist Economics - Vol.26, No.2, 2020

<u>Female Headship and Women's Work in Nepal, Written</u>
 by – Pratistha Joshi Rajkarnikar & Smita Ramnarain

#### **ABSTRACT**

Literature on household headship has, by and large, tended to homogenize female-headed households (FHHs). This study presents a mixed-methods approach disaggregating the experiences of female-headed households (FHHs) in the post-conflict period in Nepal. One of four households in Nepal is estimated to be headed by a woman, either due to conflict-related male deaths (*de jure*, or widow heads) or men's out-migration (*de facto*, or wives of migrants). The study examines similarities and differences in the work responsibilities and labor market participation of *de jure* and *de facto* female

heads using quantitative data from the Nepal Living Standards Survey (NLSS) and qualitative data collected through fieldwork in Nepal.

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<u>Drivers of Gendered Sectoral and Occupational</u>
 <u>Segregation in Developing Countries</u>, <u>Written by – Mary</u>
 <u>Borrowman & Stephan Klasen</u>

#### **ABSTRACT**

Occupational and sectoral segregation by gender is remarkably persistent and a major contributor to gender wage gaps. We investigate the determinants of aggregate occupational and sectoral segregation by gender in developing countries using a unique, household-survey-based aggregate cross-country database including sixty-nine countries between 1980 and 2011. Using two aggregate measures of segregation the study shows that occupational and sectoral segregation has increased over time in many countries. It finds that income levels have no impact on occupational or sectoral segregation; trade openness has little impact on sectoral segregation but increases occupational segregation.

### Economic and Political Weekly - Vol.55, No.22, May 30, 2020

 A Gender-responsive Policy and Fiscal Response to the Pandemic, Written by - Jashodhara Dasgupta & Sona Mitra [Full Article downloadable]

#### **ABSTRACT**

It is important to include women and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex+ persons in the monitoring and accountability mechanisms of the government. A policy that is based on gender concerns and a gender-sensitive fiscal response to the ongoing health crisis as well as the period after that is the need of the hour.

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There has been near-universal adoption of work-from-home in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. Does this shift have similar implications for men and women? What does workfrom-home mean for different categories of women, and what are the implications of this shift in terms of class, nature of work, location of work, and degrees of informality?

Economic and Political Weekly - Vol.55, No.21, May 23, 2020

 Health and Nutrition of India's Labour Force and COVID-19 Challenges, Written by - Uma Lele, Sangeeta Bansal & J V Meenakshi [Full Article Downloadable]

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#### Contributions to Indian Sociology - Vol.54, No.1, 2020

 The missing dalit women in testimonies of #MeToo sexual violence: Learnings for social movements,
 Written by -Rupali Bansode

#### **ABSTRACT**

While the #MeToo movement inspired many women to share their stories of

sexual harassment on social media, the impact of the movement in India remains limited as it did not reflect the voices of subjects who have been historically marginalised. This note discusses the ways in which the erasure of dalit women's testimonies of sexual violence happens by reflecting on a few central aspects of Satyabhama's case, a victim/survivor of a caste-based incident of sexual violence in Maharashtra.

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