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The status of any group or section of society is intimately related to its economic position. The economic role of women has been acknowledged the world over as a good measure of women's status in society. Several statistical indicators have been evolved to measure the economic status of women in India. However, women's economic role is beset with problems of myriad pre-conceived notions and there is often observed to be a conflict with their perceived roles vis-à-vis the harsh realities of life.

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