

Gender, Subaltern Studies and the Invisibility of Women

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ABSTRACT This paper addresses the issue of gender and women's invisibility. The first section considers traditional anthropological approaches to gender. The second section illustrates how feminist historians have attempted to reveal processes of exclusive. The third section looks at the links between feminist historiography and the objective of the *Subaltern Studies* scholars, namely, the reconstruction of the past from the reconstructed perspectives of those "hidden from history." This is followed by a critical assessment of the collective's expressed aim, illustrated from a range of contributions, and with specific reference to gender.