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- i. Ramabai championed the cause of women's education. She never went to school but learnt to read and write from her parents.
- ii. She was given the title 'Pandita' because she could read and write Sanskrit, a remarkable achievement as women then were not allowed such knowledge.
- iii. She went on to set up a Mission in Khedgaon near Pune in 1898, where widows and poor women were encouraged not only to become literate but to be independent.

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- i. Laxmi Lakra is from a poor tribal family in Jharkhand. She is the first woman engine driver for Northern Railways.
- ii. Laxmi studied in a government school. She studied hard and did well and then went on to get a diploma in electronics.
- iii. She then took the railway board exam and passed it on her first attempt. In this way she broke the stereotype that engine drivers could be men only.
- iv. Laxmi says, "I love challenges and the moment somebody says it is not for girls, I make sure I go ahead and do it." Laxmi has had to do this several times in her life – when she wanted to take electronics; when she rode motorcycles at the polytechnic; and when she decided to become an engine driver.