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Ans. Ambedkar was born into a Mahar family. In 1927, Ambedkar started a temple entry movement, in which his Mahar caste followers participated. Brahman priests were outraged when the Dalits used water from the temple tank. Ambedkar led three such movements for temple entry between 1927 and 1935. His aim was to make everyone see the power of caste prejudices within society.

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Ans. Rammohun Roy – Ban on Sati

Dayanand Saraswati - Widow Remarriage

Veerasalingam Pantulu - Widow Remarriage

Jyotirao Phule - Caste Equality

Pandita Ramabai - Equality and Freedom for Women

Periyar – Equality for Untouchables

Mumtaz Ali - Women's Education

Ishwarchandra Vidyasagar - Widow Remarriage

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Ans. The following were the reasons people had for not sending girls to school.

i. They feared that schools would take girls away from home, prevent them from doing their domestic duties.

ii. Moreover, girls had to travel through public places in order to reach school.

iii. Many people felt that this would have a corrupting influence on them.

iv. They felt that girls should stay away from public spaces.