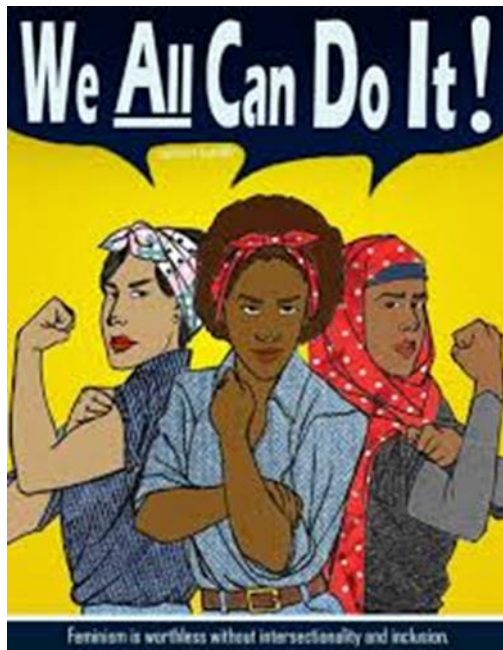
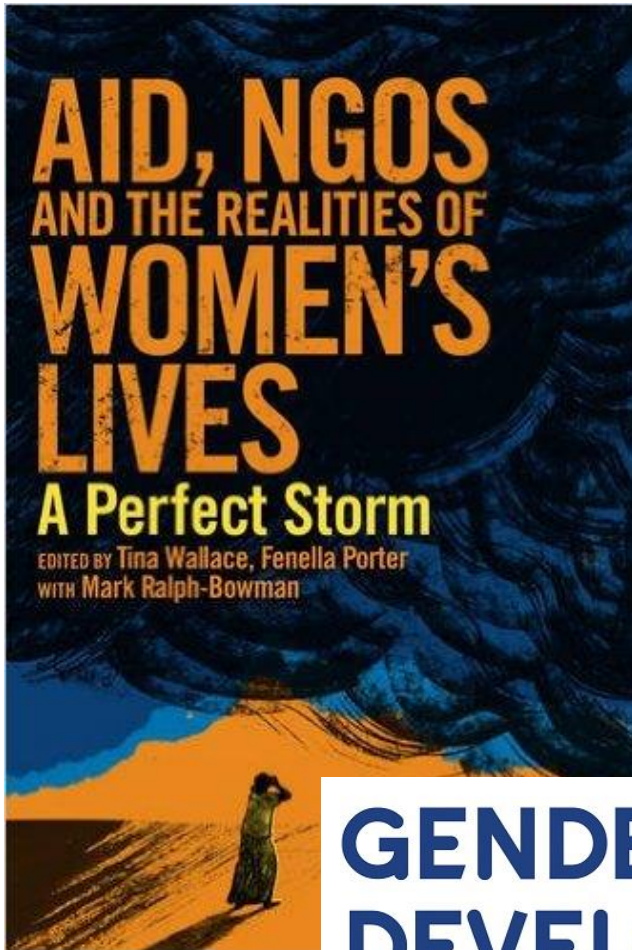


Where (or what) is the feminism in development research?



A hostile landscape



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More money for
'women and girls', but a
shrinking space for
feminist analysis

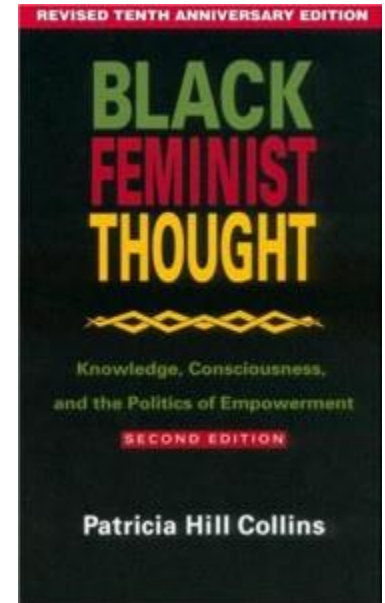
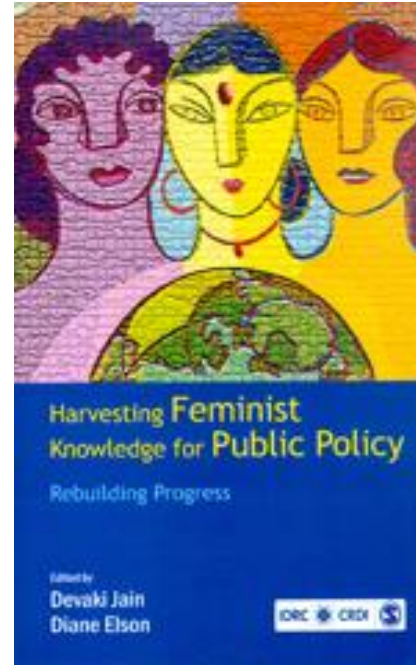
Complacency amongst
feminists? Becoming
distant from the struggle?

No room for critical
thought, reflexivity and
praxis

We lose good
people

It's not what we do, it's how we do it ...

- GADN Feminist Alternatives project – about *doing* things differently; but how do we measure that?
- Space for rights?
- Also about *knowing* things differently – relationships of power central
- Power has shifted back to the North and back to fitting within the dominant social and cultural norms
- Reclaiming feminism means challenging that power



"Well-behaved women rarely make history."

Where are we now?

- Brexit, Priti Patel and other issues ... potentially even more hostile landscape to women's rights, and to development; re-emerging importance of trade in the aid landscape.
- Other aspects in terms of how the UK women's movement is positioned internationally? The importance of alliances and of ensuring work is linked through *feminist* analysis – particularly important in UN etc.

Different assumptions – and some questions

- Changing relationships and working in a different way – solidarity and movement building; funding relationships?
- Recognising the energy from the global South, without sapping it
- Working with other movements – black lives matter, labour movements, feminist movements
- There are opportunities – but also challenges. Do we risk peoples' jobs, livelihoods, and the hard-won trust and respect of governments and donors?

Thinking about ways forward?

