

Importance of Women Education for Rural Development: A Study

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Abstract: Education is an infinite process for human life. Generally, women education is play a vital role for growth of next generation. In this study it is found that the women there are superstitious beliefs, social discrimination, gender differentiation, those creates obstacle for development of women education. The education of women will help to remove the social stigma that surrounds it. It is the key to eliminating social evils such as female infanticide, dowry, child marriage, harassment, etc. This will not just help the women of today but of the future generations who can live in a world where gender equality exists. Education is key factor for women all type development likes- empowerment, prosperity, development and welfare etc. This paper is trying to study the obstacles of education in women and social structure.

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Introduction:

Education is a important weapon which helps a lot for developing a society. Education is a life-long process. Great western philosopher Plato states that “ Education to develop in the body and in the soul (of the people) all the beauty and all the perfection of which are capable”. It can be mentions that in our country, the scenario of education of women devastating state. It also states that through literacy rate of India conducted by census. At present, in India recorded a higher nationwide literacy rate among men than women, at respectively 84.4% of male percent of male population and 71.5% percent of female population. There is continued inequality and vulnerability of women in all sectors and women oppressed in all spheres of life and they need to be empowered in all walk of life. In order to fight against the socially constructed gender biases, women have to swim against the system that requires more strength. Such strength comes from the education and the process of empowerment. It also mentions that rural development will come from women education. Women are playing a vital role in our society. According to Jawaharlal Nehru Education of boys is education for one person, but education of a girl is the education for the entire family.

Women can give unbelievable contribution to society for the progress. A woman is capable of building such children who may lead the society to the path of progress and prosperity. Educated women makes own family and societies cultured. An important aim of Education is modifications of behavior. In all types behavior are came from education. A woman can try to change our society by her own activities. Woman education is most essential weapon for society

development. Basically in rural areas woman are unable got proper education. Women education is necessary for the achievement of all sided development of our country. A country then grow up when the rural areas also growing on. Without rural development and a country can establish a rich country in all sides. For rural development we give the important of women education. Socially, culturally, economically, politically when a woman can establish own then it's make an important for rural development. Women are an integral part of society and women also play an important role in the social and economic life of rural India. While rural males have opportunities in construction, trade, transport, storage and services, there are mostly denied to rural females. It also mentions that in the year 2011 census literacy rate of Indian population is 75.06 percent. Male literacy is 82.14 percent and female literacy is 65.46 there is vast difference between male literacy and female literacy which is most challengeable for a developing country. At present time women literacy is an urgent need for the development of the society. The destiny of our country is directly correlated with its rural transformation but rural areas women are deprived for the minimum facilities of enlightenment of education.

In this age of rapid advancement of science, technology and knowledge explosion, a country cannot survive as a real progress until all citizens are educated. But we find that in India 35% of women is groping in darkness because of its illiteracy. Therefore, Illiteracy is one of the most complicated problems of our country. Women also play an important role in the social and economic life of rural India. Women education needs to be strengthened to empower them, to play and active role as partner in the development process. Education makes women aware about different rules, regulation, policies etc. Education also can make them conscious about their right which is most essential for them and can help to developed self confidence. Education helps to transform women increase their production capability so that they can earn more as compared to an illiterate woman.

Importance of the Study:

An educated woman can help to uplift many lives. Therefore, Rural India requires to empower women by building education and employment opportunities for them. Allowing women to show up their potential and contribute to the welfare of the nation. Importance of women's education in Rural India. Educating women results in promoting self respect and also helps in raising the status of women. An educated woman will be aware of her rights. She can fight against social evils such as domestic violence, dowry demand, low wages etc.

Objectives of the Study:

The major objectives of the study are-

1. To highlight the nature of education among the women.
2. To examine the Cause and effect of education.
3. To examine the women education for rural development.

Methodology:

The source of data is secondary. The secondary data were collected from various books, journals, articles, news papers etc.

Role of education for rural development:

An education system in rural communities has the opportunity to build capacity and knowledge in the rural populace, helping them to make informed decisions about their farms and to innovate in agricultural affairs. Education also exposes the masses to information and helps prevent the misinterpretation of information. In India, education in the rural segments is not only important to eradicate poverty and illiteracy, but also for a variety of other social, economic as well as cultural

and political reasons. The role of education, both urban and rural, is huge in growth of the country's economy.

Educated women can get employment opportunities through which economic responsibility of the family can effectively be managed. Education make help a women how to managed different family related issue, social issues etc, are handled. Our constitution provide equal opportunities to all irrespective of gender absence of women from any of fields –social ,economic or political will be business and thereby lead to imbalance . So in order to maintain stability women should be educated so that they can actively participate in all fields.Educated women makes her mark in the fields of politics also. Not only the women of urban area but also the women of rural areas can utilize the facilities and benefits given by the government. Women education helps to beings out cultural development. The term culture means the socially standardized way of feeling, thinking and acting which an individual acquires as a member of the society, because the behavior of the people is influenced and controlled by the society.

Women education helps in the adoptions new innovation for better family living, leadership development, community development and improving public affairs for all round development. Women education helps the deprived people to know about the modern techniques of agriculture dairy animal husbandry and vetenary and many other vocation and improved standard of living. Women education also helps in bringing the gap created by the cultural lag by advising means of adjustment in the new environment. There are various types of Problems are arising for women Education. Government has not been devoting their full attention the expansion of women education. Most of the guardians of girls in rural areas due to their conservation do not agree to the idea of co-education. Extreme poverty provides another stumbling block in the fields of women's education etc. Hence, it mentions that for the improvement of women education following remedial measures may be accepted. The education of women should be regarded as major and a special problem in education for a good many years to come and bold and determined effort should be made to face its difficulties and magnitude and to close the existing gap between the education of men and women is as a time as possible. While education can be the same for both boys and girls then both are grow up own fields. In the fields of social education a determined effort should be made to increase the number of literacy class for women in rural areas and to carry out intensive campaigns for the spread of literacy amongst women. Industrial training centers should be established inadequate member to provide training women in these fields where women personal are needed.

Women represent half of the world's population. If women do not get proper education then they cannot develop their life. Educational attainment is the biggest constituent in ensuring empowerment of women. Therefore efforts should be made for giving literacy to each and every woman. Women mainly those of rural areas should be encouraged to attain education so that they can groom themselves and can bloom in society. For the improvement of women education the education of women should be regarded as major and a special problem in education.

Education is the doorway to the wider world and an exposition on rural infrastructure is incomplete without an assessment of the extent to which we have been able to open this door for the children of rural India. India has the largest education system in the world after China. However, issues of Quality education and access remain challenges in some parts of the Country. The role of education in facilitating social and economic progress is well accepted. Access to education is critical to access emerging opportunities that accompany economic growth. Keeping in view of this accepted fact there has been a major thrust on education since independence, but as far as ensuring quality education in rural India is concerned it has always been one of the biggest challenges for the governments.

Women are the primary caretakers of children and elders in every country of the world. International studies demonstrate that when the economy and political organization of a society

change, women take the lead in helping the family adjust to new realities and challenges. The contribution of women to a society's transition from pre-literate to literate likewise is undeniable. Basic education is key to a nation's ability to develop and achieve sustainability targets. Research has shown that education can improve agricultural productivity, enhance the status of girls and women, reduce population growth rates, enhance environmental protection, and widely raise the standard of living. It is the mother in the family who most often urges children of both genders to attend – and stay – in school. The role of women is at the front end of the chain of improvements leading to the family's, the community's long-term capacity. There are some overwhelming cultural and economic reasons why female children are not receiving the same medical, emotional, and educational attention as their male counterparts. The result is low literacy rate among women in rural areas. There has been increasing proportion of women, who are literate in just 20 years.

Education is the key factor in the development of the country and the people living over there. Women empowerment refers to the ability for women to enjoy their right to freedom and benefit from resources, assets, income and their own time, as well as the ability to manage risk and improve their economic status and well being. It results in building the personality of an individual. In other words, the pathway to human-development goes through the lanes of education. Education is one of the most important means of empowering women with the knowledge, skills, and self-confidence necessary to participate fully in the development process.

Conclusion:

Education is life-long process and it's no limitation and ending. Education also has become in present time an essential aspect of modern industrial and global society. In the different place of our country the women's educational condition is not good still today. Our society fails to give equal opportunities with male. Due to gender bias most of the women are faced various problems in the educational pursuing. For instance, economic, social, domestic problems etc. Education plays a vital weapon in eliminating many social crimes and evils against women prevailing in society. Social customs such as Sati, Dowry, Female infanticide, Flesh Trade, and other harmful customary practices can be eradicated through female education. An educated woman is pivotal in a civilized society and influences the beliefs and thoughts of its members. She stands up for the injustice pitted against women in the family or society against other girls or women.

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