

FACILITIES OF WOMEN & CHILDREN IN MNREGA: -A CASE STUDY

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ABSTRACT

In the presented research study is mentioned, the development of facilities related to women and children development in Surguja district, under Mahatma Gandhi Rastriya Gramin Rojgar Grantee yojanas, In the presented research work for collection of information & data's, 300 among public were interviewed & their answers have been used as major information, in preparing this research paper. Help from different officials like executive officer, chief executive officer and people related to manrega's & beneficiaries has been taken & analyzed seriously.

INTRODUCTION

Rastriya Grameen Rojgar Grantee Yojana is being operated, to remove the problem of unemployment in rural areas from 5th September 2005, under this Yojana. The rural adult & unskilled people whose employment is being provided for guaranteed 100 days, in a year. There is a provision for freedom of minimum employment in this Yojana. Under this Yojana, adult and unskilled members of each family, who wants employments for themselves, can register their names through the grampanchayat. Works being done under this Yojana are: water protection, water harvesting, planting, trees, developing forest, land irrigation, canals, etc., besides this, land acquired under the Indira Gandhi Awas Yojana of central government is being developed under this Yojana. Thus, this Yojana is a great to provide employment in rural areas.

RESULT AND EXPLANATIONS

Personal Study

Mr. "A" Chief Executive Officer (Occupation Age.55 Years-10 Shatyriye)

Mr. "A" is the chief executive officer in the district. He has been serving at different administration posts, for the last 22 years, successfully. Mr. "K" accepts Manrega, as a serious effort to create opportunities of employment in rural areas. According to him, several people have got employment under this Yojana. After getting the opportunities of Gramin employment, people are feeling relaxed in this life and they have prospered. There is a lack of facilities for the development of women and child in proper ways, which are being refused under this Yojana, by the government. But, he denied answering at the use of contract system machines and corruption being done, under this Yojana. He consisted upon awareness and bringing women forward in a large number, under this Yojana. He confessed that, a lot of work has been done under this Yojana. He also, suggested including some more work criteria, under this Yojana.

Mr. 'B' Occupation – Executive Officer

Age-38, Cast- Bramhin

Mr. 'B' is a district executive officer; he was appointed in the year 2009. He confessed that, manrega is a big effort to great opportunity, for employment in the rural area. According to Mr.'B', manrega should be well connected with

agriculture & rural livelihood. According to him, only durable work should be done under this Yojana. There is a great problem for the women workers, about taking care of their children at the work spot, due to domestic's responsibilities, lack of awareness among the women and distinction between male workers and female workers. There are less no of women workers in this Yojana. According to him, if the problem related to the women workers are resolved then they can continue their labour without any hindrance. Moreover, the salary being accounted through bank would be helpful for them.

Mr. 'C' Occupation- Sarpanch and Farmers Age- 56 Years, Sex – Male, Cast- Oroan”-

Mr. 'C' is working as sarpanch for last eight years. He expressed his dissatisfaction on the condition of women workers, under this Yojana. He also adds that, due to several problems there are less participating women workers in this Yojana. He says that, the government should increase the wage, provide facilities to rest and take care of their children; feeding time for their children etc. By providing these facilities, the no. of women workers can be increased. Mr. "C" told that, before launching this Yojana, a person has to wander here and there in search of work, the iguana has fixed. Their employment has raised their social and economic standard. He accepts that, delay in payment of wage, contract system & corruption are the chief obstacles in the way of the Yojana. He thinks that, social auditing can play an important role to such corruption.

Mr. "D" Occupation Social Workers

Age-42 Years, Sex- Male, Cast- Manikpuri

According to Mr."D", due to corrupt people, they are not getting employed in manrega, in a proper way. The district administration officer is not paying proper attention in this regard. As a result, many works are being done by the contractors, using machines at large scale, which Mr. "D" is upset on. According to him, there is lack of facilities related to women and child development. They are not being used properly. At local level, due to illiteracy people are unaware of these facilities. Mr."D" wants a company's social and cultural issues with employment in manrega, so that manrega becomes a source of social strength.

Mr.'E' Occupation – Labour, Age – 52 Sex – Male

Mr. "E" Works as labour of low level and his wife also work as a labor, in manrega scheme and he has three children. He says that, when he works alone, it was difficult for him to meet the expense of house, since the time his wife joined manrega, he is feeling relaxed in bearing the expenses of the house. He cares for his family in a better way now.

Mr.'F' Occupation – Anganwadi Workers, Age – 42 Sex – Female, Cast- Panika

Mrs. "F" is an anganwadi worker and she is bearing her responsibility, for last four years. She has got education till 12th. According to her, in her area, the awareness has been retied in women about their employment and she also takes help from a volunteer institution, to connect women from self help group and other social organizations. She adds that, we should make women aware of their rights & responsibilities, to increase their demand in work and to their part in social auditing. She is worried on the facilities that lack for women, on nurturing their kids during work hours.

Mr. "G" Occupation- Agriculture, Age- 38 Sex – Male, Cast- Gond, Education- High School

Mr. "G" work as a farmer in his area. He is living in the village for last 15 years, according to him since the menrega has started work in his area, people are neglecting their traditional work, especially working in agriculture

industry, which he feels is not good and he accepts that, along with providing work to people, training to establish their own employment must be provided to them with durable properties like canals, ponds, private works etc, should be covered under manrega. Women become independent through employment and it increases the social equality & creates a way of making women economically strong according him. Like other administrative bodies, there are also problems of corruption in manrega. He further adds that, workers in manrega should be provided with facilities for women, which are being provided to workers in government jobs. By doing this, the utility of yojana will increase.

Mrs. "H" Occupation – Labour, Age – 30years, Sex – Female, Cast- Kanwar, Education- Primary

Mrs. "H" has been working as labour in manrega for the last two years. After joining the manrega, her economic status is better, which was not the case earlier; as her drunken husband crapped money, leaving them in distress. Her husband was very irresponsible, though being a father of two children. Meanwhile, she met a woman of her village, who helped her in joining manrega. Now, she uses her wage in caring for her family and rearing her children. She puts forward her request on improving medical facilities and child rearing facilities, at work spot. According to her, those women of the village have joined manrega have increased their social and economic status in the village. She admits that, under manrega training for much self employment should be arranged, along with their work. She is satisfied with her wages and hence, Mrs. "H" has seen a positive change in her life after joining Manrega. To conclude, nil corruption and more required facilities, along with training would help Manrega function better.

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