

Decision making power among women in joint and nuclear families

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■ **ABSTRACT** : Women's decision making power is influenced by various socio-cultural factors, religion and their education, employment, marital structure and type of family. The present study highlights the women's decision making power as per their family type. The sample of 100 married women was taken for the study through multistage sampling method. Questionnaire was administered along with a scale regarding "Decision Making Power among Women" constructed by Jan (2004). The study reveals highly significant differences among women in joint and nuclear families regarding decisions for control on unnatural abortions and visit to friends.

■ **KEY WORDS**: Women, Decision making power, Family type, Fertility, Empowerment

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