



**RESEARCH ARTICLE :** **Role performance of Panchayats leaders in agriculture and rural development**

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**SUMMARY :** Present investigation was confined in purposively selected Hoshangabad district of Madhya Pradesh. Respondents were selected by proportionate method of sampling. Thus, the total sample size was 198. Result depicted that out of the total 198 respondents, the higher percentage (49.49%) of the respondents found in middle age group; they had primary education and belong to OBC caste. The result also revealed that the gender category of the respondents, most of Panchayat leaders had male (70.71%), small size of holding (40.40%) and their main occupation was agriculture (63.13%). The majority of leaders had medium annual income (49.49%), medium material possession (58.08%), medium source of information (53.54%) and medium extension participation (63.13%). Majority 51.51 per cent respondents were performing their role in the medium categories followed by 26.76 per cent were in the low and only 21.71 per cent were performing their role in high category. Knowledge about Panchayat activities and attitude towards Panchayati Raj system were positively and highly significant association with role performance of the respondents.

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