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Aspiraton of agricultural college students

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SUMMARY: The present study "aspiration of agricultural college students" was carried out in Nagpur tehsil of Nagpur district in Maharashtra state. In all 90 students from College Of Agriculture, Nagpur were selected from three faculties by random sampling method. The data were collected by personally interviewing the respondents with the help of structured interview schedule. Collected data were carefully examined, classified quantified and tabulated. Frequencies, mean, standard deviation, correlation of co-efficient analysis were employed for interpreting the results. Results obtained after analysis have been summarized as below. Findings revealed that Maximum percentages of the respondents (34.44%) families had small (1.01 to 2.00 ha) land holding. More than half of respondent's (52.22%) fathers had educated up to college and above. Less than half of respondents (31.11%) mothers were educated upto primary school. Majority of respondents (75.55%) were from medium family size (4 -6 members). More than half of the respondents (64.44%) belonged to rural area. More than half of respondents (62.22%) fathers had farming as occupation. Majority of the respondents (61.11%) secured 'distinction'. One third of the respondents family (31.11%) had high annual income in the range of (above Rs.2,00,000/-). Nearly all of the respondents (93.33%) came under male category. Majority of respondents (66.66%) were interested in doing M.Sc. (Ag.) and MBA. More than half of respondents (58.88%) were from medium economical aspiration. Majority of respondents (45.55%) were interested in banker as a career aspiration. More than half of respondents (52.22%) were from high agricultural aspiration. In the study it was found that land holding, family education status and annual family income had positive and significant relationship with aspiration of agricultural college students at 0.05 level of probability. Academic performance had positive and significant relationship with aspiration of agricultural college students at 0.01 level of probability. The variables size of family, family background and occupation of parents failed to show any significant relationship with aspiration of agricultural college students. It was found that in case of overall aspiration majority of respondents about 51.11 per cent had medium level of overall aspiration. The highly perceived constraints in aspiration of agricultural college students were unavailability of sport education to students, actual use of audio visual instruments for study not done, actual behavioral training is not given, regular periods are not conducted, internet facilities are not available in college, regular educational tours are not being organized, competitive exams are not preferred first, current affairs about agriculture are not being discussed.

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