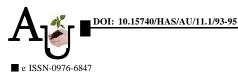
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## **Research Note:**

## Relationship of personal, socio-economic and situational characteristics with the empowerment of rural women

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**SUMMARY :** The present study was conducted in Nagpur district of Vidarbha region, Maharashtra State, with sample size of 120 women respondents from of 12 villages. The data were collected on personal and socio-economic characteristics, empowerment, participation in various activities run by Mahila Arthik Vikas Mahamandal. Out of 10 variables education, caste, land holding, family income were significant in explaining overall empowerment, at 0.01 level of probability. Similarly variable family occupation was also significant in explaining overall empowerment at 0.05 level of probability. All these characteristics were found to be significant in correlation analysis except type of family, size of family, age and extension participation.

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