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Research Note

Co-efficient of correlation between indicators of empowerment and socio-economic variables

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KEY WORDS: Empowerment, Socio-economic status/characteristics SUMMARY: As all of us know that empowerment is the process through which the person conceptualise its needs, talents and attributes in every sphere of life. In this process independent variables play significant role. With this view, a study conducted to identify correlation co-efficient between empowerment indicators and independent variables. Fifteen women entrepreneurs from each zonal area (North-East zone; North-West zone; South-East zone and South-west zone) of Agra city were selected running both boutique and beauty parlours. Thus, in all, 60 women entrepreneurs were selected for the present study. Primary data regarding decision making power and achievements after venturing into an enterprise were collected through interview schedule during year 2005. For collecting data regarding S.E.S. and sense of personal efficacy were collected through S.E.S. scale of Trivedi (1963) and sense of personal efficacy of Mehta (1995). Based on nature of information, co-efficient of correlation was used as statistical measure. The study revealed that decision making was positively and significantly correlated with socio-economic variables age, family type and social participation and negatively correlated with marital status and family occupation. Sense of personal efficacy was positively and significantly correlated with age, education, marital status, social participation and family income, while negatively correlated with family size and family occupation. Achievements after venturing into an enterprise of women entrepreneurs was positively and significantly correlated with social participation with the help of this paper, policy maker and executives can take action for making people/entrepreneurs empowerment the people those are not from business background. Finally, it can said that empowerment process is known exploration of power in a person i.e. present in a person naturally and polished according to situational requirement for adjustment. It happens when a person take/give responsibility to perform according to their decision-making ability. Continuous practices of these performances make/develop sense of personal efficacy in an individual. Therefore, Government/non-government and concerned organization should do effort for awaked women entrepreneurs, those are doing effort for making family economy balanced directly and national economy indirectly.

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