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## Economic empowerment of women through self-help groups (SHGs)

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**ABSTRACT** : The present was conducted in twelve villages of Latur district of Marathwada region of Maharashtra state to assess the economic empowerment of women through SHG. A multistage random sampling technique was used to select tahsils , villages and members. The sample comprised to 120 women members. Economic empowerment of SHG was measured by considering the random activities and computing economic empowerment index (EEI). It was towards that majority of the respondents (63.34%) belonged to medium level also followed by low and high category of economic empowerment. It was also observed that age, education, occupation, annual income, social participation, use of sources of information by women members were positively and highly significantly related with economic empowerment of women through SHG.

**KEY WORDS** : Women , SHG , Economic empowerment

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