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SELF HELP GROUPS AND ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN IN PARAMAKUDI

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ABSTRACT

A series of development programmes have been implemented for the development of economy in general ignoring women who constitute half of the total population. Here, women empowerment is the most important instrument for the economic development of a nations women empowerment has become a global governance network. In this aspect, Self Help Groups have emerged as a weapon that wields power to create a socio-economic revolution in the rural areas of our country. In this paper, an attempt has been made to evaluate the Economic Empowerment of Rural Women in Paramakudi Taluk. The source required for the study has been collected from both primary and secondary data. The size of 120 Self Help Groups members has been selected on the basis of multi-stage random sampling method. The results can be concluded that the economic status has enhanced positively for womenfolk after joining the group.

KEYWORDS: Women, Economic Empowerment, Self Help Group, Paramkudi, Ramanathapuram District, Tamil Nadu

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