



Rural Health Status and Human Development - A Case Study of Karimganj District of Assam.

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Abstract

Economic growth of a country reflecting in the rise of GNP was questioned by 1950's and as a result there emerged a wider approach to determine a country's growth or development which included multidimensional aspects. Every aspect of economic development contributing in enlarging human development gave a paradigm shift to the concept of economic development –Human Development paradigm.

One of the vital ingredients to create a strong base for human capital is 'health'. Improved health enhances the formation of human capabilities.

In India nearly 70% of the population is coming from the rural areas. Creating human capital and human capabilities is of great importance in the rural areas as the huge masses of people are residing here. Thus the policies of human development focus the upliftment of rural masses.

Karimganj one of the districts of Assam constitutes 90 percent of rural people. In this respect it *necessitates* in the present paper to study the health status of the rural people of Karimganj District.

Objectives of the study:

1. To study the health status of the people in rural areas of Karimganj district.
2. To find how far health condition is enlarging human capabilities of the rural masses.

Methodology and data base: The study is mainly based on secondary data. The data are collected from different sources like official publications of governments both at the centre and states.

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