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HIGHER EDUCATION AS A TOOL FOR WOMAN EMPOWERMENT IN RURAL AREAS: AN ANALYTICAL STUDY WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO KAKOPATHER DEVELOPMENT BLOCK, TINSUKIA

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ABSTRACT

Higher Education as a tool for Woman Empowerment in rural areas: An analytical study with special reference to Kakopather Development Block, Tinsukia.

Woman Empowerment is a global issue. At present, it is not only the most popular slogan of the contemporary age but it is also the need of the hour. Rural Women constitute nearly 77% of total female populations in our country but in this 21st country, rural woman are being denied of their rights in the family, economic world, social activities, political fields etc. In this context, higher education can play an active role. Women empowerment is closely related to higher education as it is the strong instrument for bringing change and development. Hence, in this paper, an attempt has been made to analyze, Higher education as a tool for women empowerment in rural areas. For this study Kakopather Development Block of Tinsukia District is selected.

Objectives of the Paper

The objectives of the paper are to assess –

- The condition of women empowerment in rural area.
- The interrelationship between higher education and women empowerment.
- To provide suggestions for development of women empowerment through higher education in rural areas.

KEYWORDS: Higher Education, Women Empowerment