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PAPER PRESENTATION ON SELF HELP GROUPS AND WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

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ABSTRACT

There is a growing realization that rural women has been underestimated and discriminated against all walks of life, despite their substantial contribution to the household economy and in turn, the national economy as such. As it is clear that the rights and protection of women from social inequalities in statue books are not good enough, some practical solutions are to be acknowledged and more importantly, implemented. Women deprived of economic independence. The empowerment of women and improvement of their status and economic role needs integration into economic development programs, as the development of any country is inseparably, linked with the status and development of women. Given the gender division of labour that prevails in India, Nutrition, Child health, and related matters typically depend mostly on women's actions and decisions. Experience has shown that promotion of enterprise creation and income generation activities among women would transform them from being alive to living with dignity. One of the powerful approaches to women empowerment and rural entrepreneurship is the formation of Self Help Groups especially among women. Women being central to entire development process and at the precursor of social transformation can demonstrate with many examples. The first and perhaps a pivotal difference in reducing the extreme poverty and hunger by half within 2015. Around the globe, the United Nations Development program seeks to promote various approaches to reduce human poverty by emphasizing the importance of social inclusion and equity, human rights and women's empowerment. A well understood but poorly articulated reality of development is the role of women. The Present paper will discuss issues related to Self Help Groups and Women Empowerment in India, various ways and chances that will be helping women to prove them as part of any economy, provided they get a proper climate to develop.