

Voting Behaviour of Dalits in Bihar: An Analysis

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The present paper analyses the voting behaviour of dalits in Bihar. It also examines various determinants which affect the voting behaviour of dalits in assembly election. Elections occupy a prominent place in the democratic government. There are many amendment have been done for the extension of the reservation of seats for SC and ST in Parliament and State Assemblies. According to the 95th amendment of the Indian constitution on 25th January 2010, latest provision have done as extended the reservation of seats in Indian Parliament and State Assemblies for SC and ST from sixty to seventy years. In developing democracies like India, voting behaviour has to play an important role to facilitate the best political stability. The analytical methodology has been used in present study. This study is based on secondary sources. Over last three decades, political participation as well as voting behaviour of Scheduled Caste in Bihar has undergone a tremendous change. This change is often attributed to deeper structural cleavages along the axis of castes, although little, if any, attempt has been done to support or contest such oversimplified formulations with theoretical and empirical underpinnings.