

Generation of Employment under MANREGA Scheme in Bhojpur District and its Impact on Migration

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Male migration has brought several changes in the work women do within and outside their household. They now under take more agricultural and as well as non-agricultural work, which includes management of farms and animal husbandry. At the domestic front, the burden of their household task has increased and they become more involved in making decisions in the household and managing household finance and remittance. At the same time they face barriers in both accessing credit and getting credits on favourable term in the absence of their men.

Male migration has been quite a catalyst in enhancing women's mobility, especially in some conservative communities. Women are more mobile today than they have been in the past. While migration of men has brought about profound changes in women's lives in rural Bihar, patriarchy and caste continue to be institutions which define and govern them in a fundamental way.