

The Role of Women in Rural Development

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The rural women play many social and economic roles inside as well as outside the home, but their contribution does not receive due recognition. The rural women are extremely skilled in various income-generating activities. They are playing a vital role in the economic well-being of the families and society as a whole. In rural communities, the status of women is not effectually recognized. In some communities, they experience the discriminatory treatment as compared to their male counterparts. They are deprived of certain rights and opportunities and are required to wholeheartedly dedicate themselves to the implementation of household responsibilities. In the present existence, there has been the implementation of programs and schemes that girls should be regarded as equal to men. Their birth should be appreciated and they should be allowed equal rights and opportunities, particularly with regards to acquisition of education and employment. Changes have come about in the viewpoints and perspectives of rural individuals and they are granting equal status to girls and women. The main areas that have been taken into account in this research paper include the socio-economic status of rural women, labor force participation of women, factors imposing detrimental effects upon the status of women, and measures to enhance the status of rural women.