

A Study on Women Empowerment and Schemes in India

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Abstract: *Women empowerment has become a significant topic of discussion in development and economics. Women Empowerment derived into two words that are women and empowerment. Empowerment means to give power to someone. So, Women Empowerment means power in the hands of women. It signifies that women should be given equal opportunity in every field, irrespective of any discrimination. Women Empowerment is the process that creates power in women to live a happy and respectable life in a society. Women are empowered when they are able to access opportunities in a variety of fields such as in education, profession, lifestyle, etc., without any limitations and restrictions. Out of the total population, 50% of the population should consist of women. However, due to female foeticide practices, girl child numbers are decreasing sharply in India. It has also impacted the sex ratio in India. The literacy rate in girls is very low. Most of the girls are not even provided with primary education. Moreover, they are married early and made to raise children and shoulder only household work. This paper attempts to analyse the need of Women Empowerment and highlights the methods and schemes of Women Empowerment.*

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