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ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE OF CHILDREN OF THE WEAVERS IN RELATION TO EDUCATIONAL LEVEL OF THEIR PARENTS

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ABSTRACT

Handloom weaving industry occupies a distinct and unique place in the Indian economy. It is also an expression of deeply rooted cultural and social tradition in India. In Assam, the handloom weaving industry has been playing a significant role not only in human life but in the economy of the state also. Weaving industry is one of the major village industries which provide a solid basis for rapid growth of income in the state. Sualkuchi in this context is associated with weaving from time immemorial and the economy of the village is primarily dependent on weaving. Sualkuchi claims a reputation of its own which is unique in so far muga and pat silk fabrics are concerned. More than 80 per cent of the total households in the village is dependent on weaving as their principal source of income. The present study is an attempt to study the academic performance of children of the weavers, the educational level of their parents and the relationship between the academic performance of children and the educational level of their parents. The sample of the study consists of 118 students of class X selected by purposive sampling technique from four selected secondary schools of Sualkuchi. The result of the H.S.L.C. examination is taken as the index of academic performance of the selected students. The study reveals that the academic performance of children of the weavers is average and there exists a significant relationship between academic performance and educational level of their parents.

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