

TO STUDY THE ATTITUDE OF HUSBANDS FOLK TOWARDS THEIR PARTICIPATION IN SELECTED HOUSE HOLD ACTIVITIES OF INDORE CITY (MP)

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In Indian society, women's role traditionally has been child bearing and home making, while men perform the activities concerned with relations of the group of external situation including goal achievement. This arrangement served our society admirably for centuries. Thus, there was a demarcation between the occupational and domestic roles. About three decades ago, educated women were not normally seen in gainful employment outside the four walls of home, but now a days women work for a variety of reasons, some of them have choice. They need the money badly. Perhaps they are the sole supporter of themselves and other may be their husband's income is inadequate. Other want to raise the family's standard of living, to provide luxuries, a better home, a college education for a child or other needs. Some women work because they want to be with other people. They may find that house keeping doesn't keep them busy enough or that they are too isolated at home. Many women who are full time home makers feel isolated from adult company during the day, particularly when the children are small.

The changes in the social, economic and political spheres in our county are affecting the patterns of living to the large extent, which has opened up new opportunities and new role to the family. The equal legal and political rights to women, are slowly changing the family pattern. Style of living and the traditional concepts which regards to role and status of women, particularly in urban areas are changing. At the same time men are also experiencing change in their attitudes as they are being pulled in two opposite directions by images and expectations of the traditional and modern women. These changes have affected both men and women and their participation in various tasks at home.

Ray (1958) points out that women working outside homes, changing attitudes towards men's and women's role, reduced outside help and technical changes in the home, have led to a sharing by men in the home making task including both physical and intellectual guidance to children in recent years.

The objective of the study was to study the attitude of husbands toward their participation in selected household activities under the present day socio-economic scenario of the society.

METHODOLOGY-To carry out the present study by keeping in view the objectives. The presentation of details related to the materials and methods used in carrying out the investigation work. In this study 121 married males were selected from Indore city by random and purposive sampling method. The population of the present study comprised of married males living in Indore city. The data were secured through a carefully prepared questionnaire and the respondent were interviewed personally. All the respondents were tested for their attitudes towards their participation in selected household activities of them a questionnaire were analyzed by calculating mean and S.D. and Percentage were computed.

RESULT AND DISCUSSION-In the present study attempts has also been made to study the attitude of husbands towards their participation in selected household activities. Through well prepared questionnaire comprising of total 32 statements. The respondents were asked to give their answer either favorable, unfavorable or highly favorable for each statement. For this analysis of data men and S.D. were computed. Husbands whose scores were above mean plus S.D. was considered high or highly favorable attitude towards participation of husbands in household activities. Unfavorable attitude was those whose scores were below mean minus S.D. and husbands having scores between mean + S.D. and mean - S.D. were considered as favorable attitude of husbands.

From above shown table, we can visualize that a large number of husbands were found to have favourable attitude from all the three groups occupation wise, that 67.77 percent husbands were found favourable attitude. Secondly 19.83 percent husbands were found to have highly favourable and only 12.40 percent husbands showed unfavourable

attitudes towards their involvement in selected household activities. Among the 44 husbands serving in Government bodies, 44 husbands has business and 33 husbands serving in private firm, more than husbands were having favourable thinking in business

group and private group. We can visualize that husbands were found more favourable attitude and highly favourable. The same trend can seen in who serving in private bodies.

TABLE : Attitude of Husbands towards participation in selected Household Activities (Occupationwise)

Attitude of Husbands	Occupation of Husbands			Private Job		Total		
	Govt. Job	Business Group						
Unfavourable	07	15.91%	05	11.36%	03	9.09%	15	12.40%
Favourable	26	59.09%	32	72.73%	24	72.73%	82	67.77%
Highly Favourable	11	25.00%	07	15.90%	06	18.18%	24	19.83%
Total	44	100.00%	44	100.00%	33	100.00%	121	100.00%

CONCLUSION-Whether the wives are co-earner of simply 'housewife' their husband's attitude is positive with respect to sharing the household responsibilities. The non-significant difference in the attitude of all the respondents can be attributed to the fact that all belong from middle income group. And in order to live comfortably in present day highly competitive so sharing of responsibilities is must.

Thus, it can be concluded that majority of the husbands, irrespective of their occupation were possessing favourable attitude towards their

participation in selected household activities. It is good sign that now male counter parts of Indian families have realized the work load of the female members in the family. They are the observers of the fact that female in the family from 6.00 am in the morning till the light night could not feel free. She is the busiest member in the family. Hence it has now been realized that male members in the family should help her in performing her day to day task. This may be the reason for favorable attitude of majority of the husbands.

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