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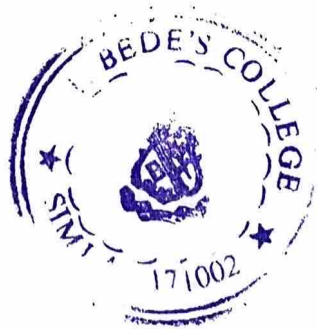
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Traditional Fermented Indian Foods: A Treasure Hunt for Rare Lactic Acid Bacteria

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Diversity of Indian fermented foods is related to incomparable food culture of each community. Various types of Indian ethnic fermented foods and beverages are produced either naturally or by adding mixed starter cultures using traditional or scientific knowledge of food fermentation (Sekar and Mariappan, 2007). In India, particularly in its hilly states, fermented foods are regularly being consumed by the people since ages (Kore et al., 2012). These traditional fermented foods are untapped treasure hunts for rare Lactic Acid Bacteria (LAB) with immense health benefits. LAB play an important role in the traditional fermentation processes by their functional properties such as biopreservation, bioenrichment of nutritional value, bioavailability of minerals, production of antioxidants, antimicrobial activities, and probiotic properties (Akbar et al., 2016; Gautam and Sharma, 2015).

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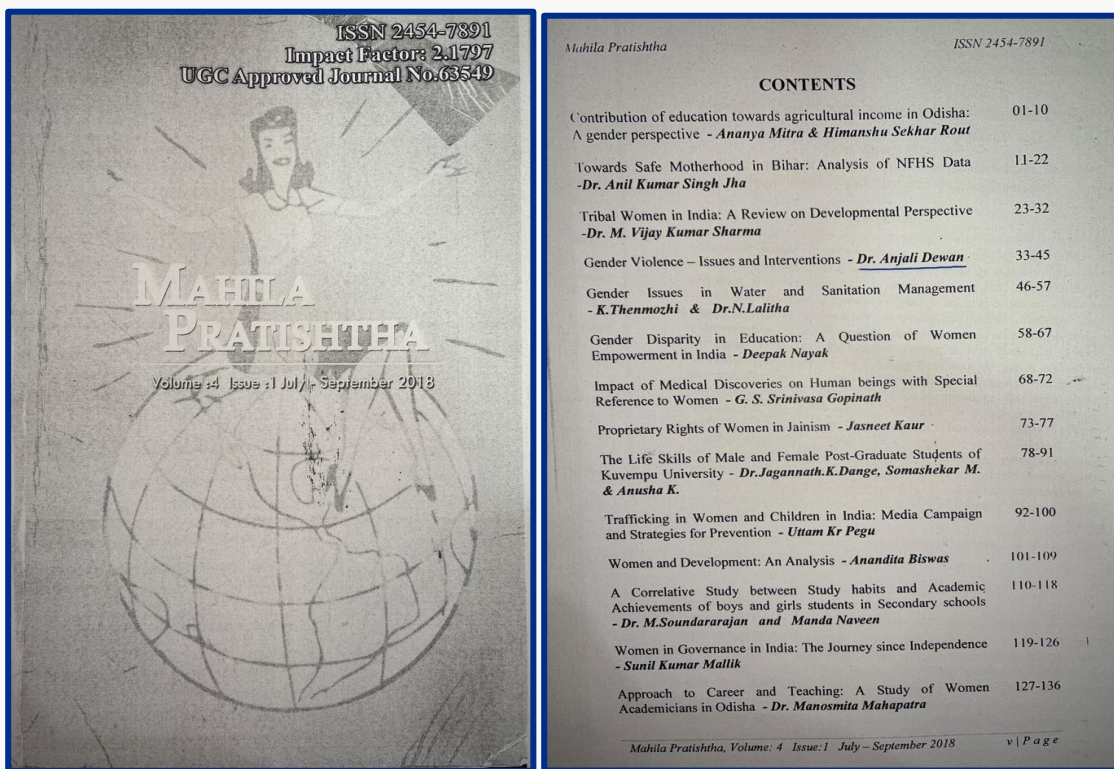
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Gender Violence – Issues and Interventions

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ABSTRACT

Women continue to suffer from increasing tide of violence both inside and outside homes. Domestic violence is an ongoing experience of physical, emotional and/or sexual abused faced by women within the household. It is considered as an accepted norm, part of married life and not as a violation of woman's rights. It has a debilitating effect on women's physical as well as psychological health. Noticing and acknowledging the warning signs and symptoms of domestic violence and abuse is the first step towards ending it. It is time that women themselves come forward, start taking their own decisions regarding their life. But this cannot be possible without a change in the attitude and a change in the views of their family members. The need of the hour is not simply to criticize the social or cultural or political structure but the actual empowerment of women in all spheres of life. Empowerment of women has multiple, inter-related and interdependent dimensions in relation to resources, perceptions and power to take their own decisions. Educational attainment and economic participation are the key components in ensuring their empowerment which enhances their ability to influence changes and to create a better society.

Key words: Domestic violence, interventions, sensitization, counseling, Indian Penal code, empowerment.

Introduction

A society that is unable to respect, protect and nurture its women and children loses its morality and runs adrift. Many centuries have come and gone but the plight of women is not likely to change. In our Indian society, women occupy a vital position. But, this glorification is more or less mythical only because women find themselves totally suppressed. Violence affects the lives of millions of women worldwide, in all socio-economic and educational classes. It cuts across cultural and religious barriers, impeding the right of women to

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participate fully in society. Violence against women takes a dismaying variety of forms, from domestic abuse and rape to child marriages and female circumcision. All are violations of the most fundamental human rights. Domestic violence is an ongoing experience of physical, emotional and/or sexual abuse faced by the women within the household. The abuser could be husband/and or other members from natal or marital families. It is not specific to any culture or community. It cuts across the boundaries of class, caste, religion, race and education. As we advance into 21st century, the home becomes more of an unsafe place for a woman than it ever was. She is more likely to face violence and resulting injury by men of her family than others. It is all the more paradoxical that while world attention and focus is on improving the status of women through better health, education and employment facilities, the woman is becoming threatened in her very home.

Estimation of the problem

It is a harsh reality that women have been ill-treated in every society for ages and India is no exception. The irony lies in fact that in our country where women are worshipped as Shakti, the atrocities are committed against her in all sections of life. She is being looked down as commodity or as a slave, she is not robbed of her dignity and pride outside her house but she also faces ill-treatment and other atrocities within the four walls of her house. They are discriminated at two levels, firstly they suffer because of their gender and secondly due to grinding poverty. Women are deprived of economic resources and are dependent on men for their living. Women workers are often confined to domestic sphere where she has to do all house hold work, which is not recognized and unpaid. In modern times many women are coming out to work but have to shoulder the double responsibility; one she has to work where she is employed and secondly she also has to do all the house hold works, moreover, she is last to be considered and first to be fired as she is considered to be less productive than her counterpart. Her general status in the family and in the society has been low and unrecognized. Patriarchy is a man-made system that oppresses all members of society, regardless of gender. However, in relation to men, women and girls have less power. We understand that factors such as race, age, sexual orientation, ability, economic status and family roles affect people's experiences of gender and the degree of power that they have. As the context shifts, so may the power relationships. Unequal gender relations are maintained through the social construction of gender.

From childhood we have learned to expect that men and women should behave in certain ways according to their gender, but while these expectations may sometimes give us joy, they also limit and hurt us because they do not allow us to live to our full potential, to define ourselves freely and to express the real diversity of our genders. Gender injustice is a problem that is seen all over the world.

The micro study data from Haryana and Punjab reveal that female deselection is more widespread in educated and upper income groups in comparison to lower income groups in the locality. The assumption that development and improvement of life conditions increase the survival quotient for women and girls is misplaced. The rapid economic changes which have opened up opportunities for more women's participation in the economy has in fact increased violence against women in various ways – many a times as a backlash. Practices like wife beating are seen as a constant over time and space whereas those like infanticide, foeticide, witch hunting may either change or merge into different and newer forms like honour killings, acid attacks or sexual harassment at the workplace. Thus the vulnerability of women to violence remains at all stages of their lives. What is perhaps a matter of great concern is that the patriarchal societal system has worked out mechanisms which actually seek to legitimise violence against women. Female deselection will therefore continue in social systems where there are gendered realities and all power relations are based on gender roles and cultural preferences, which favour the survival of the male child. So, it is not the form of violence that is important but an understanding of the entire socio-cultural-political structure of society, which nourishes and sustains the attitudes that translate to violence against women.

Domestic Violence has reached epidemic proportions in India. Even psychiatrists indicate that significant number of patients with psychological disorders have a history of rampant domestic violence. Men have always been taught to perceive themselves as the superior sex, said Jyotsna Chatterjee, Director of the Joint Women's Program, a women's resource organization based in New Delhi. It is this conditioning, she said, that makes them believe they have to control their wives, especially if they are considered disobedient. Although men's preoccupation with controlling their wives declines with age, as does the incidence of sexual violence, the researchers found that the highest

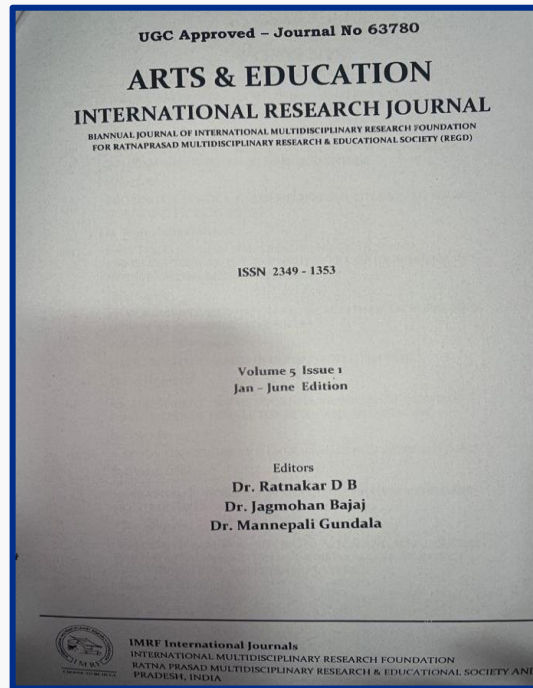
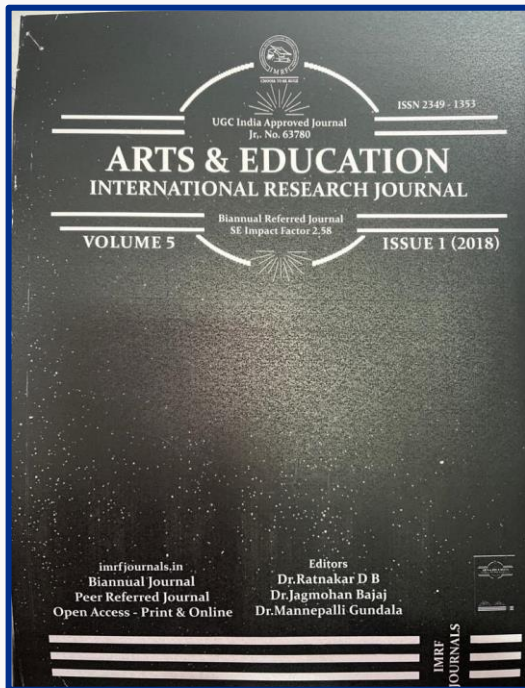
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A STUDY ON GENDER VIOLENCE - ISSUES AND INTERVENTIONS

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Abstract: Gender injustice taking shape of crimes against women has increased all over the world and India is no exception to this. The Indian mythology placed women on a very high pedestal but deterioration in their glorious status suffered a socio-cultural setback resulting in loss of their freedom. Women continue to suffer from increasing tide of violence both inside and outside homes. Domestic violence is an ongoing experience of physical, emotional and/or sexual abuse faced by women within the household. Our country today is at the cusp of a paradigm change in its growth and position in the world. Empowerment of women has multiple, inter-related and interdependent dimensions in relation to resources, perceptions and power to take their own decisions. Educational attainment and economic participation are the key components in ensuring their empowerment which enhances their ability to influence changes and to create a better society. Empowerment of women has multiple, inter-related and interdependent dimensions in relation to resources, perceptions and power to take their own decisions. Educational attainment and economic participation are the key components in ensuring their empowerment which enhances their ability to influence changes and to create a better society.

Keywords: Gender Violence, Sensitization, Counseling, Indian Penal Code, Women Empowerment.

Introduction: Violence affects the lives of millions of women worldwide, in all socio-economic and educational classes. It cuts across cultural and religious barriers, impeding the right of women to participate fully in society. Violence against women takes a dizzying variety of forms, from domestic abuse and rape to child marriages and female circumcision. All are violations of the most fundamental human rights. Domestic violence is an ongoing experience of physical, emotional and/or sexual abuse faced by the women within the household. The abuser could be husband/and or other members from natal or marital families. It is all the more paradoxical that while world attention and focus is on improving the status of women through better health, education and employment facilities, the woman is becoming threatened in her very home.

Causes of Domestic Violence: With more and more women becoming independent and voicing their opinions, marriage has become a battlefield of clashing egos. Men, who are yet to get over the attitudes of treating wives as subordinates cannot meet the challenge of women with their own minds. They resort to violence to keep control. The feeling that a woman or wife is something that you own as your property is deeply etched in the psyche of men. Supreme Court advocate Indira Jaisingh says "It is the mindset of men that they have absolute right to determine the lifestyle of their wives that gives rise to clashes. There are cases where the woman hands over all her earnings to her husband, who then decides what to do with it. Many women who go to NGOs or Crime on Women Cell do not want to leave their husbands. All they want is that their husbands be caught a lesson that they cannot beat their wives. They are now realizing that being beaten up for not dancing to their husband's tune need not be justifiable. They have to understand that what is happening to them is wrong."

Men have always been taught to perceive themselves as the superior sex that makes them believe they have to control their wives, especially if they are considered disobedient. Equally disturbing is the finding that two of every five women in an abusive relationship in India remain silent about their suffering because of shame and family honor. The studies have also shown, nearly one-third of the Indian women experiencing abuse had thought about running away, but most said they feared leaving.

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Abstract

Kidney stone is a common urological condition, the prevalence and incidence of which has escalated in the last few years due to dietary habits and other related medical conditions such as obesity and diabetes mellitus. It is a chronic disease which leads to loss of kidney function(s) and nephrectomy. Chronic kidney stone disease has been shown to be associated with transitional cell carcinoma (TCC) or renal cell carcinoma (RCC) and kidney tumors have been found to be more frequent among patients with kidney stones. Although hyperoxaluria is mainly responsible for kidney stone formation, dysbiosis of the gut and urinary tract microbiome may in part contribute to kidney stone disease. Dysbiosis of the gut and urinary tract microbiome have been linked to kidney stone diseases with both gain and loss of function. The review provides a detailed study of how the variations in the microbiome of the human gut and urinary tract result in the chronic kidney stone diseases which are associated with increased papillary RCC risks.

Keywords: Dysbiosis; Kidney stones; Microbiome; Nephrolithiasis; Renal cell carcinoma.

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Introduction

Urolithiasis or kidney stones disease is one of the most widespread urological disorders with its prevalence and incidences increasing at an alarming rate affecting around one tenth of the population all over the world. Since males possess greater muscular mass and because of the high levels of androgens well as lack of inhibiting ability of estrogen, kidney stone are more prevalent in males than in females. The kidney stone disease affects all age groups from less than 1 year old to more than 70 years. An increased morbidity and economic burden has been imposed all over the world due to increase in incidence of nephrolithiasis (kidney stones) [1]. The prime cause of nephrolithiasis is the super saturation of urine with calcium and oxalate that leads to pathological mineralization in the kidneys. Numerous factors like drugs such as antibiotics, environment, socioeconomic status, diet, host genetics and metabolism have been considered to be associated with the urinary stone disease [2]. Current findings suggest that the urinary tract microbiome remarkably affects the kidney stone disease. The dysbiosis or changes in their level in patients with kidney stones have also been proved experimentally in several studies [3]. Dysbiosis can be defined by the loss or gain of bacteria which promotes either disease or health, respectively. Environmental factors such as use of antibiotics lead to dysbiosis thereby causing a shift in the microbiome resulting in increased inflammation and the onset of chronic diseases [4].

Chronic kidney stone disease may ultimately result in the loss of kidney function and other co-morbidities such as asthma, cardio muscular diseases, diabetes and metabolic syndrome. Further, it might also be associated with transitional cell carcinoma (TCC), renal cell carcinoma (RCC) and kidney tumors as the incidences of these diseases have been found to be more in patients with kidney stones [2,5]. As the kidney stones and urinary stones are present at the same position in the body as the kidney tumors, patients with kidney stones are at a greater risk for kidney tumors and carcinomas due to chronic infection and irritation [6].

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ABSTRACT
 In the present investigation the biopreservative effect of bacteriocin of *Brevibacillus laterosporus* TK3 was investigated in raw chicken. Bacteriocin producing strain has been isolated from “Tatwakhar”- a flour prepared from seeds of Indian Horse Chestnut (*Aesculus indica*). Bacteriocin of *Brevibacillus laterosporus* TK3 showed strong antagonism against food spoilage/pathogenic bacteria viz. *Listeria monocytogenes* and *Staphylococcus aureus*. The bacteriocin was purified and molecular weight of this novel bacteriocin was found to be 6 kDa. This purified bacteriocin with specific activity 34,482.0 AU/mg was applied in raw chicken and minced chicken against *L. monocytogenes* and *S. aureus* which showed the positive results in controlling the growth of these deadly pathogens. Purified bacteriocin was found successful in controlling the growth of *L. monocytogenes* up to 7th day which is almost at par with the results achieved with chemical preservative i.e. sodium nitrite. Further, purified bacteriocin restricted the growth of *S. aureus* up to 5th day whereas chemical preservative was able to control the growth of *S. aureus* up to 3rd day. The results found in these experiments deal with application of bacteriocin as biopreservative in chicken as an alternative to chemical preservative are quite encouraging and satisfactory.

Key words: Bacteriocin, Biopreservative, *Brevibacillus laterosporus* Chicken, *L. monocytogenes*, *S. aureus*.

INTRODUCTION
 The microbiological spoilage of raw chicken is due to the biochemical activity of microorganisms causing changes in its appearance, odour, texture or taste. Several bacterial pathogens including *Salmonella*, *Campylobacter jejuni*, *Escherichia coli*, *Listeria monocytogenes*, *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Clostridium botulinum* are found associated with many food borne illnesses which are serious public health concern worldwide. So to maintain the quality and safety of foods various measures are generally adopted in food industry i.e. good manufacturing practices, good hygienic practices etc. but preservation of food by a suitable means is the key of food quality and safety. There are number of preservation techniques started from low temperature preservation like refrigeration, freezing etc. and thermal preservation techniques like pasteurization, sterilization and preservation using certain chemicals (Singh, 2018).

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Efficacy of Purified Bacteriocin of “*Brevibacillus laterosporus* TK3” against *Listeria monocytogenes* and *Staphylococcus aureus* in Chicken

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ABSTRACT

In the present investigation the biopreservative effect of bacteriocin of *Brevibacillus laterosporus* TK3 was investigated in raw chicken. Bacteriocin producing strain has been isolated from “Tateakhar”- a flour prepared from seeds of Indian Horse Chestnut (*Aesculus indica*). Bacteriocin of *Brevibacillus laterosporus* TK3 showed strong antagonism against food spoilage/pathogenic bacteria viz. *Listeria monocytogenes* and *Staphylococcus aureus*. The bacteriocin was purified and molecular weight of this novel bacteriocin was found to be 5 kDa. This purified bacteriocin with specific activity 34,482.0 AU/mg was applied in raw chicken and minced chicken against *L. monocytogenes* and *S. aureus* which showed the positive results in controlling the growth of these deadly pathogens. Purified bacteriocin was found successful in controlling the growth of *L. monocytogenes* up to 7th day which is almost at par with the results achieved with chemical preservative i.e. sodium nitrite. Further, purified bacteriocin restricted the growth of *S. aureus* up to 5th day whereas chemical preservative was able to control the growth of *S. aureus* up to 3rd day. The results found in these experiments deal with application of bacteriocin as biopreservative in chicken as an alternative to chemical preservative are quite encouraging and satisfactory.

Key words: Bacteriocin, Biopreservative, *Brevibacillus laterosporus* Chicken, *L. monocytogenes*, *S. aureus*.

INTRODUCTION

The microbiological spoilage of raw chicken is due to the biochemical activity of microorganisms causing changes in its appearance, odour, texture or taste. Several bacterial pathogens including *Salmonella*, *Campylobacter jejuni*, *Escherichia coli*, *Listeria monocytogenes*, *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Clostridium botulinum* are found associated with many food borne illnesses which are serious public health concern worldwide. So to maintain the quality and safety of foods various measures are generally adopted in food industry i.e. good manufacturing practices, good hygienic practices etc. but preservation of food by a suitable means is the key of food quality and safety. There are number of preservation techniques started from low temperature preservation like refrigeration, freezing etc. and thermal preservation techniques like pasteurization, sterilization and preservation using certain chemicals (Singh, 2018).

Generally, food industry depends on chemicals for the preservation of foodstuff and to increase the shelf life of food. Chemical preservatives and other conventional preservation strategies fail to deliver the requisite health benefits and cause serious disorder thus necessitates seeking alternatives (Sanika et al., 2019). Hence, according to an increased negative perception towards chemical preservatives and a trend towards natural food additives so called “clean-labeling” has driven exploring of effective natural antimicrobial compounds as an alternative to synthetic food additives (Castilano et al., 2008). The use of bacteriocins is a promising ongoing development in food preservation as bacteriocins have strong antagonism

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against most of the food borne pathogens. In the food industry, bacteriocins have been widely utilized for the biopreservation of various foods, either alone, or in combination with other methods of preservation known as hurdle technology (Galvez et al., 2007; Barshiraja et al., 2015). Incorporation of bacteriocins into the food packaging film or surfaces has been explored as well (Zendo, 2013). Bacteriocins are ribosomally synthesized extracellularly released bioactive peptides or peptide complexes that vary in spectrum of activity, mode of action, molecular weight, genetic organization and considered to be safe biopreservatives since they can be digested by proteases thus having no or little influence on the gut microbiota



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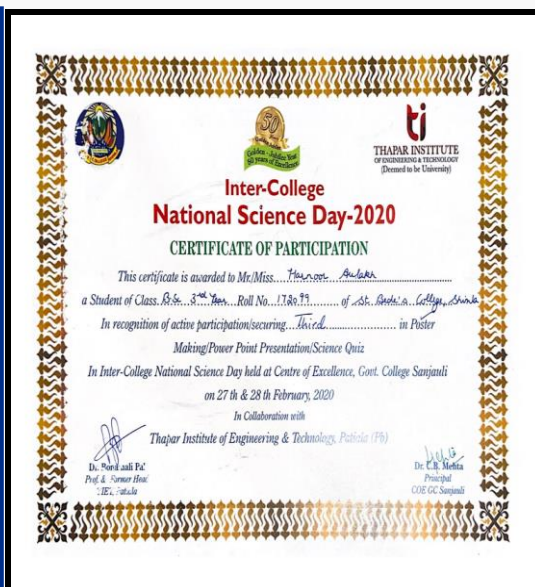
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ABSTRACT

Adolescence is a developmental stage which involves physical, psychological and social maturity of individuals. Important factors such as self-efficacy and risk-taking behaviour play a crucial role during adolescence. The purpose of the present study was to assess the levels of self-efficacy and risk-taking behaviour among public and private school adolescents. Generalised Self-Efficacy scale (Schwarzer and Jerusalem, 1995) and Risk-Taking scale (Card, 1994) were used for assessing self efficacy and risk taking behaviour. A sample of randomly selected 120 boys, 60 each from public and private schools, participated in the study. The data was collected from one public and one private school from Shimla district (H.P.). The scores obtained on the measures of self-efficacy and risk-taking was subjected to t-test to find out the

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Mini Block™, Germany) for 24 h. ZPC was estimated by calculating the difference in initial and final pHs values (Figure S6). ZPC of SNC-DETA-EA was found to be pH 6.3 meaning thereby its surface is +vely charged below 6.3 pH and above that it has -ve charge. Hence, it interact well with Cu^{2+} ions at or below pH 6.3.²⁻⁵

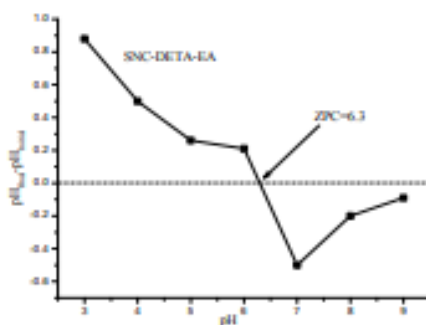


Figure S6. ZPC of SNC-DETA-EA.

Adsorption Studies of Cu^{2+} Ions

Stock solution of Cu^{2+} ions (100 ppm) from copper sulfate [$\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$] was prepared in distilled water. The lowest detection limit for Cu^{2+} ions in UV-Visible spectrophotometer was 0.1 ppm which is well below the WHO limit. Copper reagent set (OR- REGT-Cu) was used for the determination of Cu^{2+} ions. The adsorption capacity was calculated from the formula:²

$$q = \frac{C_0 - C_t}{w} \times V \quad (1)$$

Where q (mg g^{-1}) is the adsorption capacity, C_0 and C_t are the initial and final residual Cu^{2+} ion concentrations at time t , respectively. V is the volume (L) of the solution and w is weight (g) of the adsorbent. Effect of time on the adsorption capacities (q) of SNC-EA, SNC-DETA and SNC- DETA-EA (10 mg) to adsorb Cu^{2+} ions (100 ppm) were studied by varying time from 5-180 min in batch experiments (Figure S7a). Adsorption capacity (q) of different polymers



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Developing intercultural communicative competence through world literature

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Abstract

The practice of intercultural communication is as old as humankind, coming into existence the first-time people from different tribal cultures encountered one another and tried to communicate. History is filled with accounts of people endeavouring to learn other languages and understand different cultures. While the motives may be varied to include travel, trade, intellectual exchange, religious proselytization, economy, colonization or political subjugation. Rapid, affordable means of transportation have facilitated increased contact among cultures, giving rise to international economic interdependencies, transnational corporations and culturally diverse workforces. The number of intercultural marriages continues to rise and immigration is increasing unabated. These developments have created a requirement for communicative skills appropriate for life in a multicultural global village; regardless we remain at home, visit another country or sojourn abroad. Literature is the most important commodity for cultural industry. Cultural differences often lead to and cause miscommunication and conflict. Literature gives the knowledge that people need to have in order to function effectively in their social environment. Literature is most useful when interacting with another culture, a shared pattern of beliefs, attitudes, self-definition norms and values organized around them. Intercultural communicative competence is dependent on mutual knowledge of existing diversity. As a global citizen not only must we appreciate cultural diversity, we must learn from that diversity. Cultural difference is viewed from lens of one's own literature, but to understand and learn from another culture we must understand the literature of the culture and its impact on the forms of communication. The paper seeks to examine how literature provides us an insight into the underlying cultural values, beliefs and assumptions which actually shape the visible cultural manifestations. If individuals could attain higher degree of intercultural competence, they would presumably become better citizens, students, teachers, business people, and so forth. Society would be more peaceful, more productive, and become generally a more attractive place to live in. Individuals would be able to better understand others who are unlike themselves.

Keywords

Intercultural, Communicative competence, Diversity, Cultural values, Global citizen.

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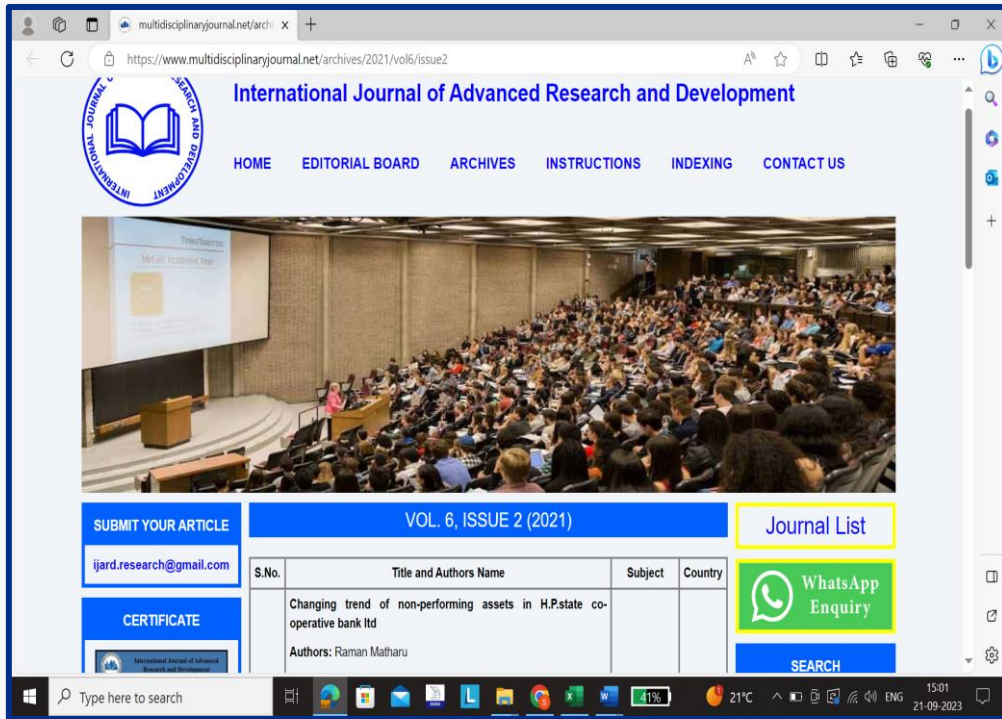
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2. the account remains 'out of order', in respect of an Overdraft/Cash Credit (OD/CC),
3. the bill remains overdue for a period of more than 90 days in the case of bills purchased and discounted,
4. the instalment of principal or interest there on remains

interest due and charged during any quarter is not serviced fully within 90 days from the end of the quarter.

Asset Classification

Categories of NPAs: Banks are required to classify Non-Performing Assets further into the following three categories based on the period for which the asset has remained non-performing and the realisability of the dues:

Substandard Assets: With effect from 31 March 2005, a substandard asset would be one, which has remained NPA for a period less than or equal to 12 months. In such cases, the current net worth of the borrower/ guarantor or the current market value of the security charged is not enough to ensure recovery of the dues to the banks in full.

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Plant protease inhibitors and their antiviral activities - Potent therapeutics for SARS CoV-2

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Abstract Protease inhibitors are highly active diverse family of poly(peptides) that are generally present in high concentrations in the storage tissues of the plants such as seeds and tubers. They play important roles in the regulation of proteases and the defence mechanism of plants against pathogens and display antimicrobial, antitumor and antiviral properties. Protease inhibitors have proved to be pharmacologically efficient tools in curing infections and systemic diseases via control of proteolysis. Recently, the outbreak of coronavirus (COVID-19) from Wuhan city of China has caused a global pandemic which has put the entire world on a standstill. Although the entire world has diverted all their efforts in finding an appropriate preventive and cure strategy, yet till date no success has been obtained. Since various viral diseases have been successfully cured by inhibition of viral proteases which are necessary for proteolytic processing of polyproteins, the inhibition of the proteases present on the surface of SARS-CoV-2 using protease inhibitors could prove to be fruitful in the treatment of this disease. This review gives a detail information of several natural protease inhibitors present in plants and their antiviral potential. The phytomolecules may be used for prophylaxis and effective therapeutics for the ongoing COVID-19 disease.

Keywords: Plant protease inhibitors; COVID-19; serpins; antiviral natural compounds; therapeutics

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Abstract

Food has been central to human biological and socio-cultural existence, providing energy and nutrition. During the food scarcity or food famine these sources of nutrients and health-promoting compounds have received high importance mainly in rural and suburban areas. Wild edible plants serve as a good source of essential nutrients. Being a high nutrition potential, these herbs are linked with the health and nutritional security of people. By consuming these wild edibles, they may fulfill the daily requirement of nutrients of State's people. The present study was designed to document the wild edible fruits and vegetables of Himachal Pradesh. The data was collected through interviews, discussions and personal observations. The study revealed, total of 80 species were identified belonging to 68 genera from 48 families with information about ethnobotanical uses and traditional cuisines. Most of the fruits are eaten raw or when ripened and vegetables are consumed as seasonal vegetable (solo or mixed) and cooked as *Saag* or *Bhaji*. Some of them also have a good market potential thus are also connected with the economy of people. However, importance of these natural nutritional rich herbs is diminishing in the youths or modern people therefore, there is urgent need to popularize and conserve these plants.

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Nanocarriers-based immobilization strategies are a novel concept in the enhancement of enzyme stability, shelf life and efficiency. A wide range of natural and artificial supports have been assessed for their efficacy in enzyme immobilization. Nanomaterials epitomize unique and fascinating matrices for enzyme immobilization. These structures include carbon nanotubes, superparamagnetic nanoparticles and nanofibers. These nano-based supports offer stable attachment of enzymes, thus ensuring their reusability in diverse industrial applications. This review attempts to encompass recent developments in the critical role played by nanotechnology towards the improvement of the practical applicability of microbial enzymes. Nanoparticles are increasingly being used in combination with various polymers to facilitate enzyme immobilization. These endeavors are proving to be conducive for enzyme-catalyzed industrial operations. In recent years the diversity of nanomaterials has grown tremendously, thus offering endless opportunities in the form of novel combinations for various biotransformation experimentations. These nanocarriers are advantageous for both free enzymes and whole-cell immobilization, thus demonstrating to be relatively effective in several fermentation procedures.

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Introduction
Enzymes are universal catalysts that promote the transformation of chemical species in living systems (Singh et al. 2020). Enzyme immobilization is a method used for increasing the efficiency of enzymes and the possibility of enzymes recovery (Mardani et al. 2018). Enzyme immobilization facilitates prolonged activity, improves stability, and ensures the enzyme's reusability (Tan et al. 2016). Immobilized enzymes are active over a wide pH and temperature range, have appreciable strength and simplified product down streaming (Bilal and Asgher 2015). The immobilization of enzymes is critically valuable for both industrial and biological processes. There have been numerous approaches to improving enzyme stability, substrate specificity or their successful utilization in industrial processes, such as immobilization, modification, protein designing and medium engineering (Ashok and Kumar 2017; Singh et al. 2020; Chauhan et al. 2020; Pratush et al. 2017). Industrial enzymes from microorganisms have been identified, characterized and applied for diverse industrial operations (Kumar et al. 2015; Pratush et al. 2013; Bhatia et al. 2018; Singh et al. 2019). Both free cells and immobilized cells have been utilized to manufacture commodity chemicals through biotransformation (Raj et al. 2007a, b; Pratush et al. 2010, 2011, 2012; Jyoti et al. 2017). These microbial enzymes are mesophilic and thermophilic (Kumari et al. 2016; Chauhan et al. 2015). Enzymes are expected to be used in a variety of industrial applications due to their catalytic properties. For example, β -amylase, lipase, β -galactosidase, penicillin G amidase, and other enzymes are used in the commercial production of maltose, biodiesel, lactosucrose semi-synthetic penicillin, and cephalosporin antibiotics, etc. Their objectives, however, are frequently hampered by operational consistency and reusability. Enzymes have been utilized in industrial manufacture for a long time once they were immobilized (Ashok and Kumar 2019). Enzyme immobilization addresses the attachment or consolidation of enzyme particles onto support structures. Two critical aspects of enzyme

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immobilization are using a desirable cross-linker and stable protein attachment for enzyme encapsulation (Dutta et al. 2013; Bilal and Asgher 2015) (Fig. 1). Besides, this carbodiimide coupling technique (Lasmi et al. 2018) and glutaraldehyde (GA) cross-linking method (Liu et al. 2018) are typical for immobilization of enzymes onto nanocarriers. Various inorganic and organic materials made up of silica, carbon, gold and other metals have been used as support matrices for enzyme immobilization (Escuin et al. 2017; Hajar and Vahabzadeh 2016; Liu et al. 2016; Ulu et al. 2016; Shrestha et al. 2016).

into enzyme carriers is easier to maintain and ensure stable enzyme attachment. The choice of matrix materials depends upon many factors, including the required size of nanoparticles, surface characteristics, degree of biocompatibility, biodegradability, and toxicity (Jyoti et al. 2017). Based on element order, nanocarriers are predominately grouped as carbonaceous and metallic nanocarriers discussed in detail in the subsequent sections.

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Himalayan Fern *Cheilanthes bicolor* Mediated Fabrication and Characterization of Iron Nanoparticles with Antimicrobial Potential

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Keywords Green nanotechnology · Iron nanoparticles · Ferns · *Cheilanthes bicolor* · Antimicrobial

1 Introduction

In recent times, the synthesis and formulation of nanoparticles have opened up new vistas of scientific and technological advancements in nanotechnology and its related research. The green synthesis approach helps in avoiding the use of toxic metabolites in nanoparticle synthesis. In recent years, a variety of metallic nanoparticles have been generated by adopting a plant extract mediated strategy which include copper [1], zinc [2], gold [3], and silver [4]. Over the years, iron nanoparticles (Fe NPs) have attained tremendous scientific usage with broad applications in different sciences. The main goal of nanotechnology research is to fabricate novel materials or to introduce variations in existing materials. Iron oxide has been one of the extensively investigated transition metal oxides because of its significant variable oxidation states, crystalline properties, and magnetic character [5, 6].

Fe NPs are finding increasing application in magnetic targeting [7], cancer therapy [8], stem cell sorting and manipulation [9], gene therapy [10], food-related applications [11], bioprocess intensification [12], tissue repair engineering and bioseparation [13]. In addition, iron nanoparticles have been used for groundwater remediation of heavy metals and wastewater treatment of organic or inorganic contaminations due to the higher intrinsic reactivity of their surface sites [14–16]. Iron also plays a crucial role in activating and stimulating various microbial enzymes [17–19]. The large surface area to volume ratio of these minute particles makes them highly potent against clinically significant pathogenic microorganisms.

Many diverse biological systems, both prokaryotic and eukaryotic, have displayed the capacity to cause the reduction of metallic ions into nanoparticles. This technique of nanoparticle generation is now referred to as green synthesis [20]. Plant extract is more feasible among all biological systems due to the certain typical benefits like non-requirement of intricate and costly steps of microorganism culture and storage, benign and speedy synthesis and amenable scale-up of industrial production. Green synthesis of iron oxide nanoparticles is gaining much precedence [21–23].

Metal NPs can be synthesized by both conventional as well as unconventional methods. Different methods such as chemical reactions, photochemical reactions, thermal decomposition, electrochemical routes, and sonication are commonly used to synthesize a wide array of metallic NPs [24, 25].

Plants and microorganisms are increasingly being applied in the green synthesis of nanoparticles as a practical approach due to the critical role played by the biotic components in such practices. Plants, in particular, are enriched with diverse biological compounds possessing critical antioxidative and antimicrobial properties. Plant constituents possessing antioxidant potentials such as phenols, flavonoids, tannins, and vitamins have been used to synthesize NPs [26]. Even among plant herbs and medicinal plants are attracting greater attention, whereas the lower members of the plant kingdom are being etc., were of analytical grade and purchased from Himedia Lab Pvt. Ltd., India.

2.2 Collection of Samples

Cheilanthes genus comprises approximately 180 species. Most of them inhabit rocky surfaces. They have a wide ubiquitous distribution. The leaves are enclosed in trichomes. The terminal ends tend to bear the spore-containing structures called sporangia. The leaf margins twist to provide extra protection to these sporangia.

In February, leaves of medicinal fern (*Cheilanthes bicolor*) were collected from Bajhol forest Solan, Himachal Pradesh. The fern was identified and designated as *C. bicolor* by fern taxonomist Professor Mukesh Kumar Seth (Department of Biosciences, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla).

2.3 Preparation of Fern Extracts

Ten grams of fresh leaves were thoroughly washed with distilled water and cut into small pieces, then heated at 40 °C in a 250-ml glass beaker along with 100 ml of triple distilled water for 15 min. The heat treatment caused a change of color of the aqueous solution from watery to dark green. Then, cooling was undertaken at room temperature. The aqueous extract of *Cheilanthes bicolor* was separated by filtration with Whatman No. 1 filter paper and stored at 4 °C for further experiments [32].

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Genus *Populus* (Salicaceae family) consists of dioecious, deciduous, and commercially important forest tree species which are widely spread over the Northern Hemisphere. Traditionally, *Populus* species are used in the treatment of rheumatism, arthritis, lower back pains, urinary complaints, digestive, liver disorders, debility, anorexia, fevers, and also relieve the pain of menstrual cramps. This review compiles or discusses the general morphology, ethno-medicinal uses and phytochemistry of *Populus* species along with their pharmacological activities (anti-microbial, anti-cancer, anti-inflammatory, anti-obesity, anti-diarrhea, and anti-oxidants) covering the period of 1990–2020. The literature shows that the genus *Populus* is a

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ON THE OCCURRENCE OF A LEAFLESS *CYMBIDIUM* IN WESTERN HIMALAYA

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Abstract

Cymbidiums are popular worldwide for their beautiful and long lasting flowers. They grow as epiphytes, terrestrials, lithophytes or very rarely as leafless plants. The present communication deals with one such leafless taxon, *Cymbidium macrorhizon* Lindl., and its occurrence along the Western Himalayan range.

Introduction

WESTERN HIMALAYAN part in India comprises of Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh States and Union Territories (UTs). It represents one of the most diverse orchid habitats in the country with nearly 240 documented species under 72 genera (Jalal and Jayanthi, 2015). During our surveys across this Himalayan segment, we came across many orchid species, majority of which were ground growing in habit. A few of these were observed lacking leaves throughout their whole life. One such leafless orchid was *Cymbidium macrorhizon* Lindl. We found it growing on partially shady to shady forest floors in Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand. Recently, it has also been reported to occur in Jammu and Kashmir (Thakur and Dutt, 2020). Here we provide notes on taxonomy, distribution, habitat characteristics, phenology and conservation of this interesting taxon in reference to its occurrence in Western Himalaya.

Material and Methods

Field surveys were conducted in Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, and Jammu and Kashmir (2012-2018), and information pertaining to the morphological features, distribution, habitat characteristics, and phenology of *Cymbidium macrorhizon* was collected. Plants were described based on fresh material, and identified following standard Floras (Deva and Naithani, 1986; Duthie, 1906; Vij *et al.*, 2013). The information on this taxon was also augmented by surveying relevant literature available on its taxonomy and distribution (Chowdhery and Wadhwa, 1984; Deva and Naithani 1986, Duthie, 1906; Jalal and Jayanthi, 2013, 2015; Seidenfaden and Arora, 1982; Singh *et al.*, 2019; Thakur

and Dutt, 2020; Vij *et al.*, 2013). Seed characters (shape, size, testa cells, and per cent air space) were studied using light microscope following Vij *et al.* (1992).

Results

Cymbidium Sw. (Orchidaceae) is a genus of more than seventy species, which are distributed mainly in tropical and subtropical regions of Asia and Australia (Govaerts *et al.*, 2021). It is represented by 29 species in India, of which six species *i.e.* *Cymbidium aloifolium* (L.) Sw., *C. bicolor* subsp. *obtusum* Du Puy and P. J. Cribb, *C. cyperifolium* Wall. ex Lindl., *C. iridioides* D. Don, *C. lowianum* (Rchb. f.) Rchb. f., and *C. macrorhizon* Lindl. occur naturally in Western Himalaya (Singh *et al.*, 2019). Only one of these species, *C. macrorhizon* grows as a leafless herb exhibiting a partially mycoheterotrophic mode of nutrition.

Taxonomic Treatment

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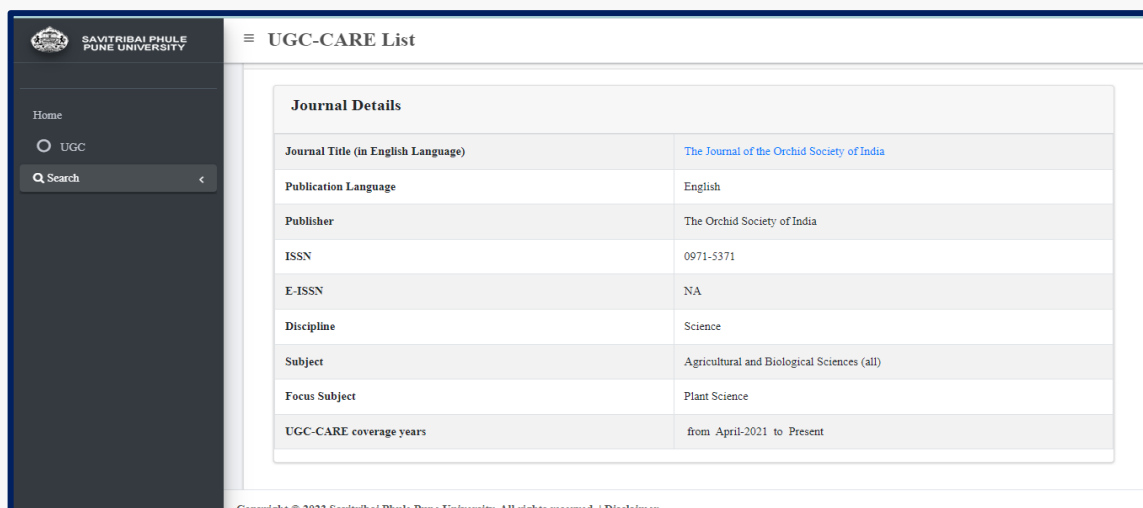


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Attitude towards physical education and sports of higher secondary school students of Maharashtra state

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Abstract

The present study was confined to the Attitude towards Physical Education and Sports of Higher Secondary School Students of Maharashtra State. The Students ranging between 15-18 years were selected for the study. The Data was collected from the Higher Secondary Student's studying in the Higher Secondary Schools of Maharashtra. Age of the student's was considered as per age-record available in the school. The data of the present study was collected from 700 students selected at stratified random sampling basis from 70 higher secondary school's (10 students from each school) of 35 districts of Maharashtra, selecting two schools from each district at random basis. After analysis the study indicates that, the students belonging to good and poor categories do not differ significantly in their attitude towards physical education and sports. Though the difference in means of the two groups is in favor of students belonging to average category, yet it can be said that observed difference could have arisen due to chance errors. There is no difference in sample means.

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Introduction

Attitude- A settled mode of thinking. A 'mental set' held by an individual who affects the ways that, the person responds to events and organizes their cognitions. Attitudes are commonly held to have three essential components or dimensions: a cognitive dimension, involving the beliefs and rationalizations which explain the holding of the attitude; an affective dimension involving the emotional aspects of attitude, such as likes dislikes, feelings of distaste or affection, and a cognitive, or behavioral dimension which involves the extent to which the individual is prepared to act on the attitude that they hold. Attitude is an important psychological factor affecting behavior. According to Leuba (1961) attitudes are behavioral predispositions, which exert an enduring controlling influence over behavior. Luycock and Munro (1996) are of the viewpoints that are emotional, intellectual and motivational components of attitudes. Attitude may be considered as a state of readiness to activity (a kind of pre-motivation stage) and also as a manifested social relation showing itself in certain acts of behavior. It indicates an emotionally and cognitively structured relation towards things; beings; activities and other phenomena of reality. In the field of physical education and sports no athlete can win the condition of an environment. Right attitude and interests are as important to education as a steady steering car. It is important to know how children develop physically because physical development influences children's behavior directly by determining what they can do directly by influencing their attitude towards self and others. Attitudes are the dynamics of human action. Unless people have favorable attitudes and interests towards what they set out to learn, they couldn't drive full benefit out of which is being taught. The development of healthy, favorable attitudes is itself a phase of education. Premrata & Bhatia (2005) studied the attitude of parents towards Physical Education and Sports participation. The major objective of study is to find out the attitude of parents towards physical education and sports participation of their children. Attitude scale was used for the study. The data was collected through a questionnaire containing 50 questions to the parents of 60 girl's students of different colleges of Kurukshetra District of Haryana. The girl's were asked to bring the duly filled questionnaires from their parents. So the 60 responses were collected.


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इसी के आधार पर गीतांजलि श्री ने समाज के बुद्धिजीवी 'सेक्युलर' वर्ग को भी कठघरे में घसीटा है जिनकी समय आने पर 'मायनोरिटी' और 'मेजोरिटी' नामक ग्रंथ उभरकर सामने आती है। शरद और हनीफ़ साम्प्रदायिकता विरोधी हैं लेकिन ऐसा क्यों होता है कि साम्प्रदायिकता का विरोध सेक्युलर वर्ग द्वारा तभी होता है जब दंगों का माहौल खड़ा हो चुका होता है? शरद और हनीफ़ साम्प्रदायिकता के विरोध के प्रति अपनी ही निष्क्रियता को ईंगित करते हुए सवाल उठाते हैं कि 'एकदम से तो यह इंडस्ट्री नहीं बन गयी। हम कहाँ थे जब यह बन रही थी?' इस तरह लेखिका समाज में पढ़े-लिखे बुद्धिजीवी के उन खोखले विचारों और नकारेपन को अड़े हाथों लेती हैं जो बहसों और मंचों पर ही सेक्युलरिज्म, सहिष्णुता, सामाजिक समता आदि की दुहाई देते हैं, पर उन्हीं मूल्यों को जब व्यवहार में लाने की बारी आती है तो वे विफल हो जाते हैं। क्यों कथा के अंत तक आते-आते ट्रेन में बलात्कृत महिलाओं की खबर पाकर शरद सोचता है- 'ये औरतें हिन्दू ना हों'? क्यों शरद के मन में मुसलमान स्त्रियों के बलात्कार का विचार डर, दुःख या आक्रोश पैदा नहीं करता? उसका एक और कथन काबिल-ए-गौर है- 'कोई मुकाबला नहीं, उनके हमारे संगठन में...'। वास्तव में शरद के ये विचार उसके दबे साम्प्रदायिक चरित्र का उभार ही है। 'उनके और हमारे' जैसे अलगाववादी विचार के आते ही इंसान अपनी मजहबवी पहचान का परिचय देने लगता है।

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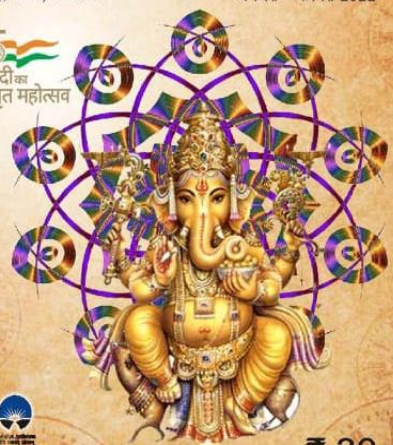


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REASONS FOR NON-PERFORMING ASSETS IN HIMACHAL PRADESH STATE CO-OPERATIVE BANK: AN EMPIRICAL EVIDENCE

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Abstract

The banking sector's increasing non-performing assets (NPAs) can harm the economy in a number of ways. A financial and economic catastrophe as well as an unfavourable investment environment may result from ineffective management of NPAs. In this paper, an effort has been made to pinpoint the causes of the sharp increase in NPA as well as proposed remedies. A number of businesses, including SSI, agriculture, priority industries, the public sector, and others are eligible for loans from the H.P. State Cooperative Bank. These loans must be controlled through pre-approval appraisal and distribution in order to curb the HPSCB's rising NPAs. NPAs need to be decreased in order for banks to become more profitable. A comprehensive framework for NPA management is required to recover NPAs. In order to create new policy measures and key performance indicators within the purview of the Reserve Bank of India's regulatory process and the management of non-performing assets, this study tracks the dynamics of NPAs in HPSCB.

Keywords: H. P. State Co-Operative Bank Ltd., Non-Performing Assets, Priority Sector, Non-Priority Sector

1. Introduction

Finance is the life blood of a modern economy. A financial system helps to mobilize the financial surpluses of an economy and transfer them to areas of financial deficit. The financial system promotes savings by providing a wide variety of financial assets to the general public. In the context of relatively under-developed capital market and with little internal resources, firms or economic entities depend largely on financial intermediaries for their fund requirements (Bhasin, 2007). The banks are the financial intermediary which accepts deposits of money from the public and lends them with a view to make profits. The banking system forms the core of financial sector of an economy (Bhasin, 2007). Banks are special as they not only accept and deploy large amounts of uncollateralized public funds in a fiduciary capacity, but also leverage such funds through credit creation (Akhtar & Azeez, 2015). Co-operative Banks are an important constituent of the Indian financial system, judging by the role assigned to them, the expectations they are supposed to fulfil, their number, and the number of offices they operate (Bhole & Mahakud, 2013). The co-operative banks in India and elsewhere provide banking facilities to the highly disorganized agriculture sector of country (Mathur, 1982).

Himachal Pradesh has the distinction of having first cooperative society registered in India. Cooperatives were primarily visualized as specialized agency for financing the credit requirement of rural people in the country particularly agriculture (Balokhra, 2015). Presently there are three co-operative banks functioning in Himachal Pradesh. These are Himachal Pradesh State Co-operative Bank, Kangra Co-operative Bank and Jogindra Central Co-Operative Bank. The Himachal Pradesh Co-operative Bank is serving the people of the State through a network of 190 branches and Extension Counter of which about 94% is in the rural areas of the State and one branch at New Subzi Mandi, Azadpur, New Delhi for the benefit horticulturists of the State (HPSCB, 2022). Therefore, HP State

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2	Gender Violence-Issues and Interventions	Dr. Anjali Dewan	Home science	Mahila Pratihtha	2018	2454-7891	Print version only
3	Traditional Fermented Indian Foods: A Treasure Hunt for Rare Lactic Acid Bacteria	Dr. Neha Gautam	Microbiology	Journal of Food Quality and Hazards Control	2019	2345-6825	https://jfqhc.ssu.ac.ir/article-1-541-en.pdf
4	Efficacy of purified bacteriocin of <i>Brevibacillus laterosporus</i> TK3 against <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> and <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> in Chicken	Dr. Neha Gautam	Microbiology	Asian Journal of Dairy and Food Research	2020	0976-0563	https://arcejournals.com/journal/asian-journal-of-dairy-and-food-research/DR-1524



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