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"PROBLEM FACED BY RURAL STUDENTS IN SOLAPUR CITY AND ITS REMEDIES"

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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Solapur city is surrounded by many villages. Students from these surrounding villages as well as from the boundary areas of Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh come to Solapur city for their education. These rural students who come to the city for the first time face many problems, if their problems are not solved, then, there will be hindrance in their progress in education.

This research project has been undertaken to study the various problems faced by rural students in Solapur city. During the survey, the principal investigator had direct communication with the rural students. Students expressed their feeling, problems, questions and difficulties to the principal investigator. The principal investigator heard the student problems of social, economic, academic etc., and tried to solve some of their problem on the spot by counseling and guiding them. Some of the tips and guidance was given to improve their English language and communication. Students were motivated and inspired to pursue their higher education, appearing for competitive exams etc.

The project has been divided into five chapters. The thesis begins with the significance of the topic, data collected, area of study; methodology adopted and detailed background of the topic. A detailed review of the literature and introduction is been given followed by the region wise, college survey. Feedback from the students has been analyzed. Major problems were shortlisted.

The major problem of the rural students was that, they are very weak in English language. They are so poor that they can't even read and fill the various forms. Communication in English is a nightmare for them. This has made them to feel inferior and loss of confidence.

Family problems have become the hurdle for the students. Boys and girls help their parents at household and in agriculture. Because of the economic problem many of them discontinue their education inadequate scholarship and high expenditure in city pose a problem for them. Lack of transportation is also another reason for their irregularity to college. Some even cannot afford the hostel staying. Many Government and NGO should help the students by providing hostel facility.

Due to malnutrition and untimed food intake result in health problem. College and hostel should go for health check and these students.

They are so ignorant and innocent that, when they come to city, they feel scared lonely and disturbed. There should be teacher mentors to guide and council these students.

Rural students should be given skill based training to make them skillful and earn their livelihood.

Coaching center for competitive exam for jobs should be provided free of cost.

Teachers can adopt one student and provide him with the education.

Earn and learn scheme should be given priority.

Culture based education has become need of the day.

Rural students need special care, guidance, mentoring and support for their overall development. They need help to make them capable to be competitive and competent. They need help to become physically fit, mentally and morally stable. If done so it can enhance their capacity of becoming successful in their life.

This research project has helped the principal investigator to know and to understand the problems of rural students and then tried to suggest some remedies / solutions for the problems.

Overall the project was completed successfully with a satisfaction of knowing the rural students closely and tried to solve their basic problems.