

## **GENDER DIFFERENCES IN ACCESS TO AND CONTROL OVER RESOURCES**

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### **ABSTRACT**

Gender differences are a common phenomenon in the rural areas of India. Due to the patriarchal society in the country, women are facing a lot of discrimination and inequality. Resources are an important requirement for any individual to survive. Due to the gender inequality and discrimination, women have a lesser access and control over resources. This study was taken up to study the availability of resources (Income, Food, clothing, household appliances and Animal resources) in the selected rural households. The gender differences existing in the households with regard to access and control over the selected resources was also studied. The study displayed some positive and also negative results. The results were favouring women in the case of income, food and clothing resources; whereas the results were in the favour of men in the household appliance category and income.

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