



A STATISTICAL STUDY ON SOCIO DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC CONDITION OF RURAL ASSAM WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO BARPETA DISTRICT

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Abstract

This paper is all about describing the social environment, economic condition and demographic situation of the villages under study. Taking account of various villages and comparing them will actually lead to the idea of improving certain section those of which are yet to be brought up. A few important sectors like ‘economic statuses, ‘socio-cultural status’ and ‘demographic profile’ has been discussed statistically in the said work. This study has been conducted through a survey in few villages of Barpeta District of Assam during 1st June to 15th August 2023. Data is primary in nature and Multi-stage Sampling Technique is used. The collected data were analysed through software like SPSS, R etc. and analysis was done using, graphs and diagram, statistical tests like Chi-square, Multinomial Logistic Regression.



Conclusion drawn on the basis of the study will clearly pave the way for further development of backward sections of selected villages.

Key words: Socio-economic conditions, villages, Chi-square, Multinomial Logistic Regression.

1. INTRODUCTION

Assam's rural areas have earned quite a number of reputations in context with cultural diversity, natural environment, handiworks, industries, etc. But still the villages are considered as underdeveloped and needs constant vigilance for keeping it par with the other developed areas. Reasons might be due to availability of scarce resources, limited labours, improper implementation of Government projects and schemes etc. The existing drawbacks and limitations forbid it to unfold the true capacity of these rural areas. This study was originated with the sole aim of studying the scenario of the rural areas of Assam by considering five villages namely Guwagacha, Majgaon, Pora Bhoral, Pata Gaon and Bahbari, all of which lies in the Barpeta district. The condition of rural areas of Assam is studied by considering variables related to social-demographic and economic issues.

When talking about development, it does not mean change of the rural areas as much as urban areas or to convert all the rural areas to urban areas. This study is initiated just to examine all the facilities at approachable distance while keeping the natural environment intact in rural areas. The overall view of this work is to analyse and achieve statements describing the factors influencing poverty, unemployment etc. This kind of study will give a clear view of the prevailing position of rural areas and hoped that it will further enhance positive changes in the present condition of the rural areas.



Here we briefly discuss the socio-economic and demographic status of some areas to get an idea about this field through some articles as below-

Green et.al (2022) in an article entitled “Association between economic wellbeing and ethnicity, socioeconomic status, and remoteness during the COVID-19 pandemic” conducted a cross sectional study in Australia found that income loss is significantly associated with those people which has low economic status. In this survey the authors used 1211 individuals to find the results. Here the author used Descriptive and Inferential statistics. Ingen et.al (2022) in an article “Neighbourhood-level socio-demographic characteristics and risk of COVID-19 incidence and mortality in Ontario, Canada: A population-based study” conclude that socio demographic factors immigration, housing, race and socio economic characteristics are related to covid-19 pandemic in Ontario (Canada). Islam and Mustaquim (2014) in their paper “Socio economic status of rural population an income level analysis” found that Rs. 500 is the per capita income of 44.8% population and Rs. 2000 is the per capita income of only 4.34% population. In this paper they studied the socio-economic status of five different income groups in rural areas of West Bengal. In this paper they collected primary data of 80 household to see the socio economic status of the Udaypur village of Malda District. In this study percentage method is used. Masthi, et.al (2013) in their paper “An Exploratory Study on Socio Economic Status Scales in a Rural and Urban Setting” analysed that 67% people belonged to high class in rural areas and 50% people belonged to high class in urban areas when Standard of Living index was applied to study the economic status of medical college which is situated in Bangalore. In this paper they used statistical tools Spearman’s Rank correlation. Mehrotra,S. et.al (2007) in his study observed that reforming of bank increased bank profitability but at the cost of the poor and backward regions. Jandhyala, BG T (2002) in the study examines the extent of household expenditure on education. Coppard, D (2001) reviewed the



national significance of the Rural Non-Farm Economy (RNFE) focussing on workforce and enterprise data.

2. OBJECTIVE

Socio-Economic status plays the most important role in the progress of a region. So the main goal of this study is to analyze the prevailing situation of the villages. This study is initiated just to analyse all the various aspects of socio-economic and demographic life in rural areas of the aforesaid villages. The overall view of this work is to analyse and achieve statements describing the factors influencing poverty, unemployment, living condition etc. This kind of study will give a clear view of the prevailing situation of rural areas and hoped that it will further enhance positive changes in the present condition of the rural areas. The overall objective is to create longitudinal panel data set. However, the specific objectives are as below:

- a) To examine the socio-economic and demographic status of the region and compare these statuses among the selected villages.
- b) To examine the living condition of the selected places and study the factors influencing the region's living condition.

3. METHODOLOGY

The study is conducted in five villages namely Guwagacha, Bahbari (in Barnagar block), Majgaon, Pota Gaon and Pora Bhoral (in Sarupeta block) under Barpeta district which is our first stage units (f.s.u.). These villages were chosen conveniently by the method of Convenient Sampling. Since the study is intended to trace out the rural environment of the locality so these villages are selected. In the second state units (s.s.u.) households were selected by using the simple random sampling. Further the number of households from each village is selected by the method of proportional allocation under the Stratified Random Sampling. Appropriate questionnaire and schedule were prepared to collect the data to conduct the survey in these villages regarding social, demography, economy condition. The goals and

objectives were taken care of while framing the questions. Then from each generated household data were collected through the approved questionnaire.

Data collected were entered in MS Excel and SPSS. Throughout this study the data visualisation were done appropriately. These data were then analysed by various statistical tools like Chi-Square test to test the association between the variables and multinomial logistic regression is used to fit the data. Following figure 1 depicts the process of data extraction, analyzation, and conclusion of the analysis.

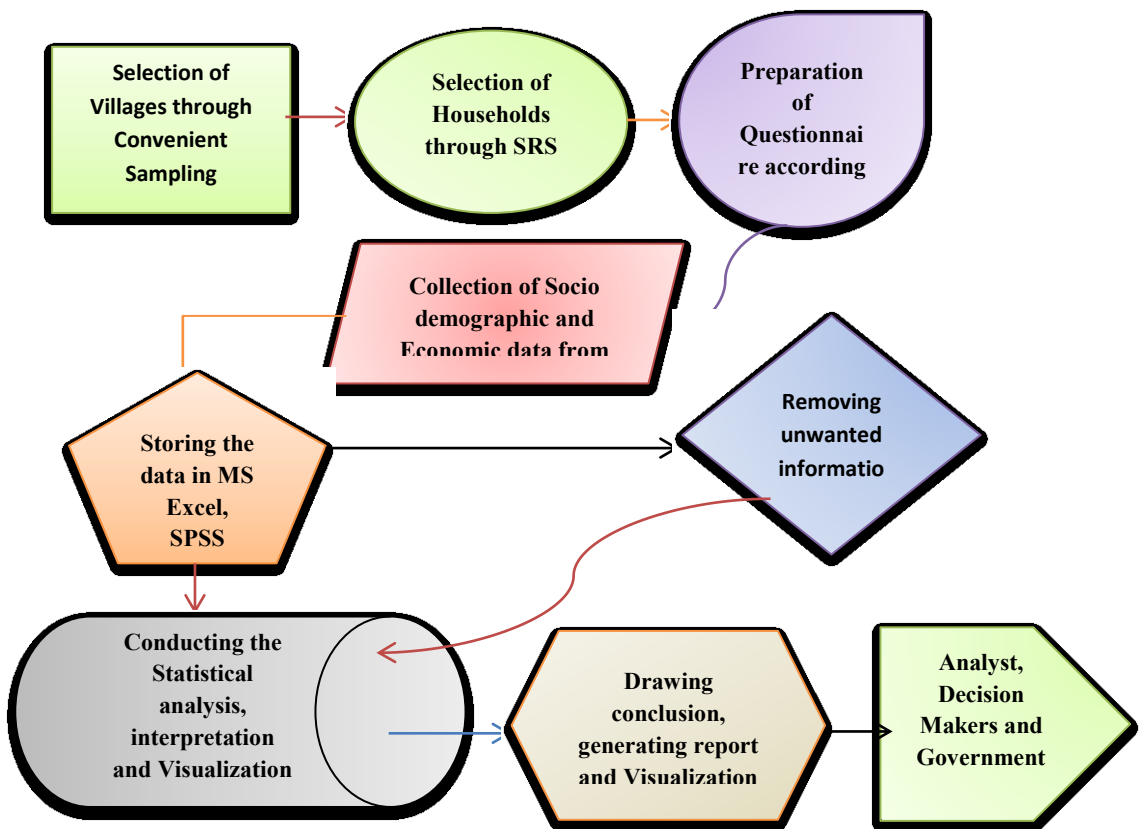


Figure 1: Theoretical Model for the study



4. DESCRIPTION OF STUDY VARIABLES

Out of the total household of the villages chosen for the study. We allocated number of samples to each village using sampling method. We collected the data according to the questionnaire prepared beforehand. Variables that have been used in analysis and interpretation are described below.

Table 1: Depicts the detailed information of the variables collected from the villages

| Dataset | Data Type | Description |
|--------------------|------------------|--|
| Village | String | Specific Village |
| Family Size | Numeric | Total number of members in each household |
| Males | Numeric | Total number of male members in each household |
| Females | Numeric | Total number of female members in each household |
| Below 18 | Numeric | Members in the household below 18 years |
| Between 18-60 | Numeric | Members in the household between 18-60 years |
| Above 60 | Numeric | Members in the household above 60 years |
| Married | Numeric | Total number of married members in the household |
| Unmarried | Numeric | Total number of unmarried members in the household |
| Others | Numeric | Others include divorced, widow, etc members of the household |
| Caste | String | Caste of the head of the household |
| Religion | String | Religion of the head of the head of the household |
| Employed member | Numeric | Total number of employed members in the household |
| Occupations | String | Occupation of the employed members in the household |
| Type of employment | String | Type of occupation of the employed members |
| Unemployed Members | Numeric | No. of Unemployed Members in the household |



| | | |
|----------------------|---------|--|
| Dependent males | Numeric | No. of dependent males in the household |
| House type | String | Type of house of the family |
| Govt. House | String | Whether the household received Govt. house or not |
| Govt. Toilet | String | Whether the household received Govt. toilet or not |
| Municipality water | String | Whether the household receives municipality water or not |
| BPL/APL | String | Whether the household has APL or BPL |
| Mode of cooking | String | Whether the household uses LPG, Firewood or both for cooking purpose |
| Handset | Numeric | No. of handset in each household |
| Govt. Schemes | String | Govt. Schemes each household received |
| No. of govt. schemes | Numeric | Total no. of govt. schemes of each household |
| Loan | String | If the household has any kind of loan or not |
| Vehicles | String | Type of vehicle the household owns |
| Total Vehicle | Numeric | Total no. of Vehicles in each household |

5. CORRELATION MATRIX

A table representing all the correlation values of variables under study has been created. This table shows the correlation among all the variables with shades of red indicating lower correlation value and shades of green indicating higher correlation value. Here single asterisk (*) means the variables are correlated at 0.05 level of significance. And double asterisk (**) means the variables are correlated at 0.01 level of significance. According to the colour variation green represents the highest correlated variables and red represents the least correlated variables. All the other shades in between represents values between -1(red) to 1(green).



Table 2: Correlation Matrix for different variables considered under study

| | Specific Village | Family Size | No. of male members | No of female members | Below 18 years | Between 18-60 years | Above 60 years | Married members | Unmarried members | Others | Caste | Religion | Employed members | Type of occupation | Unemployed Members | Dependent males | House type | Govt. House | Govt. toilet | Municipality water | BPL/APL | Mode of Cooking | No. of handset | Total no. of govt. schemes | Loans | Vehicle type | Total no. of Vehicles |
|----------------------------|------------------|-------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------|-------|----------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------|-------------|--------------|--------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------|----------------------------|-------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Specific village | 1.00 | 0.01 | -0.21 | .251 | -0.01 | 0.04 | -0.14 | -0.05 | -0.01 | 0.09 | 0.06 | 0.05 | -0.05 | 0.03 | 0.00 | -.285 | -0.05 | -0.06 | -0.14 | .455 | -0.09 | .301 | 0.07 | -.273 | -0.07 | -0.11 | 0.02 |
| Family Size | 0.01 | 1.00 | .803 | .620 | .493 | .804 | .382 | .799 | .769 | -0.06 | -0.22 | .317 | .702 | 0.07 | .860 | .554 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.01 | 0.14 | -0.03 | -0.03 | .577 | 0.07 | -0.03 | .249 | .413 |
| No. of male members | -0.21 | .803 | 1.00 | 0.17 | .456 | .713 | .342 | .664 | .747 | -0.13 | -0.15 | 0.22 | .765 | 0.08 | .685 | .800 | 0.16 | 0.19 | 0.07 | 0.18 | 0.11 | -0.02 | .527 | 0.20 | 0.05 | 0.08 | .274 |
| No. of female members | .251 | .620 | 0.17 | 1.00 | .364 | .563 | .282 | .641 | .449 | 0.09 | -0.10 | 0.17 | .337 | 0.04 | .721 | -.007 | 0.11 | -0.01 | -0.06 | -0.04 | -0.06 | -0.05 | .342 | 0.00 | 0.04 | .312 | .374 |
| Below 18 years | -0.01 | .493 | .456 | .364 | 1.00 | 0.09 | -0.14 | .311 | .712 | -.021 | -.271 | .378 | 0.18 | -0.07 | .639 | .529 | 0.00 | 0.17 | 0.10 | 0.12 | -0.20 | -0.14 | 0.03 | -0.10 | 0.20 | -0.01 | 0.11 |
| Between 18-60 years | 0.04 | .804 | .713 | .563 | 0.09 | 1.00 | .279 | .801 | .565 | -0.04 | -0.04 | 0.10 | .760 | 0.08 | .685 | .363 | 0.14 | 0.05 | -0.05 | 0.04 | 0.14 | -0.04 | .646 | 0.17 | -0.06 | .273 | .407 |
| Above 60 years | -0.14 | .382 | .342 | .282 | -0.14 | .279 | 1.00 | .396 | 0.11 | .305 | 0.02 | -0.05 | .423 | 0.21 | .300 | 0.10 | .278 | 0.05 | 0.01 | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.20 | .355 | .280 | 0.00 | 0.13 | 0.21 |
| Married members | -0.05 | .799 | .664 | .641 | .311 | .801 | .396 | 1.00 | .447 | -.232 | -.13 | .245 | .749 | 0.00 | .700 | .297 | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.11 | 0.16 | 0.01 | 0.02 | .584 | 0.15 | 0.05 | .254 | .439 |
| Unmarried members | -0.01 | .769 | .747 | .449 | .712 | .565 | 0.11 | .447 | 1.00 | -.220 | -.17 | .245 | .488 | 0.06 | .809 | .678 | 0.17 | 0.17 | -0.03 | 0.04 | -0.06 | -0.12 | .374 | 0.02 | 0.06 | 0.14 | .242 |
| Others | 0.09 | -0.06 | -0.13 | 0.09 | -0.21 | -0.04 | .305 | -.232 | -.220 | 1.00 | 0.07 | -0.15 | -0.17 | 0.17 | 0.04 | -0.06 | 0.17 | 0.00 | -0.10 | 0.02 | .239 | -.07 | -0.07 | 0.20 | 0.01 | -0.06 | -0.11 |
| Caste | 0.06 | -0.22 | -0.15 | -0.10 | -.271 | -0.04 | 0.02 | -0.13 | -0.17 | 0.07 | 1.00 | .869 | -0.04 | -0.06 | -0.20 | -0.17 | -0.02 | -0.12 | -0.12 | -.243 | .330 | -.260 | -0.06 | 0.20 | .222 | -0.01 | -0.03 |
| Religion | 0.05 | .317 | 0.22 | 0.17 | .378 | 0.10 | -0.05 | .245 | .245 | -0.15 | .869 | 1.00 | 0.07 | 0.05 | .312 | -.242 | -0.01 | 0.10 | 0.11 | .293 | .359 | -.316 | 0.08 | -.223 | -.252 | 0.02 | 0.04 |
| Employed members | -0.05 | .702 | .765 | .337 | 0.18 | .760 | .423 | .749 | .488 | -0.17 | -0.04 | 0.07 | 1.00 | 0.05 | .413 | -.236 | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.03 | -0.03 | 0.21 | -0.07 | .610 | .228 | 0.00 | 0.20 | .448 |
| Type of occupation | 0.03 | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.04 | -0.07 | 0.08 | 0.21 | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.17 | -0.06 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 1.00 | 0.08 | 0.06 | 0.01 | 0.18 | 0.16 | -0.11 | .225 | -0.06 | -0.05 | 0.07 | -.231 | -0.19 | -.248 |
| Unemployed members | 0.00 | .860 | .685 | .721 | .639 | .685 | .300 | .700 | .809 | 0.04 | -0.20 | .312 | .413 | 0.08 | 1.00 | .635 | .228 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.17 | -0.07 | -0.02 | .419 | 0.06 | 0.08 | 0.19 | .282 |
| Dependent males | -.285 | .554 | .800 | -.007 | .529 | .363 | 0.10 | .297 | .678 | -0.06 | -0.17 | .242 | .236 | 0.06 | .635 | 1.00 | 0.20 | 0.18 | 0.10 | .292 | -.003 | 0.04 | .230 | 0.11 | 0.09 | -0.08 | -0.01 |
| House type | -0.05 | 0.13 | 0.16 | 0.11 | 0.00 | 0.14 | .278 | 0.07 | 0.17 | 0.17 | -0.02 | -0.01 | 0.04 | 0.01 | .228 | 0.20 | 1.00 | 0.17 | -0.17 | -0.10 | -0.01 | 0.13 | .241 | 0.08 | 0.06 | .266 | 0.18 |
| Govt. House | -0.06 | 0.14 | 0.19 | -0.01 | 0.17 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.17 | 0.00 | -0.12 | 0.10 | 0.13 | 0.18 | 0.12 | 0.18 | 0.17 | 1.00 | .429 | 0.00 | 0.07 | -0.07 | 0.03 | .295 | -0.18 | -0.08 | -0.04 |
| Govt. Toilet | -0.14 | 0.01 | 0.07 | -0.06 | 0.10 | -0.05 | 0.01 | 0.11 | -0.03 | -0.10 | -0.12 | 0.11 | 0.03 | 0.16 | 0.01 | 0.10 | -0.17 | .429 | 1.00 | 0.12 | 0.12 | -0.11 | -0.19 | .320 | -0.07 | -0.20 | -0.15 |
| Municipality water | -.455 | 0.14 | 0.18 | -0.04 | 0.12 | 0.04 | 0.07 | 0.16 | 0.04 | 0.02 | -.243 | .293 | -0.03 | -0.11 | 0.17 | .292 | -0.10 | 0.00 | 0.12 | 1.00 | -0.07 | .275 | 0.16 | -0.01 | -0.11 | 0.13 | -0.05 |
| BPL/APL | -0.09 | -0.03 | 0.11 | -0.06 | -0.20 | 0.14 | 0.16 | 0.01 | -0.06 | .239 | .330 | .359 | 0.21 | .225 | -.007 | -0.03 | -0.01 | 0.07 | 0.12 | -0.07 | 1.00 | 0.02 | 0.00 | .637 | 0.01 | -0.10 | -0.07 |
| Mode of cooking | -.301 | -0.03 | -0.02 | -0.05 | -0.14 | -0.04 | 0.20 | 0.02 | -0.12 | 0.07 | .260 | .316 | -0.07 | -0.06 | -0.02 | 0.04 | 0.13 | -0.07 | -0.11 | .275 | 0.02 | 1.00 | 0.13 | 0.14 | 0.08 | 0.07 | 0.11 |
| No. of handset | 0.07 | .577 | .527 | .342 | 0.03 | .646 | .355 | .584 | .374 | -0.07 | -0.06 | 0.08 | .610 | -0.05 | .419 | -.230 | .241 | 0.03 | -0.19 | 0.16 | 0.00 | 0.13 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 0.07 | .285 | .472 |
| Total no. of Govt. Schemes | -.273 | 0.07 | 0.20 | 0.00 | -0.10 | 0.17 | .280 | 0.15 | 0.02 | 0.20 | 0.20 | -.223 | .228 | 0.07 | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.08 | .295 | .320 | -0.01 | .637 | 0.14 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.04 | -0.17 | -0.05 |
| Loans | -0.07 | -0.03 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.20 | -0.06 | 0.00 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.01 | .222 | -.252 | 0.00 | -.231 | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.06 | -0.18 | -0.07 | -0.11 | 0.01 | 0.08 | 0.07 | 0.04 | 1.00 | 0.03 | 0.06 |
| Vehicles | -0.11 | .249 | .008 | .312 | -0.01 | .273 | 0.13 | .254 | 0.14 | -0.06 | -0.01 | 0.02 | 0.20 | -0.19 | 0.19 | -0.08 | .266 | -0.08 | -0.20 | 0.13 | -0.10 | 0.07 | .285 | -0.17 | 0.03 | 1.00 | .575 |
| Total no. of vehicles | 0.02 | .413 | .274 | .374 | 0.11 | .407 | 0.21 | .439 | .242 | -0.11 | -0.03 | 0.04 | .448 | -.248 | .282 | -0.01 | 0.18 | -0.04 | -0.15 | -0.05 | -0.07 | 0.11 | .472 | -0.05 | 0.06 | .575 | 1.00 |



6. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

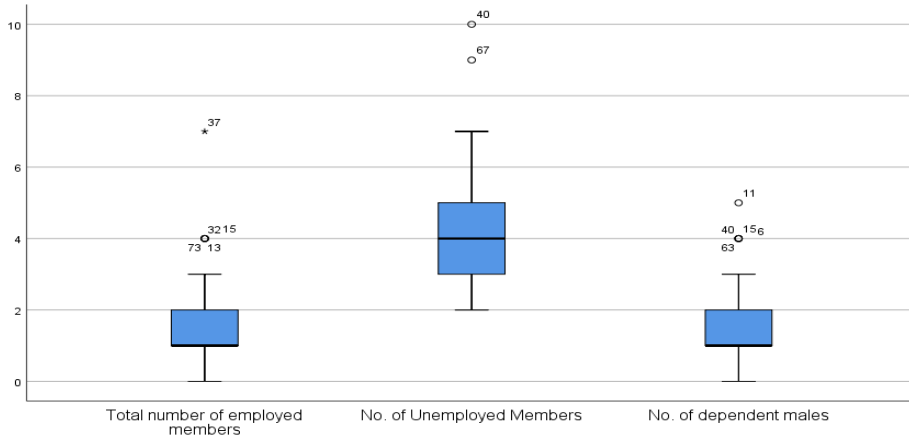


Figure 2: Box and Whisker Plot for Employed, Unemployed and Dependent Male members of Households of all the villages

The above box plot shows the no. of employed, unemployed and dependents male members of the household. Here, the IQR is maximum for unemployed members (3-5) of the household, whereas employed members and dependent male members has an equal value of IQR 1. The maximum range (excluding outliers) is for unemployed members (2-7) and employed members and dependent male members have an equal range of 3. The centre lines going through the width of the boxes indicates symmetry or skewness. The line directs toward the lower hinge in the boxplot of employed and dependent male members which indicates positive skewness whereas its middle position for unemployed members represents symmetric nature. The lowest lower IQR of all the variables are equal (0-1). The highest upper IQR belongs to unemployed members (5-7) and the lowest upper IQR belongs to both employed and dependent male members (2-3). The Outliers are the values which are located outside the



whiskers of the boxplot. The outliers here are situated at 4 and 7, 9 and 10, 4 and 5 for employed, unemployed, dependent male members respectively.

Table 3: Chi-Square Tests for no. of eligible adults available for employment and no. of unemployed members in each family.

| | Value | df | Asymptotic Significance (2-sided) |
|------------------------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------------------|
| Pearson Chi-Square | 51.076 ^a | 4 | .000 |
| Likelihood Ratio | 34.964 | 4 | .000 |
| Linear-by-Linear Association | 30.738 | 1 | .000 |
| N of Valid Cases | 80 | | |

Here the chi-square test with 4 df results into 51.076 test statistics. The asymptotic p -value associated with this test is less than 5% LoS (Chi-Square (4) = 51.076 , $p < 0.05$, .000). Thus we can establish that there is a significant relationship between no. of eligible adults available for employment in each family and no. of unemployed members in each family.

Table 4: Chi-Square Tests for Family Size and No. of Dependent Male

| | Value | df | Asymptotic Significance (2-sided) |
|------------------------------|---------------------|----|-----------------------------------|
| Pearson Chi-Square | 47.285 ^a | 15 | .000 |
| Likelihood Ratio | 42.796 | 15 | .000 |
| Linear-by-Linear Association | 24.247 | 1 | .000 |
| N of Valid Cases | 80 | | |



Here the chi-square test with 15 df results into 47.285 test statistics. The asymptotic *p*-value associated with this test is less than 5% LoS (Chi-Square (15) = 47.285 , *p*<0.05, .000). Thus we can establish that there is a significant relationship between Family Size and no. of dependent males.

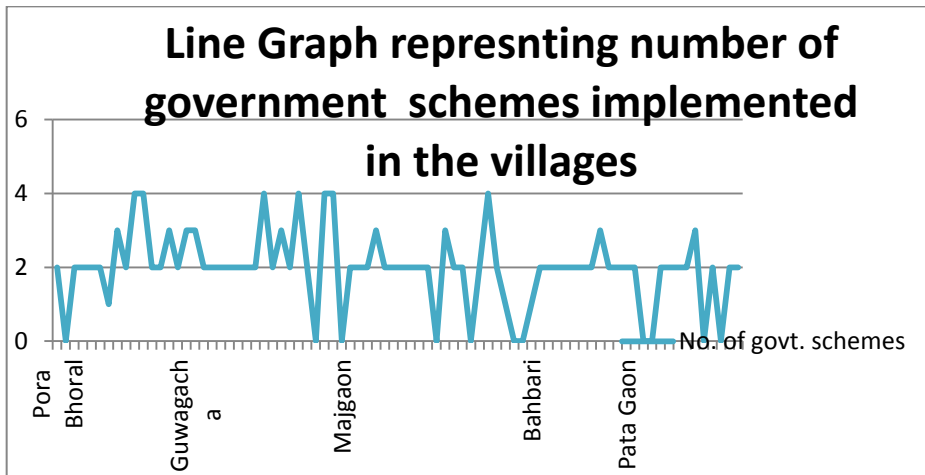


Figure 3: Line graph for No. of Govt. Schemes

Above line graph represents the number of Government Schemes implementing in the villages. It reveals that some of the household still unable to avail single government schemes and some of them availing three or more schemes.

Now we examine the relation between the type of occupation with loans, religion of the head of the household, government house, government toilet, house type, BPL/APL, mode of cooking, total number of government schemes and family size using multinomial logistic regression model. Following section (Table 5 (a -f)) depicts the different tables related to this regression model.

**Table 5 (a): Model Fitting Information**

| Model | Model Fitting Criteria | | | Likelihood Ratio Tests | | |
|----------------|------------------------|---------|-------------------|------------------------|----|-------|
| | AIC | BIC | -2 Log Likelihood | Chi-Square | df | Sig. |
| Intercept Only | 121.208 | 125.972 | 117.208 | | | |
| Final | 136.487 | 222.24 | 64.487 | 52.721 | 34 | 0.021 |

Here we observed that the final model is a significant improvement in fit over a null model $\chi^2 (34)=52.721, p<0.05$

Table 5 (b): Goodness-of-Fit

| | Chi-Square | df | Sig. |
|----------|------------|----|-------|
| Pearson | 50.259 | 96 | 1 |
| Deviance | 57.32 | 96 | 0.999 |

Here both Pearson's Chi square [$\chi^2 (96)=50.259, p=1$] and Deviance Chi square [$\chi^2 (96)=57.320, p=0.999$] test shows non significant results, which indicates good fit.

Table 5 (c): Pseudo R-Square

| | |
|---------------|-------|
| Cox and Snell | 0.483 |
| Nagelkerke | 0.611 |
| McFadden | 0.422 |



The measures Cox and Snell R -square, Nagelkerke R -square and McFadden R -square are called Pseudo R square. Here we may conclude that between 61% and 48% of variation in the type of occupation can be explained by Model 1 based on these measures.

Table 5 (d): Likelihood Ratio Tests

| Effect | Model Fitting Criteria | | | Likelihood Ratio Tests | | |
|--|------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|----|-------|
| | AIC of Reduced Model | BIC of Reduced Model | -2 Log Likelihood of Reduced Model | Chi-Square | df | Sig. |
| Intercept | 136.487 | 222.24 | 64.487 ^a | 0 | 0 | . |
| Loans | 134.885 | 215.873 | 66.885 | 2.397 | 2 | 0.302 |
| Religion of the head of the head of the family | 135.591 | 216.579 | 67.591 | 3.103 | 2 | 0.212 |
| Govt. House | 133.817 | 214.806 | 65.817 ^b | 1.33 | 2 | 0.514 |
| Govt. toilet | 136.641 | 217.63 | 68.641 | 4.154 | 2 | 0.125 |
| House type | 139.694 | 215.919 | 75.694 | 11.207 | 4 | 0.024 |
| BPL/APL | 132.64 | 208.865 | 68.64 | 4.153 | 4 | 0.386 |
| Mode of Cooking | 141.262 | 217.487 | 77.262 | 12.775 | 4 | 0.012 |
| Total no. of govt. schemes | 127.065 | 193.761 | 71.065 | 6.578 | 8 | 0.583 |
| FamilySize | 141.98 | 213.441 | 81.98 | 17.493 | 6 | 0.008 |

The above table shows the likelihood ratio tests of the overall contribution of each independent variables on the model. Here we observe that variable House type (p



=0.024), Mode of cooking (p=0.012) and Family Size (p=0.008) are only significant where as other variables are found to be not significant.

Table 5 (e):Parameter Estimates

| Type of occupation ^a | | B | Std. Error | Wald | df | Sig. | Exp(B) | 95% Confidence Interval for Exp(B) | |
|---------------------------------|--|----------------|------------|-------|----|-------|------------|------------------------------------|----------------|
| | | | | | | | | Lower Bound | Upper Bound |
| Private | Intercept | -55.638 | 6140.261 | 0 | 1 | 0.993 | | | |
| | Loans | -0.46 | 1078.194 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0.631 | 0 | . ^b |
| | Religion of the head of the head of the family | 26.851 | 1172.134 | 0.001 | 1 | 0.982 | 4.5861E+11 | 0 | . ^b |
| | Govt. House | -27.68 | 2793.311 | 0 | 1 | 0.992 | 9.52E-13 | 0 | . ^b |
| | Govt. toilet | 12.03 | 829.314 | 0 | 1 | 0.988 | 167708.453 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [House type=1] | 27.204 | 1093.037 | 0.001 | 1 | 0.98 | 6.5226E+11 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [House type=2] | 83.436 | 2874.448 | 0.001 | 1 | 0.977 | 1.72E+36 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [House type=3] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . |
| | [BPL/APL=0] | -6.174 | 5660.279 | 0 | 1 | 0.999 | 0.002 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [BPL/APL=1] | -12.22 | 3265.643 | 0 | 1 | 0.997 | 4.93E-06 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [BPL/APL=2] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . |
| | [Mode of Cooking=0] | 44.326 | 3035.894 | 0 | 1 | 0.988 | 1.7799E+19 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [Mode of Cooking=1] | 30.704 | 2641.328 | 0 | 1 | 0.991 | 2.1606E+13 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [Mode of Cooking=2] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . |



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|--------|--|----------------|----------|-------|---|-------|------------|---|----------------|
| | [Total no. of govt. schemes=0] | -50.03 | 4355.603 | 0 | 1 | 0.991 | 1.87E-22 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [Total no. of govt. schemes=1] | -28.971 | 7735.35 | 0 | 1 | 0.997 | 2.62E-13 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [Total no. of govt. schemes=2] | 40.838 | 4413.722 | 0 | 1 | 0.993 | 5.4412E+17 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [Total no. of govt. schemes=3] | 0.545 | 4485.147 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1.725 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [Total no. of govt. schemes=4] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . |
| | [FamilySize=1] | -13.457 | 4580.023 | 0 | 1 | 0.998 | 1.43E-06 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [FamilySize=2] | 15.665 | 4770.717 | 0 | 1 | 0.997 | 6359589.48 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [FamilySize=3] | 71.262 | 5232.027 | 0 | 1 | 0.989 | 8.8864E+30 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [FamilySize=4] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . |
| Others | Intercept | -36.417 | 5550.591 | 0 | 1 | 0.995 | | | |
| | Loans | -1.748 | 1078.194 | 0 | 1 | 0.999 | 0.174 | 0 | . ^b |
| | Religion of the head of the head of the family | 27.296 | 1172.134 | 0.001 | 1 | 0.981 | 7.1515E+11 | 0 | . ^b |
| | Govt. House | -29.253 | 2793.311 | 0 | 1 | 0.992 | 1.97E-13 | 0 | . ^b |
| | Govt. toilet | 13.648 | 829.313 | 0 | 1 | 0.987 | 845451.332 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [House type=1] | 26.888 | 1093.037 | 0.001 | 1 | 0.98 | 4.7563E+11 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [House type=2] | 84.497 | 2874.448 | 0.001 | 1 | 0.977 | 4.97E+36 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [House type=3] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . |
| | [BPL/APL=0] | -24.581 | 3614.897 | 0 | 1 | 0.995 | 2.11E-11 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [BPL/APL=1] | -14.67 | 3265.643 | 0 | 1 | 0.996 | 4.26E-07 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [BPL/APL=2] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . |



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|--------------------------------|----------------|----------|---|---|-------|------------|----------|----------|--------------|
| [Mode of Cooking=0] | 43.535 | 3035.894 | 0 | 1 | 0.989 | 8.0756E+18 | 0 | . | ^b |
| [Mode of Cooking=1] | 27.723 | 2641.328 | 0 | 1 | 0.992 | 1.0959E+12 | 0 | . | ^b |
| [Mode of Cooking=2] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . | . |
| [Total no. of govt. schemes=0] | -31.684 | 0 | . | 1 | . | 1.74E-14 | 1.74E-14 | 1.74E-14 | |
| [Total no. of govt. schemes=1] | -13.562 | 6392.524 | 0 | 1 | 0.998 | 1.29E-06 | 0 | . | ^b |
| [Total no. of govt. schemes=2] | 41.628 | 4413.722 | 0 | 1 | 0.992 | 1.1989E+18 | 0 | . | ^b |
| [Total no. of govt. schemes=3] | 0.633 | 4485.147 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1.883 | 0 | . | ^b |
| [Total no. of govt. schemes=4] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . | . |
| [FamilySize=1] | -30.162 | 3752.714 | 0 | 1 | 0.994 | 7.96E-14 | 0 | . | ^b |
| [FamilySize=2] | -2.486 | 3983.214 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0.083 | 0 | . | ^b |
| [FamilySize=3] | 52.893 | 4525.523 | 0 | 1 | 0.991 | 9.3578E+22 | 0 | . | ^b |
| [FamilySize=4] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . | . |
| Reference Category: Government | | | | | | | | | |

The first set of coefficients denotes comparison between Government type of occupation with private occupation. Here we observed no significant predictor variable.



The second set of coefficients denotes comparison between Government type of occupation with others type of occupation. Here also we observe no significant predictor variable.

Table 5 (f): Classification

| Observed | Predicted | | | |
|--------------------|------------|---------|--------|-----------------|
| | Government | Private | Others | Percent Correct |
| Government | 4 | 0 | 0 | 100.00% |
| Private | 0 | 13 | 10 | 56.50% |
| Others | 1 | 5 | 47 | 88.70% |
| Overall Percentage | 6.30% | 22.50% | 71.30% | 80.00% |

Here we observe that Government type of employee were cent percent (100%) correctly predicted by the model. The others type of employee was correctly predicted by the model 88.7% of the time. On the other hand only 56.5% were correctly predicted by the model for private type of employee.

Next we examine the relation between the mode of cooking with loans, religion of the head of the household, government house, government toilet, house type, BPL/APL, total number of government schemes and family size using multinomial logistic regression model. Following section (Table 6 (a -f)) depicts the different tables related to this regression model.

**Table 6 (a): Model Fitting Information**

| Model | Model Fitting Criteria | | | Likelihood Ratio Tests | | |
|----------------|------------------------|---------|-------------------|------------------------|----|------|
| | AIC | BIC | -2 Log Likelihood | Chi-Square | df | Sig. |
| Intercept Only | 106.202 | 110.966 | 102.202 | | | |
| Final | 102.795 | 179.02 | 38.795 | 63.407 | 30 | 0 |

Here we observed that the final model is a significant improvement in fit over a null model [$\chi^2(30)=63.407, p<0.001$].

Table 6 b): Goodness-of-Fit

| | Chi-Square | df | Sig. |
|----------|------------|----|------|
| Pearson | 24.524 | 86 | 1 |
| Deviance | 28.855 | 86 | 1 |

Here both Pearson's Chi square [$\chi^2(86)=24.524, p=1$] and Deviance Chi square [$\chi^2(86)=28.855, p=1$] test shows non significant results, which indicates good fit.

Table 6 (c): Pseudo R-Square

| | |
|---------------|-------|
| Cox and Snell | 0.547 |
| Nagelkerke | 0.724 |
| McFadden | 0.563 |



The measures Cox and Snell R -square, Nagelkerke R -square and McFadden R -square are called Pseudo R square. Here we may conclude that between 72% and 56% of variation in the Mode of Cooking can be explained by Model 1 based on these measures.

Table 6(d):Likelihood Ratio Tests

| Effect | Model Fitting Criteria | | | Likelihood Ratio Tests | | |
|--|------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|----|-------|
| | AIC of Reduced Model | BIC of Reduced Model | -2 Log Likelihood of Reduced Model | Chi-Square | df | Sig. |
| Intercept | 102.795 | 179.02 | 38.795 ^a | 0 | 0 | . |
| Loans | 100.923 | 172.384 | 40.923 | 2.128 | 2 | 0.345 |
| Religion of the head of the head of the family | 110.395 | 181.856 | 50.395 | 11.6 | 2 | 0.003 |
| Govt. House | 102.644 | 174.105 | 42.644 | 3.849 | 2 | 0.146 |
| Govt. toilet | 102.423 | 173.883 | 42.423 | 3.628 | 2 | 0.163 |
| House type | 102.152 | 168.849 | 46.152 | 7.357 | 4 | 0.118 |
| BPL/APL | 101.051 | 167.748 | 45.051 | 6.256 | 4 | 0.181 |
| Total no. of govt. schemes | 96.843 | 154.012 | 48.843 | 10.048 | 8 | 0.262 |
| FamilySize | 95.327 | 157.259 | 43.327 | 4.532 | 6 | 0.605 |

The above table shows the likelihood ratio tests of the overall contribution of each independent variables on the model. Here we observe that only variable Religion of the Head of the household ($p=0.003$) are significant.



Table 6(e):Parameter Estimates

| Mode of Cooking ^a | | B | Std. Error | Wald | df | Sig. | Exp(B) | 95% Confidence Interval for Exp(B) | |
|------------------------------|--|----------------|------------|-------|----|-------|----------|------------------------------------|----------------|
| | | | | | | | | Lower Bound | Upper Bound |
| Firewood | Intercept | -59.005 | 7625.212 | 0 | 1 | 0.994 | | | |
| | Loans | 17.394 | 2122.832 | 0 | 1 | 0.993 | 35827768 | 0 | . ^b |
| | Religion of the head of the head of the family | 17.778 | 0 | . | 1 | . | 52598838 | 52598838 | 52598838 |
| | Govt. House | 25.94 | 2275.469 | 0 | 1 | 0.991 | 1.84E+11 | 0 | . ^b |
| | Govt. toilet | 26.592 | 2248.347 | 0 | 1 | 0.991 | 3.54E+11 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [House type=1] | 1.363 | 5056.66 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3.909 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [House type=2] | 0.597 | 5056.66 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1.817 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [House type=3] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . |
| | [BPL/APL=0] | -52.821 | 11513.92 | 0 | 1 | 0.996 | 1.15E-23 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [BPL/APL=1] | 0.825 | 2.941 | 0.079 | 1 | 0.779 | 2.281 | 0.007 | 726.81 |
| | [BPL/APL=2] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . |
| | [Total no. of govt. schemes=0] | 59.815 | 12651.59 | 0 | 1 | 0.996 | 9.49E+25 | 0 | . ^b |



| | | | | | | | | | |
|------|--|----------------|----------|-------|---|-------|----------|-------|----------------|
| | [Total no. of govt. schemes=1] | 25.611 | 12035.92 | 0 | 1 | 0.998 | 1.33E+11 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [Total no. of govt. schemes=2] | 8.068 | 5243.334 | 0 | 1 | 0.999 | 3192.208 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [Total no. of govt. schemes=3] | -36.654 | 7583.48 | 0 | 1 | 0.996 | 1.21E-16 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [Total no. of govt. schemes=4] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . |
| | [FamilySize=1] | 13.321 | 1301.759 | 0 | 1 | 0.992 | 610017.9 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [FamilySize=2] | 13.573 | 1301.756 | 0 | 1 | 0.992 | 784635.2 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [FamilySize=3] | 15.136 | 5428.983 | 0 | 1 | 0.998 | 3746921 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [FamilySize=4] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . |
| Both | Intercept | -2.33 | 7051.684 | 0 | 1 | 1 | | | |
| | Loans | 15.981 | 2122.831 | 0 | 1 | 0.994 | 8721756 | 0 | . ^b |
| | Religion of the head of the head of the family | -1.108 | 2.225 | 0.248 | 1 | 0.618 | 0.33 | 0.004 | 25.833 |
| | Govt. House | 26.579 | 2275.469 | 0 | 1 | 0.991 | 3.49E+11 | 0 | . ^b |
| | Govt. toilet | 26.429 | 2248.347 | 0 | 1 | 0.991 | 3.01E+11 | 0 | . ^b |
| | [House type=1] | -16.006 | 4141.515 | 0 | 1 | 0.997 | 1.12E-07 | 0 | . ^b |



| | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------|-------|---|-------|----------|-------|----------------|
| [House type=2] | -18.288 | 4141.515 | 0 | 1 | 0.996 | 1.14E-08 | 0 | . ^b |
| [House type=3] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . |
| [BPL/APL=0] | -31.639 | 7540.465 | 0 | 1 | 0.997 | 1.82E-14 | 0 | . ^b |
| [BPL/APL=1] | 1.48 | 2.26 | 0.429 | 1 | 0.513 | 4.393 | 0.052 | 368.473 |
| [BPL/APL=2] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . |
| [Total no. of govt. schemes=0] | 38.977 | 9184.289 | 0 | 1 | 0.997 | 8.46E+16 | 0 | . ^b |
| [Total no. of govt. schemes=1] | 25.57 | 8039.897 | 0 | 1 | 0.997 | 1.27E+11 | 0 | . ^b |
| [Total no. of govt. schemes=2] | 7.458 | 5243.334 | 0 | 1 | 0.999 | 1732.854 | 0 | . ^b |
| [Total no. of govt. schemes=3] | -19.438 | 6690.427 | 0 | 1 | 0.998 | 3.62E-09 | 0 | . ^b |
| [Total no. of govt. schemes=4] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . |
| [FamilySize=1] | 12.106 | 1301.76 | 0 | 1 | 0.993 | 181039.1 | 0 | . ^b |
| [FamilySize=2] | 14.148 | 1301.757 | 0 | 1 | 0.991 | 1394259 | 0 | . ^b |
| [FamilySize=3] | 14.294 | 5428.983 | 0 | 1 | 0.998 | 1614265 | 0 | . ^b |
| [FamilySize=4] | 0 ^c | . | . | 0 | . | . | . | . |
| Reference category: LPG. | | | | | | | | |



In the first set of coefficients LPG mode of Cooking is compared with Firewood mode of Cooking and no significant predictor variable is observed.

The second set of coefficients denotes comparison between mode of Cooking with both (LPG and Firewood) mode of Cooking. Here also we observe no significant predictor variable.

Table 6(f): Classification

| Observed | Predicted | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|-------|--------|-----------------|
| | Firewood | LPG | Both | Percent Correct |
| Firewood | 6 | 0 | 6 | 50.00% |
| LPG | 0 | 4 | 3 | 57.10% |
| Both | 3 | 2 | 56 | 91.80% |
| Overall Percentage | 11.30% | 7.50% | 81.30% | 82.50% |

Here we observe that Firewood were 50% correctly predicted by the model. The LPG mode of cooking was correctly predicted by the model 57.1% of the time. On the other hand 91.8% were correctly predicted by the model for both mode of cooking.



7. CONCLUSION

After performing the analysis, it may be concluded that in all the villages people are employed more in private sectors than in government and other sectors. There exists remarkable variation in availing any government schemes among the villages. The disparity in the gap between the number of employed and unemployed members can easily be visualized in the study area. Though we obtain a significant association between number of eligible adults available for employment and number of unemployed members in each family, family size and dependent males, other variables seem to be statistically insignificant. However the absence of statistical significance does not merely conclude the absence of relationship but may be attributed to some other factors. Further the model fitted for studying type of employment and mode of cooking seems to be good though both the model parameters are not significant. Hence this kind of study rightly able to identify the socio- economic condition and demographic status of the aforesaid villages and then highlight the trend followed by these aspects in these areas.

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