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Pattern and Determinants of Migration - A Study of Kangra District of Himachal Pradesh

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ABSTRACT The present study was conducted in district Kangra of Himachal Pradesh to determine the existing pattern of migration of people and the various factors which motivate people to migrate. The results revealed that husbands alone migrate leaving behind their wives and family in a bid to seek better employment so as to improve their living standards. Destination places were mainly neighbouring states such as Punjab and Delhi with a few international migrants. The frequency of the visit back home ranged from once in 6 months to once in 2 years; with greater frequency for interstate migrants. Relative and friends were instrumental in facilitating the migration. Economic factors were found to be responsible for the migration.

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