

Awareness Level of Family Planning Practices in School Going Adolescent Girls of Different Socio-economic Groups in Rural Sectors, West Bengal

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ABSTRACT The study focuses the awareness level of different techniques adopted for family planning among the adolescent girls having the age group of 15 yrs-19 yrs (Class IX-XII standards). A cross sectional work following a pre tested semi structured questionnaire was applied on 3140 girls in total having 1140 of middle-high socio-economic group sectors and 2000 of low-socio- economic group from peri-urban or rural sectors .The girls at IX-XII standards were selected randomly from arts and commerce field only. Results revealed that the awareness level of different methods of family planning is significantly high in upper-middle socio-economic group than low-socio-economic group. The attitude of adolescent girls about the threatening side of high population is not significantly low in low-socio-economic group but girls of high-socio-economic group are conscious about the effect of such high population on our future generation. It may be concluded that socio-economic factor plays a vital role for awareness building on the family planning methods.