

## **Migration- Its Multidimensional Impact on Mountain Women**

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**ABSTRACT** There is an urgent need to study managerial problems faced by the wives where husbands migrate to seek better economic gains. The present investigation was carried out in Kangra district of Himachal Pradesh, an abode of migratory families, to ascertain the impact of migration on mountain women and their households. A multi stage random sampling technique was used to select a sample of eighty households through proportional allocation method. Pre-tested interview schedule was used to assess the impact of migration on mountain women and their households. There occurred a change in the decision-making, time-use pattern, income, expenditure and savings. Significant difference was found between the total time spent on household, agricultural and livestock activities. The significant difference between the total family income, savings and total expenditure before and after migration was also found. The aggregate decision making pattern was found to be significantly different before and after migration for all major aspects. Hence, it is imperative to create viable development programmes, employment and educational facilities in the villages at a policy level so that extent of migration could be reduced.