

Evaluation of Tribal Development Programmes with Special Reference to Bharmaur Region of Himachal Pradesh

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ABSTRACT The tribal people of India constitute an integral part of the Indian population and represent a part of Indian culture. The total population of the Scheduled tribes in the country is about 67.8 million. They constitute about 8.08% of the total population. The present study is based on secondary information and provides an overall picture of development initiatives by the Government of India and Himachal Pradesh Government for the upliftment of tribal communities. The present study focuses on the Gaddis, a scheduled tribe, inhabiting Bharmaur region of Chamba district in Himachal Pradesh. The study reveals that a number of development programmes, policies and projects have been introduced to improve the well-being of tribal people. But the issue of tribal development is still alive. It clearly indicates that we have achieved too less in this regard.