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4.1 Introduction:

In this chapter various aspects of the methodological procedure have been elaborated. To be precise this chapter deals with methodological aspects of this study such as, selection of research topic. Statement of the problem, objectives of the study, area of the study, selection of sample respondents, data collection, analysis and presentation of data.

4.2 Selection of the Research Topic

“Women workers in Shri. Mahila Griha Udyog Lijjat Pappad Kendra in Islampur”.

- i) The researcher has selected Women and society as an optional paper while doing her post-graduation in Sociology. By studying this subject researcher realised that what is stand of women in todays world / whether in various sector women participation is increasing \ What has to be done to improve their social life and economic life.
- ii) Islampurs Lijjat Centre is the main and only centre in Sangli District. Due to participation in this Lijjat Centre, women are able to improve their social and economic life. They have got a new direction to their life. The researcher has realised that their life style is also changing now.

So researcher has selected this topic for study.

4.3 Statement of the Problem

Women workers in Shri Mahila Griha Udyog Lijja Pappad Kendra in Islampur:

The researcher has selected this topic to study the changes in familial, social, and economic status of women due to the participation in this enterprises.

4.4 Objectives of the Study

The general objectives of the present research work is to study, the working women in Lijjat Centre at Rajaramnagar from sociological point of view.

The Specific objectives of present study are as follows :

- i) To understand ideological and functional aspects of “Shri Mahila Griha Udyog Lijjat Pappad Sanstha, Mumbai and its unit at Islampur.
- ii) To analyze familial and socio-economic changes in the life of pappad roller women before and after entering into this activity
- iii) To study the problems of the women working in this Udyog and suggest the remedies.

4.5 Area of the Study

For present study of this subject the researcher has selected the Lijjat pappad, Kendra Rajaramnagar, Islampur in Sangli. District.

The researcher has selected this area for the following reasons.

- i) Islampurs Shri. Mahila Griha Udyog Lijjat Pappad Kendra is one of the Lijjat Centre in the Sangli District.

- ii) Rajaramnagar is the part of Islampur town and researcher's native place is Islampur so researcher know the many person in this kendra and all of the area very well.

4.6 Selection of the Respondents

The list of pappad roller women was obtained from the office of Lijjat Pappad Centre, Rajaramnagar. The total of 300 women working in this centre and 20 percent of sample was selected for the study. Systematic sampling method was adopted for the selection of respondents. The researcher had made five categories of the pappad roller women on the basis of place of residence.

| Sr.No. | Place | Total No of Pappad Roller Women | No. of Pappad roller selected for sample |
|--------|--------------|---------------------------------|--|
| 1. | Rajaramnagar | 100 | 20 |
| 2 | Islampur | 105 | 21 |
| 3 | Madhavnagar | 50 | 10 |
| 4 | Rajibhaskar | 25 | 5 |
| 5 | Ashoknagar | 20 | 4 |
| | Total | 300 | 60 |

4.7 Data Collection through Interview Schedule

The interview schedule was designed on the basis of the objectives of the study outlined earlier and was applied for few respondent to find out whether the words used in the schedule are appropriate and clear to the respondents. Certain questions were deleted and few were added. The selected women workers under study were personally interviewed in the Lijjat Centre or in their homes.

The interview schedule was prepared taking into consideration its advantages to observe the environment, to check the answer of respondents.

Since all the respondents under study were knowing Marathi, the interview schedule was prepared in 'Marathi' and in 'English' version of the same has been given in the appendix.

4.8 Data Collection

The data collection work was started on 20th November 2002 and it was completed on 20th December, 2002

The nature importance and purpose of research work was clarified to Sanchalika and the necessary permission from her was obtained to conduct the interviews with women workers.

Many of the interview with Pappad roller women were conducted in the Lijjat Centre and few interview were conducted in their houses.

4.9 Analysis and presentation of Data

After the collection of data was over the interview schedules were serially arranged . Then the data were manually processed , decoded and tables were prepared.

The data are presented in following chapters.

- 1) Socio-economic background of women workers.**
- 2) Membership of Women in Lijjat Centre,**
- 3) Changes in Socio-Economic status of women workers.**
- 4) Conclusions & Suggestions**