

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I am greatly indebted to Dr.A.D.Madgulkar, Professor and Head, Department of Social Work, Chh.Shahu Central Institute of Business Education and Research, Kolhapur, under whose guidance, I have completed this research. I express my deep sense of gratitude to him for his scholarly guidance right from the suggestion of the topic upto the completion of the manuscript.

My thanks are due to Prof.A.D.Shinde, Director, Chh.Shahu Central Institute of Business Education and Research, Kolhapur for permitting me to undertake this work.

To make this study possible, many persons from Jamb village helped me. I offer my sincere thanks to them and women who willingly accepted to be interviewed thereby supplying the useful data.

My parents have been a continuous source of inspiration to me since my childhood. I have no words to express my feeling towards my parents.

My thanks are due to my husband, Mr.Vilas Nikam for his constant encouragement and help.

Kolhapur.

VINIKAM  
(MRS. Vinita V. Nikam )  
B.A., M.S.W.