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I] INTRODUCTION :-

Ichalkaranji is called as the "MANCHESTER OF MAHARASHTRA". This city is also popularly known as Textile town. Textile Industry has developed in Ichalkaranji. Ichalkaranji city is one of the important cities in the production of cloth. Suitable weather condition has given scope to the development of Textile Industry. Upto 1990, the development of textile industry was quite appreciable. However, after 1990, Textile Industry is facing various problems i.e. instability in textile industry, changing government policy regarding textile, tax burden, cut-off electricity power to the Ichalkaranji. Many textile mills have either closed or have come to that stage. Similarly, Many spinning mills are running at loss. Daccan Co-operative Spinning Mill is one of such example of

textile mill. The difficulties in textile industry have affected the life of workers. Many workers have migrated in Ichalkaranji in search of work from various places. Upto 1990, the flow of workers was more in Ichalkaranji. The difficulties in textile industry have affected the workers wages, standard of living and employment. Due to installation of Auto-loom, one worker could handle one Autolooms factory. Therefore, many workers are displaced from their job. Displaced workers try to find other types of work. During displacement period they suffer from various family problems. They could not satisfy their family wants. Similarly, workers are facing financial problems, health Problems, housing problem, social problems and employment problems etc. Therefore, workers could not support their family. The children of workers could not get proper education. To overcome to these problems many workers shifted to their families to the their native places. It is in this context the study attempts to examine the socio-economic conditions of textile workers during and after displacement.

II] STATEMENT OF PROBLEM :

The present study attempts to critically examine the Socio-economic conditions of textile workers in Ichalkaranji. The study is expected to cover the socio-economic conditions of these workers during their period of employment as textile workers. Due to displacement such workers from textile industry had to seek alternative work to maintain their families. The study also covers the period of post displacement employment i.e. the present work.

III] OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY :

Following are the main five objectives of the research work :-

- a) To examine past and present conditions of textile industry in Ichalkaranji.
- b) To attempt Socio-Economic Analysis of textile workers in the period of their employment as textile workers.

- c) To understand the present condition of textile worker.
- d) To arrive at findings of research work.
- e) To make suitable suggestions.

IV] SCOPE OF STUDY :

The study covers the textile workers socio-economic analysis in Ichalkaranji. The researcher proposes to select appropriate sample workers for detailed investigation by following stratified sampling method. The study will cover about 5 years from the first stage of the workers life when they were working as textile workers. It is also proposed to examine the socio-economic conditions after the displacement of workers from textile industry.

V] RESEARCH METHODOLOGY :

The present study deals with subject of "Displacement of Textile workers and their present position - A socio-economic analysis".

For analyzing research study primary & secondary type of data has been collected.

A) PRIMARY DATA :

Primary data is collected by following three methods :-

- 1) DISCUSSION : Researcher has decided to discuss matters of problems with group of textile workers.
- 2) QUESTIONNAIRE : For studying socio-economic condition of textile workers questionnaire method is to be used.
- 3) INTERVIEWS : Researcher will conduct personally interview with selected textile workers , employers, management, trade union etc.

B) SECONDARY DATA : The secondary type of data will be collected from various textile periodicals ,journals ,textile newspaper,reference books of textiles, magazines etc. and such data will be exposed to the following type of processing :-

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| 1) EDITING | 2) CODING AND DECODING |
| 3) CLASSIFICATION | 4) TABULATION |
| 5) ANALYSIS and | 6) INTERPRETATIONS. |