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Food Security and Migrant Workers in India during Covid-19 Lockdown

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Abstract

India's nationwide lockdown announced on 24 March, 2020 in the wake of Corona virus outbreak that has created an unprecedented exodus in the lives of migrant workers from various cities of India. In this pandemic time, basically migrants are suffering from the double burden of being poor and migrants. Many government programmes designed for the poor do not reach them due to lack of identity and residential proofs. The lack of fulfillment of the economic, social and political rights of migrants is a serious issue even though they are formal citizens; their substantive citizenship rights are not fulfilled. The immediate challenges faced by these migrant workers were related to food security during the Covid-19 period. This paper has made an attempt to focus is on "food security among the migrant workers amid Covid-19 crisis which has taken serious forms in various parts of India. **The paper tried to find out the real reasons of food insecurity among the migrant workers and highlight certain basic factors that can be crucial in this situation.** This paper also assessed how Covid-19 pandemic has created major problems and challenges for not only the government of any particular state but also the country as a well. In the study both primary (telephonic survey) and secondary source materials have been used. The study made a documentary analysis.

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