



A Geographical Analysis of Literacy in Nashik District

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Abstract-

Literacy is the ability to Identify Understand Interpret, Create, Communicate and Compute using printed and written materials associated with varying contexts. (UNESCO) Literacy is important parameter for the study of demographic, socio - cultural and economic status of any region. Literacy is an index of human development quality of human life and basic human right. The objective of the paper is to examine the literacy in Nashik district 2001 and 2011. In the Present study attempt has been made to analyses the changed phenomena of literacy in total population of Nashik district of Maharashtra state. Any part of the world literacy has given an important place in the study of human resource development. it is noticed that literacy rate in Nashik district 89.85% as compare to the state (82.34%).The study has observed that in Nashik district the effective literacy was recorded only 74.36% in 2001 and it reached up to 82.31% in 2011. it showed notable positive growth during the last decade due to the development of education facility .awareness of education, Agriculture and industrial development.

Keywords - Population, Literacy, Male- Female Literacy.

Study Area -

Nasik District in the Western Ghats on the western edge of the Deccan peninsula. Nasik is situated at 565.5 AMSL and lies between 18°33' and 20°33' North latitude 73° 16 'East longitude, occupies an area of 15530 sq. kilometres. Physiographical Nasik District located in the Western Ghats on the Western Ghats on the western edge of the Deccan peninsula. Therefore the western part of Nasik has mountainous area while as we go toward east side the height is decreasing hence one can say that the slope of the area is almost toward east side. The plain area lies along the bank of the rivers. The climate of the district is generally dry throughout years except during the monsoon season the average annual rainfall of the district as a whole is 1034 mm. The rainfall decreases from west to east the summer season is moderately hot and the temperature varies from 36° to 43°. The air is humid during the monsoon season and is generally dry during the rest of the year.

Aims and objective -

- 1) To Know Tehsil wise literacy of Nashik district of Maharashtra from the year 2001 to 2011.
- 2) To analysis the spatial - temporal changed in effective literacy pattern in Nashik district.
- 3) To know the proportion of literacy in Nashik district.

Database & Methodology

This Paper is based on secondary data sources. To fulfill this objective data regarding literacy rate of Nashik district is obtain from census of India, nashik district and socio-economic abstract and gazetteer of Nashik district. The Tahsil is taken as the component unit of investigation. The analysis and interpretation of data has been done from the geographical point of view. High, moderate and low literacy pattern were examined in detail.

Literacy Rate of India

Literacy rate of India in 2011 is 77.40% . The male literacy is 82.14%. And female literacy rate is 65.46%/.According to census 2011.All over India male literacy has 82.14% and female literacy has 65.46%.Among the Indian states Kerala has highest literacy rate 93.91% and then lowest is Bihar 63.82%

Literacy Rate of Maharashtra

Population of Maharashtra state has 11, 23, 74,333 as per census data of 2011. Literacy rate in Maharashtra is 82.34 percent in 2011. Male literacy has 82.34% and female literacy has 75.87% Literacy in rural areas are not good as than urban areas. Maharashtra frist five distrcet in literacy having Mumbai Suburban 89.91%, Mumbai city 89.21%, Nagpur 88.39% & Amravati 87.38% Literacy is lowest in Nandurbar 64.38%, Jalna 71.52% Dhule 72.80 Parbhani 73.34% & Gadchiroli 74.63%

Discussion - Tehsil wise literacy rate in Nashik District:

Literacy Rate 2001: Literacy Always shows the socio- economic and cultural group set up of a nation ethnic group or community the main advantage of literacy is that it provides relatively more opportunities of employment (mote 210) it is found that the average literacy rate study area was 74.36%(2001) which was comparatively lower than the state average rate 76.88% in 2001.Overall observed in all tehsils the female literacy rate was lower than the male literacy in the study area.In Indian society it is the male literacy rate which is generally higher than the female literacy both in rural and urban areas (remora and mote 2009).Nashik city tehsil having 80.96% literacy ratio which is highest in study area.peint tahsil has 60.24 literacy ratio which is lowest in district .

Table-1: Literacy Rate in Nashik district 2001

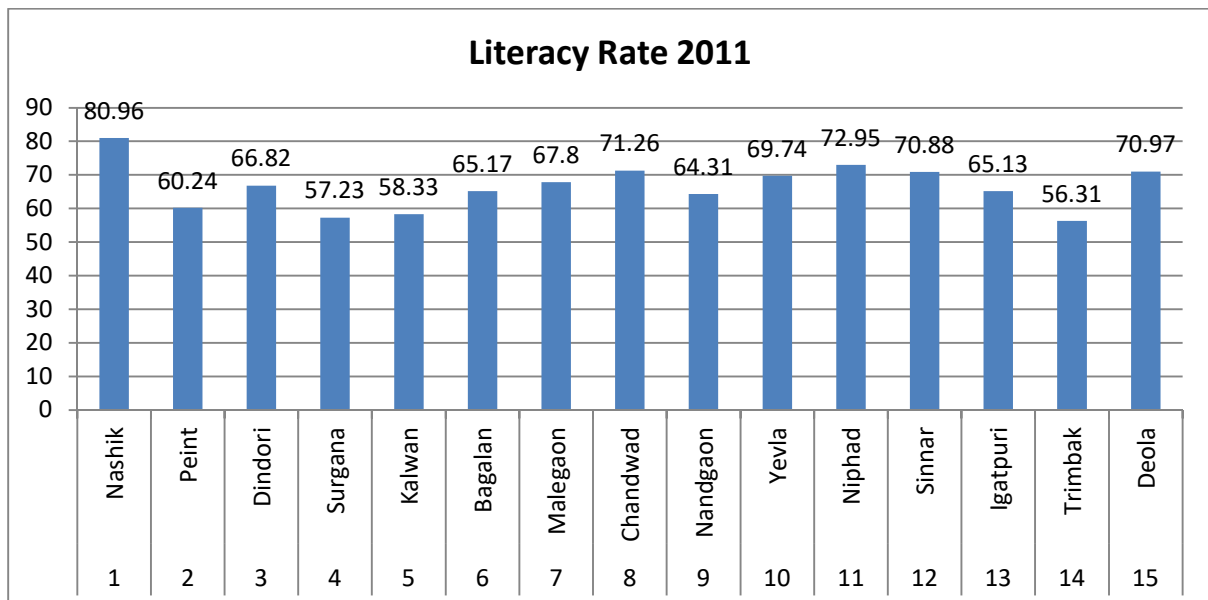
Sr.No.	Taluka	Literacy Rate
1	Nashik	80.96
2	Peint	60.24
3	Dindori	66.82
4	Surgana	57.23
5	Kalwan	58.33
6	Bagalan	65.17
7	Malegaon	67.80
8	Chandwad	71.26
9	Nandgaon	64.31
10	Yevla	69.74
11	Niphad	72.95
12	Sinnar	70.88
13	Igatpuri	65.13
14	Trimbak	56.31
15	Deola	70.97

Literacy Rate 2011- The literacy rate of Nashik district has increased by 7.95 % from 74.36% to 82.31% in 2001 and 2001 and 2011. it is found that the average literacy rate of study area was 78.33% Overall in all tehsils the female literacy rate was lower than the male literacy in the study area. In Indian society it is the male literacy rate which is generally higher than female literacy both in rural and urban areas (Remora and mote 2009).Nashik city tehsil having 88.98%Literacy ratio which is highest in study area.surgana tahsil has 68.15 literacy ratio which is lowest in district.

Table -2 Literacy Rate & Sex Ratio in Nashik District 2011

Sr.no.	Taluka tahsil	Literacy Rate
1	nashik	88.98
2	Peint	71.03
3	dindori	77.52
4	Surgana	68.15
5	Kalwan	68.50
6	Baglan	77.45
7	Malegaon	83.39
8	Chandwad	82.09
9	Nandgaon	80.94
10	yeola	82.71
11	Niphad	83.63
12	sinnar	82.63
13	Igatpuri	77.43
14	Trimabak	68.91
15	Deola	81.96

Source: Socio-Economic Abstract of Nashik District.



Conclusion - It is found that the Average Literacy Rate of Study area is 78.33%.The Literacy Rate in Nashik District Is Found In variations. The Physiography of Nashik District is varied due to the population. That's Why the Population and its activities are also differnt.So many basic Fundamental needs and facilities are affected by this



Physiography. Surgana, Peint, Trambak, Igatpuri These Tahsil is located in hilly area. So the people belong to these tahsils are backward. District. Due to such backwardness the educational facilities in these areas are found very poor. so the literacy rate of such areas is very poor and low as compared to the other tehsils in Nashik district. On The other hand urban Area's literacy rate is found very well. Still the literacy rate of the district is satisfactory and progressive.

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