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GOVERNMENT WELFARE SCHEMES AS A TOOL FOR ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT AND SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOOD DEVELOPMENT OF RURAL WOMEN: EVIDENCE FROM COIMBATORE DISTRICT

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ABSTRACT:

Economic empowerment of rural women is widely recognized as a critical driver of inclusive growth, poverty reduction, and sustainable development. In India, persistent gender disparities in access to income, assets, education, and decision-making necessitate targeted policy interventions. Government welfare schemes, both at the central and state levels, have emerged as strategic instruments to enhance women's economic agency and promote sustainable livelihood opportunities. This paper critically examines the role of government welfare schemes in fostering economic empowerment and sustainable livelihood development among rural women in Coimbatore district of Tamil Nadu. By analyzing major welfare initiatives, institutional mechanisms, and district-level outcomes, the study highlights the extent to which these schemes contribute to income generation, financial inclusion, skill development, and social empowerment. The paper also identifies implementation challenges and proposes policy measures to strengthen the effectiveness and sustainability of women-centric welfare interventions.

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