

FOOD SECURITY IN KARNATAKA: A TALUK LEVEL ANALYSIS

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ABSTRACT

In the present study, using the data of Global Food Security Index (GFSI), Indian status has been compared with the other countries. Similarly, taking district and taluk wise data on Food Security Index (FSI) of Karnataka, performance of different districts and taluks are analysed. Further, FSI has been linked with the some socio-economic indicator. Interesting observations are made this study. Many studies have already found that north Karnataka is under developed in general and Kalaburagi (Hyderabad Karnataka) division is in particular. But in the present study, with respect to FSI, that trend is not observed. Deprivation as well as development is observed in all the divisions in FSI.

However, negative associations are found between FSI and socio-economic indicators like rural population, people dependent on agriculture and Dalits. Hence, special focus has to be paid for this group of people through the training along with implementation of the existing programme and policies more efficiently and meaningfully.

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