

ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN THROUGH DAIRY FORMING UNDER STEP (SUPPORT TO TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMME) IN KARNATAKA

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ABSTRACT

Women play an important role in dairy activities in rural areas. Dairy production is an important field for Women's Empowerment in rural Karnataka. STEP provides intensive knowledge to all the members of the society. It ensures women empowerment and effective participation and equal opportunities in various levels of decision making process in economic and public life. This paper tries to analyze how STEP helps in empowering & strengthening rural women through Women Dairy Cooperative Societies (WDCS) in Karnataka.

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