

## INTERVENTION OF PANCHAYATI RAJ INSTITUTIONS IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN KARNATAKA STATE: A PERSPECTIVE

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### **ABSTRACT**

*Panchayati Raj in Karnataka has a rich historical legacy. It was created by the past rulers as effective platforms for achieving the goal of rural development by the Mouryans, British, Mysore State rulers, Congress leaders and other political leaders over a period of time. Especially, the decade of 1980s had witnessed a remarkable revolution of Panchayati Raj System in Karnataka State. Devaraj Urs, Ramakrishna Hegde, Veerappa Moily, Siddaramaiah and other leaders have laid a strong foundation for the democratic decentralization and integrated rural development in the state. The role of PRIs in rural development with special reference to Karnataka state is amplified in this paper on the basis of qualitative research methodology.*

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