

IMPACT OF PARENTAL EDUCATION ON SOCIAL CAPITAL

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ABSTRACT

The purpose of the study was to examine the impact of educational level of respondents' parents on different components of social capital. The Sample comprised of 200 students as respondents drawn randomly from semi-urban degree colleges located in Vaishali district of Bihar (India). For measuring social capital, Lakshmi (2015) scale was used. Five factors, namely; bonding with friends, acceptance of system, support & cooperation, selfishness and harmony were found reliable. The findings revealed that the educational level of respondents' father did not significantly influence acceptance of the system, support & cooperation, harmony and selfishness dimensions of social capital, but it was significant for bonding with friend's dimensions of social capital. The findings also revealed that the educational level of respondents' mother did not significantly influence acceptance of the system, support & cooperation, harmony and selfishness dimensions of social capital. However, it was significant for bonding with friend's dimensions of social capital.

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