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NRI'S WIVES' APPROACH TOWARDS THE EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT OF THEIR CHILDREN

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ABSTRACT

Kerala has witnessed a high propensity of migration to foreign countries for employment. The approach of NRI's wives in children's education has become a central issue in educational policy and research. All mothers have certain expectations, aspirations, likes, dislikes and preferences regarding how their children should be handled, brought up and educated.

NRI's students learning is maximized through mother involvement in their schooling. When school works together with families to support learning, children are inclined to succeed not just in school, but throughout their life. In this case also the initiate and responsibility were taken by the women. The main purpose of the present study was to find out the priorities, barriers of educational management by NRI's wives from Chavakkad taluk in Thrissur district. In this area majority of people are working in foreign countries. Modern technological developments, ever changing pattern of education, social changes etc., are affected the educational management by NRI's wives. Survey method is used for present study.

KEY WORDS: NRI's Wives, Educational management

INTRODUCTION

Migration from Kerala to the states in India and to outside countries has now become more frequent and its impact is felt in every aspect of life in the state. The levels of the NRI's wife's education were found to play an important role in the educational management of their children. NRI's students learning is maximized through mother involvement in their schooling. When school works together with families to support learning, children are inclined to succeed not just in school, but throughout their life.

Educational management is a science and an art mainly concerned with the right education of the pupils in the society. It is a process that aims at maintaining the education and making the function efficiently and effectively.

NEED AND SIGNIFICANCE OF THE STUDY

Chavakkad was generally known as "Gulf Pockets" in Kerala. The study is concentrated in Chavakkad taluk of Thrissur district. In this area majority of people are working in foreign countries. It is the duty of the NRI's wives to handle the educational matters of their children. As a matter of fact, several NRI's wives face various difficulties in managing the education of their children. Hence it is intended to analyze the effect of the educational level of NRI's wives and the educational administration policies in the education of their children.

OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

- To analyze the approach of NRI's wives towards the educational management.
- To find out the NRI's wives educational management with respect to their educational qualification.

HYPOTHESES

- The approach of NRI's wives towards the educational management is positive.
- NRI's wives educational management with respect to their educational qualification is different.

METHODOLOGY

Survey method is used for the present study. Tool used for the present study is questionnaire. Sample was chosen from the Thrissur district for the present investigation. The details regarding the responsibilities of NRI's wives on their children's education, educational qualifications of mothers and their benefits are collected from the selected units and elements. Percentage analysis was used to study the educational management of NRI's wives. The statistical analysis of the response of NRI's wives has been under taken in the following dimensions.

Household Educational Management

Under this dimension the questions are related with the responsibilities of NRI's wives. The details of the result of responses are given below.

TABLE.1
Household Educational Management

Q. No	Questions	+ve response	Percentage
1	Whether you are the decision maker in the family	75	75
2	Have you taken management of household activities	100	100
3	Whether you get any help from other family members for managing children's education	50	50
4	Do you felt that taking care of children's education is a major responsibility	100	100
5	Do you face any difficulty in disciplining children	100	100

Above the Table-1 shows 75 percentages of NRI's wives are the decision maker in the family and 100 percentages of them are taken the management of household activities. 50 percentage of mothers said that they were get any help from other family members for managing children's education. The 100 percentage of NRI's wives felt that taking care of children's education is a major responsibility and they were face difficulties in disciplining their children. Details about the other items responses are given below.

TABLE.2
Household Educational Management

Q. No	Questions	+v response	Percentage
6	Whether you arrange the tuition master for children	80	80
7	Do you arrange a special study room for children	60	60
8	Whether you fixed a time table for the children to study in the home	60	60
9	Whether you help the children to study the difficult subjects	87	87
10	Whether you help the children in doing homework	81	81
11	Whether you take initiative to clear the portion studied by the child	80	80
12	Whether you daily ask questions from the topic which the children already studied	71	71
13	Do you insist your child for collecting the learning material from other students on which the days he was absent	63	63
14	Do you encourage the children to participate in the school activities such as arts, science and sports competition	70	70
15	Do you have anxiety in the education of your child	82	82
16	Do you assist your children in following the school rules strictly	71	71
17	Do you insist your children to study always without sparing time for any other entertainments	58	58
18	Do you contact concerned teachers to enquire about the progress of your children's studies	79	79
19	Do you encourage the children to share their daily experiences at school	86	86
20	Do you help your children to participate in the science talent tests, scholarship exams and quiz competitions	74	74

From the Table-2 it is clear that the role and initiative of NRI's wives towards the educational management of their children. 87 percentage of NRI's wives opinion that they help the children to study the difficult subjects and 82 percentages of them responded that they have anxiety about their children's education. The positive response of the 20th was the 74 percentage of NRI's wives help their children to participate in the science talent tests, scholarship exams and quiz competitions.

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION

Education is an indicator of level of aspirations and abilities of a person. It is the key for the development of human resources. It helps them to complete better, perform more efficiently and secure values and traditions more carefully. In this dimension identify the help of mother's educational qualification for the all-round development of their children.

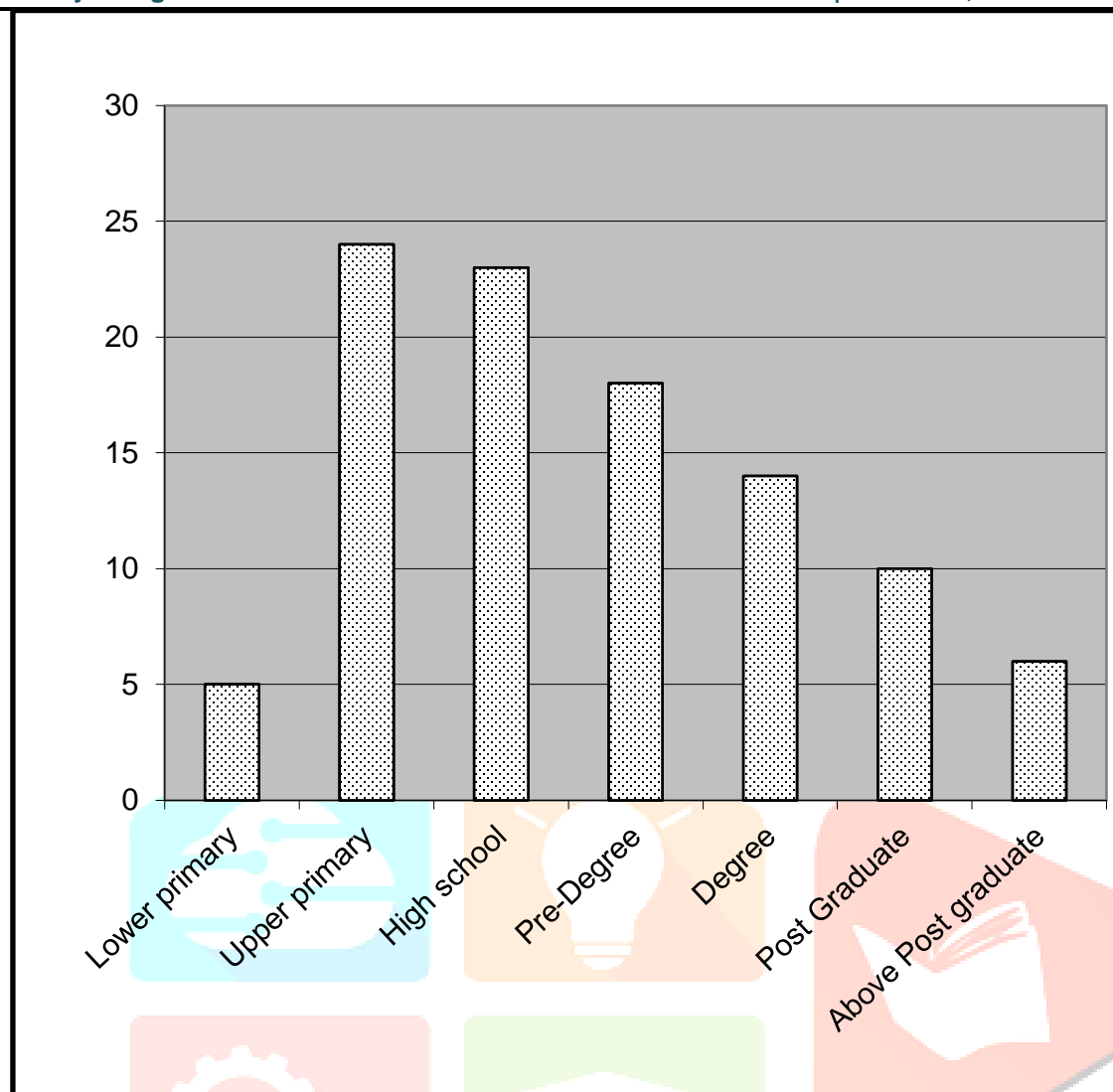


FIGURE 1 Bar diagram Showing Educational Qualification of the Household

Above shows that educational level of 52 percentages of NRI's wives are below SSLC and 48 percentages of them above SSLC. The result of the mother's responses on the basis of educational qualifications are listed below.

TABLE.3

Educational Management on the Basis of Educational Qualification

Q. No	Questions	+ve response	Percentage
21	Did you help the educational qualification for the personality development of the children	58	58
22	Whether you enable the children to develop the good qualities in different areas	100	100

This table shows 100percentage of NRI's wives' opinion that they enable the children to develop the good qualities in the different areas.

MAJOR FINDINGS OF THE STUDY

The important results of the study have been interpreted and used to evolve some findings and suggestions. The important findings of the present study are as follows.

- The study finds that the NRI's wives play a crucial role in the educational management of their children.
- NRI's wives given more importance to the children's education rather than the management of other household activities.
- Majority of NRI's wives opinion that management of children's education is a major responsibility.
- The present study finds that the NRI's wives face difficulties in disciplining children.
- All the NRI's wives give help, co-operation, encouragement and financial support for children's education.
- The study reveals that the NRI's wives arrange suitable facilities for children's education.
- NRI's wives have anxiety about their children's education.
- The educational qualification of NRI's wives enabled children's personality development and children to develop good qualities in different areas like discipline, health care, good relationship with others and better performance in school.
- NRI's wives given suitable directions for their children in solving the problems.

CONCLUSION

The present study is an attempt to analyze the approach of NRI's wives educational management of their children. Modern technological developments, ever changing pattern of education, social changes etc. are affected the educational management by NRI's wives.

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