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Keywords	Transformation; Tribals; Lahulas; Agriculture; Social Values
Abstract (100-300 words)	Since, time immemorial agriculture has been the backbone of the mountainous economy and Himachal Pradesh is no exception. Traditionally, in the state most of the people have been associated either with agriculture or horticulture. Land in the hills has been one of structural variables determining social status of an individual and the groups and constitute significant dimension. The paper is based on the primary study of Lahula tribe in Kullu and Lahul and Spiti districts of Himachal Pradesh India. The study is based exploratory research design with an aim to explore the relationship between the use of agricultural technology and social transformation. In the study area, the land is being used for agriculture, horticulture and cash crops. The main focus of the paper is on the impact of the use of agro-technology on family, social and cultural aspects of respondents. To see the impacts, 243 respondents each from both study districts have been taken by selecting randomly situated within the radius of 10 km distance from district headquarters. The results reveals that the primary occupation of the Lahula tribals is agriculture and horticulture and cash cropping are the secondary occupation and almost everyone in the study area possesses some portion of land. Joint family is still an important feature and all family members are engaged in agriculture related operations collectively. With the introduction of new technology in agriculture this relationship has undergone changes. On the basis of study, it was found that the religious ceremonies performed during agricultural activities were high in Lahaul region than in Kullu, increased use of technology lead to decrease in the labour participation of women in agricultural operation has decreased. The cultural life, family life, social values etc. have been changed with the introduction of new technology.
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