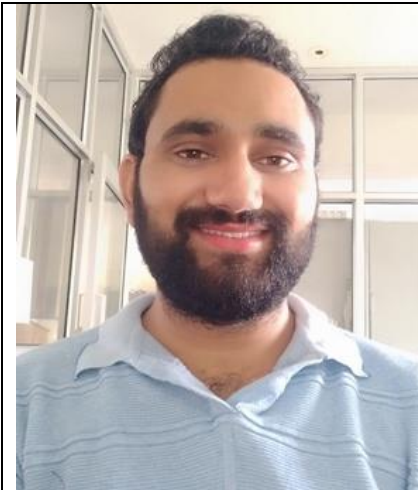


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Keywords	Gaddi; Tribe; Migration; Place of Origin; Place of Destination
Abstract (100-300 words)	<p>The Gaddis being a pastoralist, agriculturist and nomadic tribe, mainly resides on both sides of the Dhauladhar Range of Himachal Himalayas. Basically, they belong to Bharmour sub-division of Chamba district of Himachal Pradesh. Historically, they have been migrated along with their flocks of sheep and goats from lower hills of northern Indian regions like; Punjab, Jammu and lower part of Himachal Pradesh and still they are moving with the livestock in summer to high reaches and in winter to the lower regions and presently mostly found in the some of the areas of Kangra district and some of them settled there. Because of geographical, social and economic reasons they have been given the status of scheduled tribe.</p> <p>The paper is an attempt to study socio-economic conditions of Gaddis in both districts, i.e., Chamba and Kangra and make a comparative analysis. By centering on two variables, place of origin (PoO) and place of destination (PoD), investigated by collecting primary data interview schedules and observation. By using stratified random sampling method, 8 villages were selected and 10 respondents from each village, hence 80 households/respondents were interviewed from both study areas (PoO and PoD). The collected data classified, tabulated, analyzed and interpreted by using suitable statistical techniques/software, like, SPSS.</p> <p>The study concluded that the socio-economic conditions of Gaddis in Kangra district are better than those of the Gaddis of Chamba district because of many factors like; lack of education, health, employment and transportation and communication facilities in Chamba district and are differ socially and economically from each other. This difference needs immediate policy intervention, and the Gaddis must be given special attention at the PoO to check the migration before it is too late.</p>
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