

A Role of MPBCDC in Economic Upliftment of Scheduled Caste Beneficiaries in Kolhapur District

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ABSTRACT The Maharashtra Government has established one corporation for the development of backward class people i.e. Mahatma Phule Backward Class Development Corporation Limited Mumbai (M.P.B.C.D.C.). M.P.B.C.D.C has implemented various schemes on behalf of the Government such as 1) 50% Subsidy Scheme 2) Margin Money Scheme 3) Training Scheme 4) SRMS 5) NSFDC 6) NSKFDC. Mahatma Phule Backward Class Development Corporation is one of the leading SC Corporations in Maharashtra which has been started to providing entrepreneurial finance for economic upliftment of scheduled castes. The present study has been undertaken to attempt the Role of MPBCDC in Economic Upliftment of Scheduled Caste Beneficiaries in Kolhapur District of Maharashtra State.

1. Introduction:

In Maharashtra some strata of the society excluded from the development have been identified such as poor people, rural people, women and some marginalized groups like SC, ST, and OBC etc. To provide equal opportunities the central and state governments have taken initiative in the field of 'Entrepreneurial Finance' and 'Self-Employment' (motivation to entrepreneurial activity) especially for these excluded categories of the people. The Maharashtra Government has established one corporation for the development of backward class people i.e. Mahatma Phule Backward Class Development Corporation Limited Mumbai (M.P.B.C.D.C). M.P.B.C.D.C has implemented various schemes on behalf of the Government such as 1) 50% Subsidy Scheme 2) Margin Money Scheme 3) Training Scheme 4) Self Employment Rehabilitation of Manual Scavenger Scheme 5) National Scheduled Castes Finance Development Corporation Schemes 6) National Safai Karamcharis Finance Development Corporation Schemes.

Mahatma Phule Backward Class Development Corporation is one of the leading SC Corporations in Maharashtra which has been started to providing entrepreneurial finance for economic upliftment of scheduled castes. The present study has been undertaken to attempt the Role of MPBCDC in Economic Upliftment of Scheduled Caste Beneficiaries in Kolhapur District of Maharashtra State.

2. Statement of the Problem:

Mahatma Phule Backward Class Development Corporation (M.P.B.C.D.C.) has implemented various schemes for the purpose of providing the financial assistance to the applicants belong to SC category. It is need to examine how this corporation has performed to achieve its goal about economic upliftment of Scheduled Caste beneficiaries. The present study will cover the performance measurement to identify the role of corporation. The present study entitled as "A Role of MPBCDC in Economic Upliftment of Scheduled Caste Beneficiaries in Kolhapur District" of Maharashtra State.

3. Objectives of the Study:

- To study the role of M.P.B.C.D.C. in economic upliftment of Scheduled Caste beneficiaries in Kolhapur district.
- 2. To study the various schemes of M.P.B.C.D.C. in Kolhapur district.

4. Methodology:

This is an analytical and diagnostic research to evaluate the performance of MPBCDC. The researcher has collected the data from primary as well as secondary sources. The primary data have been collected by using structured interview schedule, and non-participative observation. The data have been collected from the corporation officers and beneficiaries of various schemes of MPBCDC implemented in Kolhapur District. The present researcher has adopted stratified random sampling to collect the required data. The sample has been taken 382 beneficiaries, out of total population 7262 beneficiaries which are divided into five schemes of the corporation. The secondary data required for the study have been collected through reports of Mahatma Phule Backward Class Development Corporation (beneficiaries population in Kolhapur district within 10 years i.e. 2001-02 to 2010-11) research papers, articles, different web-sites etc.

5. Data Analysis and Interpretation:

MPBCDC has provided the financial assistance to the people belongs to Scheduled Castes, for the purpose of improving the economic condition of scheduled castes people. Corporation provides the financial assistance to various business units who have started the business under various schemes belong to Scheduled Castes entrepreneurs. i.e. 50% Subsidy Scheme, Margin Money Scheme, Self Employment Rehabilitation of Manual Scavenger Schemes, National Scheduled Caste Finance Development Corporation Schemes and National Safai Karamcharis Finance Development Corporation Schemes. The detailed analysis and evaluation have been given below on the basis of following parameters.

6. Role of MPBCDC in Economic Upliftment of Scheduled Caste Beneficiaries (Benefits):

The analysis of data regarding the role of corporation in economic upliftment of scheduled caste beneficiaries has been presented in this section. However, researcher has used following various related parameters for data analysis and performance evaluation purpose: (1) Before annual income, (2) After annual income, (3) Economic development, (4) Self-employment, (5) Primary needs, (6) Building constriction, (7) Purchase the vehicles, Children education, (8) Life standard, (9) Prestige in society.

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low on the basis of following parameters.

Table 1 Benefits

Sr.	Statement	Opinion Levels					Total	Mean	D./
No.		1	2	3	4	5	Score	Score	P.V.
1	Annual income was less before getting the benefits of corporation scheme	7	0	0	92	1760	1859	4.87	97.4
2	Annual income has increased after getting the ben- efits of corporation scheme	0	0	0	204	1655	1859	4.87	97.4
3	Economic development is improved due to benefit of corporation scheme	3	2	0	220	1615	1835	4.80	96.0
4	I have got the self-employment due to benefit of corpora- tion scheme	7	8	3	208	1590	1816	4.75	95.0
5	It helped to achieve the primary needs due to benefit of corporation scheme	131	108	12	8	960	1219	3.19	63.8
6	Has been made to building construction due to benefit of corporation scheme	291	122	0	0	150	563	1.47	29.4
7	I bought the vehicles due to benefit of corporation scheme	310	122	0	0	55	487	1.27	25.4
8	I made children education due to benefit of corporation scheme	226	106	0	36	470	838	2.19	43.8
9	I can improve life standard due to benefit of corporation scheme	59	68	6	136	1265	1534	4.01	80.2
10	I attained Good prestige in society due to benefit of corporation scheme	94	78	18	112	1075	1377	3.60	72.0

(Source: Field Survey)

A most favorable		Most unfavorable attitude		
382 x 5 = 1910	382 x 3=1146	382 x 1=382		

Table 1 includes that scores for individual statement would be included between 382 to 1910, if the score happens to be above 1146, it shows favorable opinion to be the given point of view, a score of below 1146 would mean unfavorable opinion and a score of exactly 1146 would be suggestive of a neutral attitude. If the score happens to be above 1910 it shows most favorable opinion to be given point of view and if the score happens to be below 382 it shows most unfavorable opinion to be given point of view.

7. Findings:

Following findings are based on total score and mean score calculated.

1. Annual income was less

The response for this statement shows the favorable attitude because the total score value is 1859 i.e. 97.4

percentile value and mean is 4.87. It means annual income of beneficiaries was less before getting the benefits of corporation scheme.

2. Annual income has increased

The response for this statement shows the favorable attitude because the total score value is 1859 i.e. 97.4 percentile value and mean is 4.87. It means annual income of beneficiaries is increased due to benefits of corporation scheme.

3. Economic Development is Improved

The response for this statement shows the favorable attitude because the total score value is 1835 i.e. 96 percentile value and mean is 4.80. It means beneficiaries are economically developed due to benefits of corporation scheme.

4. Get the self-employment

The response for this statement shows the favorable attitude because the total score value is 1816 i.e. 95 percentile value and mean is 4.75. It means generate the self-employment due to benefits of corporation scheme.

5. Help to achieve the Primary Needs

The response for this statement shows the favorable attitude because the total score value is 1219 i.e. 63.8 percentile value and mean is 3.19. It means corporation has help to beneficiaries to achieve the primary needs of beneficiaries.

6. Help to Building Constriction

The response for this statement shows the unfavorable attitude because the total score value is 563 i.e. 29.4 percentile value and mean is 1.47. It means corporation has unsuccessful in help to building constriction of beneficiaries.

7. Help to Buying the Vehicles

The response for this statement shows the unfavorable attitude because the total score value is 487 i.e. 25.4 percentile value and mean is 1.27. It means corporation has unsuccessful in help to building construction of beneficiaries.

8. Help to Children Education

The response for this statement shows the unfavorable attitude because the total score value is 838 i.e. 43.8 percentile value and mean is 2.19. It means corporation has unsuccessful in help to children education of beneficiaries.

9. Improve Life Standard

The response for this statement shows the favorable attitude because the total score value is 1534 i.e. 80.2 percentile value and mean is 4.01. It means improve life standard of beneficiaries due to benefits of corporation scheme.

10. Good Prestige in Society

The response for this statement shows the favorable attitude because the total score value is 1377 i.e. 72 percentile value and mean is 3.60. It means beneficiaries are attained the good prestige in society due to benefits of corporation scheme.

8. Conclusion:

Role of Mahatma Phule Backward Class Development Corporation in economic upliftment among scheduled caste beneficiaries is going to proper way. MPBCDC has provided the financial assistance to their beneficiaries under various schemes i.e. 50% Subsidy Scheme, Margin Money Scheme, SRMS Schemes, NSFDC and NSKFDC Schemes in Kolhapur District. Majority of the beneficiaries are getting the benefits of corporation and improve their economic condition. Its role is very important to provide required entrepreneurial finance and improve the economic develop-

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