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"IMPACT OF URBANIZATION ON 'HORH' PEOPLE AND ROSION OF MAJHI- PARGANA, HUNTING AND TRIBAL MEDICINE IN SHIKAR DISHOM"

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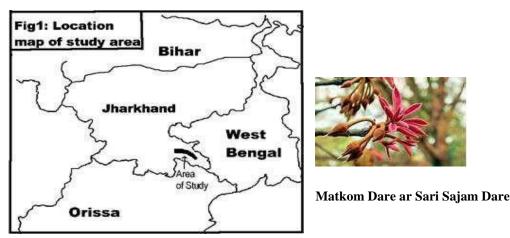
The article deals with the study of changes of Socio-Economic and cultural activities of 'Horh' (Santhal and other Tribes) as a result of rapid urbanization. It encompasses an extensive survey of the tribes' dwelling places in urban, fringe and the rural settlements. The salient features include exploration of the physical and cultural background in the case study area. Composition of tribal families in 1951, Horh population growth rate during 1931 to 2001, Urban to Rural Tribal population ratio, the proportion of Horh people affected by urbanization in the study villages i.e. change of their tradition and culture after the urbanization etc. Major findings include:

Perceptible changes occurred in Socio cultural system of Horh like Majhi-Pargana system and Tribal Medicine etc. Urbanization and urban development are seen in Paschimanchal (W.B), Jamsedpur(Jharkhand) and Mayurbhang(Odisha) area i.e Shikar Desom of Horh people in India. The process of population growth in the urban area along with the commercial, industrial and transport preferment have favored the recent urban development throughout the areas. These have been accelerated with the overwhelming growth of population in urban areas through migration at acceleration and natural growth. These have given rise to systems of central places, problems of slums and squatter settlements besides enhancing the linkages of industrial centers thereby increasing the entropy of urban places. All these have forced the Governments to think about change in the urban policies, population policies and planning prospects.

In Shikar Dishom Living standard, Educational and Economic condition had changed, they stand developed in all aspects but as a trade-off lost their socio-cultural composition a great deal. They must continue their positive traditional cultures and social traits to avoid the extinction in the long run from the memory of the future generations. It is possible only by the awareness to them. Aboriginal culture has many important things, which need to be preserved and have to continue as Indian culture in the context of sustaining beautiful diversity of Indian culture landscape.

Key word: *Majhi-pargana (Tribal court), Horh (Tribs/Aboriginal/Above genus), Shikar dishom (Odisha, Jharkhandand West Bengal), Chaigar, Champa gar(Indus vallel)*

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DISCUSSION

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Erosion of medicine and plants used by Horh/Adim society:

The forest is not only a source of food, but drink and medicine for the Horh and their cattle, but it also provides them raw materials for the preparation of their huts and many of their household belongings. The Horh huts, clustered here and there in groups of 10 to 30 are invariables from the forest. Bamboos, grasses, leaves, straws, and wood are the exclusive raw materials for building a Horh hut, which a Horh gets from their surrounding forest. (Ref.-Scheduled Tribes Commission, 1991, Govt. Of Bihar.) The forests not only provide a with materials for the construction of their own hut, but also takes some of these materials with the plain dwelling tribes, but they also take them some of these to weekly markets for sale. At times they also batter some of these materials with the plain dwelling tribes, the Birhor who have rice but usually have no building materials. Jada tree for Lakua, Nim leaf and fruit for skin dieses and fertilizer, Kari for digetion, Soso for anticeptic, Mahua for liquir and fertilizer, Gu lochan for cholera, Termari for blood pressur contoletc. Some of the said edible things grain, pulses, oil, vegetable, fishes, meat and wild fruits are gradually forsaken by the urban Tribal people. All have its own importance because all the said edible things are free from chemicals/synthetic ingredients. Some traditional vegetables and wild fruits have medicinal value. These valuable vegetables & wild fruit should not be lost from the society for sustainable development of Horh society. Tiril, Tarap, Baru, Meral, Mango, Merlech, Kurithrama, Baunla, Mather (custard apple, Kud, Supra, Didhari, Taher, Aalu, Badam, Chola and etc. Archaary is the most popular activity among Horh. Arrow and bow are used from birth to death among Primitive Tribes. Urban primitives are not using all these hunting instruments. Urban people do not preface all these instruments so present time PTGs people are also not using, it is eroding from their society. (Ref.-Shilu Ao committee, 1969, Govt. Of Bihar.)

Present time Government has provided them capital for the medicine making as loan. But they do not want make medicine in that Government provided loan. It is because they are 100% depending on forest products which are found in the hilltop areas.

Erosion of hunting in forest from the society of Horh/Adim

Hunting is started among Horh people during the war between Hor people (Proto-Austroliod) and Aryan people (ref-Kosambi History of India, page-19,2014) of Indus valley civilization (2500BC-1500BC). Nature of Hor people is peace and free from fighting so they left their ancestral civilazatio i.e chaigar and champagar of Indus civilization. (Ref.-Murmu pdt. Raghunath, 1972, Bidu Chandan,P-78, Printing house,Bhubaneshwar.)

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Hor people wondering in- search of edible things and shelter. This is their big problems. Lastly they are displaced from their civilization and settled in SHIKAR DISHOM and started hunting (sendra) to collect food and permanently settled in this area. So hunting is their traditions well as their civilization. (Ref.-Mahali.S,Ph.D

Thesis, page-214,2014 "Impact of Urbanization in the Society of Primitive Tribes of East and West Singhbhum Districts in Jharkhand") Hunting Tribes is of many types:

Seasonal hunting

Yearly hunting

Jani shikar/Youg shikar (12 years)

Traditional hunting/Worshiped value hunting {Bir bonga sendra)

Ecologically, hunting is not good for the present and future environment. In town area this trend is abolishing gradually. The people who are not aware of Gin and witchery system are still backward.

Hunting instrument of the Tribal people is following Arrow, Bow, Kapi, Talawar, Borlam, Katari, Budia, Tanga and Batul. Every year the Tribal people go for hunting in the summer season. The commencement of the summer hunts in a village is usually marked with the worship of a stone God. They worship jungle God and sacrifice chicken or goat or pigeon and then start for jungle and comeback after one or two days. After the sacrifice, the hunting party starts for the jungle equipped with bow, arrow staff, axe etc. The dog's ompany them prove themselves very essential for hunting in the forest, as they run about and bring information about the games and also assist the hunters in killing them. (Bogue,The Tribes of India, 1962:340)

The animals that are mostly hunted are peacock, tiger, bear, wild hen, cock, urchin, deer etc. Hunting in the study-area is held in Dalmapahar, Maknapahar, Saparampahar, Pindergaria, Lefo Pahar and Ayodhyapahar etc. The games, thus procured by the hunting party are firstly offered to the forest, God and then those are distributed among the hunter according to their conventions. According to the tradition at first, one leg goes to the man majhee and the other goes to the person who has killed the animal. The remaining portions are equally divided among the persons who accompany the hunting group. The dog also gets their share. Along with hunting forest, there is also some share in the cope for fishing in the streams following in the hilly valleys.

Erosion of Majhi Pargana/Mankey Munda/Godeth/Dehri etc System

Majhi Pargana is the 'Tribal Court' .All sorts of social, cultural, economic and landed property disputes are solved by Majhi-Pargana system. In the urban and Industrial area it is not considered by Hor/Tribal people Jamshedpur city, Baripada, Medinipur,Bankura,Jhargram,Purulia etc town).(Ref. Prabhat Khabar,Ranchi,Statement of Surya Singh Beshra-24th December,1996, 73 amendment,Part-09,Article-243. It is PESA(Panchayet Extension in Scheduled Area) and Tribal self role)

So far I have discussed with the help of the data, diagrams and photographs about the impact of urbanization on the society and culture of primitive Tribes. They remained relatively uneducated, not so civilized and economically backward till 1951 but, after 1951 they developed themselves but lost out a large chunk of their own social system, which marks the idiosyncrasy of the Horh people/Primitive tribes.

Materials and Methods:

For the purpose of in depth study the contents have been taken from census report, relevant books, articles, journals, maps and Websites. The method used is analytical and descriptive. Both primary as well as secondary sources of information have been taken.

Conclusion:

All these changes may bring about the loss of tribal/Hor identity. They must adhere to the good traditions and avoid the bad traditions of the aboriginal society. Erosion of Majhi- pargana,Sendra/Shikar and Tribal medicine are dangerous to the social traditions.These things may destroy the whole social and traditional fabric of the Tribes. This change should not be continued in the society. To check the changes, people must be aware of the value of tradition and own identity. To check the change, N.G.O and Government Tribal development officer should belong to Tribes. Local Majhi and social reformer must try to convince the society at large to be aware of the value of traditional customs. I hope that this change may be controlled and then only future of the positive Tribal culture and traditions will be bright, because now it is the transitional stage and is the high time to save the society from annihilation of their positive cultural traits.

Tribal development comprises deliberate efforts by the Tribes along with the planners, anthropologists and the elite group to orient themselves towards new cultural and social ways of life functionalities. Mere adaptation of new cultural and social ways of life and action by the Tribes is no longer a Tribal development, as long as the Tribes are to feel that the quality of life to which they aspire is in fact achieved. We may have a claim for Tribal development. It may sound a dream of utopian society or may sound even "impossible" to some of us to attain the level. The truth lies in the fact as to how we approach the basic problems of the Tribes and which groups have to be preferred in the development process. It necessarily calls for the strategies to improve the prevailing state of affairs over the years. Since the planning began, we have been working out strategies to improve the socio-economic condition of weaker sections and development for valuable groups. The poor, weak peasantry and slum-dwellers was the pet subject of discussion for planners. Out of group vacillation or the inability to deal effectively with their problems, the ethos of our national feeling seems to have shifted very recently towards the dearest of our weaker section, viz. the 'scheduled Tribes'.

Cultural and social existence of the Primitive Tribes is abolishing due to present Government's socio-economic policies. To develop, Government and Government servants implement the different types of scheme and planning. Most of them belong to General Caste people. Their psychological temperament is not in tune to develop the Tribal society and social

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structure. So, in this regard, as far as possible Tribal development officer should be employed from the Tribal people. It has already been experienced that the result of the lop-sided development has only created social strife, which has given rise to 'extremism' among the tribal youths. So it is paramount to adopt a very careful strategy to deal with the issue of development concerning Primitive tribal societies.

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1.	Urbanization on the Society and	ANUSANDHA NICA, Vol.XI, No. I(2013),January, 13.	ISSN 0974- 200X,	No	No	Yes	
2.	Converging Social Issues of Development: Impact of	2013	ISSN 0975-8771	No	No	Yes	
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	Tribal Land Use Pattern and Socio-economic Activities at Mosaboni and Surround area.	01,January ,201 4	July,2014				

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05	Hons	12 th Feb09-16 th ,Feb,2009	Sundarban
06	Hons	19th Sept, 10-29th Sept,2010	Rajasthan
07	Hons	12th Oct,11-23rd Oct,2011	Kanyakumari
08	Hons	27 th Sept,12-06 th Oct,12	Jammu and Kashmir
09	Hons	28 th Sep,13-04 th Oct,2013	Bisakhapattanam
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13	do	19th Oct,05-24th Oct,2005	Mayapur
14	do	16th April,06-21st April,2006	Puri
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17	do	11 th Mar,09-16 th Mar,2009	TataandDalma
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