EVALUATION OF KNOWLEDGE AND AWARENESS TOWARDS AIDS

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ABSTRACT

Demographically, India is a young country today. As more than 31 percent of the population of India is a young population between the ages of 10-24 years constituting almost 315 million, and 22 percent is adolescents (aged 10-19 years). Some adolescents and young people have greater access to education and information and the ability to make well informed choices about their lives, while many others have poor or no access to information. Similarly, while boys have greater mobility, opportunity, autonomy, access and power, many girls are systematically deprived of these advantages. In India, still early marriages, early pregnancy, poor access to information and services related to reproductive and sexual health, poor life skills, sexual exploitation, morbidity related to risky behaviour, poor nutrition are some of the challenges faced by the adolescents and young people. It has been noticed that studies concerning AIDS awareness especially among college going youth of different disadvantaged categories ie. Schedule caste and schedule tribe are very scanty. Present study has been conducted with an objective to know the knowledge and awareness of adolescent girls towards AIDS.

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