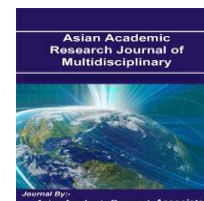




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AWARENESS ON REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AMONG EARLY MARRIED MINORITY WOMEN IN CONTAI MUNICIPALITY OF WEST BENGAL

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Abstract

The present study aims to explore the reproductive health problems of early age mother and conception about reproductive health among the living in an urban area. In every society the concept of marriage is found and it is followed by a particular age among both the males and females. Early marriage is the trouble in our society. Early marriage in case of female is defined as marriage carried out below the age 18 years, before the girls become physically and psychologically mature enough for child bearing. Due to early marriage, many reproductive health changes are occurring among them. In women, early marriage compromises their development and often results in early pregnancy and social isolation. The consequences of early marriage are malnourished children and low birth baby are produced. Literacy rate is very low among them. They are not aware about the family planning method, as a result pregnancy occurring more time of a early age mother. Prevalence of contraceptive uses is very low percentage (53.9%). They have lack of knowledge on hygienic practices. Due to early age conceive low birth baby delivery are more i.e., 56% among them. The marriage age group 11-14 is the vital among them, maximum low birth baby are delivering by the women who are belonging in this age group. Educational effect on their baby delivery place showing good results. Due to low education rate 46% baby delivery take place at home.

Keywords: Reproductive health, Low birth baby, Early marriage, Minority women.

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