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SOCIO-ECONOMIC IMPACT OF “TRANSPORTATION THROUGH MINI VEHICLE”, IN RURAL KARNATAKA

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Abstract

The paper studies the impact of ‘mini vehicle (Tam-Tam auto rickshaw)’ on socio-economic transformation in five villages of Davanagere district, Karnataka. It is clear that rural transportation plays an important role in rural development. It provides access and opportunities for better livelihoods to the local community in the form of education, employment health facilities and allows people to participate in public functions like marriages, political rallies, and social gatherings. About 100 respondents were selected and administered a set of questionnaire to collect the information regarding their access to outside world through ‘mini vehicle’ and its impact on them. The study reveals that the ‘mini vehicle’ is the backbone of the rural economy and it has impact on their social welfare.

Key words: Tam-Tam Autorichshaw, socio-economic, village, development, livelihood

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