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An Evaluation of Infrastructural Development in Jammu and Kashmir Since 2010-Secondary Data Analysis

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ABSTRACT: -

Infrastructure is known as a pivotal part of economic and social development in the world in recent times. It is in fact a measure of both growth and development for a country. This paper will focus on the impact infrastructure of Jammu and Kashmir has on economic development by examining various parameters like employment, health, education, tourism and health. Several schemes have been launched by the Government to improve the infrastructure in the UT but still the growth of this sector is observed to be very slow. This paper will also provide some suggestions based on findings which will be very valuable for the future development of infrastructure in the UT of Jammu and Kashmir.

KEYWORDS: - Infrastructure, Economic development, Tourism, Employment.

INTRODUCTION: - The development of UT of J&K is not dependent on its economy but also on its infrastructure both economic and social. Economic infrastructure includes roads, railways, electricity etc. and social infrastructure includes health and education in the region. The study focuses on the evaluation of infrastructural development in the UT of Jammu and Kashmir. It has been found that Jammu and Kashmir lacks behind in the development of both economic as well as social infrastructure.

There are many factors which contribute to the slow development in infrastructure like, armed militancy in Kashmir, low productivity in agriculture and allied activities which in turn, hamper income generation and employment, poor infrastructure in industries and lack of investment, weak governance and lack of sound management of fiscal policy etc. The growth rate of other states of the country with regards to infrastructure is faster than that of Jammu and Kashmir.

The evaluation we are having with regards to social and economic infrastructure is from 2010 onwards. As infrastructural development adds to the growth process in the UT, in this study we what are the drawbacks of infrastructure development in the UT and which areas need improvement.

REVIEW OF LITERATURE: -

GUL AND KHAN (2014) revealed that the schemes of education and development did not bring any positive change in the condition of girls, the study attributed major reasons to ignorance of parents, poverty and lack of basic infrastructural facilities. Terrorism, militancy and topography of J&K were other factors which were causing hinderance in the development process.

MIR (2014) in his study revealed that Jammu and Kashmir has large number of tourist destinations, but there exist shortcomings in the development of infrastructural facilities, low Government budget, destinations which are

unexplored, security concerns etc. It was suggested that with the growth of tourism industry in Jammu and Kashmir, other growth indicators of the economy like infrastructure, employment and competition will also increase.

RASOOL et al (2016) in its review named "Disparities in the levels of educational development in Jammu and Kashmir, India: A district wise analysis expressed that Jammu and Kashmir lacks far behind in terms of literacy level, infrastructure, opportunities for primary, secondary and higher education etc. It was further concluded that the poor infrastructure is the main cause of disparities in the level of development in education.

SHARMA AND THAKUR (2017) the analysis of the paper shows that power is the most pivotal socio-economic infrastructure, but the UT of Jammu and Kashmir is having shortage of power supply. The policies of Government with regards to development projects are slow in pace .The social, geological ,economic, administrative, environmental and security issues did not lead to development of projects. The survey conducted by Rural Electrification Corporation, Government of India, the village which are not electrified in Jammu and Kashmir are large in number. In order to meet the demand power with growing population, power cuts are imposed ,10 hours in winters and 8 hours in summers.

AHMED (2018) the study focuses on slow growth of entrepreneurship in the UT of Jammu and Kashmir because of poor infrastructural facilities, for example, power, lack of economic information, transport and communication. These are considered as the basic infrastructural facilities which are necessary for a business entity to get started.

BANDE (2019) in his study stated that with the rising population, rate of employment remains very low. So , because of unemployment it became easier for the youth to join militancy, hence the youth of Kashmir indulge themselves in acts which are associated with violence .Also, due to lack of industrial growth ,unemployment rate has increased. In the year 2008, registered unemployed youth were 1,06,130, it increased to 3,07,827 by 2013. This data included literate ones with degrees. The skilled and literate persons registration have increased than the illiterate ones.

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY: - The methodology which was used for carrying out the study has been discussed in this section. It includes the area of the study, sampling size, sampling procedure data, sources of data, formulation of research hypothesis, objectives of the study and statistical tools used. The study is based on Secondary data collected from Statistical Digest Of Jammu and Kashmir.

3.1 RESEARCH DESIGN: -

- 3.1.1 Area of study: The area of study is Jammu and Kashmir.
- 3.1.2 Total Universe: The universe taken for the study was Jammu and Kashmir. For analyzing and studying the objectives of the research paper, secondary data was used.
- 3.1.3 Research Variables: The study is a combination of Descriptive and Exploratory research.
- 3.1.4 Statistical Tools: Ten years data is available to us and is analyzed by using various statistical tools.

3.2 COLLECTION OF DATA: -

Secondary data is collected from various sources, such as, Economic reviews of J&K, Diaries, Paper resources, books, journals, published and unpublished resources and internet.

- **3.3 OBJECTIVES:** -The following are the objectives which the present research paper covers.
- i) The study aims to evaluate the infrastructural development in J&K.
- ii) To find out the reasons behind slow growth of infrastructure in J&K.
- iii) To find out the impact of slow growth of economic and social infrastructure on J&K economy.

4.0 RESULTS & DISCUSSIONS: -

XXIII-EDUCATION

Table No. 23.07 (Contd.)

			BA	(Pass & Ho	ons)		BSC (Pass & Hons)					
S.No.	Year	Number		Numb	er passed	70	Number appeared	Number passed				
		appeared	Boys	Girls	Total	Pass %		Boys	Girls	Total	Pass %	
1	2	3	4	5.	-6	7	8	.9	10	- 11	12	
1	1950-51	504	192	15	207	41.07	85	41	1.	42	49.4	
2	1955-56	788	262	70	332	42.13	214	96	3	99	46.2	
3	1960-61	950	260	104	364	38.32	482	234	40		56.8	
4	1965-66	1542	616	369	985	63.88	814	413	87	500	61.4	
5	1968-69	2198	870	408	1278	58.14	1769	751	120	871	49.2	
6	1974-75	5012	2333	577	2910	58.06	4586	2485	325	2810	61.2	
7	1979-80	5705	1585	1404	2989	52.39	1474	603	237	840	56.9	
8	1980-81	6543	1767	1495	3262	49.85	1527	592	240	832	54.4	
9	1985-86	9621	3497	2389	5886	61.18	2723	1183	399	1582	58.1	
10	1989-90	5661	2138	1598	3736	66	3375	1779	902	2681	79.4	
11	1990-91	5434	1674	919	2593	47.72	4193	1885	854	2739	65.3	
12	1995-96	7970	2118	1201	3319	41.64	6913	2745	911	3656	52.8	
13	1999-00	11189	1854	2537	4391	39.24	9962	2630	1725	4355	43.7	
14	2001-02	22100	4276	4380	8656	39.17	11429	4035	3393	7428	65	
15	2002-03	38822	5486	7262	12738	32.81	15384	5745	3527	9272	60.2	
16	2003-04*	2547	819	930	1749	68.67	2564	1277	879	2156	81.0	
17	2004-05	30678	N.A	N.A	17335	56.51	15590	N.A	N.A	11491	73.7	
18	2005-06	13694	3935	4648	8583	62.67	6759*	2870	2422	5292	78.2	
19	2006-07	14681	NA.	NA	9622	65.54	6986	NA.	NA.	5597	80.1	
20	2007-08*	10055	4780	3626	8406	83.6	4256	2431	1277	3708	87.1	
21	2009-10°	11796	5283	4795	10079	85.44	2938	1659	928	2587	88.0	
22	2011-12	29882	NA	NA	21917	73.35	6679	NA.	NA NA	5407	80.9	
23	2012-13	79083	NA NA	NA	48678	61.55	17803	NA.	NA NA	12346	69.3	
24	2013-14(+)	35281	NA	NA.	20338	57.65	4097	NA.	NA.	3565	87.0	
25	2014-15	31485	NA.	NA	19852	63.05	6997	NA .	NA.	5822	83.2	
26	2015-16(*)	8075	NA	NA	4974	61.6	4461	NA.	NA NA	3705	83.0	
27	2016-17	32429	NA	NA.	20800	64.14	9951	NA .	NA	7840	78.7	
28	2017-18(*)	4829	NA NA	NA.	2592	53.68	1535	NA .	NA	1234	80.3	
29	2018-19	32923	5558	8664	14222	43.20	14926	3308	3842	7150	47.9	

- ii) " indicates population of Kashmir University only.

 iii) (+)-Information for 2013-14 is in respect of Kashmir University

 iv) (*) Year 2015-16 and 2017-18 does not include Kashmir Univ

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XXV-HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE Table No. 25.00 Number of Medical Institutions (Public and Private)

			Dispensar	es	- 8	Other Institutions							
S. No.	Year	Distt./ Private Hospitals & Associated Hospitals	New types PHC	Unani	Ayur- vedic	Primary Health Centers	Medical Aid Centers & Mobile Units	T.B Center	S.T.D./. T.B V.D. Clinics	Family Planning Centers & Sub- Centers / Others	Leprosy Sub- centre & Leprosy Contro Units		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7		9	10	- 11	12		
Ť	1973-74	35	299	184	1/6	266	113	12	12	164	41		
2	1974-75	35	259	186	179	267	113	12	12	164	41		
3	1980-81	40	421	201	186	477	200	13	12	182	42		
4	1985-86	52	490	191	226	396	465*	12	10	371	101		
5	1990-91	72	415	191	242	652	465*	12	13	1193	50		
6	1995-96	96	320	184	249	888	501 *	13	13	1323	52		
7	1999-00	109	270	184	249	452	478*	- 11	9	1841	53		
8	2000-01	109	263	184	249	361	471*	- 11	9	1990	57		
9	2001-02	111	258	183	250	361	425*	- 11	9	2028	56		
10	2002-03	114	247	183	251	372	418*	16	13	2064	57		
11	2003-04	118	256	183	251	388	413*	16	13	2094	57		
12	2004-05	117	253	196	241	394	454	10	- 8	2080	53		
13	2005-06	105	252	183	241	391	347	10	- 8	2108	53		
14	2006-07	110	253	182	242	386	349	10	- 8	2112	53		
16	2007-08	113	243	164	259 242	380 401	338 347	10	8	2036 2067	52 52		
17	2010-11	115	259	175	282	412	573	11	9	2007	55		
18	2010-11	112	233	175	242	418	475	8	9	2153	25		
19	2012-13	117	249	181	242	406	162	15	10	2451	23		
20	2013-14	120	247	182	241	408	162	15	10	2450	23		
21	2014-15	122	247	185	238	409	162	15	10	2910	23		
22	2015-16	120	247	184	239	410	162	16	10	2906	23		
23	2016-17	123	428	189	234	478	181	17	18	2824	39		
24	2017-18	131	449	177	240	410	180	17	18	3143	39		
	2018-19												
1	Ananthag	8	36	28	6	27	- 1	- 1	0	141	0		
2	Kulgam	5	26	13	9	19	.0	0	.0	118	0		
3	Pulwama	4	27	16	2	21	.1	1	0	97	0		
4	Shopian	3	10	8	3	6	2	0	0	57	0		
5	Srinagar	15	43	20	4	36	2	2	1	38	2		
6	Ganderbal	3	16	11	9	14	.0	0	0	59	0		
7	Budgam	10	30	26	10	44	0	1	0	137	0		
8	Baramulla	8 4	53 21	33	7 2	32	0	1	0	191 71	0		
10	Bandipora Kupwara	8	32	23	5	31	0	0	0	238	0		
11	Leh	3	14	0	1	14	0	1	1	131	1		
12	Kargil	5	24	0	0	2	1	1	0	144	1		
14.	10031	76	332	195	58	252	8	9	2	1422	4		
13	Jammu	20	56	1	64	33	9	1	2	202	1		
14	Samba	2	10	0	14	11	2	0	ô	85	0		
15	Udhampur	3	25	1	32	22	17	1	2	136	1		
16	Reasi	3	21	3	16	12	0	0	0	104	0		
17	Doda	3	31	3	33	13	2	1	1	170	1		
18	Ramban	4	23	7	10	9	15	0	0	71	0		
19	Kishtwar	2	18	6	18	7	19	- 1	. 0	70	0		
20	Kathua	7	26	0	53	24	14	1	2	184	16		
21	Rajouri	8	34	6	26	21	12	1	. 0	198	1		
22	Poonch	4	27	5	19	17	10	1	0	128	0		
	Inmm	56	271	32	287	169	100	7	7	1348	20		
	Total J&K	132	603	227	345	421	108	16	9	2770	24		

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XV -EMPLOYMENT Table No. 15.00 Registrations and Placements made by Employment Exchanges

(Fig. in 000s)

S.No.	Year	Employn	nent Exchan	ges (Nos.)	Reg	istrations r	made	Pla	Placements made			n on the live ast day of t	
		Jammu	Kashmir	Total	Jammu	Kashmir	Total	Jammu	Kashmir	Total	Jammu	Kashmir	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1	1962	1	1	2	5.33	4.44	9.77	0.83	0.32	1.15	NA	3.80	NA
2	1965	5	3	8	9.09	7.04	16.13	1.26	0.35	1.61	2.24	2.56	4.80
3	1968	5	3	8	9.70	5.90	15.60	0.83	0.33	1.16	4.47	2.07	6.54
4	1974	5	3	8	12.70	8.12	20.82	1.65	0.33	1.98	14.53	8.37	22.90
5	1977	6	4	10	19.84	12.92	32.76	1.25	0.41	1.66	23.89	20.63	44.52
6	1980	6	4	10	18.54	10.12	28.66	1.90	0.62	2.52	32.12	19.16	51.28
7	1985	8	9	17	14.90	8.62	23.52	1.13	0.20	1.33	46.93	27.01	73.94
8	1990	8	9	17	17.33	39.25	56.58	0.45	0.16	0.61	68.41	44.02	112.4
9	1995	8	9	17	17.06	14.92	31.98	0.09	0.12	0.21	72.99	73.53	146.5
10	1996	8	9	17	16.62	15.32	31.94	0.03	0.05	0.08	82.72	77.44	160.1
11	1997	8	9	17	19.03	18.50	37.53	0.08	0.08	0.16	88.31	74.49	162.8
12	2000	8	9	17	22.18	12.62	34.80	0.02	0.03	0.05	101.63	65.60	167.2
13	2001	8	9	17	14.51	12.24	26.75	0.00	0.00	0.01	105.16	62.29	167.4
14	2002	8	9	17	12.36	8.66	21.02	0.03	0.00	0.04	88.62	58.24	146.8
15	2003	8	9	17	21.22	14.46	35.68	0.02	1.0	0.02	81.48	58.87	140.3
16	2004	8	9	17	21.34	14.70	36.04	40	(4)		68.56	44.87	113.4
17	2005	8	9	17	7.50	6.59	14.09	140	- 1	(a	70.94	43.68	114.6
18	2006	8	9	17	5.13	6.44	11.57	- (4)		9-	42.40	66.98	109.3
19	2007	10	12	22	11.21	11.19	22.40	(*)		()	69.48	42.08	111.5
20	2008	10	12	22	26.58	11.10	37.68			le.	60.20	45.93	106.1
21	2009	10	12	22	211.87	249.35	461.23		0.00	33	272.07	295.29	567.3
22	2010	10	12	22	8.08	21.78	29.86				280.25	317.07	597.3
23	2011	10	12	22	0.54	5.12	5.66	- :		2.5	280.79	322.19	602.9
24	2012	10	12	22	0.66	5.53	6.19	*1	100		219.83	269.02	488.8
25	2013	10	12	22	40.21	90.82	131.03				89.41	155.25	244.6
26	2014	10	12	22	11.95	15.25	27.20				75.83	146.35	222.1
27	2015	10	12	22	12.93	10.76	23.69				62.88	84.25	147.1
28	2016	10	12	22	11.73	3.39	15.12	-	-		45.90	57.99	103.8
29	2017	10	12	22	11.21	7.42	18.63	34.00	-	34.00	45.82	42.22	88.04
30	2018	10	12	22	8.95	8.10	17.05				42.67	37.70	80.37

Note: Registration of unemployed educated youth is valid for three years after which registration has to be renewed and in case of failure to do so, heishe is automatically deleted from the live register.

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		No. of Tourists Huts / Bungalow	
S. No.	Year/District	No. of Tourist Huts	No. of Tourist Bungalows
1	2006-07	3 44	4
1			32
II	2007-08	44	32
III	2008-09	50	38
Iv	2009-10	50	38
V	2010-11	54	48
VI	2011-12	46	38
VII	2012-13	18	20
VIII	2013-14	18	20
IX	2014-15	18	20
×	2015-16	199	47
ΧI	2016-17	190	41
XII	2017-18	189	43
	<u>2018-19</u>		
1	Jammu	-	3
2	Udhampur	-	2
3	Kathua	-	1
4	Rajouri	-	-
5	Poonch	-	-
6	Doda	-	-
7	Kishtwar	-	-
8	Ramban	39	8
9	Reasi	-	3
10	Samba	2	2
11	Anantnag	50	7
12	Kulgam	1	4
13	Pulwama	-	-
14	Shopian	-	-
15	Srinagar	71	4
16	Ganderbal	7	4
17	Budgam	6	2
18	Baramulla	17	3
19	Bandipora	-	-
20	Kupwara	-	-
21	Leh		-
22	Kargil	_	· .

ote: The total in respect of 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15 does not include Kashmir Division.

- i) Employment: In the data above with regards to registration and placements that no placements were made against the year 2004-2016.
- ii) Health: -If Distt. Private and Associated hospitals seen in Jammu are 131 in UT of J&K BY 2018-19 but in Jammu District it is only 20, Samba 2, Udhampur 3, Poonch 4, which is very poor.
- **iii) Education: -**With regards to education, the University examination results showed the total pass percentage fell from 85.44% in 2009-10 to 43.20% in 2018-19.
- **iv) Tourism: -** The number of Tourist Huts and Bungalows are very less in number since 2010.But their number has increased only in the year 2015-16 to 2017-18.
- v) Power: -The installations in Jammu District are very less That is 5.78 lakhs to 10.43 lakhs and in Kashmir it was 6.20 lakhs to 9.80 lakhs from the year 2009-10 to 2018-19.

5.0 SUGGESTIONS: -

Following are some suggestions to improve infrastructural development in J&K.

- i)The UT of J&K has unique features, but the development needs a speedy pace to match the pace of other states with regards to development in infrastructure. The first agenda of the Government should be to maintain peace in the UT, so that, there should be no breach in the law and order.
- ii) The old technologies need to be replaced by the new technologies.
- iii) The programme with regards to development schemes need to be accelerated, efforts for the development of socio -economic infrastructure and removal of poverty are required. The problems of people need to be resolved on urgent basis.
- iv) The development of IT sector can solve the problem of educated unemployment in J&K.
- v) Increasing the number of private universities and hospitals, encouraging foreign direct investment as well as providing uninterrupted power supply to the IT sector shall be the agenda.
- vi) In a nutshell, sound economic policies and good initiatives by the Government can lead J&K on the path of development.

6.0 CONCLUSION: -

It is very much clear that infrastructural development contributes a major role in the economic development of J&K. Development of infrastructure can solve multiple problems in J&K, which includes unemployment poverty with regards to health education, tourism, etc. which in turn will increase the GDP. The impact of slow growth of social as well as economic infrastructure is visible as there are lack of employment opportunities and the number of registered educated unemployed are large. The reasons behind the slow growth of infrastructure are lack of good governance, no sound policy, longer time period for clearance of papers, no investment from outside, militancy, problem of law and order, bandhs and hartals are visible very often which hit the economy very badly, especially the small scale industries. The facilities with regards to education sector and the health sector are very less which has forced the people of J&K to visit outside the UT for higher education as well as advanced treatment. Hence, New policies should be framed so that people are not put into a situation to visit outside J&K.

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