The Contribution of Government and Non-governmental Organizations in Promoting Livelihood of Aligambai Gypsies: A Sociological Study

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ABSTRACT

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The majority populations of the world are living in a safe socio-economical setting and they are having wealthy of science, technology and other necessities of life. Meantime, some groups of the universal community are living in a complicated situation worldwide. A Gypsies is one of the major groups among all tribes, and they still excluded from the mainstream of the society. In this context, this study focuses the Gypsies of Aligambai village in Ampara district, Sri Lanka. Therefore this research significant as it explores what kind of contribution made by the Government and Non-governmental organizations in promoting livelihood of Gypsies in Aligambai even though the other organizations played their role for promoting the livelihood of the same community. The main objective of this study is to analysis the contribution of Government and Non-governmental organizations in promoting livelihood of Gypsies in Aligambai village, and to realize the improvement of Aligambai Gypsies due to the development role played by the Government and Non-governmental organizations. This is basically a qualitative study. Data for this research gathered from primary and the secondary sources. Primary data have collected mainly from questionnaire, key informant interview observation and focus group discussion, and the secondary data have gathered from the statistical records of the government and the NGOs as well as from published materials. Finally, this research found that the Government and Non-governmental organizations made their contribution effectively in promoting livelihood of Gypsies in Aligambai village of Ampara district, Sri Lanka.