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Quality of Life in Rural Bengal: A Case Study

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Abstract

The paper traces the status of Quality of Life in Paschim Medinipur, one of the backward districts in the state of West Bengal by adopting a methodology combining different dimensions of Quality of Life, *viz.*, per capita household income, better health care, education expense, possession of valuable assets, per capita consumption of nutritious food, use of safe drinking water, better housing, use of sanitation, relative social freedom and social recognition during post pandemic period. It attempts to develop a Quality of Life Index (QLI) by using totally fuzzy analysis. Regression analysis is used too to show the impact of bank credit on the Quality of Life. The empirical results confirm that bank credit has a significant positive impact on Quality of Life.

Keywords: Quality of Life, Bank Credit, RRB.