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**A Socio-Economic Analysis on Occupational Patterns and Employment  
Trends Among Different Castes in Gorakhpur District**

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**ABSTRACT**

Employment patterns and social mobility in India have been shaped by caste, which has a long history of impacting socioeconomic possibilities and vocational choices. This research looks at the employment trends and occupational patterns of various castes in the Gorakhpur area of Uttar Pradesh from a socioeconomic perspective. Examining workforce participation, sectoral employment, and the distribution of workers among different caste groups, this research uses secondary data from the 2011 Census, district labour records, and government reports. In contrast to the higher representation of OBCs and general castes in professional, service-oriented, and skilled jobs, the results show that SC/ST people are disproportionately involved in low-income, seasonal agricultural work. Disparities in employment opportunities between men and women within caste groupings are another factor. The importance of urbanisation, government social programs, and education in enabling economic mobility is also emphasised in the study. To promote inclusive socio-economic transformation in the region and minimise caste-based job disparities, policy makers, social planners, and development practitioners can utilise the insights gathered.

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