

Presenting an Empowerment Hybrid Model for Marginalized Women

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Introduction

Empowering local communities is a way to properly distribute sustainable social, economic, cultural and psychological resources. Relying on internal capacity and prioritizing needs to provide conditions for self-improvement and sustainable development of communities such as women and marginalization only through empowerment they are available. This study was conducted with the aim of designing and compiling an empowerment model for marginalized women in Ahvaz city.

Method

This research has been carried out by a mixed method (qualitative-quantitative) of exploratory type. Data were collected through in-depth interviews and questionnaires during 1998. In this regard, in the qualitative section, using the purposeful judgment method, 10 experts facilitators and journalists who have been active in this field, have been selected in a small statistical sample. Also, 357 women in the suburbs of Ahvaz have been selected. In the qualitative part, coding technique (open, axial) was used to analyze the data. In the quantitative part, descriptive statistics (mean, standard deviation and variance) and inferential statistics (exploratory factor

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analysis) were used to analyze the data.

Results

The data obtained in the present study were taken from the opinions of experts active in the field of women and women living in the suburbs of Ahvaz in three dimensions of psychological (with 18 open codes), economic (with 11 open codes) and socio-cultural (with 31 open codes).

Conclusion

Marginalized women in many cases, especially social issues such as family, marriage, child rearing and even issues such as pregnancy and health did not have enough information which is based on lack of awareness in this area and should raise their awareness. They should be empowered in psychological, cultural, social and economic dimensions and that the final model presented in this study can be helpful.

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