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**Table V**  
**Age-Occupational composition of the head of the households**

(in years)

Occupation	Thondamuthur block						Periyanaickenpalayam block					
	20-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	Above 60	Total	20-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	Above 60	Total
Coolies	6 (22.0)	14 (51.9)	5 (18.5)	2 (7.4)	-	27 (100.0)	8 (25.8)	13 (41.9)	4 (12.9)	3 (9.7)	3 (9.7)	31 (100.0)
Farmwork	-	2 (16.7)	7 (58.3)	1 (8.3)	2 (16.7)	12 (100.0)	-	2 (15.4)	8 (61.5)	2 (15.4)	1 (7.7)	13 (100.0)
Weaving	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 (12.5)	9 (56.2)	3 (18.8)	2 (12.5)	-	16 (100.0)
Business	4 (44.4)	4 (44.4)	1 (11.2)	-	-	9 (100.0)	1 (20.0)	2 (40.0)	2 (40.0)	-	-	13 (100.0)
Workshop	9 (37.6)	11 (45.8)	2 (8.3)	2 (8.3)	-	24 (100.0)	5 (55.6)	2 (22.2)	1 (11.1)	1 (11.1)	-	5 (100.0)
Company job	7 (58.3)	3 (25.0)	-	2 (16.7)	-	12 (100.0)	-	-	-	-	-	9 (100.0)
Others	2 (12.5)	8 (50.0)	3 (18.8)	2 (12.5)	1 (6.2)	16 (100.0)	7 (26.9)	8 (30.8)	5 (19.2)	4 (15.4)	2 (7.7)	-
Total	28 (28.0)	42 (42.0)	18 (18.0)	9 (9.0)	3 (3.0)	100 (100.0)	23 (23.0)	36 (36.0)	23 (23.0)	12 (12.0)	6 (6.0)	100 (100.0)

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**Table VI**  
**Monthly family income**

(in rupees)

Occupation	Thondamuthur block					Periyanaickenpalayam block				
	Below 2000	2001-4000	4001-6000	Above 6000	Total	Below 2000	2001-4000	4001-6000	Above 6000	Total
Coolies	21 (77.8)	6 (22.2)	-	-	27 (100.0)	3 (9.7)	26 (83.9)	2 (6.4)	-	31 (100.0)
Farmwork	3 (25.0)	3 (25.0)	5 (41.07)	1 (8.3)	12 (100.0)	-	3 (23.1)	7 (53.8)	3 (23.1)	13 (100.0)
Weaving	-	-	--	--	-	1 (6.3)	2 (12.5)	10 (62.5)	3 (18.7)	16 (100.0)
Business	-	6 (66.7)	1 (11.1)	2 (22.2)	9 (100.0)	-	2 (40.0)	1 (20.0)	2 (40.0)	5 (100.0)
Workshop	16 (66.7)	8 (33.3)	-	-	24 (100.0)	2 (22.2)	5 (55.6)	2 (22.2)	-	9 (100.0)
Company job	2 (16.7)	8 (66.7)	1 (8.3)	1 (8.3)	12 (100.0)	-	-	-	-	-
Others	1 (6.3)	15 (93.7)	-	-	16 (100.0)	3 (11.5)	5 (19.2)	6 (23.1)	12 (46.2)	26 (100.0)
Total	43 (43.0)	46 (46.0)	7 (7.0)	4 (4.0)	100 (100.0)	9 (9.0)	43 (43.0)	28 (28.0)	20 (20.0)	100 (100.0)

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**Table VII****Savings pattern of the households (Before joining the group)**

(in rupees)

Occupation	Thondamuthur block						Periyanaickenpalayam block					
	Below 250	251-500	501-750	Above 750	No savings	Total	Below 250	251-500	501-750	Above 750	No savings	Total
Coolies	1 (3.7)	-	-	-	26 (96.3)	27 (100.0)	4 (12.9)	1 (3.2)	-	-	26 (83.9)	31 (100.0)
Farmwork	-	2 (16.7)	-	-	10 (83.3)	12 (100.0)	1 (7.7)	3 (23.1)	1 (7.7)	1 (7.7)	7 (53.8)	13 (100.0)
Weaving	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 (12.5)	3 (18.8)	3 (18.8)	1 (6.3)	7 (43.8)	16 (100.0)
Business	2 (22.2)	3 (33.3)	2 (22.2)	2 (22.2)	-	9 (100.0)	-	1 (20.0)	1 (20.0)	3 (60.0)	-	13 (100.0)
Workshop	1 (4.2)	-	-	-	23 (95.08)	24 (100.0)	-	1 (11.1)	1 (11.1)	-	7 (77.8)	5 (100.0)
Company job	6 (50.0)	-	2 (16.7)	-	4 (33.3)	12 (100.0)	-	-	-	-	-	9 (100.0)
Others	2 (12.5)	-	-	-	14 (87.5)	16 (100.0)	1 (3.8)	1 (3.8)	2 (7.7)	-	22 (84.6)	-
Total	12	5	4	2	77	100	8	10	8	5	69	100

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	(12.0)	(5.0)	(4.0)	(2.0)	(77.0)	(100.0)	(8.0)	(10.0)	(8.0)	(5.0)	(69.0)	(100.0)
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**Table VIII**  
**Indebtedness position of the households**

(in numbers)

Occupation	Thondamuthur block						Periyanaickenpalayam block					
	Money lenders	Bank	Chit	Others	No liability	Total	Money lenders	Bank	Chit	Others	No liability	Total
Coolies	17 (63.0)	3 (11.1)	5 (18.5)	2 (7.4)	-	27 (100.0)	5 (16.1)	-	5 (16.1)	15 (48.4)	6 (19.4)	31 (100.0)
Farmwork	2 (16.7)	4 (33.3)	3 (25.0)	3 (25.0)	-	12 (100.0)	-	9 (69.2)	-	-	4 (30.8)	13 (100.0)
Weaving	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 (6.2)	7 (43.8)	-	1 (6.2)	7 (43.8)	16 (100.0)
Business	-	4 (44.4)	-	-	5 (55.6)	9 (100.0)	-	3 (60.0)	-	1 (20.0)	1 (20.0)	13 (100.0)
Workshop	3 (12.5)	-	1 (4.2)	2 (8.3)	18 (75.0)	24 (100.0)	2 (22.3)	1 (11.1)	4 (44.4)	1 (11.1)	1 (11.1)	5 (100.0)
Company job	2 (16.7)	1 (8.3)	1 (8.3)	1 (8.3)	7 (58.4)	12 (100.0)	-	-	-	-	-	9 (100.0)
Others	9 (56.3)	-	3 (18.8)	1 (6.3)	3 (18.8)	16 (100.0)	1 (3.8)	2 (7.7)	-	3 (11.5)	20 (77.0)	-

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Total	33 (33.0)	12 (12.0)	13 (13.0)	9 (9.0)	33 (33.0)	100 (100.0)	9 (9.0)	22 (22.0)	9 (9.0)	21 (21.0)	39 (39.0)	100 (100.0)
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**Table IX**  
**Age – Occupational composition of the respondents**

(in rupees)

Occupation	Thondamuthur block					Periyanaickenpalayam block				
	21-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	Total	21-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	Total
Coolies	7 (28.0)	12 (48.0)	5 (20.0)	1 (4.0)	25 (100.0)	13 (46.4)	9 (32.2)	6 (21.4)	-	28 (100.0)
Farmwork	-	3 (37.5)	4 (50.0)	1 (12.5)	8 (100.0)	-	1 (16.7)	2 (33.3)	3 (50.0)	6 (100.0)
Weaving	-	-	-	-	-	2 (20.0)	2 (20.0)	3 (30.0)	3 (30.0)	10 (100.0)
Others	2 (50.0)	1 (25.0)	1 (25.0)	1 (1.6)	4 (100.0)	4 (26.7)	5 (33.3)	6 (40.0)	-	15 (100.0)
Unemployed	13 (20.6)	34 (54.0)	15 (23.8)	15 (23.8)	63 (100.0)	14 (34.1)	25 (61.0)	2 (4.9)	-	41 (100.0)
Total	22 (22.0)	50 (50.0)	25 (25.0)	25 (25.0)	100 (100.0)	33 (33.0)	42 (42.0)	19 (19.0)	6 (6.0)	100 (100.0)

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**Table X**  
**Educational composition of the respondents**

(in numbers)

Occupation	Thondamuthur block						Periyanaickenpalayam block					
	Illiterates	Primary school	Middle school	High school	Higher secondary & above	Total	Illiterates	Primary school	Middle school	High school	Higher secondary & above	Total
Coolies	1 (4.0)	3 (12.0)	14 (56.0)	4 (16.0)	3 (12.0)	25 (100.0)	17 (60.7)	4 (14.3)	7 (25.0)	-	-	28 (100.0)
Farmwork	3 (37.5)	3 (37.5)	1 (12.5)	1 (12.5)	-	8 (100.0)	4 (66.7)	2 (33.3)	-	-	-	6 (100.0)
Weaving	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 (30.0)	4 (40.0)	2 (20.0)	1 (10.0)	-	10 (100.0)
Tailor	-	1 (25.0)	1 (25.0)	1 (25.0)	1 (25.0)	4 (100.0)	-	-	6 (40.0)	6 (40.0)	3 (20.0)	15 (100.0)
Unemployed	14 (22.2)	35 (55.6)	10 (15.8)	1 (1.6)	3 (4.8)	63 (100.0)	6 (14.6)	-	2 (4.9)	15 (36.6)	18 (43.9)	41 (100.0)
Total	18 (18.0)	42 (42.0)	26 (26.0)	7 (7.0)	7 (7.0)	100 (100.0)	30 (30.0)	10 (10.0)	17 (17.0)	22 (22.0)	21 (21.0)	100 (100.0)

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**Table XI**  
**Income composition of the respondents**

(in rupees)

Occupation	Thondamuthur block					Periyanaickenpalayam block				
	Below 1000	1001- 2000	2001- 3000	Above 3000	Total	Below 1000	1001- 2000	2001- 3000	Above 3000	Total
Coolies	17 (68.0)	5 (20.0)	3 (12.0)	-	25 (100.0)	5 (17.9)	18 (64.2)	5 (17.9)	-	28 (100.0)
Farmwork	-	4 (50.0)	1 (12.5)	3 (37.5)	8 (100.0)	-	3 (50.0)	1 (16.7)	2 (33.3)	6 (100.0)
Weaving	-	-	-	-	-	-	5 (50.0)	2 (20.0)	3 (30.0)	10 (100.0)
Tailor	2 (50.0)	2 (50.0)	-	-	4 (100.0)	-	2 (13.3)	6 (40.0)	7 (46.7)	15 (100.0)
Total	19 (51.4)	11 (29.7)	4 (10.8)	3 (8.1)	37 (100.0)	5 (8.5)	28 (47.5)	14 (23.7)	12 (20.3)	59 (100.0)

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**Table XV**

**Improvement in the self confidence and decision making power of the respondents before and after joining SHGs**

(in numbers)

Level of improvement	Thondamuthur block (Number of respondents)										Periyanaickenpalayam block (Number of respondents)									
	Self-confidence		Decisional power								Self-confidence		Decisional power							
	Before joining SHG	After joining SHG	Before joining SHG				After joining SHG				Before joining SHG	After joining SHG	Before joining SHG				After joining SHG			
			1*	2*	3*	4*	1*	2*	3*	4*			1*	2*	3*	4*	1*	2*	3*	4*
Not at all	56	5	55	63	69	36	9	15	19	7	48	-	41	58	76	25	1	4	52	1
Moderate	32	63	42	37	23	41	67	76	59	55	36	68	55	34	20	56	53	59	38	38
Highly improved	12	32	3	-	8	23	24	19	32	38	16	32	4	8	4	19	46	37	10	61
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

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1\* - Family matters

2\* - Children's education

3\* - Community matters

4\* - Other matters

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