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Understanding the causes and effects of seasonal migration vis-a-vis gender in Khohar village of Rajasthan's Alwar district

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Focused group discussion with the migrating women population in Khohar (Photo: SM Sehgal Foundation)

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India has been for some time leading the world in terms of daily fresh Covid-19 cases, but the number of recoveries is also rising and so is the number of tests. As on Thursday, the country recorded 69,652 new cases, while 58,794 people recovered. The fatalities in the 24-hour period were 9

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Khochar, a village located in Alwar district of Rajasthan, nestled in the foothills of Aravalis, is home to 154 families, most of whom are farmers by profession. The village has a large adult population with 65 percent over the age of 18. The village educational levels are relatively low, with household heads having only attended an average of 4.6 years of schooling (Figure 1). Out of the total population of Khochar, 33.11 percent are medium farmers (1-4 bighas of land), 16.2 percent of them are large farmers (more than four bighas of land), and 50.6 percent of them are small farmers (equal to or less than one bigha of land). The small farmers are mainly migrating farmers. The village faces a rampant problem with water scarcity for all households, rich and poor alike. Procuring water for domestic as well as agricultural purposes is a critical issue they face every day. Lack of a water body in or around the village makes farming a challenging task, leaving the people having to rely only on rain to cultivate crops. The villagers are mostly unconnected to government programmes and benefits, which magnifies their plight. A consequence of these problems is that at least 30 percent of households actively participate in seasonal migration (Table 1), traveling to the rural belts of Punjab and Gujarat for cotton, rice, and wheat cultivation for almost eight months in a year. Upon return, they are mostly idle since no work is available in the village. The aspect worth noticing is that the villagers migrate with their entire families, including their children, spouses, and even the elderly in some cases. The village appears deserted most parts of the year with every other house being empty and abandoned for four to five months at a stretch.

As per the socioeconomic profile of the villagers of Khochar, their dependency ratio indicates an age-population ratio of those typically not in the labour force and those typically in the labour force. It is used to measure the... [Read More \(+\)](#)

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