

# Challenges and Problems of Transgender

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## Abstract

The term transgender refers to people whose sense of their own gender differs from what would be expected based on the sex characteristics with which they were born. Transgender is also a part of the society and they have equal right to everything in the world that is available to all other persons. The community of transgender is a portion of the social order and they have equal rights in everything that is presented to all others in the world. Since time immemorial the presence of such transgender are not new and are engraved in history. Transgender is often used as an umbrella term to signify individuals who defy rigid, binary gender constructions and who expresses or present a breaking and blurring of culturally prevalent stereotypically gender roles. Transgender people are not strangers to society. They people have been discriminated for long enough. Transgender people are discriminated on an almost daily basis. They are discriminated in the workplace. Transgender inequality is the unequal protection. The present study focused with the challenges and problems of transgender community. For analysis purpose 50 transgender people were interviewed through an interview schedule. Researcher adopted purposive sampling method for collecting data. The final result of the study reveals that they people have insecurity and discrimination and face lot of problems in our society. Majority of the respondents don't have an awareness level towards the schemes and rights provided by government for their life.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Transgender is an umbrella term for persons whose gender identity, gender expression or behaviour does not conform to that typically associated with the sex to which they were assigned at birth. Gender identity refers to a person's internal sense of being male, female or something else, gender expression refers to the way a person communicates gender identity to others through behaviour, clothing, hairstyles, and voice or body characteristics. "Trans" is sometimes used as shorthand for "transgender." While transgender is generally a good term to use, not everyone whose appearance or behaviour is gender-nonconforming will identify as a transgender person. Being transgender is not a mental disorder. It cannot be "cured" with treatment. The society treatsthem in a bad manner such as avoiding the people and some people are using bad words for calling these people.

The people get hurts by the way of such activities. Only few persons are having soft attitudes towards transgender people. But most of the general public get afraid and tease the transgender people.

## II. OBJECTIVE OF STUDY

To Study the socio-economic profile of transgender

To study the problems faced by transgender.

## III. METHODOLOGY

The Study is based on both primary and secondary data. For analysis purpose 50 respondents are chosen by the researcher from the study area. Purposive sampling method is adopted by the researcher for data collection. A well structure Interview schedule is prepared by the researcher both in English and Regional language for collecting data. Some of the respondents are not co-operate

systematically for providing data. Hence, the finding of the study is not applicable for other areas. As per the data given by the respondents, data analysis and interpretation is drawn by the researcher using simple manual statistical tools such as percentage analysis, weighted average ranking and Garrett ranking method. Secondary data are collected through Journals, magazines, and web sources.

#### IV. ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION

**Table :1**  
**GENERAL PROFILE OF THE RESPONDENTS**

Profile	No.of.Respondents
<b>Age</b>	
20-25	22(44)
25-30	18(36)
Above 30	10(20)
Total	50(100)
<b>Educational Qualification</b>	
Upto SSLC	16(32)
HSC	4(8)
Graduates	2(4)
Illiterate	28(56)
Total	50(100)
<b>Occupation</b>	
Driver	4(8)

Servant	2(4)
No Specific Job	44(88)
Total	50(100)
<b>Place of Living</b>	
Own house	5(10)
Leased	-
Rented	3(6)
Shared with others	42(84)
Total	50(100)
<b>Having any Id Proof</b>	
Yes	11(22)
No	39(78)
Total	50(100)
<b>Type of ID</b>	
Voter Card	2(18)
Aadhar Card	3(27)
Driving License	6(55)
Total	11(100)

Source: Primary Data

The above table depicts that the respondents general profile. It is evident from the above table 44 % of the respondents are in the age group of 20-25 years, only a 4% of them are graduates, 88% of the respondents said that they have no specific job to do.

84% of them told that they stay within a common place. Out of the 50 respondents only a few (22%) of them having ID Proof.

**Table :2**

**Types of Property owned**

Particular	Yes	No
Property owned	10	40
Land	2	-

House	3	
Jewels	1	
Cash	4	

Source: Primary Data

It is evident from the above data only 10 respondents have their own property such as land house jewels and cash, remaining 40 respondents have no property.

**Table: 3**

**Health Related Problems Faced by the Respondents (Weighted Average Ranking Method)**

Rank	I	II	III	IV	V	Total	Weighted Average	Rank
<b>Weights(W)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>(25)</b>		
<b>Problems</b>								
Diabetics	11	14	11	6	8	50		V
	55	56	33	12	8	164	5.96	
Throat infection	10	8	12	11	9	50		II
	50	32	36	22	9	149	6.56	
Joint pain	9	12	9	13	7	50		IV
	45	48	27	26	7	153	6.12	
Wheezing	13	9	12	7	9	50		III
	65	36	36	14	9	160	6.4	
Respiratory infections	14	10	9	11	6	50		I
	70	40	27	22	6	165	6.6	

Source : Primary Data

The above table exhibits the health Problems of the respondents. Weighted average method is used by the researcher to identify the major problems. 5 variables played a dominant role. Weights are assigned to each variable. From the above analysis

it is clear that the main problem faced by the respondents is “Respiratory infections” with the mean score of 6.6. “Diabetics” is also faced by the respondents with the mean score of 5.96.

**Table: 4**

**Problems Faced by the Respondents in Society (Garrett Ranking method)**

Problems	Garrett Meanscore	RANK
Threatened by others	54.98	1
Thrown out from their family	43.74	9
Trouble in getting job	54.42	3
Employment discrimination	52.38	4
Bath room issue	52.26	5
public places, health service	50.90	6
Difficulty in civic rights	45.22	8
Verbal abuse	46.10	7
Bullying	54.88	2

**Source: Primary data**

The above table clearly shows that what are the problems faced by the respondents in society. Garrett ranking method is used by the researcher. As per the findings, Respondents are threatened by others got the first rank with the garrett mean score of 54.98, Thrown out from their family got the 9th rank with the score of 43.74.

**V. SUGGESTION AND CONCLUSION**

From the above study it is aware that the respondents have no knowledge about the various schemes given by the government. From the study researcher comes to know that the respondents deposit their earnings in small chit funds and are

being cheated because of their ignorance. The study also reveals that due to their appearance they are avoided by the society. The NGO’s can help the people who are not having any work to do. Researcher suggested that NGO’s can help them in getting a job. Society should show humanitarian towards them. In the study area some of the respondents opined that they are struggling to get ID Proof which is issued by the Government. If the government take necessary steps to issue ID proof to these people, it will more beneficial for them.

Recently the people belongs to these groups are selected in the department of police and other one stood in election and won. So other transgender

people must take theses as inspiration to get rid of inferiority feeling. From the study the researcher is able to understand the body language and physical appearance of the respondents is the main reason for bullying. It is concluded that Government should take necessary steps to uplift the transgender.

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