
Exploring Gaming Genre Status among the Deori Tribal Women of South Bank of Brahmaputra Valley in Assam

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ABSTRACT:

The Deori or Deuri are the significant tribal communities of Assam. The social-cultural heritage of the Deoris is enriched by a variety of components. The identity of the Deoris as a distinct ethnic community is intensely entrenched in their folk images and traditions. The study deals with the investigation of the gaming genre status of the community of Assam.

KEY WORDS: *Gaming Genre, Status, Deori, Tribal, Women, South Bank, Brahmaputra Valley, Assam.*

INTRODUCTION:

North East India is highly recognized for its tribal identity and cultures. Assam is also known for its diversity of peoples. Assam is a ground of wealthy art and culture. The entire Assamese tribes cover the Mishing, Deori, Karbi, Rabha, Boro-Kachari, Sonowal- Kachari, Dimasa Cachari, Mech, Lalung, Chutiya etc. The very identity towards gaming genre status among the Deori Tribal Women of South Bank of Brahmaputra Valley in Assam is an important study for research.

IMPACT OF GAMES AND SPORTS AMONG THE TRIBAL COMMUNITIES:

The traditional Games and Sports of India are very attractive and also a part of folk identity. Assam and North East India is full of diversities in tribes and sub-tribes and their languages, dialects, customs, traditions, games and sports.

STATEMENT OF THE RESEARCH PROBLEM:

Games and Sports are significant components of socio-cultural identity. It is also the societal image for women also. Since there is little research on Games and Sports of Deori tribe and Deori women, but our study is based on the Deori Women of South Bank of Brahmaputra Valley in Assam.

RATIONALE:

Games and Sports of the Deori Women are the image of folk identity and culture.

OVERVIEW OF RELATED LITERATURE:

A lot of literature on Games and Sports of different tribal communities has been carried out. A number of studies have been presented on the particular topics for the tribals of Assam.

- (i) Thakur and Ojha (1981) highlighted a study on different games on Indian samples.
- (ii) Dureha (1986) conducted the personality features of sportsmen and not sportsmen.
- (iii) Chaturvedi (1999) establish elevated artistic tribal to be affectionate clever and impulsive.
- (iv) Quite a few researchers have been carried out programme on Games and Sports of Indian tribes.
- (v) Some researchers have been presented research on Games and Sports on the Tribes of Assam.
- (vi) So far, no such study has been achieved so far concerning the Games and Sports as consciousness among the Deori Women of South Bank of Brahmaputra Valley in Assam.

CHIEF OBJECTIVES:

1. To study about the traditional games of the Deori Women of South Bank of Brahmaputra Valley in Assam.
2. To know the contribution regarding the games and sports of the Deori Women.
3. To be familiar with the status of Deori women regarding Games and Sports.

HYPOTHESES:

1. There are no traditional games of the Deori Women.
2. There is no contribution regarding the games and sports of the Deori Women.
3. There is no status of Deori women regarding Games and Sports.

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY:

The research paper is based on descriptive and analytical study that followed the quantitative process. A Purposive and Stratified Random Sampling Technique was adopted for the selection of sample so that required data can be collected from the Deori women regarding the Games and Sports of the Deori tribe of the South Bank of Brahmaputra Valley in Assam.

Sl. No.	Objectives	Data	Method
1	To study about the traditional games of the Deori Women.	Primary	Percentage, Bar diagram
2	To know the contribution regarding the games and sports of the Deori Women	Primary	Percentage, Bar diagram
3	To be familiar with the status of Deori women regarding Games and Sports	Primary	Percentage, Bar diagram

RESEARCH DESIGN:

- (i) **Study Type:** Descriptive study.
- (ii) **Locale of the Study:** The study is based upon in rural areas of South Bank of Brahmaputra Valley in Assam.
- (iii) **Study Sample:** Since the Investigator visited 200 Deori household but selected 145 samples for the study.
- (iv) **Selection of the Respondents:** In the present study, villages 1. Bordeori Village of Narayanpur Revenue Circle in Lakhimpur district as biggest 2. Baghgarah Village of Bihpuria Revenue Circle in Lakhimpur district as middle and 3. Dusutimukh Village of Bhogpur of Narayanpur Revenue Circle in Lakhimpur district in Assam as smallest in the South Bank of Brahmaputra Valley in Assam as per the serious discussion and guidance of the Deori Community since there is no sufficient census report for its definite facet.
- (v) **Tool used:** Questionnaire is used as the tool for the study.
- (vi) **Procedure for Data Collection:** Investigator collected the data personally by visiting the households of the sample Deori Women.
- (vii) **Method of Data Analysis:** The data are analyzed by using quantitative method.

OBSERVATIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS:

The objects for the study include the visions of the Games and Sports from the Deori women of South Bank of Brahmaputra Valley in Assam. The results of the present study have been presented under following sub headings.

Table-2

- Respondent(s) in Selected Villages:

Sl No	Villages of Respondent	Size (area wize)	Frequency	Percentage
1	Bordeori Village of Narayanpur Revenue Circle in Lakhimpur District	Biggest	80	55.17
2	Bahgarah Village of Bihpuria in Lakhimpur District	Middle	50	34.48
3	Dusutimukh Village of Bhogpur of Narayanpur Revenue Circle in Lakhimpur District	Smallest	15	10.35
Total			145	100

Source: Primary Data (Field survey)

Figure-1

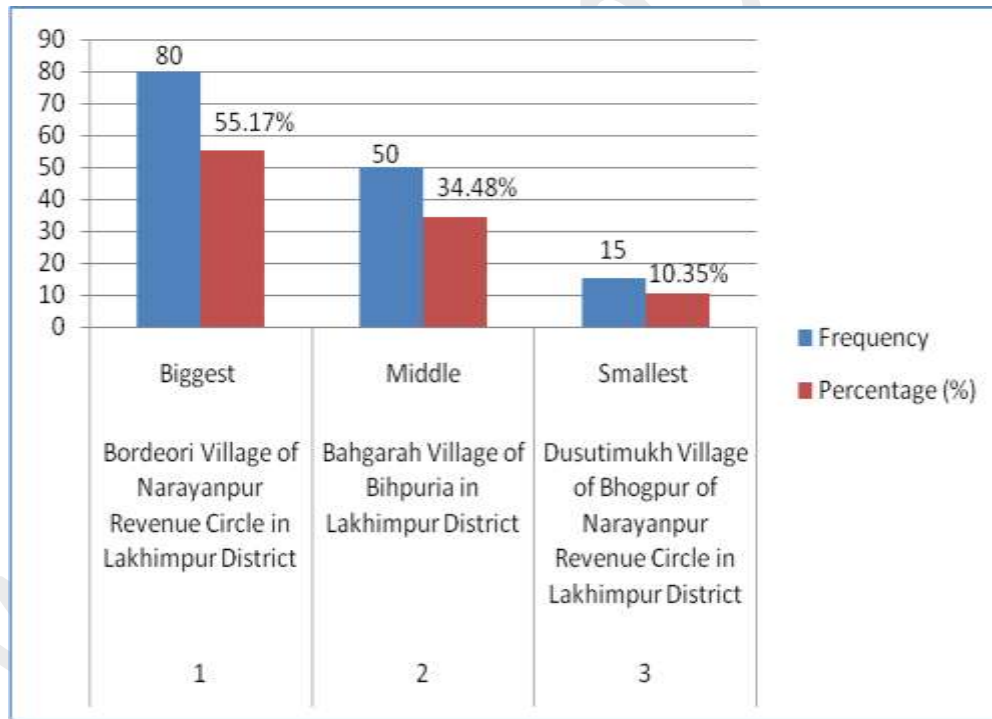


Table -2: presented that the Games and Sports of the Deori women of South Part of Brahmaputra Valley in Assam where 145 samples are collected from the 3(three) Deori rural villages.

Therefore, 145 samples are used for the study after calculating Cochran's sample size determination formula.

It is highlighted that B- N_1 , M- N_2 , S- N_3 . Hence, $N_1 + N_2 + N_3$.

Table – 3
General Characteristics of Respondents

Characteristics of the Study		Frequency	Percentage (%)	Mean ± S.D.
Age of the Respondents	Less than 20	4	2.8	38.40 ± 11.448
	20-30	34	23.4	
	30-40	58	40.0	
	40-50	31	21.4	
	50-60	13	9.0	
	60-70	4	2.8	
	More than 70	1	0.7	

Source: Primary Data (Field survey)

Figure-2

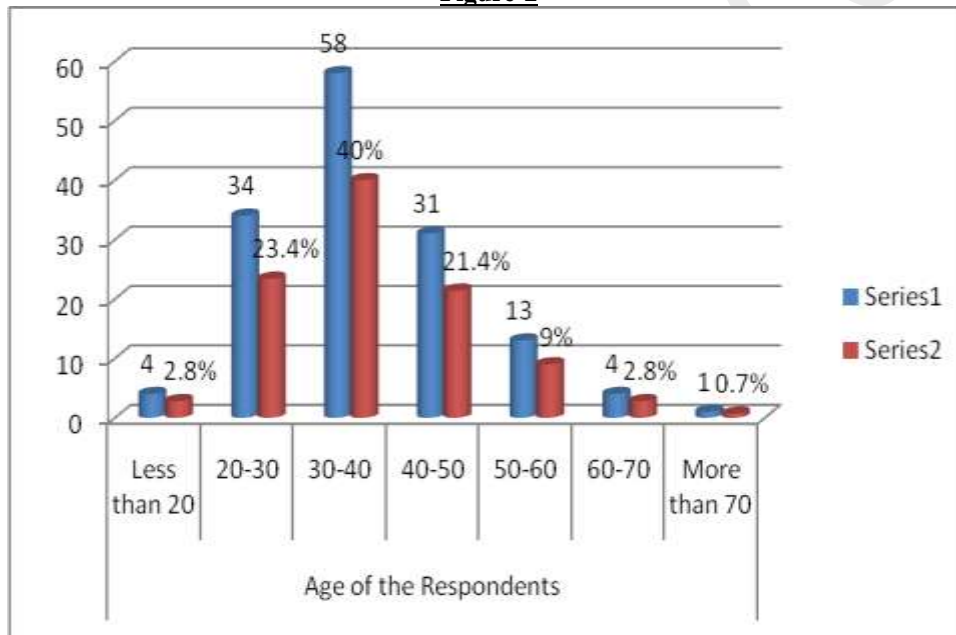


Table 3: displays age of the respondents.

Table-4

Sl. No.	Characteristics of the Study	Frequency	Percentage (%)
1	Marital Status	Unmarried	13
		Married	126
		Widow	6
2	Educational Qualifications	Illiterate	8
		Half	8
		Primary	7
		Middle	17
	High	37	

		Higher Secondary	32	24.8
		Degree	16	10.7
		Vocational	0	0
3	Occupations	Agriculture	121	83.4
		Service	18	12.4
		Business	5	3.4
		Social Welfare	1	0.7
Total			145	100

Table 4: focuses marital status, educational qualifications and occupations of the respondents.

Table-5

Games and Sports among the Deori Women South Bank of Brahmaputra Valley in Assam

Objective No	Characteristics	Frequency	Percentage (%)
Objective 1	1. Are there any traditional games of the Deori women?	Yes	135
		No	10
Objective 2	2. Do you have any contribution regarding games and sports?	Yes	44
		No	101
Objective 3	3. What is status of women regarding games and sports?	Yes	65
		No	80
Total		145	100

Source: Primary Data(Field survey)

Figure-3 (Objective 1)

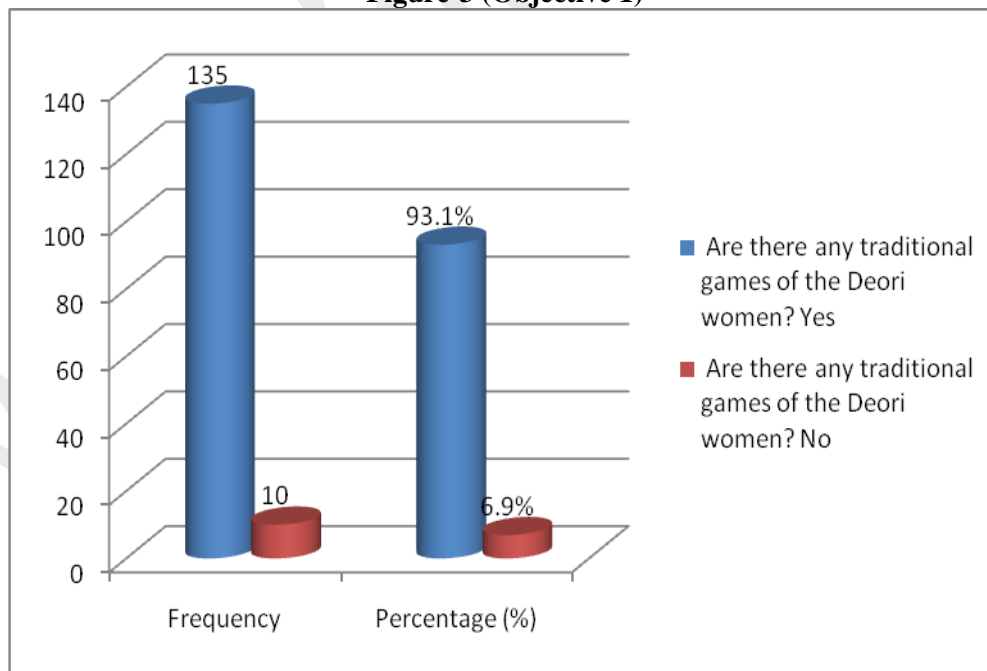


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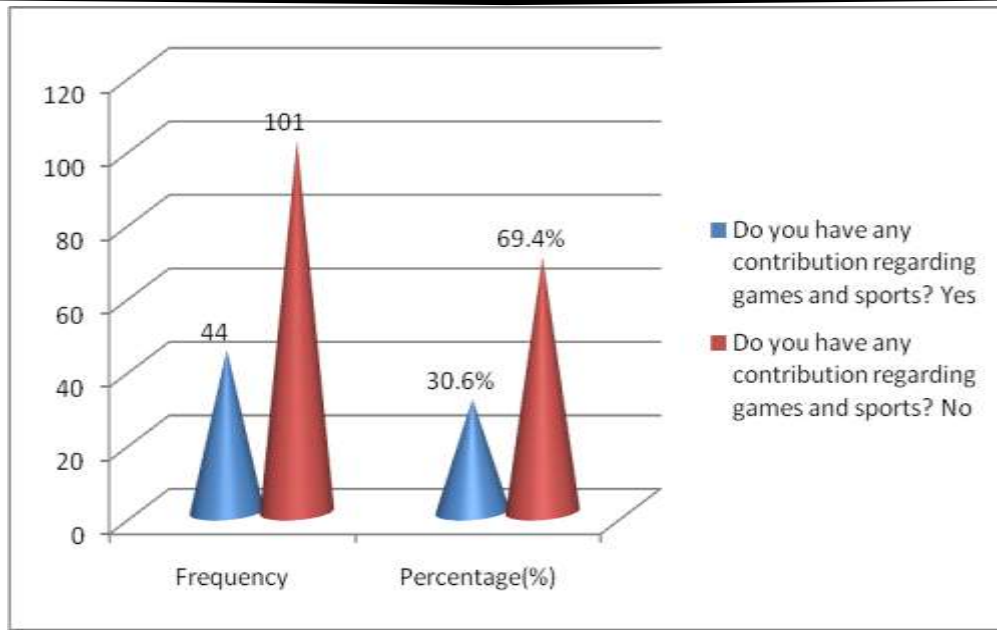


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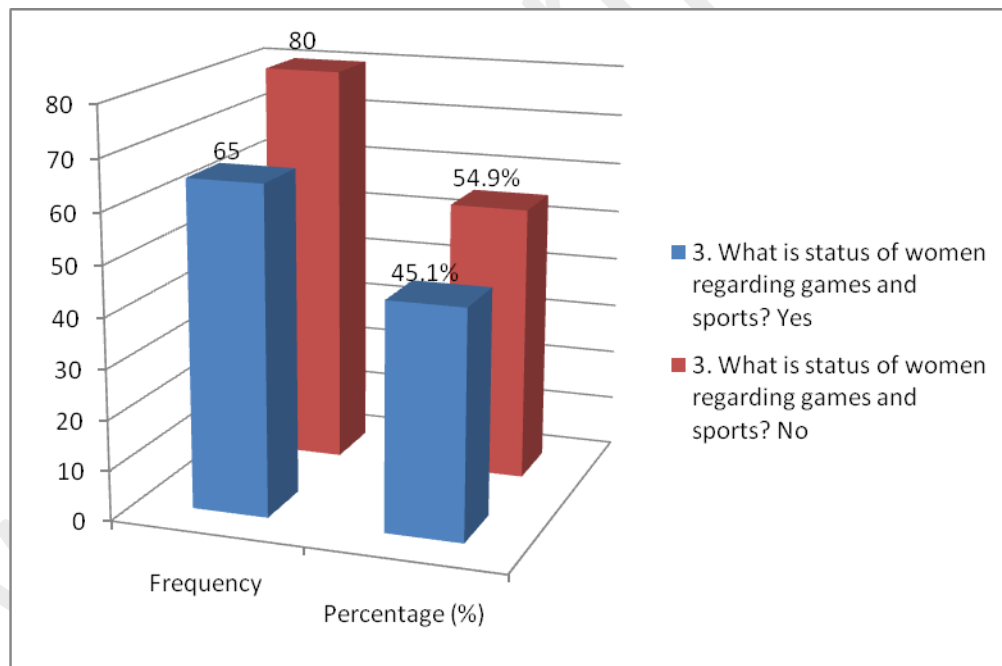


Table 5: depicted the Games and Sports of the Deori women from the views of South Bank of Brahmaputra Valley in Assam. The inspection on Games and Sports is found through the questionnaires represented that the Deori women are connected to the chosen environment or not.

In the general characteristics of the respondents the acquaintance of the Deori women in the chosen areas were accumulated and estimated.

To realize the present objects of Games and Sports through the Deori women is the principal concern. This implies that how well a Deori woman is well-informed on their different issues which are connected to Games and Sports.

The 3(three) objectives depicted as percentage (%) are:

1. Regarding the first object on the traditional games of the Deori Women, out of 145 samples 93.1% of the respondents were aware and 6.9% of the respondents were not aware.
2. Relating to the second object on the contribution regarding the games and sports of the Deori Women, out of 145 samples 30.6% of the respondents were conscious and 69.4% were not.
3. Linking to the third object on the status of Deori women regarding Games and Sports, out of 145 samples 45.1% of the respondents were conscious and 54.9% were not.

HYPOTHESES TESTING:

- (i) In case of the first hypothesis (H1), regarding traditional knowledge on games and sports of the Deori Women is significant as per the percentage. Therefore, the null hypothesis is simply rejected.
- (ii) In case of the second hypothesis (H2), the contribution regarding the games and sports of the Deori Women on the particular area is not significant as per the percentage. That's why, null hypothesis is accepted.
- (iii) In case of the third hypothesis (H3), regarding the status of Deori women on games and sports is not significant as per the percentage. For this reason, null hypothesis is accepted.

CONCLUSIONS:

- (i) The research paper has highlighted the significance concerning the Games and Sports of the Deori women of South Bank of Brahmaputra Valley in Assam because the information of Games and Sports about a tribe is immensely essential.
- (ii) A special treatment for judgment Games and Sports of a community is undoubtedly huge impact.

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