Domestic fuel consumption pattern among rural households

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ABSTRACT
The collection of biofuel for cooking is accompanied by two problems. First, drudgery in the collection of fuel due to coverage of long distance health hazards due to smoke. Second, poor ventilation/no ventilation in kitchen. Keeping this in view, a study was conducted in the two villages namely, Achitpur and Chota Mirzapur Khurd of Jamalpur Block of Mirzapur district to know the various characteristics of the respondents and the domestic fuel consumption pattern of the respondents. Total one hundred and twenty five (125) female respondents from the two villages were selected randomly. Statistical analyses were done using Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS programme). Descriptive statistics including mean, standard deviation, and percentage frequency were used for describing background characteristics of the study group. Respondents and their family members reported that they were facing many problems while fuel purchasing/gathering and prevaclence of disease caused by smoke because of improper kitchen facilities and cooking materials

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