

**AN ACCOUNT OF ECONOMIC LIFE OF GANJHUS OF JHARKHAND : AN IGNOMINY
FOR THE RICH JHARKHAND AND THE GREAT INDIA**

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ABSTRACT

This article is proposed to bring to focus the economic or materialistic life of the Ganjhus belonging to the dalit community of Jharkhand. Material deprivation coupled with social exclusion, caste oppression and lack of material resources have put the Ganjhus in a very disadvantageous position. Material deprivation of the Ganjhus is their inability to afford their consumptions and activities that are typical in a society at a given point of time, irrespective of people's preferences with respect to these items. Inadequate educational opportunities, lack of employment opportunities, unpleasant living conditions in the remote areas and a sense of powerlessness are contributing to their poverty and social status. They are living in a situation that prevents them from participating in important areas of the mainstream society's activities. Therefore, this paper brings forth a comprehensive study of way of living, occupation, different expenditures and many other economical assets of the Ganjhus.

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