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Dynamics of Inter-State Students' Mobility for Higher Education in West Bengal, India

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Abstract: In the last decade, West Bengal has witnessed a high level of interstate student migration within India. This study intended to add to the related scanty secondary database, limited up to Census data of 2011, by exploiting the AISHE and NIRF data. Additionally, using a primary survey of stakeholders (students, faculty and administration) of purposively selected schools, colleges and universities of West Bengal, an exploratory factor analysis and a structural equation modelling (PLS-SEM) were done to understand the major determining push and pull factors of students' migration. This exposed the complex arena of factors motivating students' migration in West Bengal.

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