

Educational and Career Trajectory of ODL Alumni

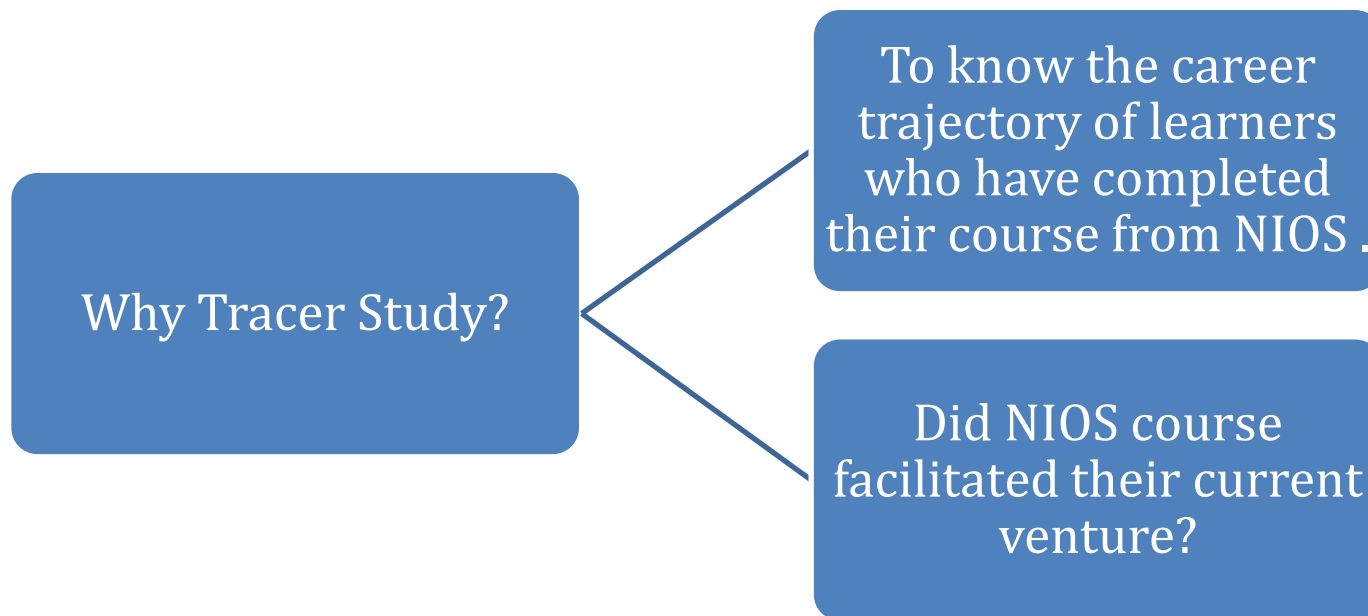
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Introduction



Methods Used

- Survey: Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan and Delhi (majority of ODL learners are based in Delhi).
- Telephonic Interviews based on random sampling.
- Sample: Learners completed - 2008 to 2012.
- Diary writing.

Male Respondents

- Total no of calls=3703
- Successful respondent=693
- Response rate=19%

Female Respondents

- Total no of calls=1944
- Successful respondent=260
- Response rate=13%

Profile of Respondents

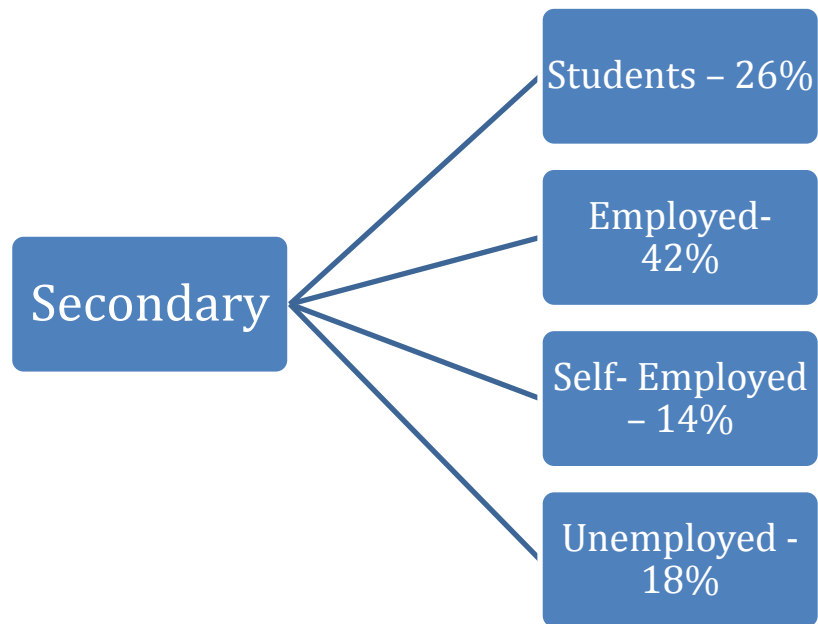
- Male – 72.8%
- General caste- 55.6%
- Age-wise enrolment: Males: 24-30 years (41%)
Females - 19-24 years (38%)

Career Trajectory

Total no. of
Respondents - 954

Secondary – 34%

Senior Secondary –
64%



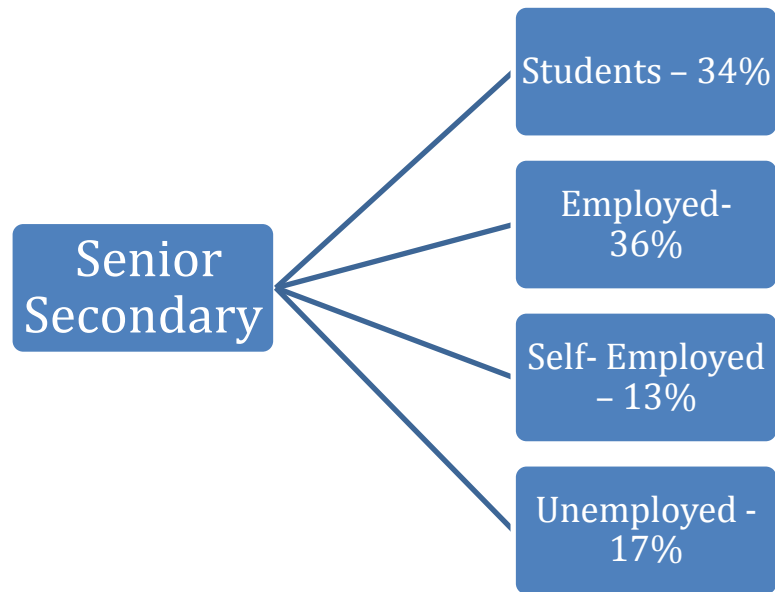
Distribution of Female Respondents

Students =29%

Employed=23%

Self Employed=6%

Unemployed=40%



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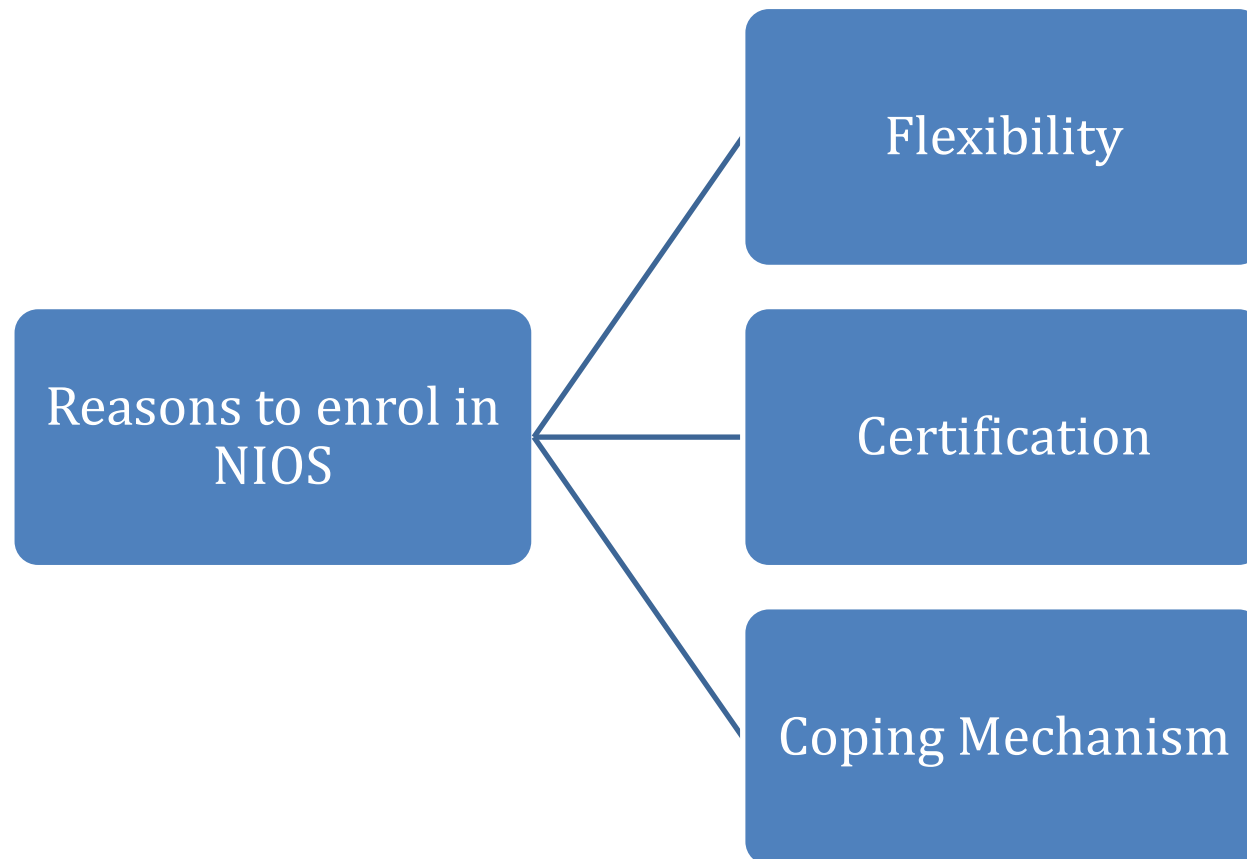
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Reasons for Enrolment



How did NIOS facilitate current venture?

Currently Student

Did NIOS facilitate in the admission of current course?

- Explore more course options. (35%)
- Meet minimum criteria to get admission(36%)

How did NIOS facilitate current venture?

Currently Employed

Did NIOS facilitate in job search?

- Explore more employment opportunities (29%)

Did NIOS certificates lead to a change in job profile ?

- Change in salary(30%)
- Change in job profile(18%)
- Promotion (20%)

What do the Past Students have to say about NIOS?

Positive Responses

- Flexibility of system.
- Easy courseware.
- Able to pursue higher education and achieve “degree”.
- Can apply for jobs.

Negative Responses

- Agents charge high fees
- Information gap
- Employers preference towards regular school candidates over NIOS learners.

In Sum

Our findings lead us to the following questions-

- Does the flexibility offered by NIOS aids in reinforcing the existing social and cultural practices of gendered roles?
- Is such a system really accessible for the most marginalized? (agents; information; biases)
- How does the system rise above these sub versions, given the open and distance mode?