

INDUSTRIALIZATION AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT: A CASE STUDY OF TASWADE MIDC, KARAD

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Introduction:

Industry is the second most important source of income in India after agricultural Sector. At the present time the textile and engineering industry is the largest group of manufacturing in the world in terms of people employed. The development of rural industries helps in the emergence of efficient, decentralized sectors of the economy. They create more avenues for employment and contribute to the process of a self-sustaining economy. It is key to rural development and rural prosperity. In India the most of Industry is located in the Agricultural area. Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation (MIDC) is playing important role in development of economy of Maharashtra. Up to date 233 industrial areas are developed by MIDC in Maharashtra on 53120 hectares. The planned and systematic industrial development in the state of Maharashtra has continuously placed Maharashtra in first position in India. Taswade MIDC (also known as Karad MIDC) is one of the important industrial area in Karad tahsil. It provides different types of services in study area which helps in increasing standard of living of people from study area.

Objectives:

To study the workers' status of small scale and large scale industries of study area.

Study Region:

The Taswade MIDC located in Karad Tahsil, Satara district of Maharashtra. It has selected as a study region for present research work. Taswade is approximately 17 km from the karad city. This MIDC located on the Bank of river of Krishna, about 50 km. south of Satara city near to the Pune-Bangalore National Highway. The catchment area of the industry is about 195 hectares and allotted plots of 265. This study area lies between 17° 21'44" N. Latitude to 74° 7'19" E. Longitude, and average elevation of 566 Mt. (1856 Ft).

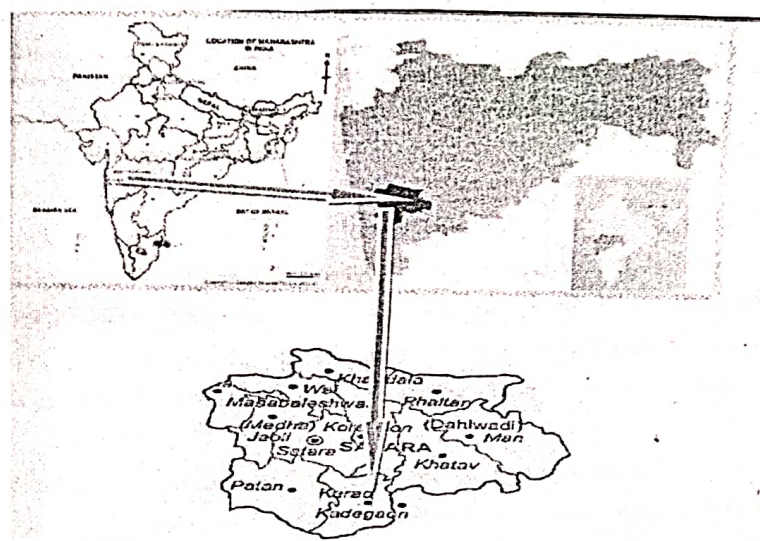


Fig 1: Location of Karad MIDC (Taswade MIDC)