

A RESEARCH PROJECT ON THE EFFECTS OF MALNUTRITION
IN ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT IN KOMOTHAI ZONE,
GITHUNGURI DISTRICT.

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ABSTRACT

Introduction

The background of the study has clearly shown that malnutrition has caused a lot of suffering to children below seven years resulting in poor academic development. The purpose of the study was to investigate the effects of malnutrition on the academic development in Education

Purpose of the Study

The purpose of the study was to investigate the effects of malnutrition on the performance and development of Education in Nyanduma zone.

Research Design

The research design used in the study was survey design. The target population of the study was comprised of pre-school teachers, parents and the health providers. The sampling techniques used in the study were stratified random sampling methods to select a sample size of the population. The data collection tools were questionnaires, interview schedule and focus group discussion. The data was analyzed by the objectives of the study and presented in tables, charts and graphs.

Findings of the Study

The major findings of the study were prevalence of malnutrition in pre-schools, effects of malnutrition in learners' participation in learning, effects of malnutrition in school attendance and strategies to reduce malnutrition in Education.