Millennium Development Goals are accepted by all member countries of United Nations including India to accelerate the development process in a sustainable and comprehensive manner. Targets for the eight goals were set in 2000 and these are to be achieved by 2015. While some countries have done extremely well in achieving these targets, some others have not performed so well. However, the respective national governments have spared no efforts to do a good job for overall development.

This study was undertaken because India is estimated to have one third of world’s poor. According to World Bank estimate, 32.7% of India’s population fell below the international poverty line of $1.25 a day in the year 2010. Similarly, there is widespread gender disparity in India. Women do not get share of their father’s property. There is discrimination in education.

As regards other Millennium Development Goals namely: child mortality rate, maternal mortality rate, incidences / deaths related with HIV / AIDS and other diseases, environmental sustainability and global partnership; India’s position is not satisfactory. Hence this study has been undertaken to suggest ways and means to improve the situation.
All secondary data has been used in this study which is taken from MDG Country Progress Snapshot Report 2011 published by United Nations.

The statistical tools used for analysis of the data are: Correlation and regression analysis, Multiple regression analysis, Conceptual model, MANN WHITNEY U test and Trend analysis.

This study has demonstrated that there are two key goals, achieving which the door opens for success of the rest of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). These two key goals are: (1) Universal Primary Education and (2) Women Empowerment. The study concluded that there is high level of correlation between the combined impacts of growth rate of these two key goals on rest of the MDGs.

The recommendation of this study to the Government of India is for concentrating on (1) Universal Primary Education and (2) Empowering Women in all fields of society. These two steps are bound to bring overall success in achieving the targets of all MDGs by 2015.