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The method of computing Socio-Economic (SE) level of the family:

Family income, and occupation and education of the father were taken as the bases of the SE level of the family. According to income, the family was given a rating from 1 to 5 as follows:

1 (Low): less than Rs. 200/- per month;
2 (Low-middle): Rs. 200+ - 400/- per month;
3 (Middle): Rs. 400+ - 800/- per month;
4 (High-middle): Rs. 800+ - 1600/- per month;
5 (High): Rs. 1600+ (above Rs. 1600) per month.

Similarly, father's were given a rating from 1 to 5 occupation-wise:

1: Manual labourers etc.
2: Clerks, school teachers etc.
3: College teachers and junior officers etc.
4: Professionals like doctors, and lawyers, and senior officers.
5: Industrialists and business magnets etc.

Education-wise the fathers were rated as follows:

1: Illiterate
2: Primary education
3: Secondary education
4: College education (upto graduation)
5: Postgraduate education.

To compute the socio-economic (SE) level of the family the above-mentioned three ratings (viz. the income status of the family and occupation-wise and education-wise ranking of the father) were pooled together and the SE level was arrived at as explained below

SE 1: The pooled total of 0 - 4;
SE 2: Total of 5 to 6;
SE 3: Total of 7 to 9;
SE 4: Total of 10 to 12;
SE 5: Total above 13 (i.e. 13 to 15).