

USE OF OVERLAP BLOCK FCMS TO STUDY BONDED LABOURER PROBLEM

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Fuzzy Cognitive Maps (FCMs) are best suited to study and analyze unsupervised data. In this paper we use the two new tools called Overlap block Fuzzy Cognitive Maps (OFCMS) and Combined block Fuzzy Cognitive Maps (CFCMs) constructed by Vasantha W.B. (2003) to study the bonded labour problems.

We give some of the findings about the problems faced by the bonded labourers.

- a. Acute poverty and recurring debt have forcefully made them into bonded labours.
- b. These bonded labourers are subjected to inhuman treatment by their owners.
- c. Government must take very strong steps to eradicate bonded labour.
- d. A proper rehabilitation should be made so that they become economically stable.