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RURAL WOMEN ADOPTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PRACTICES IN MENUFIYA GOVERNORATE

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ABSTRACT

This study aimed basically at identifying the level of rural women adoption of environmental practices in Menufiya Governorate. This main obective was achieved throw the followinge sub-objectives: determining the environmental knowledge level of rural women, identifying the dgree of rural women application of environmental practices, determining the factors which correlated with each of the environmental knowledge level and dgree of rural women application of environmental practice. The study was carried out in two villeges in Menufiya Governorate, the first villege was

Monshiat Bakhaty which belongs to Shebien Elkom district and the sconede villege was Sahel Elgawaber which belongs to El shohadaa district. 100 rural women were selected randomly from each village. The study findings were: the environmental knowledge level was high as 83.5% from respondents. About 47% from respondents were applying the environmental practices. There were four independent variables (social participation, culturel cosmoplitness, geographical cosmoplitness, age) explained together 16.3 % of the total variance of the environmental knowledge level. There were six independent variables (family monthly incom, environmental situation at the village, cultural cosmoplitness, family education, geographical cosmoplitness, environmental knowledge) explained together 55.5% of the total variance of the environmental application dgree.

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