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PARENTAL ENCOURAGEMENT AMONG SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL GOING STUDENTS

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Abstract

The present study was conducted to study parental encouragement among senior secondary school going students. The total sample of 200 secondary school students was taken from the Moga and Ferozpur districts of Punjab to collect the requisite data through random sampling. Parental encouragement scale (1988) by R.R. Sharma was used to collect data. Statistical techniques used Mean, Standard Deviation, *t*-test, Correlation(*r*). It was found that there was significant mean difference in parental encouragement between govt. and private and insignificant mean difference in parental encouragement between rural and urban students and boys and girls.

Keywords: Parental Encouragement, Senior Secondary Students.

Parental encouragement is the backbone of individual's life. The stronger the backbone, the healthier will be our generation. Parental encouragement is of great significant in development psychological as well as academic behaviour of a child. Parents should act as living model and adopt practical way of life then only the children will imitate their parents. Undoubtedly the role of parents can't be ignored. All psychologists, teachers and mental hygienists agree that primarily family living and parents play crucial role in the harmonious development, but in recent years due to rapid industrialisations, the family is disintegrating and are not in the position to play their part effectively. Moreover, after seeing the search literature it has been found that very little work has been done in this field and therefore there is ample scope to explore this field further.

OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

1. To study the parental encouragement between the government and private among senior secondary school going students.
2. To study the parental encouragement between rural and urban among senior secondary school going students.
3. To study the parental encouragement between male and female among senior secondary school going students.

HYPOTHESES

1. There exists no significant difference in the parental encouragement between government and private senior secondary school going students.

2. There exists no significant difference in the parental encouragement between rural and urban senior secondary school going students.
3. There exists no significant difference between in the parental encouragement between male and female senior secondary school going students.

DELIMITATIONS OF THE STUDY

1. The study was delimited to two hundred senior secondary students of different schools of Moga and Ferozpur districts.
2. The study was delimited to hundred male and hundred female senior secondary school going students.

SAMPLE OF THE STUDY

The sample of present study was consisted 200 senior secondary school students belonging to Moga and Ferozpur district which was taken through random sampling technique

TOOLS USED

Parental encouragement scale (1988) by R.R. Sharma

STATISTICAL TECHNIQUES USED

Mean, Standard Deviation, t-test.

ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION OF DATA

HYPOTHESIS NO.1 : "There exists no significant difference in the parental encouragement between government and private senior secondary school going students."

Table 1

Showing the comparative view of parental encouragement of govt. And private sr. sec. school going students.

Organizational differential of parental encouragement among senior secondary school going students						
Organization of School	N	Mean	SD	Mean Diff (d)	S.E. (d)	t-value
Government	100	61.42	11.22		1.35	3.28 significant at the level of 0.01
Private	100	65.86	7.59	-4.44		

Table 1 shows that there is significant difference in the mean scores of govt. and private among sr. sec. school going students. It can be seen from table 1 that the mean score of govt. School students is 61.42 and private school students is 65.86. The S.D. of both groups is 11.22 and 7.59 respectively.

The calculated t-value is 3.28, the tabulated t-value at 0.01 level and 0.05 level are 2.58 and 1.98 respectively since the calculated value is higher than at 0.01 level than tabulated value. This indicates that there is significant mean difference in parental encouragement between govt. and private.

Therefore the hypothesis no.1 "There exists no significant difference in parental encouragement between government and private senior secondary school going students." is rejected.

HYPOTHESIS No. 2 : There exists no significant difference in the parental encouragement between rural and urban senior secondary school going students.

Table 2 Showing the comparative view of parental encouragement rural and urban sr. sec. school going students.

Organization of School		Mean	SD	Mean Diff (d)	S.E. (d)	t-value
Rural	100	63.10	10.56	-1.08	1.38	0.78 insignificant at level of 0.01
Urban	100	64.18	9.02			

Table 2 shows that there is insignificant difference in the mean scores of rural and urban among sr. sec. school going students. It can be seen from table 2 that the mean score of male School students is 63.10 and urban school students is 64.18. The S.D. of both groups is 10.56 and 9.02 respectively.

The calculated t-value is 0.78, the tabulated t-value at 0.01 level and 0.05 level are 2.58 and 1.98 respectively since the calculated value is lower than at 0.01 level tabulated value. This indicates that there is insignificant mean difference in parental encouragement between rural and urban.

Therefore the hypothesis no.2 "There exists no significant difference in parental encouragement between rural and urban senior secondary school going students" is accepted.

HYPOTHESIS No. 3 - There exists no significant difference in the parental encouragement between male and female senior secondary school going students.

Table 3 - Showing the comparative view of parental Encouragement male and female sr. sec. school-going students.

Gender	N	Mean	SD	Mean Diff (d)	S.E. (d)	t-value
Boys	100	60.43	11.28	-6.42	1.31	4.89 Significant at the level of 0.01
Girls	100	66.85	6.74			

Table 3 shows that there is significant difference in the mean scores of boys and girls among sr. sec. school going students. It can be seen from table 4.6 that the mean score of male School students is 60.43 and female school students is 66.85. The S.D. of both groups is 11.28 and 6.74 respectively.

The calculated t-value is 4.89, the tabulated t-value at 0.01 level and 0.05 level are 2.58 and 1.98 respectively. since the calculated value is higher than at 0.01 level tabulated value. This indicates that there is insignificant mean difference in parental encouragement between boys and girls.

Therefore the hypothesis no.3 "There exists no significant difference in parental encouragement between boys and girls senior secondary students" is **rejected**.

MAJOR FINDINGS

The following conclusions have been derived from the present investigations:-

1. There is significant difference in parental encouragement between govt. And private sr. sec. school going students. So, hypothesis 1 is rejected.
2. There is no significant difference in parental encouragement rural and urban sr. sec. school going students. So, hypothesis 2 is accepted.
3. There is no significant difference in parental encouragement between rural and urban sr. sec. school going students. So, hypothesis 3 is rejected.

CONCLUSION

Although, some ground has been explored but the vast ocean in the field remains unexplored which will serve the purpose of an incentive to the coming researcher to go ahead with the project from where it has been left.

EDUCATIONAL IMPLICATIONS

The present study is also helpful for parents to perform their duties towards their children properly. Parents should deal children in cooperative and friendly way. Children will share their feelings, secrets ideas with their presents with their presents without any hesitation or fear.

SUGGESTIONS

- Similar study with a large sample and at different age level can be conducted to make findings more reliable
- Study of same nature can be undertaken for different district.
- Parents and teacher can encourage students to behave well
- The study may be conducted on students other than sr. Sec. School going students

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