COMPARISON OF ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT OF HIGHER SECONDARY STUDENTS OF MADHYA PRADESH STATE







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ABSTRACT

The main objective of the study was to compare the Academic Achievement of Higher Secondary Students of Madhya Pradesh State. The data was collected from the Higher Secondary Student's studying in the Higher Secondary Schools. The data of the present study was collected from 700 students selected at stratified random sampling basis from 70 higher secondary school's (10 students from each school) out of 4,733 schools of 35 districts out of 50 districts. For measure Academic Achievement of the subjects the self-made Academic Achievement scale was used for data collection. The Mean, S.D & 't' test statistical methods were used for the data analyses.

Keywords: Academic Achievement & Higher Secondary School Students.

INTRODUCTION

Education is the process by which the individual is shaped to fit into the society and which maintains and advances the social order. It is a systematic process designed to make man more rational, mature and knowledgeable. Education is the modification of behavior of an individual for his own personal happiness. For his better adjustment in society and for making him a successful citizen contributing something original to the society the major purpose of education is to render each individual to become free to realize limitations to find out the means of solution and contribute to

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improve the quality of life for him and others. Academic achievement or academic performance is the extent to which a student, teacher or institution has attained their short or long-term educational goals. Completion of educational benchmarks such as secondary school diplomas and bachelor's degrees represent academic achievement. **Hatcher** (1960) carried out a study to determine the relationship between physical fitness and academic achievement. The sample consisted of 90 ninth grade boys. A moderate positive relationship was found between these two variables. Highest mean scores were recorded for the item measuring strength and endurance of the extensor muscles of the arms and shoulders girdle, and the item measuring paragraph meaning.

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ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

For this purpose, the marks achieved by the individuals in their Class-Xth SSC examination were taken as their academic achievement. In order to obtain the scores on academic achievement of the subjects, the marks obtained by them in the annual examination taken by M.P School Board for class tenth were collected from their Mark sheets issued by M.P School Board.

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Table No: I
Table Showing the Comparison of Academic Achievement of Higher Secondary
Students of Maharashtra In Respect of Poor and Average

Students	Category	N	Mean	S.D.	S.E.D.	't'	Level of	
							Significance	
Boys	Poor	113	241.80	50.282	5.099	.811	INS.	
	Average	494	237.66	46.383	2.033			
Girls	Poor	63	236.60	45.907	6.072	.502	INS.	
	Average	572	239.65	47.968	0.072	,502		
Urban	Poor	29	238.00	43.056	8.187	.097	INS	
Boys	Average	615	238.79	47.142			11.10	
Urban	Poor	119	239.20	41.348	4.272	0.15	INS.	
Girls	Average	307	239.27	48.563	72/2	0.13	1110.	
Rural Boys	Poor	89	247.74	58.268	6.436	1.620	INS.	
	Average	327	237.32	45.328	0.430			
Rural Girls	Poor	31	242.13	46.585	8.568	.299	INS.	
	Average	569	239.56	47.676	0.500	.277		

Discussion:

Table No: I display comparison between academic achievement of students belonging to average and poor physical fitness categories. Influence of academic achievement of two groups has also been presented in this table.

Table displays significant critical ratio of total academic achievement, which should be 1.96 and 2.58 at .05 level and .01 level of significance respectively. Table 4.4 reveals that the obtained critical ratio is insignificant at .05 levels. This indicates that students belonging to average and poor academic achievement categories do not differ significantly. Though the difference in means of two groups is in favor of students belonging to poor academic achievement category, yet it can be said that

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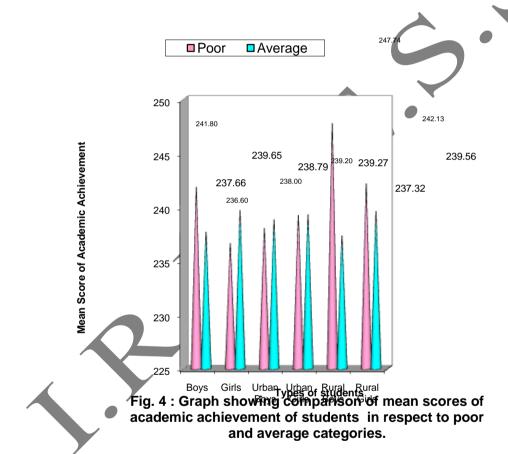
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observed difference could have arisen due to chance errors. There is no significant difference in sample means.

Obtained critical ratio indicates insignificant difference between two categories of academic achievement of students belonging of average and poor.

The comparison of academic achievement of higher secondary students of Maharashtra in respect of poor and average is graphically presented in Fig. No. I.



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Table No: II

Table Showing the Summary of (Critical Ratio't' value) influence of Academic
Achievement and Attitude towards Physical Education and Sports

Achievement and Attitude towards Physical Education and Sports										
Students	Category									
	Good-	Poor	Good-A	verage	Average-Poor					
	Academic	Attitude	Academic	Attitude	Academic	Attitude				
	Achieve.		Achieve.		Achieve.	7				
Boys	.125	.498	1.020	.031	.811	.662				
Girls	.152	.365	.850	.482	.502	.888				
Urban Boys	.269	.950	.315	1.123	.097	.391				
Urban Girls	.404	.087	.493	1.005	.015	.817				
Rural Boys	.846	2.0698	.777	.888	1.620	1.661				
Rural Girls	.770	.178	1.032	1.161	.299	.319				

^{*}Significant at .05 level **Significant at .01 level

The above Table No: II shows the influence of academic achievement of students as well as its components in three categories: good, average and poor. The critical ratio of above three categories is .125, 1.020, and .811, which is insignificant at .05 level against the required critical ratio 1.96 at .05 level. This indicates that students belonging to all the above three categories do not influence their academic achievement.

CONCLUSION

- The obtained critical ratio indicates insignificant difference between two categories of academic achievement of students belonging of average and poor.
- The study also indicates that students belonging to all the above three categories do not influence their academic achievement.

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