PREFACE

A wise saying goes ‘If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand’. It could as well be put in other words, ‘A nation divided among itself will not stand’. The value of spirit of nationality (VSN) seeks to strengthen the unity of a nation. The more the value of spirit of nationality, the greater will be the unity of a country. Each nation tries to keep its own boundary intact and will protect it at all cost.

It is also true that a human being lives in the society. He/she cannot live as an island. They live together in the society. Social competence scale (SCS) measures the social ability of the individuals. The more the social competence, the greater will be the ability of an individual concern to adjust and to adapt in the society.

The first chapter deals with the theoretical background of the study. It explains the meaning of value of spirit of nationality and social competence. It presents some important definitions as well. The second chapter browses the related literature on the value of spirit of nationality as well as on social competence. It throws a light on some important findings of researchers in the past on the said topic. Chapter Three shows the methodology that is used in the study. It explains the design, the population, sample, tools and techniques that are employed. The fourth chapter brings out the analyses and interpretation of the data collected from the various schools of Ri-Bhoi District. And Chapter Six draws up the important findings of the study.

Lastly, the investigator provides some valuable suggestions to improve the value of spirit of nationality and social competence of the students of secondary schools of Ri-Bhoi District.