ABSTRACT

Study of frustration, as a psychological syndrome, has exercised the attention of psychologists like (Barker, Dembo & Lewin, 1941; Rosenzweig, 1944; Bandura, Walters, 1959; Yates, 1965; Pareek, 1964). The present investigator got interested in the study of 'Personality Correlates & Reactions to Frustration among boys at the Higher Secondary Level.' For the purpose of investigation three null-hypotheses were framed, keeping in view the previous studies in the field of frustration and personality correlates.

Personality correlates, included in the present study, were proneness to deviancy, extraversion/introversion, neuroticism and reactions to frustration. A sample of 908 subjects was given three tests for the measurement of above-mentioned personality correlates i.e., Lidhoo's Delinquency Proneness Scale for measurement of deviancy; E.P.I. for measurement of extraversion/introversion and neuroticism and Rosenzweig's P-F Test for measurement of Reactions to Frustration.
The analysis of the data was done with the help of computer programme. Besides, the calculation of mean, S.D. & Kurtosis, analysis of variance, factor analysis and regression analysis were computed for establishing the impact of frustration vis-a-vis proneness to deviancy, extraversion/introversion and neuroticism. The over all analysis of the data revealed the following observations:-

1) That there are no significant differences between subjects prone to delinquency and normals; neurotics and normals; and extraverts and normals in group conformity rating. Introverts and normals differ significantly on group conformity rating.

2) As regards reactions to frustration among delinquency prone and normal subjects, significant differences were found on E-D and N-P.

3) The statistical inferences have revealed that neurotics and normals differ significantly on E-D.

4) Further it is established that introverts and normals differ significantly on I-A, while as extraverts and normals do not differ on any reaction to frustration.
5) On the basis of factor analysis it is observed that factors like Family, Dependence/Independence, Sex, Emotionality, Delinquency Proneness and Neuroticism have clustered together and have given a new resolution under Deviancy Profile. Factors like Ego-defence, Need-persistence, Extragression, Introgression and Impression have also clustered under a new resolution which has been redesignated as Reactions to Frustration.

6) For the prediction of high group conformity rating, regression analysis was computed and it was found that Extragression, Need-persistence, Proneness to deviancy, Introgression, Extraversion, Obstacle-Dominance, Ego-defence and Impression are good predictors.

To sum up; the overall findings have shown that there are marginal differences among normals on the one hand and delinquency prone, extraverts/introverts and neurotics on the other in group conformity rating (G.C.R.) and Reactions to Frustration.