According to a report relating to suicidal deaths, averagely 300 people kill themselves every year in India. Thus about one lac people take their own lives every year owing to one or the other reason. The report further discloses that one male per eight minutes and one female per thirteen minutes opts the way of committing suicide. These statistics are based on the date available for the year 2000-2001. The current situation may be even much grave. In China, this rate is even much higher. There, about 685 people kill themselves per day. The most advanced country, U.S.A. also suffers from this disaster badly. There too, about 30 thousand people kill themselves every year. The world figure is that about 10 lacs take their own lives every year. In India an increase of 4% has been recorded in suicidal deaths and about 60 people are badly affected by one suicidal death. Our country is aspiring to be a developed country by 2020. But, it is possible for it in such a condition. No doubt, realizing this dream would be a difficult task as the loss of over one lac precious human resources will certainly create a lot of hurdles to and interfere with our progress and development.

What may be the reasons behind this shocking incidence. The reasons range from family problems to mental disorders. The bigger question before us is now to prevent and manage this evil, which is set to take the form of an epidemic in our country. The researchers have identified some reasons which instigate the tendency of suicidal ideation,
attempts or deaths. But such studies have generally been conducted abroad. So keeping the seriousness and the hazardous after effects of this epidemic, the present study was conducted.

The present work is divided into five chapters. The introduction to the problem, conceptual clarification and objectives are presented in first chapter while the second chapter consists of the survey of related literature. The research methodology has been narrated in third chapter. The fourth chapter consists of the results and discussion of the finding and the conclusion etc., are given in fifth chapter followed by references and appendices. It includes the copy of a research paper also published during this work.

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