ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

This cherished occasion, I avail this opportunity to express my cordial and heartfelt gratitude to Dr. Sadhana Tomar, Associate Professor VRG PG College Morar, Gwalior for praise worthy guidance and supervision during the entire study. Her mannerism clad with modesty could also not overshadow her depth of understanding and knowledge of the subject. I cannot venture to thank her; I simply bow her to ventilate my feelings of gratitude towards her.

I am deeply indebted to Prof. I.S. Chauhan, Honorable Ex-Vice Chancellor, Barkatullah Vishwavidyala Bhopal; Dr C.S.S. Thakur Professor & Head RDVV, Jabalpur for their inspiration and encouragement which ultimately motivated me for undertaking the present study.

I am delighted to acknowledge the help rendered by Dr. Sushila Mahor, principal, VRG PG College Morar and the principal MLB, College of Excellence, Gwalior for their ingenious suggestions and guidance throughout my research work.

I also feel great pleasure to express my heartfelt thanks to Dr. Suniti Shrivastava, Professor& Head; Dr. Rajesh Kumar Saxena, Associate Professor; Dr. Ayub Khan, Assistant Professor; Dr. Mamta Dubey, Assistant Professor; Dr. Manju Singh Veer, Assistant Professor, Department of sociology, MLB College, Gwalior for their cooperation during the research work and help in preparing the present manuscript.

I sincerely owe my deep gratitude to Dr. Sandhya Sharma, Professor& Head Department of economics, MLB College of Excellence Gwalior and Dr. S.S. Tomar, Professor, Deptt. of Geography KRG College of Autonomous Gwalior for their meticulous guidance and valuable suggestions during the course of study.

I have massive pleasance in expressing my whole hearted sense of appreciation to Dr. M.M. Patel, Professor& Head and Dr. O.P. Daipuria, Professor Deptt. of Extension Education, College of Agriculture, Gwalior. He is the most important person next to my guide who was always there to guide, help and cooperate to me. I am also thankful to Dr. Prashant Sharma, Contractual Teacher College of Agriculture, Gwalior for their positive co-operation and helping attitude which helped me in sustaining my interest in the study.

I sincerely owe my deep gratitude to Library Staff, MLB College of Excellence, Gwalior for their help my research work.

I have no instruments to measure and words to express my deep sense of gratitude towards my respected parents Late Shri Ram sharoop Sharma and my mother Smt. Narmada Sharma who gave life and introduced me to this world; my wife Girja Sharma; my sister Ms. Mannu Sharma; my brother Mr. Diwakar Sharma and Mr. Shudakar Sharma; in law whose love, devotion and blessing have made my research work possible.

I give all the glory to god for giving me the strength to complete this research work successfully.

Date :

Place : Gwalior (Prabhakar Sharma)