PREFACE

Modern criminal Jurisprudence recognises that no one is born criminal and that many crimes are the product of socio-economic milieu. Now, it is universally recognised that incarceration, deterrence and retribution should give place to personality study, individual approach, psychotherapy, vocational social rehabilitation and effective follow-up programme. The purpose of our study is to offer a comparative etiological analysis of the incidence of crime and to suggest correctional measures for the improvement of adult offenders. It is a happy sign that in our country also it is now being increasingly realised that crime is not just on accidental phenomenon, something which exclusively concerns an individual, Originating within him and having hardly anything to do with his surroundings and social milieu. We believe that crime, for from being an individual affair, more often that not, is the frustrating out come of the social situations which provide stimuli to an individual affair, more often than not, is the frustrating out come of the social situation which provide stimuli to an individual leading him to different present types of criminal behaviour. An effort has been made in this study to identify these frustrating social situation mainly emerge from primary relations particularly familial relations which are subjected to such conflicting pressures and strains that they motivate an individual to violate the legal norms of the society.

Crime are much a part of society as any other social problems such as unemployment, beggary, prostitution, alcoholism, etc. These social problems originate due to a variety of factors. They can be solved by a co-ordinated and well planned social action. To take up any social action against these antisocial trends, a comprehensive
understanding of the magnitude, extent and causes of the prevalent social problems is essential. The present study "A sociological study of crime with special reference to two prison of Bundelkhand Region" is an attempt to analyse Regional crime as a social problem with reference to Bundelkhand. Its particular concern is an understanding of the crime prevalent in Banda and Jhansi, a district of Uttar Pradesh.

The whole study was divided into eight chapters which were given below:

1. First Chapter deals with introduction, objectives of the study and theories of crime.

2. In the second chapter review of literatures relevant to the topic undertaken in India and abroad which had got bearing the present study.

3. Third chapter deals with the research methodology which had been adopted for this research work.

4. Fourth chapter deals with crime rate information of state of U.P., India and District of banda and Jhansi along with Socio Economic Background of convicts.

5. The fifth chapter deals with the different crime related attitudes of the inmates.

6. Chapter sixth identifies the extent to which the social, economic factors affect the criminal behaviour.
7. Chapter seventh deals with the role of prison authority and treatment of inmates.

8. Chapter eight provides brief summary, conclusion and suggestion of the study.

It is hoped that this study will be of some useful to the Jai9l administrators, criminologist, police and Correctional departments, Sociologists, policy makers and to many others who are working on the subject. It gives wealth on information for any body who attempts to undertake similar kind of field investigation in future days to come.

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