PREFACE

With the emergence of cognitive psychology, there is an increasing emphasis on the study of memory. Though there was awareness earlier also as Smiriti, Samskars and dharana of Indian Mythology, but experimental techniques were first introduced in 1885. Several types of memory like working, iconic memory, STM, LTM, declarative-memory, procedural memory, episodic memory semantic memory etc. have been categorised. In 1987, a new phenomenon of Implicit memory by Schacter was emerged. It created lot of interest among researchers.

In the present study efforts is made to study the memory as a general process. And if the implicit memory exists, is it distinct from the explicit memory? Whether the measures which are claiming themselves as the tests of implicit memory are represented by singular or unitary system of memory or still there is further possibility of having their separate system.

The relevant literature with specific reference to historical facts was investigated. Also, the recent studies on different implicit and explicit tasks and the findings were reviewed. The problem was studied in a systematic way and the result, were analyzed in a comprehensive manner. The findings thus, involved were presented in the thesis.

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