APPENDIX D : Achievement Motive Test

In the following pages are some incomplete sentences. Against each of them there are 3 possible solutions. To complete the incomplete sentence select any one of the three solutions which suits your present interest, and you feel is suitable, by making a ( ✓ ) mark.

For example :
I become very happy whenever I ...
(a) help others ______
(b) am centre of attraction ______
(c) succeed in my work ______

Suppose you select the first one, then tick mark ( ✓ ) against the space provided next to ( a ). If you select the second, then tick mark ( ✓ ) against the space provided next to ( b ), and if you feel that the third one is appropriate, then tick mark ( ✓ ) against ( c ).

You have to tick only one sentence which you feel is appropriate or right or wrong. Your answers should be pertaining to present situations.

1. I wish that ...
a) I have an ideal family life ______
b) I become the most popular / likeable person in society ______
c) I take up tasks which require a lot of hard work ______
2. I...
   a) would like to solve problems which would provide me with new experiences
   b) would prefer to solve social and economic problems of my country
   c) would prefer to solve difficult and basic questions and puzzles

3. I feel very happy when...
   a) I see others happy
   b) I become the centre of attraction
   c) I achieve special success in my work

4. My strong desire is that...
   a) I become a famous political leader
   b) I become a famous social reformer
   c) I do something important

5. My goal in life is...
   a) to have a successful achievement
   b) to achieve a high status in society
   c) to serve my nation

6. I prefer to praise only those people...
   a) who have built prestige in their own field
   b) who have certain principles in life
   c) who have dedicated their life to service of the nation
7. I...
   a) want to know how I can achieve success in the tasks that I have undertaken
   b) want to know how to amass wealth honestly
   c) want to know the successful way to achieve salvation

8. Prior to commencing any difficult task...
   a) I would prepare a detailed plan
   b) I would anticipate the difficulties which might come in way of my work
   c) I would consult with others

9. It is in my nature that...
   a) I do something for my friends
   b) I do only those tasks which require skill or expertise
   c) I keep my things neatly and properly

10. Usually, I...
    a) am eager to undertake difficult tasks
    b) am eager to help unhappy persons
    c) am eager to see new places, new people and new things

11. I get depressed...
    a) when my own people blame me
    b) when I am neglected
    c) when I cannot achieve the desired goal

12. I like to do my work...
    a) neatly and properly completed
    b) better than what others do
    c) before the time given.
13. I...
   a) like to read novels and do adventurous things
   b) like to think about my future
   c) like to travel to different places in the world

14. I usually wish that...
   a) I receive honours like a leader
   b) I do something great in life
   c) I help the sick and the wounded

15. I like to...
   a) do my work in an organised manner
   b) be loyal to my friends and colleagues
   c) do my work in best possible way

16. I would be very happy if...
   a) I can earn a lot of money
   b) I can do something important
   c) I can be my own master

17. I am always...
   a) ready to fight for the just and reasonable tasks or cause
   b) ready to enhance or improve my abilities
   c) ready to eradicate (remove) caste distinction and other social evils

18. I have full confidence that after five years...
   a) I would have accumulated a lot of money
   b) I will become famous in my field
   c) I will become independent
19. I wish that...
   a) my school atmosphere would be more democratic
   b) the atmosphere of my city be peaceful and healthy
   c) my home environment should be conducive for studies

20. I like only those things...
   a) which can make me richer
   b) which can get honour / respect like a leader
   c) which others get with difficulty

21. I get a lot of satisfaction...
   a) being with famous people
   b) in doing a difficult task
   c) in monitoring and directing others

22. I give preference to...
   a) a hard task over an easy one
   b) the company of elderly and experienced people
   c) the encouragement given by friends and others

23. I believe that it is possible for me...
   a) to attain a high social status
   b) to get enough power in my hands
   c) to gain respectable power

24. I desire that I...
   a) always remain generous towards my friends
   b) always have sympathy for the needy and the sick
   c) succeed in doing difficult tasks
25. I feel happy...
   a) when I get an opportunity to entertain myself by sharing jokes with others
   b) when I complete a difficult task
   c) when I get an opportunity to acquire a position

26. I...
   a) feel sad when I cannot do well in my examinations
   b) feel sad when someone dies
   c) get angry when injustice is done to my friends

27. Generally, I can be called...
   a) a tolerant person
   b) a polite person
   c) an optimistic person

28. It is my wish that I...
   a) become a wealthy person
   b) become a happy and lucky person
   c) get achievements in a surprising manner

29. When I work in a group I wish that...
   a) I do better work than others
   b) I lead the group
   c) I do everything in an organised way

30. I consider myself better than those...
   a) who are anti-social by nature
   b) who do not experience responsibilities
   c) who do not have any goal in life
31. I enjoy...
   a) being with children
   b) solving difficult problems
   c) being with fun loving people

32. I have implicit faith that ...
   a) love is better than justice
   b) my future depends upon some special events
   c) it is better to be loyal than famous

33. I generally...
   a) critically analyse the opinion of others
   b) am polite in my behaviour
   c) keep on doing a job until it gets completed

34. In most of the social circumstances...
   a) I try to be traditional
   b) I try to act a little according to the norms of the society
   c) try to attract the attention of others

35. I...
   a) would like to become a high authority in my work or business
   b) prefer to perform my routine activities in a well organised manner
   c) prefer to be friendly and sympathetic towards unhappy people
36. My heartiest wish is...
   a) to get a high salaried job
   b) to enjoy a happily married life
   c) to attain honoured achievements

37. I wish that I become capable enough to...
   a) use words whose meaning others do not know
   b) do better than others
   c) forgive those who hurt me

38. I try my best...
   a) to become a great person in my business
   b) to stay firm in what I believe is the truth
   c) to help out other people

39. I often wish that...
   a) I become a true devotee of God
   b) I work unselfishly for the upliftment of the poor
   c) I achieve exceptional success in some work

40. I...
   a) avoid those circumstances / situations that are not competitive
   b) avoid pleasure seeking and irresponsible people
   c) avoid confused and unorganized people

41. I wish that others think that I...
   a) am very hard working
   b) am very good natured
   c) am intelligent
42. I like it very much when...
   a) I tell others about my personal experiences
   b) I am asked to advise others
   c) I have to do a difficult task

43. I always...
   a) perform my tasks according to my way
   b) try to keep everyone happy with my behavior
   c) try to do any job assigned to me, as best as possible

44. In evaluating my capabilities I think that...
   a) my teachers are partial to others
   b) I have been given the rank in accordance to my work
   c) my rank is not in accordance to my work

45. I...
   a) am morally a good person
   b) am determined to achieve high goals
   c) am understanding towards those who try to hurt me

46. I keep worrying about...
   a) my weaknesses so that I can overcome them
   b) about doing an important task
   c) about becoming the centre of attraction in a crowd

47. I take pains...
   a) so that I do not hurt the feelings of others
   b) to escape from others accusations
   c) to remove difficulties and to achieve a high degree of success
48. I...
   a) am brave but I avoid unnecessary dangers and
      adventures
   b) am punctual and do not delay any task because of school
      or a promise to meet someone
   c) perform my task in a neat and orderly way

49. In my opinion, in order to achieve joy and happiness, any person...
   a) should acquire the basic necessities of life
   b) should increase the number of achievements
   c) should be charitable

50. Whatever task I undertake I prefer to do it...
   a) with utmost abilities
   b) with full responsibilities
   c) after preplanning.