APPENDIX - J

Showing Socio-Economic Status Scale & Procedure to measure SES

The Socio-Economic Status Scale to assess the level of SES of subjects for the present study has been the modified form of SES Scale based on the scales constructed by Prof. B. Kappuswami, who has taken into consideration income, occupation and education to measure SES, as well as the SES Scale standardized by Professor A. S. Patel who has refined the earlier scale by including in details some of the possessions and household items, such as, the type of house, furniture, T.V., Radio, Car, Tape Recorder, Refrigerator and other items of luxury as well as services of minial workers, hospitality to guests, social parties, etc., besides one's own perception of the family status as well as one's impression about how other members in the community perceive one's family status. Items necessary for this purpose were included in the information sheet to be filled in by the subjects on the cover page of the main questionnaire (opinionnaire), termed as Social Attitude Scale (Appendix - A).

In the present scale of family SES, occupation of the members in the family was not paid much heed, since one of the major components of the sample was the adolescent group of students. So also education being one of the independent variable under study, the present SES Scale did not take it into consideration. Thus the
only items sought for consideration under the present SES Scale were (i) Family income, (ii) Education of family members (other than that of the subject oneself) and (iii) the perception of one's own family SES by the subject himself/herself as well as one's perception of how others perceive his/her family SES.

Procedure for Scoring to fix up the category of SES

Scores to responses on this scale were assigned as follow:

1) Total Income of all family members
   (a) Rs. 2,4000/- & above per year ........ 10 marks
   (b) Rs. 15,000/- & above, but below Rs. 24,000/- per year ........ 8 marks
   (c) Rs. 9,000/- & above, but below Rs. 15,000/- per year ........ 6 marks
   (d) Rs. 5,000/- & above, but below Rs. 9,000/- per year ........ 4 marks
   (e) Below Rs. 5,000/- per year ........ 2 marks

   (Maximum marks ... 10)
   (Minimum marks ... 2)

2) Education of members in the family
In case of father or grandfather:
   (a) University Degree ........ 5 marks
   (b) Diploma or undegraduate Edu........ 4 marks
   (c) Secondary Education upto SS C........ 3 marks
   (d) Primary Education upto VII Cl. .... 2 marks
   (e) Illiterate, .... 1 mark
In case of mother or grandmother:

(a) Secondary or College education .... 5 marks
(b) Primary education .... 3 marks
(c) Illiterate .... 1 mark

(Maximum marks 10)  
(Minimum marks 1)

(3) Perception of Family SES
   (a) Perception by oneself -
       Very high .. 5      Low .. 2
       High .. 4      Very low .. 1
       So so .. 3

   (b) Perception of how others perceive -
       Very high .. 5      Low .. 2
       High .. 4      Very low .. 1
       So so .. 3

(Maximum marks ..10)  
(Minimum marks .. 2)

Determination of Category of SES based on total marks

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