ABBREVIATIONS USED

ANOVA : Analysis of Variance
APL : Above Poverty Line
B.Ed : Bachelor of Education
BPL : Below Poverty Line
df : Degrees of Freedom
Ed : Editor
et al : And others
IASE : Institute of Advanced Studies in Education
ICRIER : Indian Council for Research and International Economic Relations
Ku : Kurtosis
IQ : Intelligence Quotient
M : Mean
N : Number of sample subjects
NCERT : National Council for Educational Research and Training
NCTE : National Council for Teacher Education
NPE : National Policy on Education
Ph.D. : Doctor of Philosophy
R : Range
SD : Standard Deviation
SEM : Standard Error of Mean
SES : Socio–Economic Status
Sk : Skewness
Ss : Sample Subjects
SSA : Scientific Attitude Scale