ABSTRACT

The present study was conducted to examine the Stress, Emotional Maturity and Personality of parents of disabled children. The data were collected from 400 samples of parents of the disabled children in the Union Territory of Puducherry.

The total sample consisted of 100 parents of Loco motor disabled children, 100 parents of Visual Impaired children, 100 parents of Hearing Impaired children, and 100 parents of Mentally Retarded children were stratified by way of Random Stratified Sampling Technique.

To assess the Level of Stress, Stress Questionnaire constructed by Latha Satish (1997), Emotional Maturity, Scale developed by Yashvir Singh and Mahesh Bargava (2005), and Maudsley Personality Inventory developed by H.J. Eysenck (1959) were used for this study.

The results indicated that significant differences in Stress were observed among the parents of disabled children with regard to Parental gender, Parental age, Parental qualification, Parental occupation, Annual income of the family, Category of disabled children, and the age of the disabled children.

Significant differences were observed in Emotional Maturity among the parents of disabled children in all independent variables except type of family.

The results found that significant differences observed in the area of personality among the parents of disabled children with respect to gender, occupation and types of marriage, category of disabled and the age of disabled children.