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Impact of social intelligence on emotional competence of the adolescents

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ABSTRACT

The present study was conducted to investigate the impact of social intelligence on the socio – emotional competence of adolescents. The sample comprised of 200 adolescents (100 rural and 100 urban) equally distributed over the two genders (50 girls and 50 boys) in the age range of 15-18 years, randomly selected from four school of Ludhiana district. A self-structured general information form was used to collect the information about socio-personal characteristics of the adolescents. Social Intelligence Scale (Chadha and Ganesan, 2009) was used to assess the social intelligence of the respondents. Scale of Emotional Competence (Sharma and Bharadwaj, 2007) was used to assess the emotional competence of the adolescents. Results revealed that out of eight dimensions of social intelligence only one dimension *i.e.* patience was found to have positive and significant impact on emotional competence of male adolescents. The data also revealed that there was no significant impact of social intelligence on emotional competence of the female respondents. Patience was found to have positive impact and co-operativeness was found to have negative impact on emotional competence of the adolescents.