A study of Personality Traits and Self-concept on National level players

ABSTRACT: “16 PF Questionnaire constructed and standardized by Reymond B. Cattel whereas Self concept Questionnaire constructed and standardized by Rajkumar Saraswat” was administered on 50 male school game National level players of Gujarat. The objectives of the investigation were to compare the Personality traits and self-concept among Individual and Team game players. Statistical analysis has been done by T-test and the significance of the result was seen on 0.05 level. The T-test showed that there was no significant difference found in mean differences among the individual and team game players in relation to Personality traits and Self-concept.

KEY WORDS: Comparative Study, Personality traits, Self concept, Individual and Team Game Players.

INTRODUCTION: Many researchers have been carried out on this topic in sports psychology. Most popular issues in sport Psychology concern the relationship between personality, self concept and sports participation. Certain personality traits and self concept are most important to achieve success in sports. Another popular belief is that certain Personality traits and self concept can be developed or modified through sports participation. Both of these issues have been extensively investigated over the last three decades.

Cattel Postulated that human behavior is a result of Interaction between external situations and individual traits. He has further divided personality traits into three categories on the basis of qualities of personality, temperamental traits (being persistently irritable, easy going or bold), ability traits (such as intelligence and skill, while dealing complex situation), and dynamic traits (such as motivation, interest and attitude). He further subdivided traits into attitudes, sentiments and Urges. Out of different inventories of assessing personality traits, Researcher has preferred 16 PF of Raymond B. Cattel.

Self concept is learned by an individual inference from his unique experiences. The individual perception of others toward him strongly influences his self image. In turn, self concept is a highly complex component of behavior, composed of both cognitive and effective dimension and has at least four orientations: The real self, the perceived self, and the ideas self and the self as perceived by others. Self concept may prove the most by others. Self concept may prove the most powerful motivation for specific behavior. Out of different inventories of assessing. Self concept, Researcher has preferred self concept Questionnaire (SCQ) by Dr. Raj kumar Saraswat.

The study has it’s significances like the study would help to prepare and modify psychological training programmers according to the personality traits and self concept of the players. The present study would help teachers of physical education and coaches to motivate players according to their personality traits and self concept. The knowledge of the personality traits and self concept would help the coaches to handle the players of team and individual sports better way. The study would provide valuable literature in sports psychology and physical education. The findings of study would indicate whether specific personality and self concept characteristics motivate and sustain the interest in learning and succeeding in the individual and team games. It may help to promotion of sports coaching and educational efforts. Thus the present research will prove useful in the field of sports and games.
METHODS:
HYPOTHESIS: - It was hypothesized that there shall not be any significant differences between means of personality traits and self-concept among the individual and team games players at school Game National level.

SAMPLE:- For the purpose of the study fifty male players of Gujarat state, school games National participant players in the academic years 2016-17, individual sports like Athletics, Table-Tennis, Badminton, Lawn Tennis and Gymnastics and team games like Volleyball, Handball, Softball, Kho-kho and kabaddi. The samples were further divided into two groups namely individual and team games based on their participation at National school games as their sports. The average age of the subjects was between 16 to 19 years.

Cattle’s 16 PF Questionnaire was used as a tool to collect data on personality factors of individual and team games players of school games National level participants of Gujarat state. The calculation of the questionnaire based on the two scoring keys. With the help of these scoring keys the researcher got the raw scores and then he got the sten score, according to the instructions given in the manual.

Dr. Raj kumar Saraswat’s self-concept Questionnaire (SCQ) was used as a tool to collect data on self-concept of individual and team games player of school games National level participant’s of Gujarat state. The calculation of the questionnaire was based on five alternatives to give his responses ranging most acceptable to least acceptable description of this self-concept. With the help of this scoring key the researcher the raw scores, according to the instructions given in the manual.

To compare the personality traits and self-concept among individual and team games players, mean, standard deviation and uncorrelated t-test was applied. The level of significance was set at 0.05 levels.

DISCUSSION OF FINDINGS:- The t-test showed that there was no significant differences were found in mean differences among the individual and team games in relation to personality traits, i.e. Factor A (Reserved v/s Outgoing), Factor B (Less Intelligent v/s More Intelligent), Factor C (Affected by feeling v/s Emotionally stable,) Factor E (Humble v/s Aggressive), Factor F (Sober v/s Happy-go-lucky), Factor G (Expeditious v/s Conscientious), Factor H (Shy v/s Venturesome), Factor I (Tough minded v/s Tender minded), Factor L (Trusting v/s Mistrusting), Factor M (Practical v/s Imaginative), Factor N (Unsophisticated v/s Calculating), and Factor Q3 (Indiscipline v/s Strong in own emotions) as ‘t’ value was not found to be significant (0.953), (0), (0.133), (0.185), (0.538), (1.121), (0.130), (1.521), (1.342), (1.782), (0.849), (1.261) & (1.592) whereas required value was (2.021) at 0.05 level of significance.

Moreover there was significant difference in case of personality traits i.e. Factor O (Placid v/s Apprehensive), Factor Q1 (Conservative v/s Experimenting), Factor Q2 (Group dependent v/s Self sufficient), Factor Q4 (Relaxed v/s Tensed) among the individual and team games as ‘t’ value was found to be significant (2.967), (2.098), (3.275) and (2.956).

Table – 1

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The t-test showed that there was no significant difference was found in mean differences among the individual and team games in relation to self concept as "t" value was not found to be significant (0.953) whereas required value was (2.021) at 0.05 level of significance.

**Table - 2**

**SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCE OF MEAN SCORES OF SELF CONCEPT BETWEEN THE INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM GAMES PLAYERS**

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**CONCLUSIONS:**

Within the limitations of the present study, the following conclusions may be drawn:

1. Whereas no significant difference was found in personality traits i.e. Factor A (Reserved v/s Outgoing), Factor B (Less Intelligent v/s More Intelligent), Factor C (Affected by feeling v/s Emotionally stable), Factor E (Humble v/s Aggressive), Factor F (Sober v/s Happy-go-lucky), Factor G (Expeditious v/s Conscientious), Factor H (Shy v/s Venturesome), Factor I (Tough minded v/s Tender minded), Factor L (Trusting v/s Mistrusting), Factor M (Practical v/s Imaginative), Factor N (Unsophisticated v/s Calculating) and Factor Q3 (Indiscipline v/s Strong in own emotions) among individual and team games players.
2. Whereas significant difference was found in personality trait i.e. Factor O (Placid v/s Apprehensive), Factor Q1 (Conservative v/s Experimenting), Factor Q2 (Group dependent v/s Self sufficient), Factor Q4 (Relaxed v/s Tensed) among individual and team games players.

3. In relation to self concept, no significant difference was found in Individual and team games players.

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