

A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF RESPONSES OF WOMEN CANDIDATES ACCORDING TO THEIR SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS ON “DO YOU LIKE WOMEN SPORTS”

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Abstract

A research study was conducted to know about the participation of Haryana girls and women in sports and philosophy of Haryana. The population of this study was different school students’ parents of District Bhiwani. Total 200 women respondents from different socio-economic status selected from within the population through convenient or available sampling technique. For the purpose of collection of data a structured questionnaire on five point Likert scale, ranging from strongly disagrees to strongly agree, was prepared and handed over to 200 respondents with the help of teachers in physical education of concerned schools. The main objective of the study was to know about the interest in women sports. The result of the study further confirmed that Haryana people philosophy about women sports is now changing day by day.

Introduction

Historically, it has been understood that the “natural order of the universe” consisted of man to the market place, woman at home with her family, woman the mistress of domesticity, man the master of all else, man the rational thinker, woman the guardian of morals, man dominant, and woman subordinate. The injection of equality between the two genders challenged the foundation of the social order. In 1916 the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) holds its first national championship for Women. Women’s competition in sports has been frowned upon by many societies in the past. The increase has been partly related to the drive for more women’s rights. In the United States, female students participation in sports was significantly boosted by the Act in 1972, preventing gender discrimination and equal opportunity for women to participate in sport at all levels. Pressure from sports funding bodies has also improved gender equality in sports. Female participation in sport has come a long way. Efforts have been and are being made in getting more females to participate in sports. However, a lot more effort is still required to generate greater female

participation in the world of sports. Attitudes regarding female sport participation are changing as there are females who have made sport part of their daily lives.

Focusing on the above dimensions will reveal positive reasons that cause girls to participate in sport and negative reasons that cause many girls to choose not to participate in sports. In 1896, Baron Pierre de Coubertin, founder of the modern Olympics, stated: “No matter how toughened a sportswoman may be, her organism is not cut out to sustain certain shocks.” Such stereotypes fueled gender-based discrimination in physical education and in recreational and competitive sport, sporting organizations and sport media. There are many reasons to play sports, including fun, fitness, social interaction and stress relief. Participating in sports is especially important for women because it has a number of mental and physical benefits that can significantly improve women’s health and enhance their quality of life. Any sport can be beneficial if you participate regularly.

SAMPLING DESIGN -

The present study is a research investigation of survey critical analysis of development of women players in Haryana. The data needed for the purpose of the investigation were collected by questionnaire method. Keeping in view the objectives of the study, multi stage stratified and purposive sampling techniques were used. The data was collected with the help of questionnaire from the respondents of Haryana state and categories and the official record. Different categories of respondents were selected from various schools. The sample design is given as under:

Table no.-1

Response of Women candidate on “Do you like women sports?” according to their socio-economic status

Q.No	Statement	Economic status	Response				
			strongly agree	agree	undecided	disagree	strongly disagree
1	Do you like women sports?	High socio-economic status	20	18	8	7	5
		Middle socio-economic status	25	25	15	20	20
		Low socio-economic status	5	4	8	12	8

In response to the question “Do you like women sports?” the strongly agree response of high socio-economic status women respondents 20 out of 58, middle socio-economic status women respondents 25 out of 105 and Low socio-economic status women 5 out of 37. the agree response of high socio-economic status women respondents 18 out of 58, middle socio-economic status women respondents 25 out of 105 and Low socio-economic status women 4 out of 37 the undecided response of high socio-economic status women respondents 8 out of 58, middle socio-economic status women respondents 15 out of 105 and Low socio-economic status women 8 out of 37. the disagree response of high socio-economic status women 7 out of 58, middle socio-economic status women respondents 20 out of 105 and Low socio-economic status women 12 out of 37. the strongly disagree response of high socio-economic status women 5 out of 58, middle socio-economic status women respondents 20 out of 105 and Low socio-economic status women 8 out of 37.

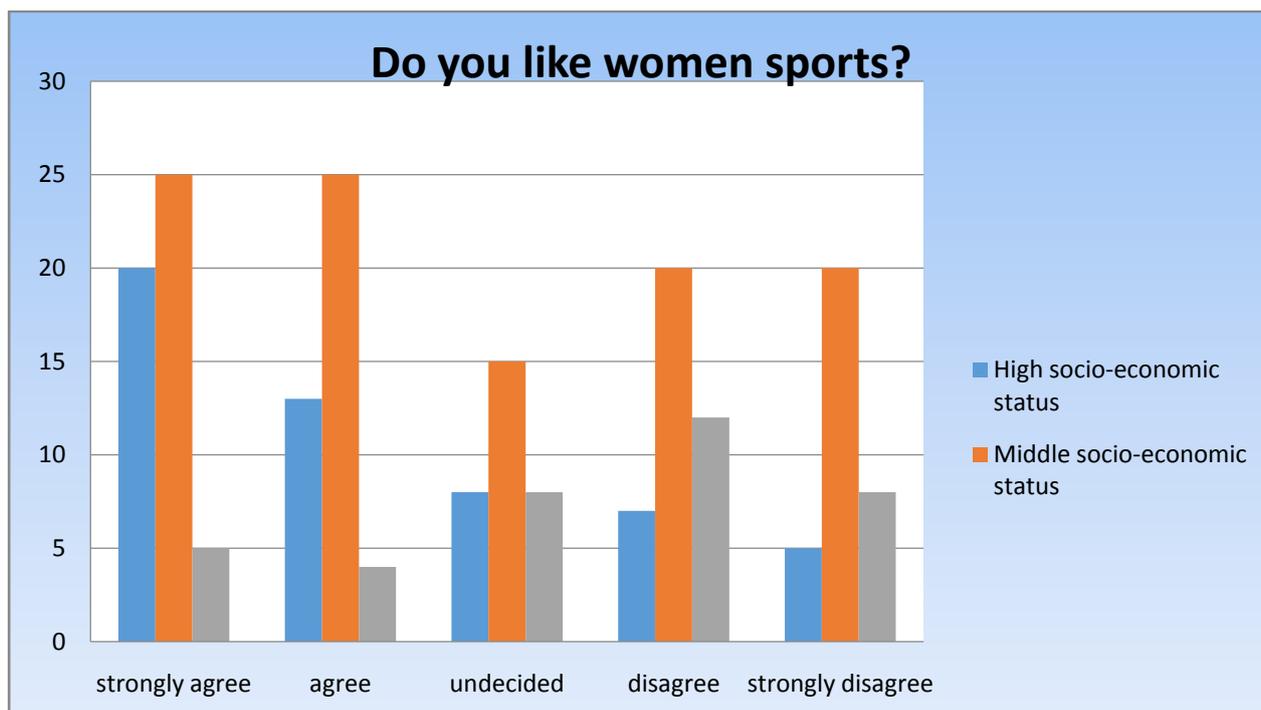


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graphical representation of Response of Women candidate on “Do you like women sports?” according to their socio-economic status

Conclusions:

The finding of the study clearly reveals that less majority of high socio-economic status parents possess positive attitude towards female sports. Only 36% of women parents have AGREE that the female participation in sports have contributed to the development of their

physical, mental & social aspects of their life. Sports can be a positive experience for your daughter's body and mind. Outdoors unstructured activities and games are essential for every girl. Let a girl explore, go trekking with his friends, encourage him to lay, run around, jump, etc. These activities are an essential way of venting out physical energy. Do you know the factors influencing female Participation in Sports? By age 14, girls are dropping out of sports at two times the rate of boys. Through more than 25 years of research, the Women's Sports Foundation has identified key factors which contribute to this alarming statistic. Read on to learn more about how these factors.

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