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## ATTITUDE TOWARDS TEACHING AS A PROFESSION AMONG TEACHERS

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### ABSTRACT:

*The present research study based on the attitude of teachers towards teaching as a profession among the government and private teachers of Kalaburagi district. In this study the researcher tried to know the influence of working status on the attitude among the teachers, the attitude towards teaching as a profession in the educational institutes like, government and private high schools of Kalaburagi district. The major objectives of the study - to know the level of attitude towards teaching as a profession among the sample*

*groups. To compare the attitude between government and private high schools teachers of Kalaburagi district. The hypothesis of the study- there would be significance difference in attitude towards teaching as a profession among government and private teachers of the Kalaburagi district. There would be significance influence of working status on the attitude toward teaching as a profession among the government and private high school teachers. The sample of the study- the researcher selected one hundred secondary school teachers and made two equal groups of government and private teachers the attitude towards teaching as a profession measured through the standard scale Attitude Towards Teaching Profession by Kulsum (2001) is prepared for the training institutions not only for diagnostic and prognostic purposes, but also for finding out the attitudes of teachers working for them to change if required. The statistical techniques used – the mean, standard deviation and t tests were used to find out the result of the study.*

**KEYWORDS:** Attitude, Teachers.

### INTRODUCTION

Attitude has always been a subject of interest to many researchers as well as Psychologist. It is considered as exciting and mysterious to some researcher. It can function as a shield to someone or it can even function as a weapon to someone. Having a certain Attitude in life is crucial to people so as to help them live in harmony and towards better Understanding of things around

them. Attitudes play a major part in determining a person's personality. This is because attitude affects the way people perceive and act towards people, objects or events that they encounter. Besides that, attitudes can also have an effect on one's social interactions. That is why it is important to know what attitude is, how it is developed and its impact on people. Therefore, this paper will discuss about attitude and it will be divided into six sections which are Definition of Attitude,

Components of Attitude, Attitude Formation, Attitude Functions, Attitude Change, and Persuasion. It is hoped that through this paper, readers would develop a better understanding about attitude.

### MEANING AND DEFINITION OF ATTITUDE

Attitude is a mental and neural state of readiness exerting a directive dynamic influence upon the individual's response to all objects and situations with which it is related. An attitude is

defined as an organization of beliefs, habits a motive associated with particular object. Many psychologists have given different definitions for attitudes. According to Schneider (1988), 'Attitudes are evaluative reactions to persons, objects, and events. This includes your beliefs and positive and negative feelings about the attitude object. He also added that attitude can guide our experiences and decide the effects of experience on our behaviors.

**Allport** (1935, p.34) defines it as "a mental and neural state of readiness, organised through experience, exerting a directive or dynamic influence upon the individual's response to all objects and situations with which it is related."

**Thurstone** (1946, p. 39) has defined attitude as "the degree of positive or negative affect associated with some psychological object

## METHOD

The present study deals with the very important aspect attitude among the teachers those are working in government and private secondary schools of Kalaburagi district. The researcher wanted to find out the influence of working status like, government and private status on the attitude towards teaching as a profession.

### The Objectives

- To know the level of attitude towards teaching as a profession among the sample groups.
- To compare the attitude between government and private teachers of Kalaburagi district.
- To find out the significance influence of working status on the attitude towards teaching as a profession among the teachers.

### The hypothesis of the study

- There would be significance difference in attitude towards teaching as a profession among government and private secondary school teachers of the Kalaburagi district.
- There would be influence of job status on the attitude towards teaching as a profession among teachers.

### The sample of the study-

The researcher selected two hundred secondary school teachers and made two equal groups of government and private teachers; sample was selected on simple random method of sampling technique and also provided the instructions about the research study.

### Research tools -

Attitude Towards Teaching Profession by Kulsum (2001) is prepared for the training institutions not only for diagnostic and prognostic purposes, but also for finding out the attitudes of teachers working for them to change if required. The statistical techniques used - the mean, standard deviation and t tests were used to find out the result of the study.

## DATA ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION

**Table No 1: Mean scores, SDs and t-value of Attitude toward teaching as a profession of Government and private teachers of Kalaburagi district.**

Teachers	Mean	N	Standard Deviation	t-value
Government	162.90	50	12.224	3.612**
Private	143.90	50	13.278	

Significant level at 0.01

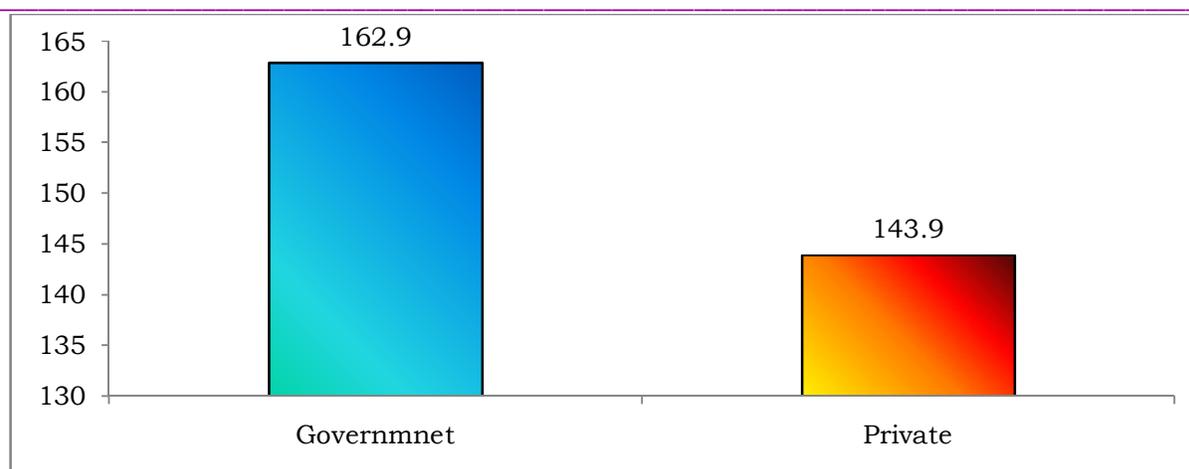


Table shows that the mean, SD, t-value in attitude towards teaching as a profession among government and private teachers of Kalaburagi district. The Government Teachers have higher mean score 162.90 and the private teachers mean score is 143.90 which is showing the significance difference, the standard deviation also showing the difference among the scores of teachers on their attitude towards teaching as a profession,

The government teachers have favorable attitude towards teaching as a profession than the private teachers of the study.

### CONCLUSION

- There is significance difference in attitude towards teaching as a profession among government and private teachers
- There is influence of working status factor on the teacher's attitude towards teaching as a profession.
- There is significance difference in attitude due to the working status like, government and private profession among teachers.
- The government teachers are more favorable in attitude towards teaching as a profession.

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