



## “IMPACT OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS ON AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR OF INTER UNIVERSITY SPORTSPERSON”

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### ABSTRACT

The paper is an empirical attempt to explore the significant influence on the aggressive behavior of the Socio Economic Condition. A sample of 100 players in the age group of 19 to 25 years studied by using semi-structured interview schedule. It is explored that the Socio Economic of the players has something to do with the aggressive behavior.

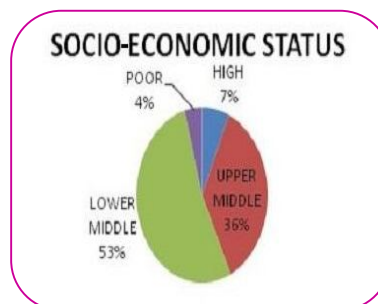
**KEYWORDS:** Socio-Economic condition, aggressive behavior, Cricket Players.

### INTRODUCTION:

The American Psychological Association describes Socio-Economic Status as commonly conceptualized as the social standing or class of an individual or group. It is often measured as a combination of education, income and occupation. Examinations of socioeconomic status often reveal inequities in access to resources, plus issues related to privilege, power and control. The Merriam Webster Dictionary defines it as relating to, or involving a combination of social and economic factors. Taking into account of these definitions it could be said that Socioeconomic status (SES) is an economic and sociological combined total measure of a person's work involvement and of an individual's or family's economic and social position in relation to others, based on income, education, and employment. When evaluating a family's SES, the household income, earners' education, and occupation are examined, as well as combined income, versus with an individual, when their own characteristics are evaluated.

It is an acknowledged fact that the application of psychological doctrines to the enhancement and improvement of the performance on sports has received greater consideration in these days. In truth, a few psychological applications and principles have become part and parcel of the sports world. A new school of thought has emerged in the world of sports which emphasizes the need and importance of Imagery, Motivation and Attention Focus on sports performers. Though Sports psychology is a relatively young discipline within psychology and sports, its importance cannot be undermined.

Significance of aggression in sports has been traditionally focused around the usefulness in providing an outlet for suppressed and angry behavior, society wants to control violence in our society, Lorenz (1966) clearly opined that states that “the prime task of sports today falls in the cathartic discharge of angry drive” in sports today aggression plays important role , according to research it is apparent that sports is perhaps the only setting in which acts of interpersonal aggression are not tolerated, but enthusiastically applauded by large segments of society. e.g. Tenebaum, Stewart, Singer and Duda (1996), Tenebaum, et al, 1996 defines aggression as the infliction of an aversive stimulus, either physical, verbal ,or gestural upon one person by another Professional sports are becoming increasingly more violent, social psychologist have discerned a number of influence that may be involved. Sports players have scripts for resolving problems arise, they immediately seek to act ,



aggressively if necessary another influence is the violence inherent in our society and the media.

**HYPOTHESIS**

1. The sportsmen of high SES have positive, and low aggression with their counterpart.
2. The sportsmen exposing to different level of competition would produce variation in their emotion state.
3. The sportsperson of league matches produce high aggression whereas the sportsmen of final and semi final matches are low in aggression.

**LIMITATION:**

- 1 The present study tries to analyze and prove the influence of socio-economic status and level of participation on certain psychological variables Aggressive Behavior not other factors of Sportsperson.
- 2 Data will be collected by administering standardized scale and questionnaire on Sportsperson participated Inter University players at different level of matches.
- 3 The selected Sportsperson for the Study are not limited to Karnataka.

**DELIMITATIONS:**

- 1 The study is limited to the measuring the SES, aggressive of Inter university players.
- 2 The study sample is limited to 200 Inter University players.
- 3 The Sample is limited to Sportsperson participated at Inter University. Ball players.
- 4 The subject’s age ranged 19-28 years.
- 5 The study is going too conducted on sportsperson.

**METHODOLOGY**

The present investigation pertaining to “**Impact of Socio-Economic Status on Aggressive Behavior of Inter University Sportsperson**” in the framework of ex-post-facto research. The particulars of samples, tools, collection of data and statistical techniques are given as under; Sample are selected from All India Inter University Players representing from different State of India.

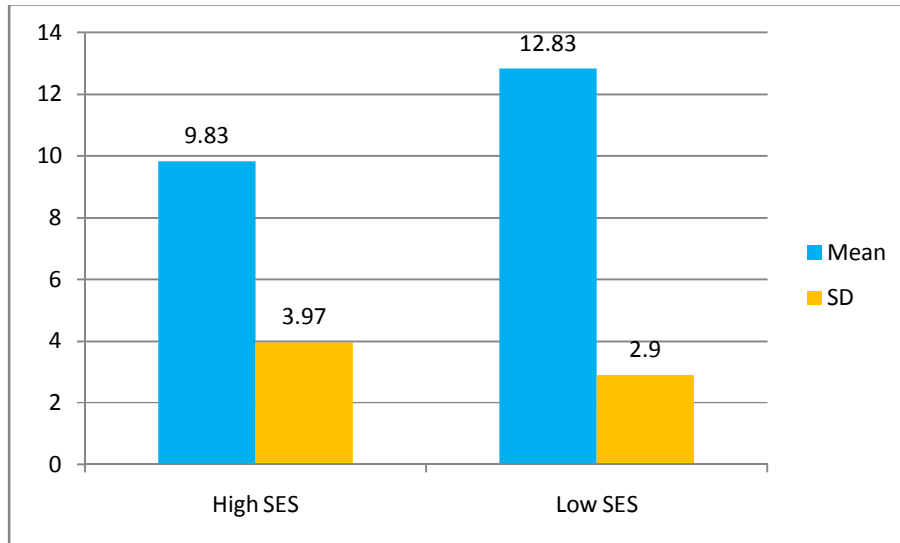
**Table-1**  
**Showing the Mean, SD and ‘t’ values of Aggressive Behavior of High and Low SES Inter University players**

| Variables      | High SES aggressive | Low SES aggressive |
|----------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Mean</b>    | <b>9.83</b>         | <b>12.83</b>       |
| <b>SD</b>      | <b>3.97</b>         | <b>2.90</b>        |
| <b>t-value</b> | <b>6.13**</b>       |                    |

\*\* Significant at 0.01. Level.

Table-1 reveals the mean, SD and ‘t’ values of aggressive behavior of sportsperson belonging to high and low SES. The mean score of high and low SES sportsperson on aggressive behavior is 9.83 and 12.83 respectively. This difference in their mean score suggests that the sportsperson belonging to high SES are moderate in their aggressive behavior when compared to the sportsperson of low SES, who are more aggressive. The obtained t’ value 6.13 which is highly significant at 0.01 levels suggests the fact that, there is a significant difference between the sportsperson of low and high SES sportsman in aggressive behavior. Therefore, the hypothesis that there is a significant difference in the aggressive behavior of sportsperson belonging to high and low SES is confirmed.

**Graph No- 1**  
**Showing the Mean and SD of aggressive behavior of high and low SES of sportsperson**



The sportsmen of high SES are more successful in keeping their aggression at moderate level than the low SES sportsperson. It is due to their quality education, exposure to the different sport competitions, proper training and ideal mental makeup. This is not so, in case of sportsperson of low SES, who are high aggressive in their behavior as they are deprived of quality education, proper training and exposure to the different sport competitions.



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