**COMPARISON OF LEADERSHIP BEHAVIOUR AMONG SPORTSMAN OF DIFFERENT DISCIPLINE**

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**ABSTRACT**

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 Now-a-days sports are dominated by new breed of coaches who are generally interested to combine physical talent with behavioural pattern of the player. For this particular study efforts was put to compare leadership behavior among sportsman of different discipline i.e. Individual and Team sports.

The study was confined to participants of team sports and individual sports. 100 male who has represented University in selected sports namely-Football, Basketball, Hockey, Track & Field, Shooting & Swimming were selected as a subject for this study. The age of the subject ranged from 18 to 25 years. A Likert type Questionnaire prepared by Prof. L.I. Bhushan having thirty questions measures authoritarian & democratic leadership was utilized for completion of research, the questionnaire was given personally to the players of selected games at the time of Interuniversity competition of selected sports. The data was analyzed using t-ratio and the level of significance chosen was .05.

Since, the calculated value was less than the tabulated value it indicated that there were no significant differences in leadership behavior among players of individual & team sports. It was concluded that there was no significant difference in the leadership behaviour among players of Individual and Team sports.

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**Introduction**

 Coach requires best possible results not optimum from trainees and best possible results depends upon various human parameters. Now-a-days performance in sports does not only centralized upon training concepts to develop various human parameters and technical aspects of sports but alsorequire training & consideration of affective domain for success in this field.

Leadership research have been a prime theme in various philosophical areas since beginning. Years ago much research was conducted to indentify the universal characteristics of successfully leaders. If such characteristics could be determined, the identification of potential leaders would be greatly simplified. Many outstanding leaders were analyzed to determine the qualities instrumental to their success. A consequence of these studies, and extensive list of desirable attributes of personality & character was compiled. In fact, the number of such qualities is almost endless. At field coach and players constitute a team and work jointly to achieve a target so behavioural pattern of both must match for fruitful results. For this particular study male players belonging to team and individual sports were considered. Team sports are those in which combine fitness, skill capacity, tactics, knowledge etc. are required to achieve a set goal. Individual sports are those sports where an athlete competes alone with own physical and technical capacity to get target or to win.

**Purpose of the study**

 The purpose of this study was to compare leadership behaviour among sportsman of different discipline.

**Hypothesis**

 It was hypothesized that there will be no significant difference in leadership behaviour among sportsman of different discipline.

**Material & Method**

 The study has been conducted on hundred male players who have represented University in selected sports i.e. individual sports & team sports. The subjects belonged to different categories of sports such as individual sports (Track & Field, Shooting & Swimming) & team sports (Football , Basketball and Hockey). The age of the subjects was in between 18 to 25 years.

 Questionnaire prepared by L.I. Bhusan made up of 30 items measures two dimensions of behaviour utilized for this study. 30 items in the questionnaire reflects autocratic behaviour & democratic behaviour.

 Data was analyzed using t-ratio & the level of significance chosen was 0.05.

**Results & Discussion**

 Since, the calculated value was less than the tabulated value it indicated that there were no significant differences in leadership behavior among players of individual & team sports. To find out the comparison among players of individual & team sports, t-test was employed which have been presented in Table-I.

**Table- I**

**SIGNIFICANCE OF DIFFERENCE OF LEADERSHIPS BEHAVIOR AMONG PLAYERS OF INDIVIDUAL & TEAM SPORTS**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Sports Category** | **Mean** | **DM** | **σDM** | **t-ratio** |
| Individual | 98.2 | 1.30 | 2.40 | 0.54 |
| Team | 96.9 |

 Significant at .05 level

t.05 =1.98

Table –I indicated that calculated ‘t’ value (0.54) is less than the tabulated value of t i.e. 1.98 so there is insignificant difference among players of Individual Sports and Team sports in relation to leadership behaviour.

 The insignificant difference may be because of similar age & maturity level of players. It might be because of behaviour of their coaches, as behavior of coach directly reflects the players, doesn’t matter whether they belongs from individual sports or team sports.

Graphical representation of leadership behaviour among players of individual sports & team sports are presented in figure 1

**Figure1- Leadership Behavior Among Players of Individual Sports & Team Sports.**

**Conclusion**

 On the basis of the results it can be concluded that there was no significant difference in the leadership behavior among players of individual sports & team sports.

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