



A STUDY OF STUDENTS' EDUCATIONAL ASPIRATIONS

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Abstract

Students' educational aspirations are studied through various stages yet it is generally used in reference to the educational objectives decided at a personal level. Generally, plans, decisions, choices, etc. words are used. Sometimes these words encompass all the objectives. In this research paper, educational aspirations are studied through various stages.

Key Words: Educational Aspiration, The stages of Educational Aspiration.

INTRODUCTION

According to general beliefs, parents and students, believe that they have to pass their schooling till standard 12th and then become doctor or engineer and if in case they do not succeed in this objective then they should qualify their graduation and get a job. With the modern opportunities, the students should break the old rules and regulations to venture into the field of their interest.

Everyone is blessed with some extraordinary talent, hobby or aptitude and the selection of the courses according to these instincts would enlighten their lives.

For the choice of the carrier, there is a wide range of choices available to us. There are lots of opportunities as well. What one needs is the selection of a career according to one's ability, aptitude, economic condition and interest. The students should be aware of the necessary educational qualifications, duration of the courses, educational facilities, institutions, hostel facilities, etc. while choosing their aspired educational career.

OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

1. To study the fields of educational aspirations available after standard 10th.
2. To study the fields of educational aspirations available after standard 12th (Arts Stream).
3. To study the fields of educational aspirations available after Graduation in Arts stream.
4. To study the fields of educational aspirations available after Post – Graduation in Arts stream.
5. To study the Government offices / Agencies helpful for educational aspirations.

RESEARCH METHOD

Descriptive research method and data collection from various reference books and websites.

THE DEFINITION OF EDUCATIONAL ASPIRATION

There are various courses available in the field of education. The information related to these courses can be called the educational information. But with this much information, only the definition of the information of educational courses does not get clear. To make any information important and authentic. It is necessary to take important steps. Although, there is no specified criterion to test the ideal information it can be said that the information related to the admission into the certain education program, qualification, duration of the courses, available number of seats, fee, etc. can be included in the information. In short, the information related to the selection and preparation for the admission into an education program as well as adjusting to its environment etc. can be called the educational information. Thus, the following can be included in the aspiration of educational courses.

- The introduction to various educational courses
- The necessities for the admission into the course
- The method for the admission into educational courses
- The duration of the educational course
- The employment opportunities after the completion of an educational course

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Thus, educational aspiration means the selection of aspired educational qualification according to the admission process of course and students' ability, interest, aptitude and economic condition.

THE STAGES OF EDUCATIONAL ASPIRATION

Here, Educational Aspirations are divided into four sections.

Table 1. The Stage of Educational Aspiration

S.S.C. Pass	H. S. C. Pass (Arts Stream)	Graduate Pass (Arts Stream)	Post – Graduate Pass (Arts Stream)
I.T.I.	P.T.C. (D. El. Ed.)	M. A.	M.Phil.
D.T.P.	A.T.D.	LL.B.	Ph.D., etc.
Diploma	B.P.Ed.	D.T.L.P.	
C.P.Ed.	B.A.	D.L.L.P.	
Pre – P.T.C., etc.	B.A. (Home Science)	D.P.Ed.	
	B.R.S.	B.Ed.	
	B.A. (Acting)	B.J.M.C.	
	B.A. (Film Making & Television Production), etc.	B.L.I.Sc.	
		M.A. (Editing)	
		M.A. (Production Management), etc.	

After studying the fields of educational aspirations the following four stages are available.

1. **S.S.C. Pass** : With reference to the above table, it can be said that after 10th the courses like I.T.I., D.T.P., Diploma, C.P.Ed., Pre – P.T.C., etc. are available.
2. **H.S.C. Pass (Arts Stream)** : With reference to the above table, it can be said that after qualifying H.S.C. the courses like P.T.C. (D.El.Ed.), A.T D., B.P.Ed., B.A., B.A. (Home Science), B.R.S., B.A.(Acting), B.A.(Film Making & Television Production), etc. are available.
3. **Graduate Pass (Arts Stream)** : With reference to the above table, it can be said that after qualifying graduation the courses like M.A., LL.B., D.T.L.P., D.L.L.P., D.P.Ed.,

B.Ed., B.J.M.C., B.L.I.Sc., M.A. (Editing), M.A. (Production Management), etc. are available.

4. **Post – Graduate Pass (Arts Stream) :** With reference to the above table, it can be said that after qualifying post – graduation the courses like M.Phil., Ph.D., etc. are available.

THE ROLE OF GOVERNMENT OFFICES/AGENCIES IN DECIDING THE EDUCATIONAL ASPIRATION

The following five agencies are helpful in deciding the educational aspiration.

1. **District Employment Exchange Office**

This office is available at every district centers. The office works for registering the students according to their educational qualification and also provides educational and vocational guidance. It also provides all these details to the employers and the qualified but unemployed candidates.

2. **Information Commissioner’s Office**

This office is available at every state center. This office in Gujarat is located at Block no. 7/2, Dr. Jivraj Mehta Bhavan, Junu Sachivalay, Gandhinagar. This section is responsible for the developments in technology and also makes rules and regulations for the application of these techniques.

3. **Vocational Guidance Institute:**

This institute works under the Education Department of the Government of Gujarat and is located at Ahmedabad. Yearly, this institution collects the information related to various courses, training programs, recruitments, scholarship etc. and sends this updated and trustworthy information to the students who have passed or appeared in the S.S.C. exam and parents who want career guidance, through post or personally in the forms of templates.

4. **Gujarat Rojgar Samachar**

Like the Central Government, The Information Department also publishes a paper on Employment News. The magazine regularly publishes the information regarding the admission, UPSC, GPSC, SSC (Staff Selection Commission), three wings of defence etc. related vacancies. It also publishes a special issue on the selection of a career after the completion of board examination.

5. Employment News

This issue has become a guiding force for the educated but unemployed youth. It runs under the Information and Broadcasting Bureau, New Delhi. It is published weekly. The paper is filled with the news of various ministries, government bodies, banks and various vacancies related to the railway. It also publishes in Hindi and Urdu.

CONCLUSION

The past experiences, abilities and education of a student give them an understanding. Experiences, wishes and realistic approach should be taken into consideration while choosing a career.

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