

EFFECTIVENESS OF STRUCTURED EDUCATIONAL MODULES FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS ON THE KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS IN IDENTIFICATION OF COMMON MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEMS IN SELECTED SCHOOLS OF BANGALORE DISTRICT.

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GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

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A "resource person" such as a teacher, to play a vital role in the school health programme,

Gessional Objectives

- 1. To determine the pre-test knowledge and skills of the subjects in identification of common mental health problems of primary school children.
- 2. To find out the effectiveness of Structured Educational Modules I [ST + SIM] and II [SIM] between the Experimental Groups I and II and compare with Control Group [no intervention] of the subjects in identification of common mental health problems of primary school children.

INTRODUCTION

Teachers

- □ spend most of the school hours with children and are familiar with them.¹
- □ They can detect the signs and symptoms of common mental health problems at the earliest stage in the classroom setting.²

□ Teachers can:

 Recognize, respond, refer, support & promote mental health of children and their families within their communities.³





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- □ The National Mental Health Programme (1982)recommends to train teachers for balanced development of physical, mental and social faculties of school going children.⁴
 - Children under 15 years of age constitute 40% of the total population. ⁵
- □ The World Health Organization had declared that one in five children in the world has a handicap. It is a 'serious obstacle' to a child's development.⁶
- In developed countries such as United States, prevalence rate for childhood chronic illness and disabilities has been estimated at 10%. Prevalence rate of 20 to 33% of psychiatric disorder in school children has been reported in an Indian setting.⁶
- □ One in ten children suffer from a mental disorder in Karnataka; severe enough to cause some level of impairment.⁷

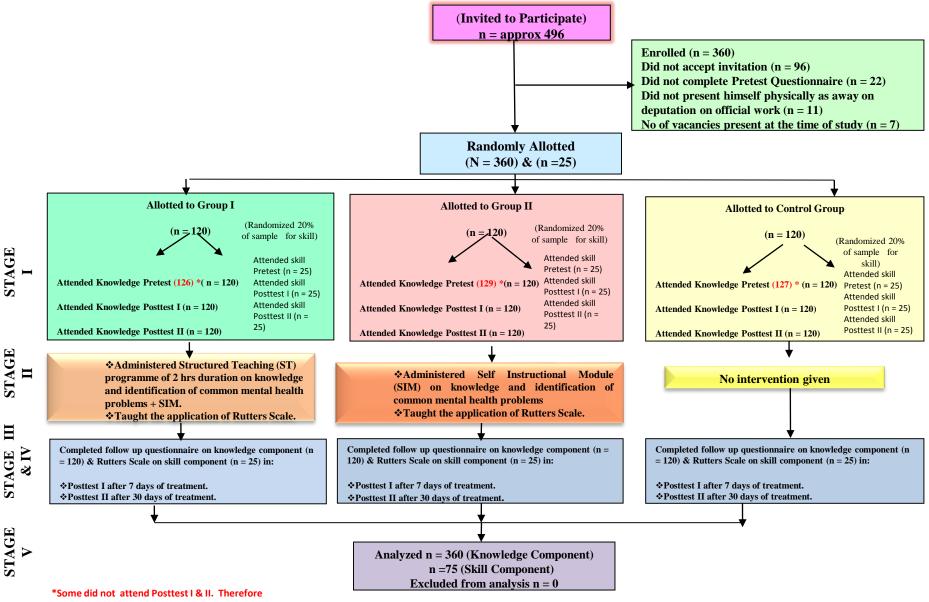
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- □ It is generally observed that 2/3rd of a child's life is spent in school.⁸
- □ The school is one of the most organized and powerful systems in the society.⁸
- Teachers can effectively deal with many of the mental health problems provided they are trained to identify and detect those disorders.⁸

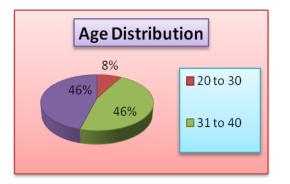
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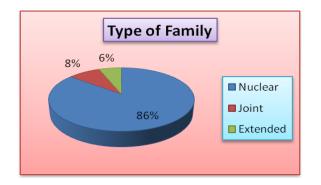
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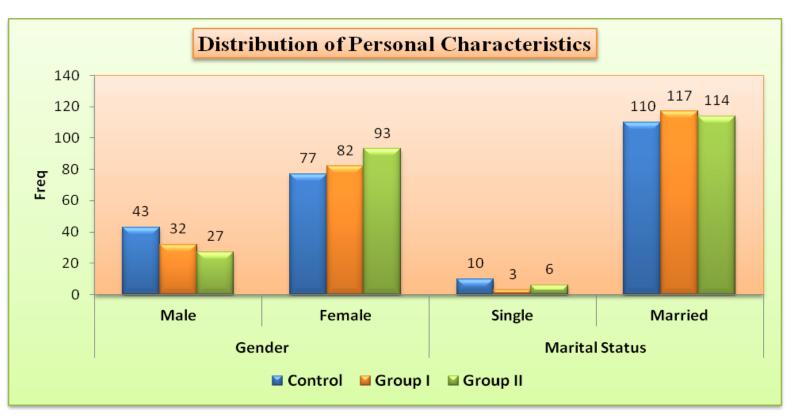


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DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE







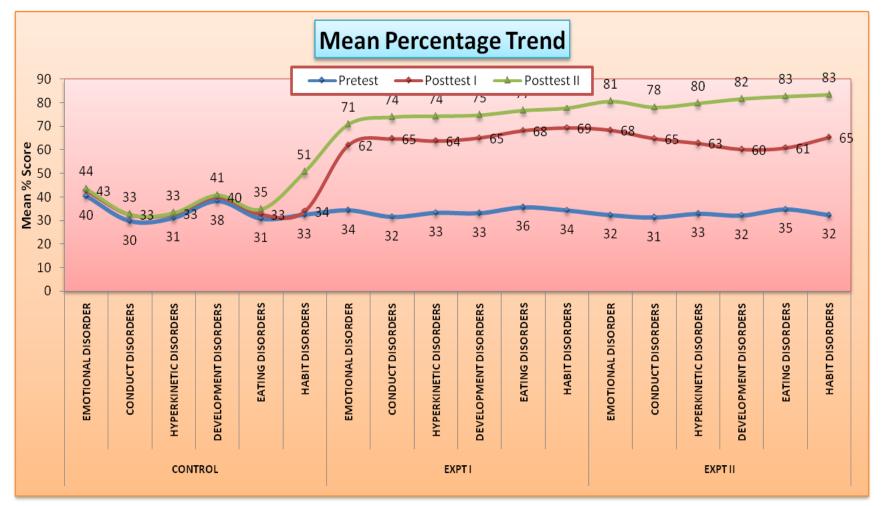
Comparison of Knowledge scores of Pretest, Post-test I & Post-test II of Group I, Group II & Control Group

N=360



DIMENSION WISE PRE-TEST, POST-TEST 1 AND POST-TEST 2 OF GROUP I, GROUP II AND CONTROL GROUP KNOWLEDGE SCORES ON SELECTED MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEMS

N=360



Comparison of Skill Scores of Subjects

N=75

Groups			Pre Test 1	Post Test II	Post Test I		Post Test II		Post Test I & II	
		Pre Test			Paired t Test	Sig.	Paired t Test	Sig.	Paired t Test	Sig.
GROUP I	Emotional Score	3.76	4.12	4.52	3.50*	0.03	3.87*	0.04	3.40*	0.06
	Behavioral score	7.24	7.36	8.76	2.45 ^{NS}	0.14	4.12**	0.00	4.21*	0.04
GROUP II	Emotional Score	3.92	4.62	4.72	3.85*	0.02	4.43**	0.00	1.32 ^{NS}	0.32
	Behavioral score	6.96	8.92	8.76	4.12**	0.001	5.12**	0.00	1.22 ^{NS}	0.65
Control	Emotional Score	3.5	3.65	4.12	1.21 ^{NS}	0.12	1.43 ^{NS}	0.87	1.20 ^{NS}	0.43
	Behavioral score	6.21	6.78	7.15	1.35 ^{NS}	0.87	1.95 ^{NS}	0.31	2.00 ^{NS}	0.21

(** Significant at <0.01 level; * Significant at <0.05 level; NS= Non Significant)

CONCLUSION

- ☐ Training teachers reduces time spent by the specialist in involving the school teachers in Structured Teaching programme.
 - This is significantly important in Indian scenario where, mental health professional are not able to involve themselves in organising for conducting Structured Teaching programme related to common mental health problems of school children particularly in rural settings.
- Hence, involvement of school teachers in identification of common mental health problems helps in facilitating mental health services to primary school children

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