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COMPARISON OF EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE AND MENTAL HEALTH AMONG INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM SPORTS ATHLETES OF NASHIK ZONE

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Athletes of individual and team games differ then psychologically and in many other ways. Thus, the purpose of the present research is to Comparison of Emotional Intelligence and Mental Health among Individual and Team Sports Athletes of Nashik Zone. For the present study sample of 50 boys i.e 25 athletes from individual games (Badminton, Table Tennis, Tennis, Gymnastics and Weightlifting) and 25 athletes from team games (Basketball, Cricket, Handball, Kabaddi and Football) were selected as subject using purposive sampling technique from Nashik zone under jurisdiction of Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune. The research is descriptive comparative survey where used Mangal emotional intelligence inventory developed by Dr. S. K Mangal & Mrs. Shubhra Mangal and Mental Health Battery developed by Arun Kumar Singh Alpana Sen Gupta implemented for data collection. Analyzed data of both the groups i.e. compared by two way analysis of variance. Conclusion that found the no significant difference among the individual and team sports athletes in the term of emotional intelligence (f-value = 0.503 & p-value = 0.479) and there is significant difference among the individual & team sports athletes in the term of (f-value = 4.445 & p-value = 0.036) mental health.

Keywords: Emotional intelligence, Mental health, Individual and Team game

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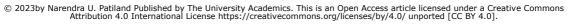
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Introduction

Emotional intelligence (EI) refers to the ability to perceive, control, and evaluate emotions. Some researchers suggest that emotional intelligence can be learned and strengthened, while other claim it is an inborn characteristic. Emotional intelligence has been found a reliable predictor of academic achievement than general intelligence. A large amount of research work done in previous century concluded that the higher intelligence the better academic performance. Later observations made in other studies revealed that many adolescent boy and girls in spite of having good IQ levels were not able to show equivalent performance.

Mental health is an important trait for human life as well as physical, spiritual and economic well being. It is truth that a fit mind is a powerful key through which a human being attains pleasure in life. When we are mentally healthy, we enjoy our life and environment, and the people in it. A mentally healthy person can be creative to learn new things and take risks for higher achievement. He can be able to cope with problems in our personal and professional lives.

Athletes in individual sports reported more frequent problems with anxiety & confidence, as well as experienced differences in mental practice Mahoney et al. (1987). Hall et al. (1998) considered individual & team sport athletes functions differently with their emotionally and mentally. Individuals perform fully on their own strength & abilities whereas team game players are performing in the team environment where they take help of other team players to reach their final goal. Hence, the purpose of the study is to compare the mental imagery ability between individual and team game players.

Material & Method

The present study was a comparative research which was conducted with the objective of this study to comparison of emotional intelligence and mental health among individual and team sports athletes of nashik zone. For the present study sample of 50 boys i.e 25 athletes from individual games (badminton, table tennis, tennis, gymnastics and weightlifting) and 25 athletes from team games (basketball, cricket, handball, kabaddi and football) were selected as subject using purposive

Sampling technique from Nashik zone under jurisdiction of Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune. The research is descriptive comparative survey for selected variables were emotional intelligence and mental health. Variables measured by Mangal emotional intelligence inventory developed by Dr. S. K Mangal & Mrs. Shubhra Mangal and Mental Health Battery developed by Arun Kumar Singh Alpana Sen Gupta implemented for data collection. After data collection analyzed data of both the groups i.e. individual and team sports athletes compared by two way analysis of variance (ANOVA) & interpretations drawn. The level of significance was kept at 0.05 to test the hypothesis.

Results

Athletes compared by used two way analysis of variance (ANOVA) & interpretations drawn. The level of significance was kept at 0.05 to test the hypothesis.

Table no. 1: Two way ANOVA table for the data on Emotional Intelligence

Enclosed as Annexure 01

Table no. 2: Two way ANOVA table for the data on Mental Health

Enclosed as Annexure 02

Major Findings.

- There was a significant difference among the variable of emotional intelligence with respect to compared individual and team sports athletes, Hence the according to the results hypothesis was rejected. According to the finding of mean value of individual sports athletes has lower emotional intelligence compared than the team sports athletes.
- There was a significant difference among variable of mental health with respect to compared individual & team sports athletes, Hence the hypothesis was accepted. According to the finding of mean value of individual sports athletes has lower mental health compared than the team sports athletes.

Discussion

In the present study mentioned the discussion part of further research, it was basis of observed the findings of the research,

Comparative study of emotional intelligence and mental health among individual and team sports athletes. The analysis & interpretation of the study results shown from table no. 1 & 2 shown that according to the mean value there was significant difference among the variable of emotional intelligence with respect to compare individual and team sports athletes, Hence the according to the results hypothesis was rejected. And mean value there was a significant difference among the variable of mental health with respect to compare individual and team sports athletes, Hence the according results hypothesis to the was accepted.

Conclusion

The scope of this study, researcher concluded that individual and team sports athletes emotional intelligence and mental health. This study focused on the field of sports in our nation. Express important role of Psychology. Athletes helps to characterized managed and knows the level of emotional intelligence & mental health for that further contribute to better performance. It was concluded that found the no significant difference among the individual and team sports athletes in the term of emotional intelligence (f-value = 0.503 & p-value = 0.479) and there is significant difference among the individual & team sports athletes in the term of (f-value = 4.445 & p-value = 0.036) mental health.

Annexure

Annexure 01

Table no. 1: Two way ANOVA table for the data on Emotional Intelligence

| Source | Type III Sum of Squares | Df | Mean Square | F | Sig. |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-----|----------------|----------|------|
| Corrected Model | 6187.608a | 3 | 2062.536 | 9.316 | .000 |
| Intercept | 1488766.023 | 1 | 1488766.02 | 6724.406 | .000 |
| Individual | 111.303 | 1 | 111.303 | .503 | .479 |
| Team | 5921.303 | 1 | 5921.303 | 26.745 | .000 |
| Individual * Team | 155.003 | 1 | 155.003 | .700 | .403 |
| Error | 87673.370 | 396 | 221.397 | | |
| Total | 1582627.000 | 400 | | | |
| Corrected Total | 93860.978 | 399 | | | |

R Squared = .066 (Adjusted R Squared = .059)

Annexure 02

Table no. 2: Two way ANOVA table for the data on Mental Health

| Source | Type III Sum of Squares | Df | Mean Square | F | Sig. |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-----|----------------|-----------|------|
| Corrected Model | 1072.130a | 3 | 357.377 | 1.653 | .177 |
| Intercept | 2230542.250 | 1 | 2230542.25 | 10317.945 | .000 |
| Individual | 961.000 | 1 | 961.000 | 4.445 | .036 |
| Team | 59.290 | 1 | 59.290 | .274 | .601 |
| Individual * Team | 51.840 | 1 | 51.840 | .240 | .625 |
| Error | 85607.620 | 396 | 216.181 | | |
| Total | 2317222.000 | 400 | | | |
| Corrected Total | 86679.750 | 399 | | | |

R Squared = .012 (Adjusted R Squared = .005)

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