

IMPACT OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS ON WILL TO WIN OF
SPORTSPERSON AND NON SPORTSPERSON



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ABSTRACT:

Since the competitive sports is characterized by a spirit of dedication, sacrifice and intensity for maximum performance aiming for victory, it ought to be complemented by the will to win. Will to win can be described in sport as a force or an instinct to excel. In sport, such a feeling of feeling of will power should be based on factors like pursuance of objectives, imposing upon one clear cult objectives and deeds for being energetic. It must be supplemented with self sufficiency to have creativity in the direction of set

objectives. Timely decisions are needed to have the solution of problems to carry out with determination a long term struggle for achieving the objectives. Maintaining self command over feelings and activities under irritation, severe strain, fatigue or failures are the key factors for acquiring appropriate will to win is required in sports.

KEYWORDS

Socio-Economic , Sportsperson and Non sportsperson , achievement motivation .

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INTRODUCTION :

Will to win is defined as, the extent to which a person desires to reach some standard of excellence or to defeat an opponent. People with high will to win feel that, winning is extremely important and that it is the main reason for competing. The athlete high in Will to Win competes mainly to be first and may have something of a "Win at all Costs" attitude. Low will to win indicates that, the competition cares less about winning parse or competes for other reasons. Further, the outcome of the contest is seen as less consequential to self-esteem or personal identity.

Fox (1997) administered achievement motivation scale to 176 males and females Canadian swimmers constructed by him, which measured level of motivation to approach success or avoid failure in athletic conditions. The results of the study failed to demonstrate any practical relationship between levels of achievement motivation and swimming performance.

Maxson (1982), investigated the relationship of achievement motivation and swimming performance by administering Merharbian measure of achieving tendency to 44 college swimmer (Male=29 and Female = 15) from four universities. A significant positive "r" was found between achievement motivation and swimming success. Besides college swimmers were found to be higher than their male counterparts on the level of achieving tendency.

Methodology:

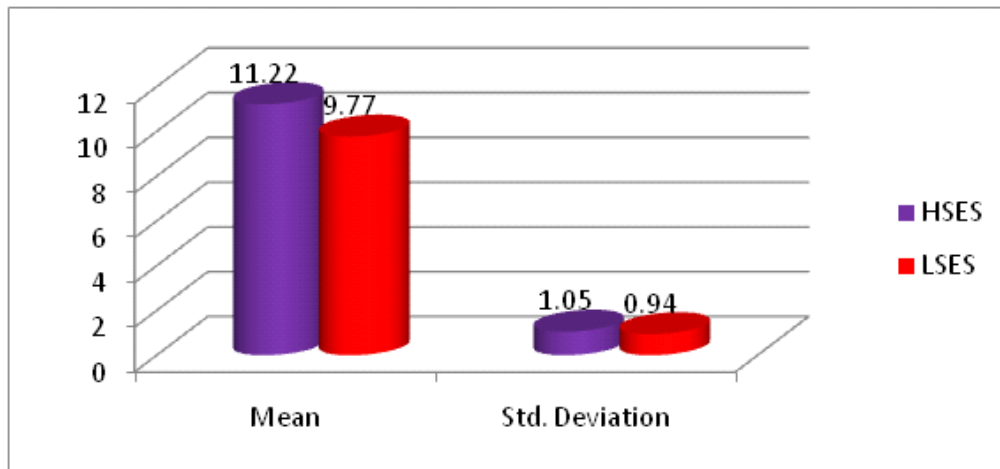
In view of above, the paper makes an empirical attempt to understand the socio psychological correlates with the will to win of the sports person. A sample of 400 sports person in the range of 19-28 years having equal representation of male(200) and female (200) and also sports person and from high socio economic background and low socio economic background are studied.

Results of Mean, SD and t-values of Will to Win of High Socio Economic Status and Low Socio Economic Status.

Personality Traits	SES	Mean	Std. Deviation	t-value	Sig	Remark
Will to win	HSES	11.22	1.05	9.667	.000	S
	LSES	9.77	.94			

Reveals the mean, Sd and 't' values of Will to Win of high SES and low SES sportsperson. On the dimension of Will to Win, the high and low SES sports person mean scores is 11.22 and 9.77 respectively. The obtained 't' value is 9.667 which is significant at 0.05 level. The higher mean score of high SES sports person clearly indicate that they are having high will to win, whereas the lower mean score of low SES sports person suggest that they possess low will to win.

Graph show the Mean and SD of Will to Win of High Socio Economic Status and Low Socio Economic Status.



Will to win among the sportsperson is very important factor, that is related to varieties of social, economic and psychological background of them. If they have good social and economic status and provided healthy psychological environment in the family as well as in society, they are likely to grow emotionally intelligent individuals. Due to strong self esteem, they do develop will to win the games whatever they play. This has a bearing on better performance. Hence, government and responsible authorities should think positively to enhance their socio-economic condition in order to develop high self esteem and will to win and optimistic attitude among sports person.

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