

PERCEPTIONS OF RETIRED PROFESSIONALS TOWARDS PARTICIPATION IN POST-RETIREMENT ACTIVITIES

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ABSTRACT

The aim of the investigation is, to know the retired professionals' perceptions towards participating in post-retirement activities. The current article deliberates only interest towards post-retirement activities, which was measured in terms of their willingness and not the willingness. Retired professional's willingness/not willingness towards post-retirement activities was studied according to their age group, gender and occupation. A sample of 180 retired professionals from the public sector, belonging to the five categories of occupations such as: teaching, research, administration, law and medical were selected for the study. To study the retiree's perceptions to post-retirement activity preferences, a questionnaire was developed by the investigator. The results of the study indicate that, about 2/3rd of the total sample expressed 'willingness' and 1/3rd of the samples were 'not willing' to take part in post-retirement activities. The majority of the sample from first two age groups such as (71%) from 61-65 and (67%) from 66-70 years age group retired professionals expressed their willing to involve in post-retirement activities than the older age group retirees (71-75 years). Further, retired men compared to women were more interested in giving willingness for post-retirement activities, however, occupation wise differences show that the retired professionals from the field of law and teaching were more interested in giving willingness towards the activities of post-retirement.

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