

Educational Aspirations and Achievement Motivations of Higher Secondary Students

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ABSTRACT Educational aspirations play an important triggering role for a student to select their future academic targets and to go for higher education. The purpose of the study is to find out whether there is any effect of achievement motivations on educational aspirations of higher secondary students with respect to gender and their mother's employment status. The study was conducted with higher secondary students (n=88) from different schools of Kolkata, selected by purposive sampling technique. Survey research design has been employed for the study. The study found significant effect of achievement motivation on educational aspiration of the higher secondary students. The findings of the research are of immense importance because if one wants more students to pursue higher education then their educational aspiration level has to be uplifted and that can be effectively achieved by increasing their achievement motivation level.