

Opinion of Students on Seating Furniture Used in Classroom

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ABSTRACT Classroom furniture is an important facility that helps in providing a conducive, comfortable and functional classroom environment for students in an educational institution. The comfort and functional utility of the classroom furniture depends on its physical design in relationship to the physical structure and biomechanics of human body. Furniture in classroom should suit the anthropometrical demands of user and the task demands. An observation cum evaluation study was made to explore the types of furniture used by graduate students in classroom environment and were drawn their opinion on the design. The outcome of the study revealed that four types of furniture were found in use and each type differed in its design features and its dimensions. Some of the features like seat pan width and height, backrest height, thigh clearance, footrest, lumbar support were found to be incompatible to the users.