

Marital Stability as a Correlate of Parenting

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ABSTRACT The present study was undertaken to assess the role of parenting in relation to marital stability of urban Punjabi parents. A sample of 300 families (300 fathers and 300 mothers) were randomly selected from Amritsar, Hoshiarpur, Ludhiana and Patiala cities of Punjab. 'Socio-Economic Status Scale', 'Multi-dimensional Parenting Scale' and 'The Sixteen Personality Factor Questionnaire' Form A were used as quantitative measures. Results showed that marital stability of parents played a significant role in parenting patterns used by them. Marital stability is highly potential and pervasive in promotion of positive parenting patterns like love, democratic behaviour, encouragement, acceptance and independence among children. Whereas parents having low level of marital stability were unable to provide healthy atmosphere to their children.