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IMPACT OF BRANCH OF STUDY OF COLLEGE STUDENTS OVER THEIR ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILLS-AN IMPACT STUDY

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ABSTRACT:

Despite vigorous entrepreneurship initiatives unleashed by the government through its organizations like UGC, Department of MSME, Entrepreneurship Institutes and Non -Governmental organizations college and university campuses across the country, their assimilation and adaptability of concept of entrepreneurship by students differ from one another. One of the reasons, among others, is the impact of branch of study they undergo during their college days. It is given to understand that the course content of some branches Motivate its students to take up entrepreneurship as a career, while others either disallow or create disinterest over entrepreneurship and making them as mere job-seekers.

The present paper has analyzed this factor of influence on two dimensions. One has focused over analyzing as to what type of entrepreneurial skills the students differ over the possessed entrepreneurial skills based on their branch of study. INTRODUCTION

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The following are the major objectives of the study.

- To know the profile of college studentsol arts and science colleges located in southern districts of Tamil Nadu.
- To identify the influential set of entrepreneurial skills possessed by the sample

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• To find out whether the sample respondents
differ significantly or not over the influential
entrepreneurial skills based on their branch of study,
and

 To suggest right type of motivated methods to be adopted at campuses.

To achieve the objectives of the study, a sample of 300 final year students from 39 colleges offering all the three branches of study 9Commerce & Management, Science and Arts) located in the southern districts of Tamilnadu were taken for the analysis. Two stages random sampling techniques was used to choose the sample respondents of the study. Required data were collected from the respondents using the well designed and pre-tested schedule containing 100 statements expressing the basic ten entrepreneurial skills. They are

- Innovation
- Hard work
- Leadership
- Need for achievement
- Risk-taking
- Decision making
- Problem Solving
- Information seeking
- Inter-personal skills and
- Positive self—concept

The responses from respondents have been collected on five point Likert Scale.

Statistical tools like Percentage Analysis, Factor Analysis and Kruskal-wallis One –way ANOVA Test are used. Percentage analysis is used to know the profile of the sample respondents. The Factor Analysis model has been used on selected entrepreneurial skills among respondents. Further, Kruskal –wallis One way ANOVA Test is used to test whether the respondents belonging to the three branches of study possesses the influential skills equality. In other words, the respondents of which branch of study possess the entrepreneurial skills at higher level.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION: Table 1 shows the profile of sample respondents across their socio-economic factors

TABLE I Profile of the Sample Respondents

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	Others	SC	26.70
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	Self-employed	91.	30,30
(Others	10.3	34.30
Place of residence	Rural	11.	19.00
	Urban	183	61.00

Source: Primary data

Out of they seven economic factors, the factor Branch of study of the respondents, being the focus of analysis, taken for further discussion.

The results of X Factor analysis is presented in Table 2

Table 2 ROTATED FACTOR MATRIX FOR ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILLS

04.2	Retard Factor Mains					
	Entrepreneural Skills	FI	12	F3	IN.	
1	Next for achievement	U 2719	0.198	4132	0.957	
2	Risk-taking	U 948	026	-0.0133	0.957	
3	Positive Self Concept	0.945	0.26	-0.131	0.952	
4	Invocation	0.805N	0.180	-0.141	0.707	
5	Hard Work	0.730	40 150	.227	0.607	
6	Decision Miking	0067	0.8%	0.185	0.823	
7	Problem solving	0.276	0.575	-0.355	0.533	
8	Inter Personabbills	-0.057	0046	0.931	0.872	
_	Percentage of variance	19.53	1619	1738		
	Cumulative Percentage of variance	49.53	65.72	Suto		

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The results of the Factor Analysis (Table 2) showed that the extraction of three factors which together accounted for 80.10 percent of total variance contained in the factor matrix. The percentage of variance explained by factor 1.2. and 3 are 49.53 percent ,16.19 per cent and 14.38 per cent respectively. In the first factor (F1) five skills are positively loaded and have high correlation with the factor. It is named as "Quest for Achievement" Factor. The second factor (F2) which is positively loaded with two skills, named as "Management Ability" Factor. The third Factor(F3) which is represented by only one skill is named after that is.

It cold be finally concluded that out of the ten entrepreneurial skills considered, all the studentrespondents possess the eight entrepreneurial skills in that order of variance as disclosed by the Table 2. The remaining two entrepreneurial skills namely "Leadership" and "Information Seeking" are either absent or negligible among the respondents.

the "Inter-personal skill" Factor.

The identified eight entrepreneurial skills are taken for further analysis to test whether the respondents belonging to the three branches of study possess these skills equally.

Each and every skill is analyzed separately. framing the null hypothesis that 'there is no significant difference exists in possessing the entrepreneurial skill(s) among the respondents belonging to the different branches of study".

As the sub groups of branch of study are numbering three, Kruskal-wallis One way ANOVA Test is applied. The results of the analysis is presented in Table.3.

TABLE3.RESULTS OF KRUSKAL-WALLIS ONE WAY ANOVA TEST

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The analysis further revealed the respondents belonging to the Comments branch possess the em Management branch possess the emporation of the for Achievement Page 1981 Management Skills like 'Need for Achievement' Rak Positive Self-Concept', 'Innovation', 'De-"Positive Sear Comman, making", and "Problem Solving" at high their mean-rank values are higher. In Inter-personal skill the respondents before

Finally it is evident from the analysis for students of Commerce & Management brooks smarter than the students of the branch possessing the all the entrepreneurial skills to "Inter-personal Skill". The major reason for amassing presence of these skills by the sules that branch could be attributed to be entrepreneurship theme. Stimulation and express the course content they underwent has.

SUGGESTIONS AND CONCLUSION

Having found that the students of a branches were invariably weak in possessing entrepreneurial skills like "Leadership" at "Information seeking", it is suggested that a perdesigned Programmes inculcating and enhance for skills shall be conducted at campuses on regularing

Programmes that teach the but entrepreneurial skills would be of great white in students majoring Arts and Science. If possite entrpreneurship subject may be included in the curricula so as to foster and developerarqueous mindset and skill-set I them. The studensmum Commerce & Management may be given advanta training over generation of business idea senting for and evaluation of business opportunities are the process of starting business as they are ad ahead of other major students in possessing man

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of the entrepreneurial skills. Therefore, it could be rightly recommended that the Government measures and all other activities aiming at improving the entrepreneurial skills among students should be of "student branch-specific" rather than student-specific.

At last, it may be earnestly said that in India identifying and nurturing entrepreneurial potential among youth has become a central point of focus today for the Government and educators. It is now the college students who are targeted and with the help of well conceived and well directed entrepreneurship programmes, a future could be created for the youth of this country.

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