

I feel extremely happy that despite unavoidable circumstances that sprang from time to time and the accumulating heavy load of administrative and academic work from which one, as a head of a college of Education of an affiliating university, cannot escape, the present research is completed in the perspective in which it was originally planned. The experiences, though exhausting, were none-the-less stimulating as the study is the first of the kind at higher education stage in Gujarat perhaps in India on the testimony of Buch's "Survey of Research in Education (M.S. University of Baroda, 1974)". The study enables one to know the real state of affairs regarding a number of crucial aspects of affiliated colleges about which little is known.

The investigator's pleasure and sense of satisfaction are all the more because the research was instrumental in developing two tools namely the "Institutional Climate Description Questionnaire" (Baroda Form II) and the "College Teacher Morale Opinionaire" (Baroda Form I); to understand and evaluate institutes of higher education in the State - in the country.

- The Student Control Ideology in the context of institutional climate and teacher morale also happens to be studied for the first time in affiliated colleges here.
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