

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Sincere gratitude and appreciation are extended to Dr. B.N.Chaulkar, professor and guide, Faculty of Home Science, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, for his helpful suggestions and guidance during the course of this study.

Thanks are due to Miss Jyotsna Jain, Miss Nita Pandya and Miss Kanika Parika for their help in the evaluation of appearance rating.

I am grateful to my friends and especially to Mrs. Amita Pandya for the encouragement and help in the completion of this thesis.

Fellowship provided by the University Grants Commission is also acknowledged.

Thanks and appreciation to Professor B.S. Gupta, for his valuable suggestions for improving the research and its presentation.

Last but not least I am indebted to my parents, Vineet, Moussa and Shireen for their moral support in all stages of the work.

JULY 1988

(VIDHU KUNZRU)