

# Public Awareness and Practices towards Outdoor Games: An Empirical Analysis

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## Abstract:

We play some games in the open air. These are called outdoor games. We play these games in an open field. Football, cricket, hockey, tennis, etc. are outdoor games. Outdoor games are both Mental and Physical activities dimensions and fitness of a sport man. Outdoor games are now part of our education system in the College. At present many College have their own playgrounds. The students of the Colleges take part in outdoor games. Youngman of India are now taking great interest in outdoor games.

## Introduction:

Outdoor games have great value for plying every one like If we play in the afternoon, we inhale fresh air and feel refreshed. Our body is also exercised. Thus our health is improved. These games help us to form our character too. They help in developing our personality. We learn many things from these games. We have to form a team to play the games. We learn the value of co-operation and unity. We have to obey the orders of the captain. Thus we learn obedience, discipline and order. We become generous and imbibe fellow-feeling. Outdoor games save us from evil temptations and guide us to walk in the path of virtue and duty

**Key words:** outdoor games, guide, Public Awareness

## Objective of the study:

To ascertain the extent of knowledge of the Public about outdoor games and their level of awareness.

## Methodology:

The present study is based on primary data collected from two regions namely; Mysore and Kushalnagar. Data collected from 360 Public from each region by giving equal weigh to officials, business people and others. Questionnaire was used for enumeration of data. Questionnaire adopted two point and five point scales. Raw data processed and presented in the form of cross tabulation. Chi-square test applied to test the association between dimension and opinion. Association accepted or rejected at five percent level of significance.

## Results and Discussion:

Awareness about outdoor games and attitudes of Players have been analyzed in the following section. An attempt has made to examine the association of region profession and gender with the opinion of respondents.

**Table 1: Region-wise Awareness about outdoor games**

(In numbers and percentage)

Opinion about Awareness			District		Total
			Mysore	Kushalnagar	
No	Count		124	196	320
	% within Region		34.4%	54.4%	44.4%
Yes	Count		236	164	400
	% within Region		65.6%	45.6%	55.6%
Total		Count	360	360	720

	% within District	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Chi-Square Value: 7.290		DF: 01	Sig: 0.007	

Source: Field study data computed by researcher.

Region is one of the factors which influence the awareness of people about Outdoor games. Accordingly, the level of awareness has estimated and presented in the above table. It has found from the above table that in the study area, 55.6 percent of people have awareness about Outdoor games. The awareness about Outdoor games in Mysore was 65.6 percent and the awareness about Outdoor games in Kushanagar was 45.6 percent. It has been found from the chi-square analysis that there is association between regions and level of awareness at five percent level of significance. Therefore, the level of awareness about Outdoor games is significantly high in Mysore region compared to KushalNagar region.

**Table 2: Profession-wise Awareness about Outdoor games**

(In numbers and percentage)

Opinion about Awareness		Profession			Total	
		Officials	Business	Others		
No	Count	116	72	132	320	
	% within Profession	48.3%	30.0%	55.0%	44.4%	
Yes	Count	124	168	108	400	
	% within Profession	51.7%	70.0%	45.0%	55.6%	
Total		Count	240	240	240	720

	% within Profession	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Chi-Square Value: 8.145		DF: 02	Sig: 0.017		

Source: Field study data computed by researcher.

Profession or occupation is also one of the factors which influence the awareness of people about Outdoor games. Accordingly, the level of awareness has estimated and presented in the above table. It has found from the above table that the awareness about Outdoor games among officials was 51.7 percent, the awareness about Outdoor games among business people was 70 percent and the awareness about Outdoor games among others was 45 percent. It has been found from the chi-square analysis that there is association between profession and level of awareness at five percent level of significance. Therefore, the level of awareness about Outdoor games is significantly high among business people compared to officials and others.

**Table 3: Gender-wise Awareness about Outdoor games**

(In numbers and percentage)

Opinion about Awareness			Gender		Total
			Male	Female	
No	Count		128	192	320
	% within Gender		35.6%	53.3%	44.4%
Yes	Count		232	168	400
	% within Gender		64.4%	46.7%	55.6%
Total		Count	360	360	720

	% within Gender	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Chi-Square Value: 5.760		DF: 01	Sig: 0.016	

Source: Field study data computed by researcher.

Gender is also one of the factors which influence the awareness of people about Outdoor games. Accordingly, the level of awareness has estimated and presented in the above table. It has found from the above table that the awareness of male about Outdoor games was 64.4 percent and the awareness of female about Outdoor games was 46.7 percent. It has been found from the chi-square analysis that there is association between gender and level of awareness at five percent level of significance. Therefore, the level of awareness about Outdoor games is significantly high for male compared to female.

### Conclusion:

The present study examined the awareness of outdoor games and It has been found from the study that the awareness of people in Mysore about outdoor games is significantly high and at the same time profession also has significant association with awareness about outdoor games. Male customers have better awareness about outdoor games compared to female customers. The playing attitudes of the public awareness is significantly high in Mysore compared to Kushalnagar

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