# **Research Themes in Psychology**

## **1. Applied Social Psychology:**

- 1. Study of leadership style/type in Islamic perspective.
- 2. Religious prejudices among Muslims.
- 3. Caste system and prejudice among Muslims.
- 4. Gender prejudice among Muslims.
- 5. Modernization and the Muslims
- 6. Interpersonal Relationships and interpersonal attraction Among Muslims themselves and with others particularly with Hindus.
- 7. Motivating the Muslim youths in the contemporary social conditions.
- 8. Socialisation of the Muslim children-child rearing practices.
- 9. Social change in Islamic perspective.
- 10. Religiosity among Muslims religion, culture and socio-economic conditions.
- 11. Attribution processes of Muslims vis-à-vis others.

## 2. Psychopathology:

- i. Deviant sexual behavior and social sanctions.
- ii. Crime and delinquency among the Muslims-causative analysis and rehabilitation of the criminals and the delinquents.
- iii. Alcoholism and Rehabilitation of the alcoholics and drug addicts.
- iv. Mental Health- Islamic approach towards diagnosis and therapy of Mentally ill.
- v. Social Psychological causes of Incidence of mental morbidity among Muslims.
- vi. Aging and old-age care among Muslims.
- vii. Muslim Families and Aging Population.
- viii. Death anxiety among Muslims.
  - ix. Personality profile of Muslim men and women
  - x. Self concept and self esteem

## 3. Industrial/Organisational Psychology:

- i. Muslim skilled and child labour in Industries with reference to their exploitation.
- ii. Enterpreneurship among Muslims.
- iii. Consumer behavior among Muslims.
- iv. Industrial morale & Muslims workers.
- v. Muslim women workforce.
- vi. Job Satisfaction/Job Involvement in relation to religious practices.
- vii. Quality of working life of Muslim employees.
- viii. Training of Muslim workers.
  - ix. Motivation of Muslim workers in public/private sectors.
  - x. Human Resource Management of Muslims
  - xi. Islamic Ethics & Muslim Workers

## 4. Educational Psychology:

- i. Promoting Adult Education among the Muslims.
- ii. Establishing guidance and counseling centre for Muslim students.
- iii. Women Education among Muslims.
- iv. Madrasa education and measures of improvement.
- v. Achievement and Causative analysis of poor performance among Muslim children.

- vi. Social and Psychological causes of drop-outs among Muslims.
- vii. Cognitive and creative abilities among Muslim children.
- viii. Vocational choices, aptitude among Muslims children
- ix. Cognitive style of Muslims and Gifted Muslim Children.

#### **5.Current Social Psychology Problems:**

- i. Poverty among Muslims, impact of poverty on motivational, behavioral and personality development.
- ii. Muslims' alienation from the National mainstream.
- iii. Marital satisfaction and divorce (issue) Islamic perspective.
- iv. Family planning Islamic vs. government's view points and resultant conflicts in the minds of the Muslims and non-Muslims.
- v. Ethnicity and Ethnic identity development among the Muslims Identity Crisis.
- vi. Political awareness and participation in voting and other political behavior.
- vii. Feelings of security and insecurity among Muslims.
- viii. The frustration aggression hypotheses and the Muslims.
- ix. The study of mental health, behavioural changes in the riot affected people of areas.
- x. Impact of segregated/integrated residential areas on "Muslims life style".
- xi. The Muslim slum dwelling motivation, personality, cognition.
- xii. Psychology of the Disadvantaged (minority group).
- xiii. Causative, attribution among Muslims.
- xiv. Attitude and Prejudice in the contemporary society
- xv. Stereotype and discrimination

#### 6.Research Methodology:

- i. Construction of test material with special reference to Muslim respondents.
- ii. Development of hypothesis in the light of Quran and Hadith.
- iii. Selection of technique for the collection of data of Muslims particularly the females.
- iv. Development of test for the measurement of Intelligence, Personality Achievement, and other psychological abilities.
- v. Development of tests batteries for the measurement of Islamic beliefs and behaviours.
- vi. Development of tool for Islamic values.
- vii. Islam and Collectivistic vs Individualistic Cultural Values Besides above six broad topics some more areas may be studied.

### 7. Health Psychology:

- a. Quality of well-being of Muslims
- b. Stress sources, effects and coping styles or strategies of Muslims
- c. Stress related disorders, Diseases and coping mechanism
- d. Social Psychological determinants of Health
- e. Aggressive Behavior & its country

#### **Miscellaneous:**

#### Α.

- i. Islamic thought
- ii. Life and death instincts
- iii. Social control
- iv. Meditation and Namaz, Impact of Saum and Salat
- v. Ethnocentrism and religious affiliation among Muslims.

vi. Analysis of dreams in Islamic Perspective

vii. .Guidance and Counselling in Islamic perspective

#### Β.

- $i. \ \mbox{Islamic History and Psychology}$
- ii. Personality of Prophet, Sahabas and Caliphs

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- i. Law and Psychology
- ii. Politics, Leadership and Powers

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