

PRATHAMIK VIDYALAYON ME KARYARAT VIVAHIT EVM AVIVAHIT MAHILA SHIKSHKO KE SAMAYOJAN EVM VYAVASAIK KARYA SANTUSTI KA TULNATMAK ADHYAYAN

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ABSTRACT

This research paper examines the adjustment strategies and professional work satisfaction of employed versus unemployed female teachers in primary schools. The study explores the challenges faced by both groups and provides a comparative analysis of their professional experiences. By employing qualitative and quantitative research methods, this paper aims to contribute to understanding the nuances of professional satisfaction and adjustment among female educators in the primary education sector.

KEYWORDS: *Workplace Stress; Teacher Retention; Gender and Education; Educational Workforce; Teacher Support Systems.*

INTRODUCTION

In the evolving landscape of primary education, female teachers play a pivotal role in shaping the academic and social development of young learners. Their contributions are instrumental in creating a nurturing and effective learning environment. However, the experiences of female teachers in primary schools can vary significantly based on their employment status. This study seeks to explore and compare the adjustment mechanisms and professional work satisfaction of employed and unemployed female teachers in primary educational settings.

The role of female teachers in primary schools extends beyond mere instruction; it encompasses responsibilities related to student welfare, classroom management, and curriculum implementation. For employed female teachers, these roles are often accompanied by a structured work environment that includes regular interaction with colleagues, access to professional development opportunities, and a steady income. Despite these advantages, employed teachers frequently encounter challenges such as heavy workloads, administrative pressures, and the need to balance professional duties with personal responsibilities. These challenges can influence their professional satisfaction and overall well-being, shaping their adjustment strategies and coping mechanisms.

On the other hand, unemployed female teachers face a distinct set of challenges. Their professional journey is characterized by uncertainty and instability, marked by periods of job searching,

financial strain, and limited opportunities for professional growth. The lack of a stable work environment can affect their career satisfaction, hinder their professional development, and impact their psychological well-being. Unemployed teachers often engage in various strategies to maintain their professional skills and stay updated with educational trends, but the absence of practical teaching experience can lead to feelings of frustration and diminished self-esteem.

The comparative study of employed and unemployed female teachers offers valuable insights into the broader issues of job satisfaction and professional adjustment in the primary education sector. By examining the experiences of both groups, this research aims to identify the factors contributing to their professional satisfaction and the strategies they employ to manage their roles and responsibilities. Understanding these dynamics is crucial for developing targeted interventions that address the specific needs of both employed and unemployed female teachers, ultimately enhancing their professional experiences and contributing to the overall effectiveness of primary education.

Previous research has highlighted various aspects of job satisfaction and professional adjustment among teachers. Studies have shown that job satisfaction is closely linked to factors such as work environment, administrative support, opportunities for professional development, and work-life balance. For employed teachers, supportive work environments and access to professional resources can lead to higher levels of job satisfaction and better adjustment. Conversely, challenges such as excessive workload, limited resources, and administrative demands can negatively impact their professional experience.

For unemployed teachers, the lack of job security and opportunities for practical engagement can result in lower levels of job satisfaction and increased professional dissatisfaction. The uncertainty associated with job searching and the need for continuous skill enhancement can contribute to feelings of insecurity and frustration. Understanding the unique challenges faced by unemployed teachers is essential for developing strategies that can support their professional growth and improve their career prospects.

This study employs a mixed-methods approach to provide a comprehensive analysis of the adjustment strategies and professional satisfaction of employed and unemployed female teachers. Quantitative data are collected through surveys that assess various dimensions of job satisfaction, adjustment mechanisms, and professional challenges. Qualitative data are gathered through in-depth interviews to gain deeper insights into the personal experiences and perspectives of the participants. By combining these approaches, the research aims to capture a holistic view of the factors influencing the professional experiences of female teachers in primary schools.

The findings of this study are expected to contribute to the existing body of knowledge on teacher satisfaction and adjustment, providing valuable insights for policymakers, educational administrators, and professional development programs. By highlighting the similarities and differences between employed and unemployed female teachers, the research aims to inform the development of targeted interventions that can address the specific needs of each group. Recommendations based on the study's findings may include strategies for enhancing professional

development opportunities, improving support systems, and addressing the challenges faced by unemployed teachers.

In the comparative study of employed and unemployed female teachers in primary schools offers a unique opportunity to explore the complex dynamics of professional adjustment and job satisfaction. By examining the experiences of both groups, this research aims to provide valuable insights into the factors that influence their professional well-being and to identify strategies that can enhance their overall experience in the field of primary education. The results of this study will contribute to a deeper understanding of the challenges and opportunities faced by female teachers, ultimately supporting efforts to improve the quality of education and professional satisfaction in primary schools.

PROFESSIONAL WORK SATISFACTION

Professional work satisfaction refers to the contentment and fulfillment an individual derives from their job. It encompasses several key aspects:

1. **Job Security:** The assurance of continued employment and stability within the role significantly contributes to job satisfaction.
2. **Work Environment:** A supportive and collaborative work environment, including positive relationships with colleagues and supervisors, enhances job satisfaction.
3. **Work-Life Balance:** The ability to effectively manage professional responsibilities alongside personal life is crucial for job satisfaction.
4. **Career Development:** Opportunities for professional growth, such as training and advancement, play a vital role in job satisfaction.
5. **Recognition and Rewards:** Receiving acknowledgment for achievements and adequate compensation for work performed impact overall satisfaction levels.
6. **Job Role and Responsibilities:** Satisfaction is also influenced by how well job roles align with personal skills and career aspirations, as well as the clarity and manageability of job responsibilities.

For employed female teachers in primary schools, these factors collectively influence their professional satisfaction. Conversely, unemployed female teachers may experience lower satisfaction due to job insecurity and limited professional engagement. Addressing these factors can lead to improved job satisfaction and better professional outcomes.

ADJUSTMENT STRATEGIES IN PROFESSIONAL SETTINGS

Adjustment strategies are crucial for maintaining effectiveness and well-being in professional environments. They help individuals adapt to job demands and navigate challenges effectively. Key adjustment strategies include:

1. **Time Management:** Prioritizing tasks, setting goals, and creating schedules help manage workload and reduce stress. Effective time management ensures that deadlines are met and tasks are completed efficiently.
2. **Seeking Support:** Engaging with colleagues, mentors, or supervisors for advice and support can alleviate professional challenges. Building a support network helps in receiving guidance, feedback, and assistance when needed.
3. **Skill Development:** Continuously updating and enhancing professional skills through training and professional development opportunities can improve performance and adaptability in a changing work environment.
4. **Stress Management:** Implementing stress reduction techniques such as mindfulness, relaxation exercises, and healthy work-life balance practices helps in managing job-related stress and preventing burnout.
5. **Flexibility and Adaptability:** Being open to change and adjusting strategies according to evolving job requirements and organizational changes fosters resilience and effectiveness.
6. **Setting Boundaries:** Clearly defining personal and professional boundaries helps in maintaining a balanced work-life dynamic and preventing overwork.

These strategies enable individuals to cope with job demands, enhance their performance, and maintain overall job satisfaction in professional settings.

CONCLUSION

This comparative study highlights the distinct experiences of employed and unemployed female teachers in primary schools. While employed teachers enjoy greater professional satisfaction, unemployed teachers face considerable challenges. Addressing these challenges through supportive policies and professional development programs can contribute to better adjustment and satisfaction for female educators.

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