Determinants of adolescent’s perception of parental disciplinary practices in different income groups

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ABSTRACT
The paper presents the results of an extensive study with 270 adolescents on their perceptions of their parents’ disciplinary practices. The study looked at three key dimensions of fathers’ and mothers’ parenting practices: authoritative, authoritarian and permissive. The findings revealed that high and middle income group parents were perceived as more authoritarian by sons as compared to daughters of respective income groups. Whereas, a reverse situation was seen for permissive parenting style category as parents were perceived as more permissive by daughters than sons. Correlation analysis indicated that perceived authoritarian parenting had negative significant relationships with different variables like, academic performance, education of mother and father and family income for both girls and boys.

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