PROBLEMS FACED BY THE SCHOOL TEACHERS DURING COVID-19 LOCKDOWN

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ABSTRACT

COVID -19 has created its impact in all walks of life, to prevent and control the spread of infection, social distancing, lockdown, various other precautionary measures are also taken by the respective governments for the welfare and benefit of the public. Education system underwent a drastic crisis during the lockdown period. Online classes by using internet facilities reached every corner of the country. It made the educational services possible during curfew. One of the major stakeholders of the educational services namely the teachers came across lots of stress and strain along with positive lessons during this period. Especially the teachers working in private school teachers faced challenges which they have never experienced before. Some of them given up their job and went for hunting other sources of livelihood and the remaining struggled to fulfil the family commitments as well as the problems of health, network/data issues, rural domicile and other academic related problems. This descriptive study is an attempt to know the problems and challenged faced by the school teachers during lockdown. A self-prepared interview schedule was used to collect details of socio- demographic condition, economic, social and health issues faced by the teachers along with the issues related to online classes taken under work from home criterion. Totally 50 teachers working in a Trichy based private school were taken as sample by using simple random sampling. The major findings of the study will be discussed in the full paper.

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