

## **Socio-emotional Development of Rural Pre-adolescents (9-12 Years)**

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**ABSTRACT** The study 'Socio-Emotional Development of Rural Pre-Adolescents (9-12 years)' was conducted on 200 rural pre-adolescents of two villages of Ludhiana district. There were no significant differences in the mean scores of emotional stability of males and females. However, significant difference were found in the mean scores of social maturity among males and females. Significant differences were found in the emotional stability scores during age 10.5-12.5 in case of females. Among males, non-significant difference was found in the mean scores of emotional stability by age. In relation to ages, females' scores of social maturity were not significantly different. However, for males, significant difference in mean scores was observed for ages 10.5-12.5 years. Emotional stability and social maturity of both males and females was found to be significant correlated with the positive and negative dimensions of parent-child relationships. Home environment was another factor found to be correlated with females' emotional stability.