Acknowledgement

On the occasion of successful completion of the study, I take the opportunity to express my thanks and gratitude to all those who have directly or indirectly helped me in carrying out the study.

First and foremost I express my deep and sincere gratification with all humbleness to my guide, Prof D.R. Goel, whose deep insight into the subject and real concern for the field initiated me in this area and encouraged me to undertake and complete this venture. His genuine concern and continuous support at each phase of the study helped me to complete the study well in time.

I would like to thank Prof S. Kumar, Dean, Faculty of Education and Psychology, The M.S.University of Baroda, Vadodara & Prof S. C. Panigrahi, Head, CASE for providing required facilities to conduct the study. Also, I express my thanks to all Teachers of the Faculty for their kind concern and support. My thanks to research scholars at CASE for academic discussions.

I am indeed thankful to Principal Rashmi Mehta of Baroda High School, Alkapuri for her co-operation and permitting me for conducting sessions in the school. I am thankful to students of 8th standard also for their co-operation and interest during the phase of implementation without which this study would not have been completed. I am thankful to Principal Rekha Mishra, Vidyani School for allowing me to have sample of students for control group. I am thankful to Principals of Jay Ambe School, GEB School and Experimental School for permission of administration of attitude scale.

I would like to express my indebtedness to my friends Tara, Jigisha and Shilpa for their co-operation, moral support, warmth, genuine concern and intellectual discussions.

I owe a great deal to my family members, especially, my mother who is the source of energy for me, whose continuous boost-up, moral support, encouragement, care, concern and advice throughout my study made this journey successful. I also express my

loving thanks to my elder sisters Dr. Hemangi Desai – jiju Dr. Hitesh Desai and Ms. Devangi Desai – jiju Er. Kinith Desai for their best wishes and support.

Last but not the least, I thank God for his blessings and enabling me to conduct the research work.

Desai

(Rucha Desai)
Researcher