ABSTRACT

The purpose of the study was to explore the causes of underachievement and to investigate their relationship with mental health problem of school children. The study was carried out in three phases. Sample of 600 (male, n=305 and females, n=296) was collected from the urban and rural areas of government schools of. An indigenous scale was developed to measure the causes of underachievement and see their impact on the Mental Health of School Children. Two factors solution were purposed by factor analysis namely Parents and Teacher related problem and Student management and Environmental Distractions. The findings of the study revealed that there was no positive correlation between the causes of Underachievement and the Mental Health issues of School Children. It has also been found that there was no significant difference in the causes of Underachievement and mental health problems in urban and rural area school children. The findings of the study also revealed that there was no significant difference in the causes of Underachievement and mental health problems in gender both were experiencing the same problems.