Abstract

The present study was conducted to explore the hoarding and compulsive buying behavior in terms of personality traits among young adults, middle aged and older adults. The objective of the study was to find out the hoarding and compulsive buying behavior in cultural context of Pakistan. Also identify the personality trait that makes people vulnerable towards hoarding and compulsive buying behavior. Mixed method technique was used for this study. Purposive sampling technique was used for data collection (n=223). SI-revised inventory (SI-R; Frost, Steketee, & Grisham, 2004), IPIP-CAT and compulsive buying scale (E compulsive buying, Edwards, 1993) were used for quantitative analysis. Some questions were also developed to collect descriptive data for content analysis. Results of content analysis provide cultural trend and patterns of hoarding behavior while quantitative study Pearson correlation shows significant relationship oh hoarding with anger, anxiousness, cognitive problems, health anxiety, peculiarity and social withdrawal. Compulsive buying show significant relationship with health anxiety, rigidity, perfectionism social withdrawal submissiveness, work holism, irresponsibility and manipulatives further analysis explain the effect of gender and age on hoarding and compulsive buying behavior. While comparison of hoarder and non-hoarders show no difference inters of compulsive buying. The findings of the study have wide implications for the psychologists, clinicians as it provides an in-depth insight about the dynamics of hoarding and compulsive buying behavior in relation to the personality traits

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