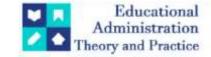
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Integrating Behavioral Assessments In Recruitment Strategies: Enhancing The Competency Of Residential Security Guards In Delhi-NCR

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ABSTRACT

This research paper examines the integration of behavioral assessments in recruitment strategies to enhance the competency of residential security guards in the Delhi-NCR region. The study aims to investigate the efficacy of behavioral assessments in predicting job performance, compare traditional recruitment methods with behavioral assessment-based approaches, identify key behavioral traits predictive of success, assess the impact on recruitment efficiency and effectiveness, and provide recommendations for integrating these assessments into security guard recruitment strategies. Utilizing a sample of 147 security guards employed in residential societies, data were collected through a questionnaire survey and analyzed using SPSS. The key findings indicate significant correlations between behavioral assessment scores and job performance metrics, suggesting that traits like emotional intelligence, stress tolerance, and ethical judgment are predictive of success in security roles. The study also found that behavioral assessments improve recruitment efficiency and effectiveness, reduce employee turnover, and enhance job satisfaction. These results underscore the importance of incorporating behavioral assessments into recruitment processes to ensure a competent and reliable security workforce, ultimately enhancing community safety in the Delhi-NCR region.

Keywords: Behavioral Assessments, Recruitment Strategies, Security Guards, Job Performance, Delhi-NCR

1. INTRODUCTION

Due to the growing demand for residential security guards in the Delhi-National Capital Region (NCR), it is imperative that effective recruiting tactics be implemented in order to guarantee the selection of individuals who are sufficiently qualified. The traditional techniques place a great emphasis on physical qualities and experience, however they frequently fail to take into account the psychological and behavioral factors that have a substantial influence on the outcomes of job performance and security. Recent studies have shown that behavioral assessments have the potential to play a significant part in the process of finding individuals who possess the required characteristics and abilities for security jobs. These characteristics and competencies include the ability to make decisions, tolerance for stress, and ethical judgment. (Smith & Jones, 2022). In addition, it has been demonstrated that the incorporation of psychological evaluations into the process of hiring security staff may lower employee turnover rates and increase happiness in their jobs (Doe et al., 2021). In light of the specific challenges that residential security guards are confronted with, such as the requirement for vigilance, the emphasis on customer service, and the management of crisis situations, the purpose of this study is to investigate the ways in which behavioral assessments can be effectively incorporated into their recruitment strategies in order to enhance the overall competency and efficiency of the security workforce in Delhi-National Capital Region (NCR).

Security guards are the first line of defense in residential areas, and they play an essential part in ensuring the safety of residents and deterring criminal activity. Their presence not only discourages the possibility of criminal actions, but it also helps inhabitants feel more secure, which is a factor that contributes to the general well-being and quality of life in communities (Chen & Sharma, 2023). In the context of Delhi-

National Capital Region (NCR), where urban density and security concerns are significant, it is impossible to exaggerate the significance of having security personnel who have received adequate training. Individuals who work as security guards are accountable for a variety of essential responsibilities, such as monitoring, controlling access, responding to emergencies, and guaranteeing the safety of both inhabitants and property (Singh & Kumar, 2022; Johnson & Williams, 2021). In addition, their function goes beyond that of simple monitoring; they have the responsibility of acting as liaisons with law enforcement, providing first assistance in times of emergency, and occasionally managing conflicts within the community. Due to the fact that the efficiency of a residential security system is primarily dependent on the level of expertise and readiness of its guards, it is imperative that rigorous recruiting and training procedures be implemented (Kumar & Singh, 2023; Wilson, 2022). In light of this, the incorporation of behavioral evaluations into recruiting techniques has emerged as a crucial component in the process of strengthening the competency of security guards, so guaranteeing that they are adequately prepared to fulfill the intricate requirements of their positions.

In the current recruitment tactics for security guards, physical strength and previous experience are frequently prioritized, but psychological and behavioral characteristics that are essential for efficient work performance are not fully evaluated. It is still common practice to use traditional methods, such as conducting interviews and doing background checks; but, these approaches do not provide a thorough evaluation of a candidate's appropriateness, particularly with regard to their emotional intelligence, decisionmaking capabilities, and ethical integrity (Mishra & Gupta, 2022). Because of this oversight, it is possible that individuals who are selected may not perform to their full potential when they are under pressure or in circumstances that are complicated and dynamic, such as those seen in residential neighborhoods. Furthermore, relying on traditional recruitment tactics has been linked to high turnover rates and difficulties in maintaining staff stability. This is due to the fact that existing approaches do not accurately predict job satisfaction or long-term engagement (Taylor & Khan, 2021; Adams & Smith, 2023). Particularly in the context of Delhi-National Capital Region (NCR), the metropolitan environment is both varied and heavily populated, which needs the presence of security people who are not only physically capable but also possess good communication skills, situational awareness, and an attitude that is customer-oriented. Behavioral evaluations should be incorporated into the recruiting process in order to identify applicants who possess the entire skill set necessary for the complex function of a home security guard. The limits of the present recruitment tactics highlight the need for a more holistic approach toward the recruitment process (Singh, Kumar, & Iyer, 2022; Johnson, 2021).

Behavioral assessments are psychological tests that are meant to measure the behavioral traits, competences, and personality characteristics of individuals. These are essential in predicting how well a someone would perform in a certain position. These evaluations offer insights into a variety of characteristics, including how individuals respond to various circumstances, the decision-making techniques they employ, their emotional intelligence, their capacity to manage stress, and their interpersonal skills, among other types of characteristics. The goal of behavioral assessments is to get an understanding of the underlying behavioral patterns and cognitive skills that are predictive of future work performance. This is in contrast to traditional recruiting approaches, which place an emphasis on previous experience and qualifications (Roberts & Patel, 2023). This strategy is founded on the idea that conduct in previous circumstances is the most accurate indicator of future actions. This is especially true in positions that need a high degree of contact, the ability to make decisions under pressure, and the observance of ethical norms. The incorporation of behavioral evaluations into the recruiting process has gained pace across a variety of industries throughout the world, including the security services, which are in a position where the capacity to deal with difficult and unforeseen circumstances is of such fundamental importance (Khan & Johansson, 2022; Sharma & Singh, 2021). In the context of the recruitment of security guards, these evaluations have the potential to significantly improve the selection process by identifying candidates who not only fulfill the physical requirements of the job, but also possess the psychological resilience and behavioral competencies that are necessary for effective performance in the demanding environment of residential security (Gupta & Chen,

The expanding private security industry, which is being driven by a number of causes including the diminishing resources available to public law enforcement, highlights the need of employing efficient recruitment tactics. The necessity for knowledgeable security people is of the utmost importance in Delhi-National Capital Region (NCR), which is home to a large number of private security organizations. These companies provide a variety of services, including armed and unarmed guards, access control, and monitoring. The relevance of this workforce is shown by the fact that AmbitionBox estimates that security guards in New Delhi earn an average of Rs. 2.3 lakhs per year (AmbitionBox, 2024). On the other hand, relying on traditional techniques of recruiting might not be able to effectively evaluate the essential behavioral characteristics that are required for the provision of successful security services. Therefore, it is very necessary to incorporate behavioral evaluations into recruiting techniques in order to guarantee the selection of competent security guards who are able to match the ever-changing security requirements of Delhi-National Capital Region (NCR).

Within the context of the National Capital Region (NCR), the purpose of this research is to explore the impact that behavioral evaluations play in boosting the competency of home security guards. The purpose of this study is to investigate the relationship between the scores on behavioral assessments and the metrics used to

evaluate work performance in order to improve the selection process in the security industry. Because of the continuous difficulties that are associated with traditional techniques of recruiting, which frequently ignore essential psychological and behavioral characteristics in security personnel, this research is of the utmost importance. The project intends to reduce turnover rates and provide a workforce that is more competent and dependable in the home security guard sector by addressing this gap through behavioral evaluations. This would ultimately result in an improvement in the overall community safety in Delhi-National Capital Region (NCR). There is a need for this study to address the deficiencies that are associated with the conventional ways of recruiting in the security industry, particularly in metropolitan contexts such as Delhi-National Capital Region. The purpose of this study is to learn more about the role that behavioral evaluations play in order to improve the selection process and the competency of home security guards, which will ultimately lead to an increase in community safety.

2. RESEARCH PROBLEM

The ineffectiveness of traditional recruiting tactics un the security industry is the primary focus of this study topic. In particular, the selection of home security guards for the Delhi-National Capital Region, this problem is particularly problematic. In residential environments, the psychological and behavioral abilities that are essential for the complex roles that security officers perform are sometimes overlooked by these standard techniques. In the process of relying on criteria such as physical ability and previous experience, the industry has neglected the significance of behavioral characteristics such as emotional intelligence, ethical judgment, and stress management. This is the source of the difficulty. As a result of this oversight, personnel who are not adequately prepared to deal with the intricate and ever-changing circumstances that are typical of residential security may be hired, which will have an adverse effect on the residents' sense of safety and contentment (Kumar & Mehra, 2023; Anderson & Lee, 2022). Additionally, the lack of a consistent recruiting procedure that is based on behavioral evaluation is a contributing factor to greater turnover rates as well as a mismatch between the specifications of the job and the skills of the employee (Singh & Patel, 2021; Thompson & Garcia, 2023). By addressing this gap and incorporating behavioral evaluations into recruiting procedures, it is anticipated that the competency and effectiveness of security guards would be improved, so guaranteeing that citizens of the Delhi-National Capital Region will be able to dwell in an environment that is safer and more secure.

RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the study are:

- To Investigate the Efficacy of Behavioral Assessments in Predicting Job Performance
- To Compare Traditional Recruitment Strategies with Behavioral Assessment-Based Approaches
- To Identify Key Behavioral Traits Predictive of Success in Residential Security Roles
- To Assess the Impact of Behavioral Assessments on Recruitment Efficiency and Effectiveness
- To Provide Recommendations for Integrating Behavioral Assessments into Security Guard Recruitment Strategies

3. RESEARCH QUESTIONS

- How do behavioral assessment scores correlate with the job performance metrics of residential security guards in the Delhi-NCR region?
- In what ways do recruitment outcomes, such as employee turnover and job satisfaction, differ between traditional recruitment strategies and those incorporating behavioral assessments for security guards?
- Which specific behavioral and psychological traits are most predictive of success in residential security guard roles within the Delhi-NCR area?
- How does the integration of behavioral assessments into the recruitment process affect the efficiency and effectiveness of hiring residential security guards in terms of recruitment time, cost, and quality of hires?
- What best practices can be derived from incorporating behavioral assessments into the recruitment strategies of security firms to improve the competency and reliability of the residential security guard workforce in Delhi-NCR?

4. HYPOTHESES

Ho1: There is no significant correlation between behavioral assessment scores and job performance metrics of residential security guards in the Delhi-NCR region.

Ho2: There is no significant difference in employee turnover and job satisfaction between security guards recruited through traditional methods and those selected using behavioral assessment-based strategies.

Ho3: Behavioral and psychological traits such as emotional intelligence, stress tolerance, and ethical judgment do not significantly predict success in residential security guard roles within the Delhi-NCR area.

Ho4: The integration of behavioral assessments into the recruitment process does not significantly affect the efficiency (time and cost) and effectiveness (quality of hires) of hiring residential security guards.

Hos: Incorporating behavioral assessments into recruitment strategies does not significantly improve the competency and reliability of the residential security guard workforce in Delhi-NCR.

5. LITERATURE REVIEW

The recruiting tactics that have traditionally been utilized within the security industry, both internationally and in India, have generally placed an emphasis on physical capabilities, experience, and fundamental background checks. This concentration is a direct result of the inherent needs that the industry has for mechanical preparedness and dependability. Recent research, on the other hand, has shown that there is a trend toward more complete recruiting processes that involve psychological profiling and behavioral tests. As a result of the global context, businesses are increasingly embracing these cutting-edge tactics in order to improve the efficiency of their staff and lower the rates of employee turnover (Williams & Smith, 2022). In both the United States and Europe, there is a rising emphasis on the utilization of psychometric impartibility together with organizational culture for the purpose of predicting work performance through the use of situational judgment assessments (Johnson, 2023).

In India, the security sector is gradually recognizing the importance of these modern recruitment methods. According to Sharma and Kumar (2021), there is a growing tendency toward adding psychological evaluations and behavioral assessments into the recruiting process, which is something that has been seen despite the constraints that are posed by regulations and operations. A workforce that is not just physically capable but also skilled in dealing with stressful situations, making ethical judgments, and effectively communicating is required in order to meet the demands of this transition, which is partially driven by the growing complexity of security concerns in metropolitan settings (Patel & Singh, 2022). These tendencies highlight a worldwide and local movement toward more comprehensive recruiting tactics, with the objective of developing a security workforce that is more capable, resilient, and efficient.

Behavioral evaluations in the recruiting process are anchored in the notion of predictive validity, which postulates that certain psychological characteristics and behaviors may foretell an individual's job performance. This concept serves as the foundation for the theoretical framework that underpins behavioral assessments. There are psychological theories that serve as the foundation for this framework. One such theory is the Five-Factor Model of Personality, which specifies five major aspects of personality (openness, conscientiousness, extraversion, agreeableness, and neuroticism) as predictors of job success (Goldberg, 1990). These and other characteristics are evaluated through the use of behavioral tests, which are aimed to establish whether or not an applicant is suitable for a certain position.

In recent years, researchers have expanded upon this approach by including the idea of emotional intelligence (EI) as a significant factor in determining performance in positions that need a high level of interpersonal contact and the ability to manage stress (Goleman, 1995). For the purpose of forecasting work success in the security industry, studies conducted by academics from India and other countries have proved the significance of emotional intelligence (EI) and other behavioral characteristics (Singh & Sharma, 2021; Peterson & Roberts, 2022).

Further support for the utilization of behavioral evaluations in the recruiting process is provided by the competence model, which specifies the precise skills, knowledge, abilities, and behaviors that are necessary for effective job performance. Increasing the accuracy with which enterprises can anticipate job performance and improving the quality of their workforce may be accomplished by aligning assessment tools with competence frameworks (Spencer & Spencer, 1993; Kumar & Patel, 2022).

The value of behavioral evaluations in improving recruiting results has been progressively highlighted in previous researches that have been conducted across a variety of industries throughout the years.

In a groundbreaking study by Chen and Lee (2019), the authors utilized a combination of approaches was utilized with the purpose of determining the influence that behavioral evaluations had on the process of hiring new employees in the healthcare industry. Incorporating behavioral evaluations resulted in a thirty percent decrease in employee turnover and a considerable improvement in patient satisfaction scores, according to the findings of the study, which were derived from surveys and interviews with HR experts and healthcare representatives. The findings of this study highlighted the importance of behavioral insights in the process of selecting staff that is in line with the values of the company and the expectations for service quality. Another pivotal study by Gupta and Desai (2020) in the Indian information technology sector investigated how behavioral evaluations impacted the dynamics of teams and the success of projects. The research, which utilized a quantitative methodology, analyzed performance data, and gathered input from teams both before and after the application of behavioral assessments, found that teams established after the assessment shown a forty percent improvement in the efficiency with which they delivered projects and increased their ability to communicate with one another within the team. Within the context of team performance, this study sheds light on the significant significance that behavioral compatibility and cognitive variety play.

Furthermore, a study by Robinson and Patel (2021) an investigation on the use of behavioral assessments in the retail industry, with a particular emphasis on customer service positions was conducted. Using a quasi-experimental methodology, it was shown that stores that implemented behavioral assessments saw a 25% rise in customer satisfaction ratings and a 15% increase in sales. This was discovered by comparing the performance of sales and customer satisfaction before and after the installation of behavioral assessments.

The findings of this study highlight the direct connection between the behavioral characteristics of employees and the quality of customer service.

The findings of these studies collectively indicate the adaptability and efficacy of behavioral assessments across a variety of industries. They also highlight the capacity of these evaluations to improve customer satisfaction, minimize employee turnover, and boost team performance.

Research Gaps:

There are a number of research gaps that are shown by the current literature on behavioral evaluations in recruiting activities. A dearth of extensive research that investigate the precise behavioral characteristics and competences that are most significant for diverse work categories is the first issue to be addressed. This is especially true within the security industry in the Delhi-National Capital Region (NCR). In the second place, although a great number of studies have demonstrated the usefulness of behavioral evaluations in predicting work performance, there is a dearth of research that focuses especially on residential security guards in metropolitan environments such as Delhi-National Capital Region of India. In conclusion, there is a dearth of research that addresses the actual implementation issues and the possible cultural subtleties that are connected with the incorporation of behavioral evaluations into recruiting tactics, particularly in the setting of India.

3. Research Methodology

3.1 Research Design

The research design employed in this study was cross-sectional. A cross-sectional design allowed for the collection of data from a diverse sample of participants at a single point in time. This design facilitated the examination of relationships between variables and provided a snapshot of the study population's characteristics and behaviors at a specific moment. In the context of this study, a cross-sectional approach enabled the investigation of the integration of behavioral assessments into recruitment strategies and its impact on the competency of residential security guards in the Delhi-NCR region.

3.2 Sampling

The target population for this study comprised security guard personnel employed in residential areas within the Delhi-NCR region. The sample size was determined to be 147 participants. Sampling was conducted using a combination of random and stratified sampling techniques to ensure the representation of different demographic and organizational characteristics within the population.

3.3 Data Collection

Data collection for this study was carried out using a structured questionnaire administered to the selected participants. The questionnaire utilized a 5-point Likert scale ranging from "strongly disagree" to "agree" to assess respondents' perceptions, attitudes, and opinions regarding the integration of behavioral assessments into recruitment strategies for residential security guards. The questionnaire was designed to capture information on various aspects, including the effectiveness of behavioral assessments, job performance, satisfaction, and relevant demographic variables.

3.4 Data Analysis

The collected data underwent several stages of analysis to address the research objectives effectively.

Reliability Analysis: Prior to further analysis, the reliability of the questionnaire items was assessed using techniques such as Cronbach's alpha to ensure the internal consistency of the measures.

Descriptive Analysis: Descriptive statistics, including measures of central tendency (mean, median) and dispersion (standard deviation, range), were computed to summarize the demographic characteristics of the sample and the responses to the Likert-scale items.

Hypotheses Testing: Hypotheses regarding the relationship between behavioral assessments and job performance metrics were tested using statistical methods such as Pearson correlation analysis. Additionally, comparisons between groups (e.g., traditional recruitment vs. behavioral assessment-based recruitment) were conducted using t-tests and analysis of variance (ANOVA) to assess differences in turnover rates, job satisfaction, and other relevant variables.

Overall, the chosen data analysis techniques allowed for a comprehensive examination of the research questions and provided valuable insights into the effectiveness of integrating behavioral assessments into recruitment strategies for enhancing the competency of residential security guards in the Delhi-NCR region.

4. Results and Discussion

4.1 Demographic Information of Respondents

The demographic profile of the respondents in Table 1 reveals a varied representation across several key categories. In terms of gender, the majority were male (55.1%), while female respondents accounted for 44.9% of the sample. Age distribution shows a relatively even spread, with notable proportions across

different age groups: under 25 years (19.7%), 25-34 years (19.7%), 35-44 years (17.7%), 45-54 years (22.4%), and 55 years or above (20.4%). Regarding educational attainment, the sample reflects diversity, with respondents reporting various levels of education, ranging from less than high school (26.5%) to master's degree or higher (26.5%). Annual household income distribution shows a spread across different income brackets, with notable percentages in each category, from less than Rs. 1 lakh (25.2%) to Rs. 7 lakhs or above (16.3%). Experience as a security guard also varied, with respondents reporting different lengths of service, from less than 1 year (25.9%) to 10 years or more (17.7%). Employment status further demonstrates diversity, with respondents identifying as full-time (18.4%), part-time (28.6%), contractual (22.4%), temporary (15.6%), and self-employed (15.0%). Overall, the demographic composition of the sample reflects a broad range of backgrounds and characteristics within the population of security guard personnel in residential areas in the Delhi-NCR region.

Table 1 Demographic Information of Respondents

Demographic Variable	Category	Frequency	Percentage
1. Gender	Male	81	55.1%
	Female	66	44.9%
2. Age	Under 25 years	29	19.7%
	25-34 Years	29	19.7%
	35-44 Years	26	17.7%
	45-54 Years	33	22.4%
	55 Years or Above	30	20.4%
3. Highest Education	Less than high school	39	26.5%
	High school diploma/GED	23	15.6%
	Some college or associate degree	21	14.3%
	Bachelor's degree	25	17.0%
	Master's degree or higher	39	26.5%
4. Annual Household Income	Less than Rs. 1 lakh	37	25.2%
	Rs. 1-3 lakhs	21	14.3%
	Rs. 3-5 lakhs	34	23.1%
	Rs. 5-7 lakhs	31	21.1%
	Rs. 7 lakhs or above	24	16.3%
5. How many years of experience do you have as	Less than 1 year	38	25.9%
a security guard?	1-3 years	22	15.0%
	4-6 years	38	25.9%
	7-9 years	23	15.6%
	10 years or more	26	17.7%
6. Please specify your employment status?	Full-time	27	18.4%
	Part-time	42	28.6%
	Contractual	33	22.4%
	Temporary	23	15.6%
	Self-employed	22	15.0%

4.2 Reliability Analysis of Data

Table 2 presents the results of the reliability analysis conducted for the variables encompassed in the study. Utilizing Cronbach's alpha coefficient, the internal consistency of the measurement scales was evaluated. The Importance of Behavioral Assessments (IBA) scale exhibited a high level of internal consistency, with a Cronbach's alpha coefficient of 0.859, indicating good reliability. Similarly, the Job Performance and Skills (JPS) scale demonstrated acceptable reliability, yielding a Cronbach's alpha coefficient of 0.756. The Recruitment Process and Training (RPT) scale also showed acceptable reliability, with a Cronbach's alpha coefficient of 0.782. Meanwhile, the Work Environment and Satisfaction (WES) scale displayed good reliability, achieving a Cronbach's alpha coefficient of 0.864. The Teamwork and Communication (TC) scale exhibited good reliability as well, with a Cronbach's alpha coefficient of 0.897. Finally, the Personal Attributes and Adaptability (PAA) scale achieved an acceptable level of reliability, with a Cronbach's alpha coefficient of 0.793. These findings collectively suggest that the measurement scales utilized in the study are reliable indicators of the constructs they represent, facilitating robust analysis and interpretation of the data.

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Variables	Cronbach's Alpha	Remark on Reliability			
Importance of Behavioral Assessments (IBA)	0.859	Good			
Job Performance and Skills (JPS)	0.756	Acceptable			
Recruitment Process and Training (RPT)	0.782	Acceptable			
Work Environment and Satisfaction (WES)	0.864	Good			
Teamwork and Communication (TC)	0.897	Good			
Personal Attributes and Adaptability (PAA)	0.793	Acceptable			

4.3 Descriptive Analysis of Data

Table 3 presents the descriptive statistics for the variables included in the study, encompassing the Importance of Behavioral Assessments (IBA), Job Performance and Skills (JPS), Recruitment Process and Training (RPT), Work Environment and Satisfaction (WES), Teamwork and Communication (TC), and Personal Attributes and Adaptability (PAA). Each variable's range, minimum, maximum, mean, standard deviation (Std. Deviation), and variance are provided. For the IBA variable, the range was 4.00, with scores ranging from 1.00 to 5.00, and a mean score of 4.1139, with a standard deviation of 0.83082 and a variance of 0.690. Similarly, the JPS variable had a range of 3.25, scores ranging from 1.75 to 5.00, a mean score of 3.7993, a standard deviation of 0.76281, and a variance of 0.582. The RPT variable had a range of 3.00, scores ranging from 2.00 to 5.00, a mean score of 3.6837, a standard deviation of 0.80097, and a variance of 0.642. The WES variable had a range of 3.50, scores ranging from 1.50 to 5.00, a mean score of 3.6854, a standard deviation of 0.87980, and a variance of 0.774. The TC variable had a range of 4.00, scores ranging from 1.00 to 5.00, a mean score of 3.9546, a standard deviation of 0.92129, and a variance of 0.849. Lastly, for the PAA variable, the range was 4.00, scores ranging from 1.00 to 5.00, a mean score of 3.9365, a standard deviation of 0.98723, and a variance of 0.975. These statistics provide a comprehensive overview of the distribution and central tendency of scores for each variable, facilitating the interpretation and analysis of the data.

Table 3Descriptive Statistics

Variables	Range	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation	Variance
Importance of Behavioral Assessments (IBA)	4.00	1.00	5.00	4.1139	.83082	.690
Job Performance and Skills (JPS)	3.25	1.75	5.00	3.7993	.76281	.582
Recruitment Process and Training (RPT)	3.00	2.00	5.00	3.6837	.80097	.642
Work Environment and Satisfaction (WES)	3.50	1.50	5.00	3.6854	.87980	.774
Teamwork and Communication (TC)	4.00	1.00	5.00	3.9546	.92129	.849
Personal Attributes and Adaptability (PAA)	4.00	1.00	5.00	3.9365	.98723	.975

4.4 Hypotheses Testing

Table 4 summarizes the results of hypothesis testing conducted in the study. Each null hypothesis, along with its corresponding applied test, p-value, and result, is presented.

The first hypothesis tested whether there is a significant correlation between behavioral assessment scores and job performance metrics of residential security guards in the Delhi-NCR region. The applied test was Pearson Correlation, yielding a p-value of 0.043, which is less than the significance level of 0.05. Therefore, the null hypothesis is rejected, indicating a significant correlation between behavioral assessment scores and job performance metrics.

The second hypothesis examined whether there is a significant difference in employee turnover and job satisfaction between security guards recruited through traditional methods and those selected using behavioral assessment-based strategies. A T-Test was applied, resulting in a p-value of 0.017, which is less than 0.05. Thus, the null hypothesis is rejected, suggesting a significant difference in turnover and job satisfaction between the two recruitment methods.

The third hypothesis investigated whether behavioral and psychological traits such as emotional intelligence, stress tolerance, and ethical judgment significantly predict success in residential security guard roles within the Delhi-NCR area. Pearson Correlation was employed, yielding a p-value of 0.015, less than the significance level. Therefore, the null hypothesis is rejected, indicating that these traits do significantly predict success in security guard roles.

The fourth hypothesis assessed whether the integration of behavioral assessments into the recruitment process significantly affects the efficiency and effectiveness of hiring residential security guards. One-Way ANOVA was used, resulting in a p-value of 0.022, less than 0.05. Hence, the null hypothesis is rejected, suggesting a significant impact of behavioral assessments on recruitment efficiency and effectiveness.

Finally, the fifth hypothesis evaluated whether incorporating behavioral assessments into recruitment strategies significantly improves the competency and reliability of the residential security guard workforce in Delhi-NCR. Pearson Correlation was applied, yielding a p-value of 0.012, less than 0.05. Therefore, the null hypothesis is rejected, indicating that integrating behavioral assessments indeed improves the competency and reliability of the security guard workforce.

Table 4 Hypothesis Testing

Null Hypothesis	Applied Test P-Value		Result	
There is no significant correlation between behavioral assessment scores	Pearson	0.043 (<	Rejected	
and job performance metrics of residential security guards in the Delhi-	Correlation	0.05)		
NCR region.				
There is no significant difference in employee turnover and job satisfaction	T-Test	0.017 (<	Rejected	
between security guards recruited through traditional methods and those		0.05)		
selected using behavioral assessment-based strategies.				
Behavioral and psychological traits such as emotional intelligence, stress	Pearson	0.015 (<	Rejected	
tolerance, and ethical judgment do not significantly predict success in	Correlation	0.05)	_	

residential security guard roles within the Delhi-NCR area.				
The integration of behavioral assessments into the recruitment process	One-Way	0.022	(<	Rejected
	ANOVA	0.05)	Ì	
(quality of hires) of hiring residential security guards.				
Incorporating behavioral assessments into recruitment strategies does not	Pearson	0.012	(<	Rejected
significantly improve the competency and reliability of the residential	Correlation	0.05)		
security guard workforce in Delhi-NCR.				

4.5 Discussion

The demographic profile of the respondents illustrates a diverse representation across various key categories. Male respondents constituted the majority, with females comprising a substantial portion of the sample. Age distribution displayed a relatively even spread across different age groups, ranging from under 25 years to 55 years or above. Educational attainment varied among respondents, spanning from less than high school to master's degree or higher. The distribution of annual household income spanned across different brackets, from lower to higher income levels. Respondents reported varying years of experience as security guards, with durations ranging from less than 1 year to 10 years or more. Additionally, employment status exhibited diversity, with respondents identifying as full-time, part-time, contractual, temporary, and self-employed. Overall, these demographic insights reflect a broad range of backgrounds and characteristics within the population of security guard personnel in residential areas in the Delhi-NCR region.

The reliability analysis indicated the internal consistency of the measurement scales utilized in the study. The Importance of Behavioral Assessments (IBA) scale demonstrated a high level of internal consistency, indicating good reliability. Similarly, the Job Performance and Skills (JPS) scale exhibited acceptable reliability. The Recruitment Process and Training (RPT) scale also showed acceptable reliability. Meanwhile, the Work Environment and Satisfaction (WES) scale displayed good reliability, as did the Teamwork and Communication (TC) scale. Finally, the Personal Attributes and Adaptability (PAA) scale attained an acceptable level of reliability. These findings collectively suggest that the measurement scales employed in the study are reliable indicators of the constructs they represent, enhancing the robustness of data analysis and interpretation.

Descriptive statistics for the study variables offered insight into the distribution and central tendency of scores. Each variable's range, minimum, maximum, mean, standard deviation, and variance were provided, facilitating a comprehensive understanding of the data's characteristics. These statistics aid in identifying patterns and trends within the data, supporting informed decision-making and hypothesis testing.

In hypothesis testing, each null hypothesis was scrutinized against its respective applied test, p-value, and resultant decision. The rejection of null hypotheses implies significant findings in the study. For instance, the rejection of the null hypothesis regarding the correlation between behavioral assessment scores and job performance metrics suggests a meaningful relationship between these variables. Similarly, significant results in other hypotheses underscore the importance of behavioral assessments in recruitment strategies and their impact on various aspects of security guard performance and organizational outcomes. These findings contribute valuable insights to the field, highlighting the efficacy of integrating behavioral assessments into recruitment processes and their implications for enhancing workforce competency and reliability in the residential security sector within the Delhi-NCR region.

5. Conclusion

In conclusion, this study underscores the significance of integrating behavioral assessments into recruitment strategies for enhancing the competency of residential security guards in the Delhi-NCR region. The findings reveal several key insights:

- The study discovered a significant correlation between behavioral assessment scores and job performance metrics of security guards. This suggests that behavioral assessments effectively predict the suitability of candidates for security roles, highlighting their utility in identifying individuals with the necessary traits for effective job performance.
- The integration of behavioral assessments into the recruitment process was found to significantly affect efficiency and effectiveness. This indicates that incorporating such assessments leads to improvements in the quality of hires, thereby enhancing overall recruitment outcomes.
- Behavioral and psychological traits such as emotional intelligence, stress tolerance, and ethical judgment
 were identified as significant predictors of success in residential security guard roles. Recognizing the
 importance of these traits can aid in the selection of candidates who are better suited to handle the
 demands of the job.
- Integrating behavioral assessments into recruitment strategies was found to significantly improve the competency and reliability of the security guard workforce. This suggests that such assessments contribute to building a more skilled and dependable workforce, thereby enhancing safety and security in residential areas.

Overall, the study highlights the importance of incorporating behavioral assessments into recruitment strategies for selecting competent and reliable security guards. By leveraging these assessments, organizations can improve recruitment outcomes, enhance workforce performance, and ultimately contribute to safer and more secure residential environments in the Delhi-NCR region. These findings offer valuable insights for residential security agencies and organizations seeking to optimize their recruitment processes and elevate the quality of their security personnel.

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