Job Stress and Burnout Among University Teachers With Mediating Effect of Social and Gender Support

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ABSTRACT

The core objective of the research was to analyze the association between job stress and burnout among university teachers. It has been observed that stress and burnout is the natural phenomenon present in every working place, particularly among university teachers. Therefore a quantitative survey was conducted to determine whether stress and burnout are related and the impact of social support and gender differences on the relationship. For statistical analysis, teachers from four public universities in Lahore city were taken as samples. Survey questionnaires were distributed among 400 teachers through stratified random sampling. The results show that stress and burnout are positively correlated, but social support can mediate in reducing the stress to burnout relationship. Social support as a moderator plays a vital role in suppressing the pressure build-up among the teachers due to job stress and burnout. This study might be beneficial for teachers in understanding the consequences of stress and the importance of social support from university and family. This study might help retain work-life balance among teachers.

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1. Introduction

The present study analyzes how gender and social support influence job-associated stress and burnout among university teachers. However, job-associated stress and burnout are the two major factors affecting teachers' performance in university. In so doing, a survey was carried out of 400 public university teachers. Besides, the expansive scope of the teaching industry, the focal point of this research is the university teachers of four public universities in Lahore.

Teachers incorporate high remaining tasks at hand and experience negative network states of mind towards the educating calling. Teachers respond to these Job-associated stressors, which are
shown in a disorder called 'burnout.' In the present examination, the 'force' and 'recurrence' as scores have been mulled over as estimated by Maslach Burnout Inventory (MBI) created by Christina Maslach (Mushtaque et al., 2021)

Job-associated stress in the teaching profession is a current issue of concern for those tangled in education. The retention of teachers is a complex issue because it includes factors such as high commitment to the teaching profession, job performance and job satisfaction, family life, and self-confidence to perform the Job. If Job-associated stress converts into a chronic condition, it can ensure burnout, which decreases teachers' efficiency in the classroom and also affects students' performance (Jiang et al., 2017)

Job-associated stress is common during teaching (Zaheer, 2016). There is not just a single factor that leads to Job-associated stress and burnout in teachers. Furthermore, previous research indicates that burnout does not occur quickly or instantly after a job-associated stressful situation. However, Job-associated stress happens over a very long period (Martínez-Monteagudo et al., 2019).

Burnout affects teachers related to a job aimed at helping others, i.e., Teaching. Burnout has three phases: emotional exhaustion, depersonalization, and reduced personal accomplishment. Teaching profession includes building responsive and emotional relationships with coworkers, students, friends, and parents, which can rely on teachers' emotions (Jiang et al., 2017).

The Negative effects of job-associated stress and burnout among teachers can impact the teachers and the institutions as a whole, i.e., administration, colleagues, parents, friends, and especially their students. Every teacher needs to recognize the emotional and physical responses to Job-associated stress and work against it to manage and cope with the symptoms of Job-associated stress throughout the workday, professional year, and career in education (Malik et al., 2017).

Job-associated stress and burnout individuals inside a job-associated stressful association require sound interpersonal support. Great connections tend to improve sentiments of confidence and empower teachers not to feel separated. One needs to inspect the significance of job struggle and job over-stack. The focal issue may be the contrariness between the diverse jobs - peaceful, educational, and regulatory and between job desires and the personality manners of people. The research questions of the study are the following.

- What level of Job-associated stress is found in university teachers?
- To what extent social support, if necessary, for the teachers to overcome Job-associated stress?
- To find out whether, with gender differences, job-associated stress to burnout relation also differs?

The following objectives were formulated for the present research study:

- To assess job-associated stress and level of burnout among university teachers;
- To assess the availability of social support among university teachers;
- To see whether or not social support and gender mediates the Job-associated stress and level of burnout, if any, among university teachers;

2. Mental Health and Teaching Profession
Psychotic non-psychotic, and psychoneurosis are the basic mental diseases characterized by a
loss of contact with the real emotional in-stability environment inheritance, and psychological disturbance are the main causes. Physical test, case history, interview, mental test, and personality test are the basic practices to know the root of mental illness of teachers to overcome the suffering condition from depression and job-associated stress for a very long time. Through proper teachers' counseling, client-centered therapy, change in environment, job-related therapy, and proper medication mental health of teachers can be cured. Teachers' mental health is a big alarm in our society (Robins et al., 2019).

Empirical studies of teacher burnout have endeavored to recognize the teacher attributes related to higher burnout levels. University teachers accounted for more prominent job-associated stress. University teachers accounted for more adverse states of mind toward students (depersonalization). At last, university teachers accounted for a more noteworthy feeling of individual achievement (Dubuc-Charbonneau & Durand-Bush, 2018).

The problem addressed in this research is how Job-associated stress leads to burnout and how social support influences the relationship between job-associated stress and burnout (Ellbin et al., 2018). However, researchers have consistently found that unmanaged job-associated stress leads to burnout. Although researches have already been done on this issue, the unique object addressed in this research is social and gender support in the teaching profession. The reason for selecting university teachers as the respondent of the research study is that university teachers face various time scheduling problems and workload, which creates job-associated stress. The main objective of this research is to find out how job-associated stress and burnout are interrelated and at what extend social support affects their relationship (Ellbin et al., 2018).

### 2.1 Significance of the Research Study

The main purpose of this research study is to analyze Job-associated stress and burnout among university teachers with the availability of social support. The second purpose of this research study is to measure whether or not social support mediates the effect of Job-associated stress and level of burnout among university teachers. This research study has looked into public university teachers in Lahore city.

Moreover, there has been a growing unfrowned of reports distributed by an association of teachers and articles in magazines and diaries for teachers. Such distributed examinations on teachers' Job-associated stress and related burnout conditions build a larger problem as far as current conspiracy created worldwide, as confirmed by the substantial number of courses/meetings managing this solid issue and monstrous universal correspondence occurring (Ellbin et al., 2018).

This research has analyzed that Job-associated stress among university teachers has a significant relationship with Burnout. The research study of Job-associated stress and level of burnout differs with gender. Social Support is a moderator in this research and is used to significantly moderate the relationship between job-associated stress and burnout (Heikkinen et al., 2021). The relationship among these variables (IV job-associated stress and social support) (DV burnout) must be identified to seek their significant relationship and mediating effect. Job-associated stress and level of burnout should be measured as more important factors as they have affected teachers' emotional stability, mental health, and physical health. Many previous types of research on Job-associated stress and level of burnout have concluded dissatisfaction with Jobs among teachers. This research has provided a new perspective to look forward to Job-associated stress, burnout, and
social support together (Garinger et al., 2018).

This research has likewise featured wellsprings of Job-associated stress and manifestations of burnout among university teachers and with the intervening impact of social support to beat their relationship. Past researches on teacher burnout demonstrated that support from colleagues and supervisors might be essential in counteracting teacher burnout. We need to figure out what specific types of social support are most valuable in avoiding teacher burnout. Our research aims to look at the effect of social support on teachers' burnout (Girishan Prabhu et al., 2020).

Evaluations were made of social support from various individuals in the teacher's social system (e.g., collaborators, companions) and of the degree to which the teacher was getting diverse types of support from his or her associations with others. Utilizing this information, we have inspected the effect of job-associated stresses and social support on teacher burnout (Worly et al., 2019).

3. **Burnout: An Overview**

Burnout is an idea that was conceived in mid-1970 in the U.S.A. which is more, with amazing velocity has progressed toward becoming right around a catchword to pass on a relatively boundless assortment of social and individual issues of American specialists. (Dabbagh et al., 2022; Pentón Herrera et al., 2022)

There is some uncertainty about the genuine degree of burnout disorder because the word has turned out to be universal and utilized in an additional standard wide assortment of settings. It is likewise utilized as a reason by some experts for irresolute endeavors, as a sign to others of the requirement for expert renewal, and as an inspiration for others to leave their field. Burnout utilized to depict a job-associated stress-related disorder that has outlined causes and manifestations (Dabbagh et al., 2022).

In any case, it is additionally utilized informally to represent a physical condition of weakness. The teachers, particularly, have incorporated the idea of burnout inside their aggregate mental self-view as specialists. Burnout said is more than a hotly debated issue. It is a significant issue that influences the welfare of many subject specialists or professors and their huge number of scholars (Barger et al., 2018).

Indeed, burnout is a standout among the essential Job-associated stress feelings. It has since quite a while ago assumed a critical job in assumptions of alteration and confusion. Burnout has been broadly held to be at the base of human hopelessness and descriptive words of disappointment. The preset period has regularly been known as the time of 'Job-associated stress and level of burnout by numerous masterminds. A few mas reminds have mentioned that burnout is the official feeling of our age (Akova et al., 2021).

3.1 **Major Determinants of Burnout**

Fischer et al. (2017) depict burnout as a 'condition of exhaustion or disappointment achieved by dedication to a reason, lifestyle or relationship that neglected to deliver the normal rewards. Although some level of combination exists concerning the meaning of burnout, mental work has been conceptualized in two essential ways. To begin with, work-centered passionate work means the phase of mental necessities, for example. These help tasks imply "individual work" (Obeid et al.,
2020), work necessities, for example, normality of correspondences with students, and occupational goals to demonstrate certain feelings. Second, representative-centered, passionate work means professional methodology or experience of dealing with feelings and articulation to satisfy necessities. This has been ascertained as mental cacophony—when expression fluctuates from feelings and as feelings control methods when one endeavors to modify the expression to satisfy perform fundamentals (Amro et al., 2022).

It is recorded that educating is viewed as a job-associated stressful occupation, and various scholars have accounted for repeating job-associated stressors in the encouraging condition. These incorporate high outstanding burdens and time weights issues with students, staff clashes, high commotion levels, stuffed classrooms, and staff rooms, and absence of acknowledgment towards the instructing profession.

One way teachers respond to these Job-associated stressors is shown in a disorder called 'burnout.' The term burnout has been utilized to depict extraordinary Job-associated stress reaction, which is particularly connected to the emotional strain of managing broadly with other individuals. There gives off an impression of no less than three parts of teacher burnout (Glock et al., 2019):

- The First is the advancement of expanded sentiments of emotional exhaustion and weakness (Hillhouse et al., 2021).
- The Second is the inclination for teachers to create negative, pessimistic states of mind toward their students.
- The Third part of burnout is simply the inclination to assess adversely, bringing about sentiments of the absence of personal achievement.

These professions are proved in the numerous examinations that have discovered the burnout impacts on a person's execution and conduct in various circumstances. Numerous reasons for burnout in the helping professions have been proposed. In education, word-related burnout may emerge from the disappointment of the workplace given to a teacher. Numerous teachers have referred to viciousness, vandalism, problematic students, insufficient pay rates, lack of class room control, lack of job versatility, and dread of cutbacks as reasons for burnout.

3.2 Burnout in the Teaching Profession
3.2.1 Loss of Enthusiasm

Most teachers enter the profession with well-meaning plans and an earnest want to encourage youngsters. Their vitality levels are high, and their goals are solid. Lion's share of teachers are individuals with fair esteem frameworks, a high feeling of motivation, a craving to be required, and an inward expectation that something constructive with youngsters through their mediation should be possible (Koressel et al., 2020).

Burnout prompts an extraordinary inversion in disposition and conduct within a couple of years, here and there, even after one year of instructing. It has been proposed that numerous who enter show reliance qualities where personal needs are met through helping others. That is why, they acquire a staggering part of their self-character from their work and have a solid agenda should be connected. At the point when teachers do not get positive reactions, criticism from students' eagerness vacillates (Hammond et al., 2019).
3.2.2. Frustration
Frustration is one of the soonest signs during the time spent burnout. As of now, a few variables may add to the Frustration of teachers inside the university and outside in the socio-political environment. Students responsiveness, developing indiscipline and savagery, uncooperative or over basic guardians, low pay and social status, and different problems of the association and the profession are a portion of the variables (Wang et al., 2022).

3.2.3. Alienation
Alienation of the expert from the workplace might be seen as a reaction or consequence of feebleness, Frustration, and loss of importance in one's work. Alienation is likewise specifically identified with the numbers of individuals with whom the professional has immediate contact. As the portion expands, a higher passionate over-burden is unavoidable (Sadusky & Spinks, 2022). Intrinsic in the encouraging profession is an abnormal state of obligation regarding countless. It has to be n discovered that teacher alienation builds:

- The less as often as possible, teachers take part in the basic leadership process;
- The more unbending the association chain of importance of power;
- The more noteworthy the level of job satisfaction and
- The more inflexible leads are authorized.

Teachers encountering burnout demonstrate several manifestations in their personal and expert life. Research has distinguished some of these side effects. Personal side effects incorporate criticism and negativism, unbending reasoning, firmness, and a shut personality, blocking progress and useful changes; expanded non-attendance and disease recurrence; weariness and developing exhaustion; loss of optimism and commitment; alienation and negligible consistency, verbalizing vulnerability and sadness and passivity; changes in conduct and social contacts, e.g., turning into a maverick, pulled back or always socializing; hyper affectability and suspicion about partners and overseers (Zhang & He, 2022).

4. Methodology
This part provides information about research procedures for the current study "Job-associated stress and burnout among University Teachers with Mediating Effect of Gender and Social Support."

4.1 Research Design
To address the research concerns and to empirically analyze the proposed hypotheses of, a quantitative research technique was followed within this research. Such a quantitative research technique is one of the normally used techniques within the area. It includes the questionnaire survey (DeMatthews et al., 2021). This part clarifies the procedures engaged with directing the research, from research configuration to report planning, and additionally demonstrating the speculation through different statistical investigations. The teachers of universities carried out a survey. Questionnaire was used as a tool for data collection.

4.2 Research Hypotheses
H1: Job-associated stress among university teachers has a significant relationship with Burnout
H2: Job-associated stress and level of burnout level differ with gender
H3: Social Support moderates the relationship between Job-associated stress and level of burnout significantly

4.3 Population of the Research study
This research study was conducted to determine the Job-associated stress and level of burnout among university teachers. So, the population of this research included all the teachers of public sector universities in Lahore.

Therefore, public sector universities that are not specific to one subject but have multiple disciplines were selected. There were ten public sector universities in Lahore city at the time of the survey. Four universities were selected through stratified random sampling.

4.4 Sampling Method
Population's subgroup is known as the sample. The research study was bounded to university teachers. The research study sample was selected through the Stratified random sampling technique.

Out of 10 public universities, four public sector universities were randomly selected from general-type universities. The approximate number of faculty staff in these universities is given above.

The sample size was calculated through an online sample size calculator at 95% confidence level and 4.4 confidence interval, for the population of 900 individuals, the sample of 400 is sufficient.

4.5 Research Instruments
The research instrument intends to gather information from collected data to accomplish the targets of the research study. Because of the descriptive nature of this research study, a questionnaire was chosen as a research tool. Questionnaire had two sections. Part I included demographic data identified with teachers, and part II comprised close-ended positive and negative statements. Closed ended statements were asked on a five-point Likert scale (from strongly disagree to agree strongly).

4.6 Reliability of the Instrument
The reliability of the tool was calculated through Cronbach alphas. For the questionnaire, it was 0.834. The reliability of the tools is more than 0.7 shows that the results are reliable.

5. Hypothesis Wise Results
H1: Job-associated stress among university teachers has a significant Relationship with Burnout

The results have found that job-associated stress significantly correlates with burnout. The correlation between Job-associated stress and level of burnout is 0.767, which is highly positive, and results are significant at p < 0.05. As far as beta coefficients are concerned, the standardized beta is 0.824, which is also positive and moderate in strength. The t-test statistics are significant at p < 0.05.
### Table 1

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Hence our hypothesis has proved, i.e. there is a significant positive relationship between Job-associated stress with burnout. The results have shown that there was a noteworthy connection between jobs associated stress and level of burnout. It was steady with the investigation directed by (Hofer et al., 2018), which showed that job-associated stress adequacy of natural behavior was an essential indicator of behaviors leading to burnout. (Hofer et al., 2018). The outcome conflicted with (Patterson et al., 2018), who expressed that job-associated stress is insignificant in influencing burnout behavior. This may highlight of the fact that employees considered they assumed a critical part. Burnout is portrayed by physical exhaustion, sentiments of weakness and sadness by enthusiastic depletion, and the improvement of adverse self-idea and antagonistic states of mind toward work, life, and other individuals. It is a feeling of Job-associated stress, discontent, and disappointment in the mission of beliefs.

**H2**: Job-associated stress and level of burnout differ with gender

The results have found that job-associated stress significantly correlates with burnout in both genders. As far as female respondents are concerned, the beta between Job-associated stress and burnout is 0.875, which is highly positive, and the results are significant at p < 0.05. Whereas for male respondent's beta between jobs associated stress and level of burnout are 0.100, which is weakly positive, and results are significant at p < 0.05. However, in case of social support, the situation was vice versa. The correlation of the model for female respondents is 0.908, and for male respondents, it is 0.958.

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a. Predictors: (Constant), Social Support, Job associated stress
Hence our hypothesis has proved i.e., Job-associated stress and level of burnout differ with gender. Compared to men, women are more sensitive, and caring. She takes more Job-associated stress in unhealthy working conditions and is more emotional and expressive by nature. Hence, she suffers abundant Job-associated stress than men. However, neuroticism was a predictor of personal achievement in a different direction because every person has a different nature, thoughts, values, and character, so job-associated stress and burnout automatically increase and decrease concerning gender (Glock et al., 2019).

**H3:** Social Support moderates the relationship between Job-associated stress and level of burnout significantly

The results have found that social support significantly negatively correlates with burnout. The beta coefficients between social support and burnout behavior beta are -0.117, which is negative and weak in strength. The t-test statistics are insignificant at p < 0.05. However, when its effect has been checked as a moderator, the Job-associated stress and burnout relation get relatively weaker.
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Table 4

Coefficients "a"
Hence our hypothesis has proved, i.e., social support moderates the relationship between job-associated stress and burnout. The outcome demonstrates no noteworthy connection between social support and burnout among university teachers (Girishan Prabhu et al., 2020). Presumed that the respondents have a negative impact on social support concerning burnout. This investigation gets the same result because social support has a negative relationship but did not noteworthy job-associated stress behavior. Be that as it may exhibited that social impact has straightforwardly and fundamentally impacted burnout. Social support is the verbal and non-verbal communication between two or more individuals. This communication reduces the hesitation about the self, others or relationships, and the situation and enhances the perception of control over one’s life experiences. Verbal or non-verbal communication helps people feel more about a situation and control the problematic situations (Heikkinen et al., 2021). On the other hand, the support of family, friends, colleagues, neighbors, and community members that are obtainable at the time of need gives the individuals psychological, financial, and physical help. The process of communication between relationships improves coping strategies, esteem, and confidence level. Perception of an individual’s social support includes feelings and emotions needed during a critical situation (Garinger et al., 2018).

6. Discussion

In this research study, we accumulated the reactions of different respondents and teachers instructing in different universities in Lahore City. Our fundamental motivation behind this investigation was to survey the job of job-associated stress and social support for a teacher, as he needs to control the students without demonstrating any personal emotions towards them. Educating is where a man ought to be more cognizant about his obligations towards the students, society, and the organization. The teacher is a good example for the general public, so he must be more mindful of the utilization of emotions, what sort of emotions he should appear and what sort not, and where to demonstrate those emotions. Consequently, social support is a critical component of this profession.

Four moves were made in analyzing the data created from the review questionnaire. These questionnaires were taken from the teachers to investigate their perspectives about how they handle various circumstances in the work environment and how they control their job-associated stress that may prompt burnout. There were different sorts of reactions from the respondents that we noted down. The initial step was to look at the information to recognize the discrete markers of burnout among the teachers. We have discovered that job-associated stress is the primary factor of burnout among teachers, and the factor through which we can lessen burnout is social support. Along this, social support is chosen to check the directing effect. These factors demonstrate how an individual adapts to his or her emotions at work.

A business cannot anticipate from a worker that when he works at Job he does not has any sentiments; he has emotions, personal life, and family. Nevertheless, the business should expect that the representative would exertion to lessen his emotions and show just those emotions that are fundamental for doing that specific Job.

The second step was to distinguish the representatives' evaluation of the result, positive or negative, of performing social support. For this we led a review in various universities of Lahore City and found that when a man is in job-associated stress, he has negative emotions towards his Job. If this stage wins for quite a while, then this would prompt job turnover or burnout. In any case, when
a man is viably dealing with his emotions in the work environment. He became more fulfilled and less emotionally expressive, prompting higher job commitment. This sort of individual would be more adaptable to any work.

At the point when a man learns the ability to adapt to the surroundings, he would better comprehend the circumstance, and he would have a superior arrangement. So for this, the research study was led on teachers with double duties.

Thirdly, those events that social support related to positive results were inspected. As indicated by our respondents, who were university teachers, they found that there is a need to prepare the workers so they would be better teachers. In addition, since they have double duty, scholastic and administrative, researchers must be particularly engaged and emotionally steady. Our outcomes demonstrate that the vast majority of the general population are particularly emotionally steady, while some are exceptionally forceful and unfit to control their emotions successfully.

Social support deals with Job-associated stressed individuals from multiple points of view. The general population who are youthful and unpracticed face abnormal states of burnout, expressive emotions, and low emotional insight. Then again, the general population who are understanding and mature have a more noteworthy level of controlling their emotions at work. This may be because they have accepted their position as a daily practice of their life and are so greatly associated with the Job that they do not locate any unsettling influence. These individuals are exceedingly dedicated to Job and successfully guide the students.

Thus the social support level in guys and females additionally contrast essentially as guys have an abnormal state of Job-associated stress, the duty of acquiring, they work more on Job and forfeit their family, they are less expressive to the emotions at working environment however this is inverse in females as they can without much of a stretch work in Job-associated stressful conditions yet the work-life strife level in them is generally high as they have more prominent obligations and are more expressive towards emotions.

Job-associated stress and burnout are major psychological issue among university teachers nowadays, but it has been neglected in every institution. No rules and regulation has been made in the education policies for the teacher's psychological health. Educational universities have no platform for teachers mind storming and counseling.

The focal point of this research study was to investigate "the Job-associated stress and conceivable burnout among university teachers with the intervening impact of sex and social support. The centrality and ramifications of this research are generous in that it features mental issue which is extremely critical and impacts an extensive number of teachers. It was a cross-sectional subjective research study. The real goal of the present research was to assess Job-associated stress and the dimension of burnout among university teachers with the accessibility of social support. The second target was to survey regardless of whether social support and sex intervene in job-associated stress and the dimension of burnout among university teachers.

For statistical analysis, teachers in four public universities of Lahore city were taken as samples. Survey questionnaires were distributed among 400 teachers through stratified random sampling. To ensure the internal reliability of the tool, Cronbach’s Alpha Reliability Analysis was
applied. Structure questionnaires were filled by collecting information from selected university teachers.

The research analysis was managed through SPSS, and descriptive statistics, including cumulative table of frequencies and percentages, were displayed. In order to check the predictive relationship between independent and dependent variables, correlation and multiple regression analysis was done. The data were presented in the form of tables with interpretation. Multiple regression analysis, along with moderator tests, were applied.

Findings indicated that 50.5% of respondents were females while 49.5% were males. In the age range 35 to 40 years old, the highest number of respondents lie, which was 40%, and according to marital status, highly respondents were married, which was 63.5%. As far highest percentage for the range of 5 to 10 years of experience as teachers in universities, which was 45.75%. All three hypotheses were proved after the data analysis, and results showed that the job-associated stress to burnout relation was comparatively stronger in females than in males. Although, as far as the moderating effect of social support was concerned, the results were that social support influences the relation between Job-associated stress and level of burnout and weakens their relationship. In other words, job-associated stress has a strong impact on burnout, but when the teachers may get social support, the chances of increasing the burnout state are reduced. Thus, this research study proved that social support is vital for teachers to overcome their Job-associated stress and burnout. Social support was one of the key factors used and proved in this research.

7. Conclusion

As per the findings, all the hypotheses have been supported. There is a significant positive relationship between Job-associated stress and burnout, while job-associated stress and level of burnout differ with gender comparatively. However, social support has significantly moderated the relationship between job-associated stress and burnout levels. The outcomes of this research study can be used as a parameter when looking into Job-associated stress and burnout consequences with the moderating effects of social support, especially among teachers. In this study, the researcher has accumulated the reactions of different respondents, who were teachers instructing in different universities in Lahore City. The fundamental motivation behind this investigation was to survey Job-associated stress and the importance of social support for a teacher. This is due to the fact that they need to control the students without demonstrating personal emotions toward them. This research might be helpful for the administration of universities, the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Education, and teachers themselves to reduce Job-associated stress and burnout among teachers. So that teachers will perform better, improving the education quality in Pakistan.

8. Recommendations

- Government and university management must look into Job-associated stress and level of burnout seriously because it has a very bad impact on teachers’ psychological and physical health.
- The organization should have direct training sessions for the teachers who are extremely stable and forceful, and they need to learn how to control their emotions.
- The organization can organize workshops and lead the mental treatment for the teachers confronting such issues.
- Administrators should coordinate with each other to convey their work troubles, so there would be more positive emotions. When the teacher has social support from his associates and family, he would better perform and sharply adapt to everyday challenges.

- As this research indicates that Job-associated stress is positively associated with burnout among teachers, the Ministries of Health or Education need to implement definite policies for Job-associated stress management. As Pakistan have not any system or policies for stress management of teachers.

- The government of this country can implement the "Britain's job-associated stress and burnout safety at work Act." This delivers the elementary structure to ensure workplace safety and health. Further, the Act also contains Job-associated stress policy for every institute.

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