## A STUDY ON THE FACTORS THAT CONTRIBUTE TO STRESS EXPERIENCED BY THE FIELD OFFICERS OF INSURANCE COMPANIES IN TRINCOMALEE TOWN & GRAVETS.

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## ABSTRACT

Stress is the pattern of emotional states and physiological reactions occurring in response to demands from within or outside of the organization. It is the one of the most important factors that affects the performance of the field officers working in insurance companies. As stress levels have increased, employees faced rising medical bills, more accident insurance claims, increased absenteeism, and declining morale. Therefore, this comprehensive research is carried out to study the factors that contribute to stress experienced by the field officers of insurance companies in Trincomalee Town & Gravets".

For the purpose of this research study is to find out the factors that contribute to stress for field officers and find out the ways in order to reduce the contribution of such factors to overcome for the purpose of over come the stress for field officers.

This research study considers three variables. Those are individual factors, organizational factors and environmental factors. These three variables were measured by eight appropriate dimensions. Those are family problems, economic problems, personality problems, organizational structure and design, administrative policies and strategies, economic uncertainty, political uncertainty, and technological uncertainty. The structured questionnaire was used to collect primary data for this study from 100 respondents. Collected data was analyzed by univariate analysis and evaluated as low, moderate, high influence of stress.

This study found the variables of individual factors, organizational factors and environmental factors influence stress at moderate level for field officers in insurance companies. Therefore several ways have been suggested as recommendations at the end of the research to reduce the stress level through these three variables for field officers and leads to their better adjustment within the insurance companies in Trincomalee Town & Gravets.

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