PREFACE

The future of mankind in more than one sense depends upon the progress and success of adult education. It is because of the rapidity and vastness of scientific and technological changes which have brought a transformation in our life pattern and weakended all traditional modes and values of life man's adjustment to these changes is a condition precedent to survival. Survival in the sense that either we live together or we perish together. In this alarming realities of the world situation today it is no over statement at all. Hence, adult education is an indispensable necessity for the people of the developing country like India.

India was for a long time under yokes of the Britishers. When she became independent she thought of education of adults because adult education was beginning to be recognized as a discrete and serious branch of education in developed countries like Europe, America, Russia and Japan. From 1978 onwards in India adult education has been looked upon an essential thing for the successful working of democracy because democracy is the Government of the people, by the people and for the people. These people must have a power to think beyond partly things like caste, creed, colour, sex, race and so on. These are great hindrances in the path of democracy. To overcome these hindrances many thoughts are to be given to adult education. Preparing a reading vocabulary for adults is one of the ways of making it successful. With this thought in mind the researcher has decided to work upon this problem.

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