

### **Perceptions towards Geography from Different Level of Geographers**

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Genealogy of geography has longer history than any other science. Geography has shaped with lot of philosophies from the ancient Greek era up to now. Vast area of knowledge gather around the subject and it has become a reason to have various ideas among geographers. Especially the definition of geography changes time to time with the improvement of the subject and it denotes the identity and the role of the geographer's. The objective of this study is identifying the perceptions towards the subject from different level of geographers. The research methodology was qualitative. Stratified random sampling method used for this study. Sample geographers were categorized into four groups as university lectures, teachers, undergraduates, and school students. 25 geographers were randomly selected from each category. Data was collected through questionier, over the phone and interview methods. Both Sri Lankan and 25 most renowned world ranking university web sites of the departments of geography and books were taken as the secondary data for this study. The outcome of this study showed that the sight towards the subject is completely different among the various levels of geographers. The way most of the school student defined the subject is clearly influenced by the common syllabus books of geography. Cluster of various perceptions towards the subject undoubtedly help to promote the subject, though within that vast knowledge some geographers aberrant from the track of the subject. Identifying the books which have real sense of geography and relationship between each stage of geographers are vital needs to understand the identity of geographers.

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