

Author Guidelines

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 - G.** Thesis/Dissertation Sattar, A. (2011). Job satisfaction of District Executive Officers in KPK. (PhD Thesis). Department of Public Administration, Gomal University, Dera Ismail Khan, KPK, Pakistan.
 - H.** WebSite Material Healthy People 2011, Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Retrieved on Dec 5, 2014 from: <http://health.gov/healthypeople>.
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