INVESTIGATOR’S INTRODUCTION AND STATEMENT OF INFORMED CONSENT

My name is ______________________________ and I have come from the Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (also give your University’s reference), a social science research organization in Delhi. We are conducting a national survey to gauge the opinion of people on issues related to politics and governance. For this exercise we will be interviewing thousands of people across the country. The findings of this survey will be used for television programmes and writing articles in newspapers. This survey is an independent study and is not linked to any political party or government agency. Whatever information you provide will be kept strictly confidential. Participation in this survey is voluntary and it is entirely up to you to answer or not answer any question that I ask. We hope that you will take part in this survey since your participation is important. It usually takes 25 to 30 minutes to complete this interview. Please spare some time for the interview and help me in successfully completing the survey.
INTERVIEW BEGINS

Z1. What is your age? _____ (in completed years) 98. No Response *(Code 95 for 95 yrs & above)*

Z2. Gender: 1. Male 2. Female

Z3. What is your marital status? 1. Married
2. Married, gauna not performed *(Married but not started living together)*

Q1. Lok Sabha elections are going to be held in a few months time. If Lok Sabha elections were to be held tomorrow, which party would you vote for? *(Supply White dummy ballot and explain procedure. Consult codebook for coding)*

Q2. Who would you prefer as the Prime Minister of the country after the 2014 Lok Sabha election? *(Do not offer any name & record exact answer. Consult codebook later for coding)*

Q3. In whatever financial condition you are placed today, on the whole are you satisfied or dissatisfied with it? *(Probe further whether ‘fully’ or ‘somewhat’ satisfied or dissatisfied)*

4. Fully dissatisfied 8. DK/CS/NR

Q4. Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the performance of the Congress-led UPA government at the Centre over the last four and half years? *(Probe further whether ‘fully’ or ‘somewhat’ satisfied or dissatisfied)*

4. Fully dissatisfied 8. DK/CS/NR

Q4a. *(If ‘fully’ satisfied or ‘somewhat’ satisfied in Q4) You say you are satisfied with the performance of the UPA government. Can you tell me what is the most important reason for your satisfaction? (Record first reason mentioned by the respondent and consult codebook for coding)*

Q4b. *(If ‘fully’ dissatisfied or ‘somewhat’ dissatisfied in Q4) You say you are dissatisfied with the performance of the UPA government. Can you tell me what is the most important reason for your dissatisfaction? (Record first reason mentioned by respondent and consult codebook for coding)*

Q5. How would you rate the economic situation of the country at the moment. Is it Very Good, Good, So-so, Bad or Very Bad? 1. Very Good 2. Good 3. So-so

Q6. People have different considerations when they go out to vote. What will be the most important consideration for you when you vote in the 2014 Lok Sabha election – local Candidate, Party or the Prime Ministerial candidate of a party?
1. Local Candidate 2. Party 3. Prime Ministerial candidate
4. Other (specify) 8. DK/CS/NR

Q7. Thinking of how you (or your family, in the case of first time voters) have voted in the last four-five elections, how would you describe yourself? Which party’s traditional supporter are you? *(Record name & consult party codes)*

97. Not a supporter of any one party 98. DK/CS/NR
Q8. Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with Manmohan Singh’s performance as the Prime Minister? (Probe further whether ‘fully’ or ‘somewhat’ satisfied or dissatisfied).


Q9. Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the performance of the Congress government in Assam over the last two and a half years? (Probe further whether ‘fully’ or ‘somewhat’ satisfied or dissatisfied).


Q10. What will be the single most important issue for you when you vote in the 2014 Lok Sabha election? (Record first answer and consult code book for coding later)

98. DK/CS/NR

Q11. Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the performance of Tarun Gogoi as the Chief Minister of Assam over the last two and a half years? (Probe further whether ‘fully’ or ‘somewhat’ satisfied or dissatisfied).


Q12. Now I will ask you about some important issues. Please tell me about each issue whether they have increased or decreased during the last four and half years of UPA-2’s rule?

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Q13. Suppose assembly elections are held in your state tomorrow, should the present Congress government in Assam get another chance? 2. Yes 1. No 8. No opinion

Q14. Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the work done by the Lok Sabha MP from your constituency over the last four and half years? (Probe further whether ‘fully’ or ‘somewhat’ satisfied or dissatisfied)


Q15. Have you heard about the Aam Admi Party (AAP)? 2. Heard 1. Not heard


Q15b. (If yes in Q15a) If AAP contests from your Lok Sabha constituency, would you vote for it?

2. Yes 1. No 3. Too early to say/will consider at an appropriate time 8. CS 9. NA

Q16. How would you rate the following government in terms of corruption - are they very corrupt, somewhat corrupt or not corrupt at all?

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Q18. Certain state governments give things like free cycles, free laptops, free TV, computers, free medicines etc. Some believe that it helps the common man and there is no harm in giving these. Others believe that it is the waste of government resources and hence should be stopped. What is your opinion?
1. No harm, should continue 2. Should be stopped 3. Should continue with some restrictions 8. CS


Q19a. (If ‘no’ for Rahul) Then who should the Congress project as its PM Candidate? ___________________________________________ (Record answer and code from the codebook)
96. No One /Should go with collective leadership 97. I don’t care 98. CS 99. NA

Q19b. (If ‘yes’ for Rahul) If Rahul Gandhi is declared by the Congress as its PM candidate, will you vote for the Congress in the 2014 Loksabha elections? 1. Yes 2. No 8. CS 9. NA

Q20. Did the BJP take the right decision by announcing the name of Narendra Modi as its Prime Ministerial candidate for the Lok Sabha election?
1. Yes 2. No 8. DK/CS/NR

Q21. How much of an impact has the BJP’s decision to announce Narendra Modi as its Prime Ministerial candidate had on your voting preference - lot of impact, some impact or no impact at all?
1. Lot of impact 2. Some impact 3. No impact at all 8. No opinion

Q22. If the BJP along with its allies falls short of majority after the Lok Sabha elections but is in a position to form the government, and its new allies do not want Narendra Modi as the Prime Minister, then in that case which leader from the BJP would you like to see as the Prime Minister? (Do not read out options)

Q23. Now I am going to read out the names of two schemes of the Central Government. Please tell me, have you or any member of your household benefited from them?
Benefited Not-Benefited DK/Not heard
a. Direct Cash Transfer 1 2 8
(Subsidy in your bank account)
b. MNREGA 1 2 8

Q24. In your opinion which one party is best for the following issues? (Record the answer and code from the codebook) Record party name (Insist on one party)

a. To curb corruption _________________________ 98. DK/CS/NR
b. To control price rise _________________________ 98. DK/CS/NR
c. For national security _________________________ 98. DK/CS/NR
d. To encourage women in politics _________________________ 98. DK/CS/NR
e. Maintain law and order _________________________ 98. DK/CS/NR

Q25. Have you heard/read about the Lokpal Bill being passed by Parliament?
1. Not Heard 2. Heard
Q25a. (If heard in Q25) Who would you give credit for the passage of the Lokpal bill? (Don't read options)

01. BJP 02. Congress 03. Anna Hazare and Team 04. Civil Society in general
05. Political Parties in general 06. Parliament 07. Arvind Kejriwal/Aam Aadmi Party
08. Others_________________ 98. Can’t say 99. NA.

Q25b. (If heard in Q25) In your opinion to what extent will the new Lokpal law be able to control corruption - to a very large extent, to some extent, or not at all? 1. To a very large extent 2. To some extent
3. Not at all 8. DK/CS 9. NA.

Q26. If you had to choose between Narendra Modi and Rahul Gandhi as the next Prime Minister of India, whom would you choose?
1. Rahul Gandhi 2. Narendra Modi
3. Any would do 4. Neither 8. DK/CS

Q27. Which is the one thing that you like about Narendra Modi, the most? ____________________
(Record the answer and code from the codebook) 98. Can’t say

Q28. Which is the one thing that you dislike about Narendra Modi, the most? ____________________
(Record the answer and code from the codebook) 98. Can’t say

Q29. Which is the one thing that you like about Rahul Gandhi the most? ____________________
(Record the answer and code from the codebook) 98. Can’t say

Q30. Which is the one thing that you dislike about Rahul Gandhi, the most? ____________________
(Record the answer and code from the codebook) 98. Can’t say

Q31. Some people are of the opinion that if Narendra Modi becomes the Prime Minister it will be good for the country. While others believe that Modi becoming the Prime minister will be a bad thing for the country. What is your opinion?
1. Good for the country 2. Bad for the country
3. Does not matter if Modi becomes PM or not 8. CS

Q32. Have you heard about allegations of illegal snooping on a woman by Gujarat govt. officials?
1. Agree with (1) 2. Agree with (2) 3. Agree with both 4. Disagree with both 8. No opinion

Q33. (If heard in Q32) Do you think these allegations are nothing but political vindictiveness against Narendra Modi by his opponents or do you think they are serious allegations and must be probed?
1. It’s a case of political vindictiveness 2. It’s serious and must be probed 8. CS 9. NA.

Q34. How regularly do you do the following for News – daily, sometimes, rarely or never?

a. Watch TV
b. Listen to the radio
c. Read newspaper
d. Use the internet/go online
Q35. Do you have the following accounts? **Q35a (If yes)** How frequently do you use them - daily, sometimes, rarely or never? **Yes** **No** **Q35a (If yes)** **Daily** **Sometimes** **Rarely** **Never** **CS/NR** **N.A.**

- a. Facebook account 2 1 1 2 3 4 8 9
- b. Twitter account 2 1 1 2 3 4 8 9
- c. Email account 2 1 1 2 3 4 8 9

Q35b. **(If yes to Twitter or Facebook in Q35)** How frequently do you do the following on Twitter or Facebook—daily, sometimes, rarely or never? **Daily** **Sometimes** **Rarely** **Never** **CS/NR** **N.A.**

- a. Express your personal views on politics 1 2 3 4 8 9
- b. Share/forward any political material 1 2 3 4 8 9
- c. Read news related to politics 1 2 3 4 8 9
- d. Use it for friendship and networking 1 2 3 4 8 9

Q36. To what extent do you think your community is being used by certain political parties as a vote-bank during elections – to a large extent, to some extent or not being used as a vote-bank at all? 1. To a large extent 2. To some extent 3. Not at all 8. CS

Q36a. **(If used to a large extent or some extent)** Then which party is using your community as a votebank? (Record the party name and code from the codebook. You can take upto two responses, but don’t force them to give two or more responses)

- a. ____________________________ 98. Can’t say 99.NA
- b. ____________________________ 98. Can’t say 99.NA

Q37. If a non-Congress non-BJP government comes to power after the 2014 Lok Sabha election, then who should become the Prime Minister? ____________________________ (Record answer and code from the codebook) 98. Can’t say

Q38. While voting, some people give more importance to the work done by the state government in (give the name of state capital here), while others give more importance to the work done by the central government in Delhi. While voting in the 2014 Lok Sabha election, what will matter to you the most?

4. Interested in neither 7. Other (Specify) 8. Can’t say

Q39. Should the Congress-led UPA government at the Centre get another chance after the 2014 Lok Sabha election? 2. Yes 1. No 8. DK/CS/NR
ASSAM STATE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

ASQ1. Now I will read out the names of a few possible pre election alliances in Assam for the Lok Sabha elections. Please tell me for each alliance, whether you support it or oppose it?

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ASQ1a. And which one of these possible alliances that I just read out to you will be your most preferred choice for the Lok Sabha election?

(Code the number based on ASQ1) 7. None 8. DK 9. NA

ASQ2. Do you think the Congress should replace Tarun Gogoi as the Chief Minister of Assam?

2. Yes 1. No 8. Can’t say
Z4. Up to what level have you studied? ____________________________________________
(Record exactly and consult code book) 9. No response

Z5. What is your main occupation? ____________________________________________ 98. No response
(Record exactly and consult codebook & if retired, try to ascertain his/her previous occupation. If student or housewife, then note down that as well)

Z5a. Are you the main earner of your household? 2. Yes 1. No

Z5b. (If No in Z5a) What is the occupation of the main earner of your household? ____________________________________________ 99. NA (Record exactly and consult codebook for coding)

Z6. What is your Caste/Jati-biradari/Tribe name? _____________________________ (Consult code book for code)

Z6a. And what is your caste group? (Double check and consult code book)
1. Scheduled Caste (SC) 2. Scheduled Tribe (ST)
3. Other Backward Classes (OBC) 4. Other


5. Do not have 6. Had, but lost it 7. Any other (Specify) ____________ 8. NR

Z9. Generally, which language is spoken in your house? ____________________________ (Consult code book for coding)

Note: Hereafter any reference to household would mean ‘normal household’ defined as a house where family members live. If Respondent refers to an ‘institutional household’, for example old age homes, hostels, religious institutions, etc, ask about household back home.

Z10. Area/Locality: 1. Village 2. Town (Below 1 lakh) 3. City (Above 1 lakh) 4. Metropolitan City (Above 10 lakh)
(If in doubt consult the electoral roll)

Z10a. (If Town/City/Metropolitan) Type of house where Respondent lives (own or rented)
1. House/Flat/Bungalow 2. House/Flat with 3 or 4 bedrooms with 5 or more bedrooms
3. House/Flat with 2 bedrooms 4. Houses/Flat with 2 Pucca rooms

Z10b. (If village) Type of house where Respondent lives (own or rented)
1. Pucca (both wall and roof made of pucca material)
2. Pucca-Kutchta (Either wall or roof is made of pucca material and other of kutchta material)
3. Kutchta (both wall and roof are made of kutchta material other than materials mentioned in category 4)
4. Hut (both wall and roof made of grass, leaves, mud, un-burnt brick or bamboo) 9. NA.

Z11. Total No. of family members living in the household: Adults: ___ Children: ___ (If more than 9, Code 9)
Z12. Do you or members of your household have the following:

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<td>d. Computer/laptop</td>
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Z13. (If Rural) Livestock

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<td>c. Any other:</td>
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Z14. Total monthly household income - putting together the income of all members of the household?

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(Record exact amount in Rupees. If respondent does not give any amount then record 000000)