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**NATIONAL
ELECTION
STUDY 2009**

**Centre for the Study of Developing Societies
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F1. State Name: _____

F2. P.C. Name: _____

F3. A.C. Name: _____

F4. P.S. Name: _____

F5. Name of the Respondent: _____

F6. Address of the respondent (*Give landmark*): _____

F7. Date of interview (*dd/mm/yyyy*): _____

F8. Time of starting the interview: _____

F9. Name of the Investigator (*Code Roll No.*): _____

INVESTIGATOR'S INTRODUCTION AND STATEMENT OF INFORMED CONSENT

My name is _____ and I have come from 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 on the opinion of people on politics and 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 30 to 40 minutes to complete this interview. Please spare some time for the interview. and help me in successfully completing the survey.

F10. May I begin the interview now?

1. Respondent agrees to be interviewed

2. Respondent does not agree to be interviewed

INTERVIEW BEGINS

Q1. While talking to people about the recent elections to the Lok Sabha, we find that some people were not able to vote. How about you - were you able to vote or not?

1. Not able to vote (*Go to Q1c*) 2. Able to vote 8. Did not answer (*Go to Q1c*)

Q1a. (If Voted) Whom did you vote for? I am giving you this slip which has names and election symbols of all the candidates that you saw on the voting machine. On this slip please put a mark in front of the same symbol against which you pressed the button. (*Supply WHITE dummy ballot and explain procedure*) _____ 99. NA

Q1b. (If Voted) When did you finally make up your mind about who to vote for?

1. On the day of voting 2. A day or two before voting
3. Earlier, during the campaign 4. Even before the campaign started
8. Can't say 9. NA

Q1c. (If Not Voted) Whom would you have voted for? I am giving you this slip which has the names and election symbols of all the candidates who contested the election. On this slip please put a mark in front of the same symbol against which you would have pressed the button. (*Supply WHITE dummy ballot and explain procedure*) _____ 99. NA

Q1d. (If Not Voted) What was the main reason due to which you could not vote in this election?

0. Out of station 1. Not well
2. No interest/did not feel like voting 3. Prevented /Fear of violence
4. No identity card/ identity proof 5. No good choice
6. Someone had voted in place of me before I went to vote 7. Others (*Specify*) _____
8. Can't say 9. NA

Q1e. (If Voted) Did the election officer correctly put the mark on your finger? (*Please observe marking on the index finger and record the answer accordingly*)

2. Checked and mark found 1. Checked, but mark not found 8. Could not check the mark 9. NA

Q2. (If Voted) Would you say that the candidate you voted for was from the party you really wanted to vote for, or did your vote go to a candidate of another party?

1. Party I wanted to vote for 2. Another party 8. Can't say

Q2a. (If 'Voted for candidate from another party') Then which was the party you really wanted to vote for? (*Record name of party & consult Codebook for coding*) _____ 99. NA

Q2b. (If 'Voted for candidate from another party') I am going to read out few reasons that people often give for not voting for the party that they really wanted to vote for. Please tell me, which one of these applies to you most? (*Please READ OUT answer categories 1 to 4*)

1. Party of my choice didn't put a candidate in my constituency.
2. I didn't like the candidate that the party of my choice had put.
3. I did not want to waste my vote on a non winning candidate/party.
4. Voted in order to prevent the election of another party/candidate.
7. Others (*Specify*) _____
8. Can't say/DK 9. NA

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Q2c. (If Voted in order to prevent the election of another party/candidate) Which party did you want to prevent from being elected? (Record name of party & consult Codebook for coding)

_____ 99. NA

Q3. Now I will ask you about some of the issues in the election. Please tell me if you have heard about these? (If Yes) For each one of them, please tell me how it affected your decision of whom to vote for - not very much, a lot or almost entirely?

	Heard	Not heard	(If Yes) Not very much	A lot	Almost entirely	NA
a.						
a.	Indo-US Nuclear Deal	1	2	1	2	3 9
b.	Ram Setu controversy	1	2	1	2	3 9
c.	Prices of everyday goods	1	2	1	2	3 9
d.	Terrorist attacks	1	2	1	2	3 9
e.	Farmers suicides	1	2	1	2	3 9
f.	Reservations for OBCs	1	2	1	2	3 9
g.	Livelihood/employment opportunities	1	2	1	2	3 9

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Q4. Now let us talk about the election campaign during this election. How interested were you in the election campaign this time – a great deal, somewhat or not at all?

1. Great deal 2. Somewhat 3. Not at all 8. Can't say/DK

Q5. During the election people participate in various activities related to election. Did you participate in any such activities during the recent election campaign?

	Activities	Yes	No
a.	Attended election meetings?	1	2
b.	Participated in processions/rallies?	1	2

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Q6. During elections people lend their support to the party or the candidate through different ways, like campaigning, doing door to door canvassing, organising meetings, distributing election material or giving donations, etc. Did you take part in any of these or any other activities?

1. Yes 2. No

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Q6a. (If Yes) For which party or candidate? _____ (Consult the code book for party code)

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Q7. Did any candidate, party worker or canvasser come to your house during the campaign to ask for your vote? 1. No 2. Yes 8. Don't remember

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Q8. Leaving aside the period of elections, how much interest would you say you have in politics and public affairs – a great deal of interest, some interest or no interest at all?

1. Great deal 2. Some interest 3. No interest 8. Can't say

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Q9. In deciding whom to vote for, whose opinion mattered to you most?

0. Local Political Leader 1. Husband/wife 2. Other family members
 3. Caste/community leaders 4. Friends/neighbours 5. Co-workers/colleagues
 6. No one, I voted on my own 7. Others (Specify) _____ 8. Can't say

Q17. 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 this election, what mattered to you the most?

1. Central government in Delhi 2. State government 3. Both
4. Interested in neither 7. Other (*Specify*) _____ 8. Can't say

Q18. If we compare the present Congress led UPA government at the centre with the earlier BJP led NDA government at the centre, which one of the two is better in your opinion?

1. UPA government 2. NDA government
3. Both equally good 4. Both equally bad 8. No opinion/DK

Q19. After this election who would you prefer as the next Prime Minister of India? (*Do not offer any name & record exact answer and consult code book for coding*) _____

Q20. What is your opinion about the performance of the Congress led UPA Government during the last five years – would you say that you are satisfied or dissatisfied with it? (*Probe further whether 'fully' or 'somewhat' satisfied or dissatisfied*).

1. Fully satisfied 2. Somewhat satisfied
3. Somewhat dissatisfied 4. Fully dissatisfied 8. No opinion/DK

Q21. Do you think that the existing parties in our country give you a good choice for solving the country's problems, or do you think they don't offer a good choice?

1. Good choice 2. Don't offer good choice 8. Can't say/No opinion

Q22. Some people say that it does not make any difference whichever party runs the government. Others say that makes a big difference. In your opinion which party runs the government makes a big difference or it does not make any difference?

1. Does not make any difference 2. Does make a big difference 8. No opinion/DK

Q23. Now I would like to know your opinion about coalition government. While some people believe that there is no harm in coalition government, some believe that in special circumstances there is no alternative to it, and some believe that coalition government is not good. What is your opinion in this regard?

1. There is no harm in it 2. Acceptable only in special circumstances
3. Coalition government is not good 8. Can't say/No opinion

Q24. People have different opinions about democracy. Some people believe that democracy is better than any other form of government, others believe that dictatorship is better than democracy in certain conditions. And others believe that it makes no real difference between a democratic or any other form of government. What is your opinion about it?

1. Democracy is better 2. Dictatorship is better 3. Makes no difference 8. No opinion/DK

Q25. What is your assessment of the work done by _____ (*name of the ruling party/alliance in the state*) government in _____ (*name of the state*) in last _____ (*number of years since the government has been ruling*) years/months - would you say that you are satisfied or dissatisfied with it? (*Probe further whether 'fully' or 'somewhat' satisfied or dissatisfied*).

1. Fully satisfied 2. Somewhat satisfied
3. Somewhat dissatisfied 4. Fully dissatisfied 8. No opinion/DK

Q26. Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each one of them? (*Probe further whether 'fully' or 'somewhat' agrees or disagrees*).

		Agree		Disagree		No	
		Fully	Somewhat	Somewhat	Fully	Opinion	
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. People themselves are responsible for their poverty, not the government	1	2	3	4	8
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. Foreign companies should not be allowed free trade in India.	1	2	3	4	8
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. Country should increase spending on the army even if it increases the burden on ordinary people.	1	2	3	4	8
d.	<input type="checkbox"/>	d. The number of government employees should be reduced.	1	2	3	4	8
e.	<input type="checkbox"/>	e. The government factories and businesses should be sold/handed over to private companies.	1	2	3	4	8
f.	<input type="checkbox"/>	f. Government should curb the right of workers and employees to strike.	1	2	3	4	8
g.	<input type="checkbox"/>	g. War is the only solution to the Indo-Pakistan problem.	1	2	3	4	8

Q27. Some people say that the government should pass legislation so that people are not allowed to own and possess a large amount of land and property. Others say that people should be allowed to own as much land and property as they can make/acquire. What would you say?

1. Limit ownership 2. Should not limit ownership 7. Other (*Specify*) _____ 8. DK

Q28. Now compare the recently held election in your area with elections held in the past. Do you think in this election things like rigging, intimidation, fraud and other malpractices have increased, decreased or remained the same, or would you say that malpractices never take place?

1. Increased 2. Same as before 3. Decreased
4. Malpractices never take place 8. Can't say/DK

Q29. Should the Congress led UPA government at the center get another chance? 1. Yes 2. No

Q30. Now I will ask you about a few religious activities. You tell me how often do you practice them – daily, weekly, only on festivals or never?

		Daily	Weekly	On festivals	Never	
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Prayer (puja, namaz, etc)	1	2	3	4
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. Visiting temple, mosque, church, gurudwara, etc.	1	2	3	4

Q31. And what about these, how often do you practice them - frequently, occasionally, rarely or never?

Frequently Occasionally Rarely Never

a.		a. Participating in kathas, sangats bhajan -kirtans, jalsas, church services etc.	1	2	3	4
b.		b. Giving donations for religious activities.	1	2	3	4
c.		c. Keeping fasts, rozas, etc.	1	2	3	4

Q32. In an ordinary week, how regularly do you read the newspaper - daily/almost everyday, 3-4 times a week, at least once a week or never?

1. Daily/almost everyday 2. At least 3-4 times in a week 3. At least once a week 4. Never

Q32a. (If Read Newspaper) During these elections, which Newspapers did you read? (*Record name of Newspapers in order of preference and consult code book*)

1.				1. _____
2.				2. _____

Q33. In an ordinary week, how regularly do you listen to news on radio - daily/almost everyday, 3-4 times a week, at least once a week or never?

1. Daily/almost everyday 2. At least 3-4 times in a week 3. At least once a week 4. Never

Q34. And what about watching news on TV. In an ordinary week how regularly do you watch news on TV - daily/almost everyday, 3-4 times a week, at least once a week or never?

1. Daily/almost everyday 2. At least 3-4 times in a week 3. At least once a week 4. Never

Q34a. (If watch T.V.) During these elections, which channels did you watch for news? (*Record name of T.V. channels in order of preference and consult code book*)

1.				1. _____
2.				2. _____

Q35. Have you heard or seen the advertisement of parties/candidates on radio or on T.V.?

1. Yes 2. No 8. Don't remember

Q35a. (If Yes) Which party's advertisements did you hear or see? (*Probe for 2nd and 3rd response, and use codebook for coding*)

1.			1. _____
2.			2. _____
3.			3. _____

Q36. During this election how frequently did you use the internet, blog etc. to find any election related information - once or twice, 3-4 times, many times or Never?

1. One or twice 2. 3-4 times 3. Many times 4. Never

A1. Over the last few years there have been many demonstrations strikes, gheraos, etc, in our country, some people say such actions are a proper way of making those in authority pay attention to the grievances and demands of the people, others say that these action are not a proper way. How about you - would you say these actions are a proper way of drawing attention to peoples grievances and demands or not a proper way?

1. Proper 2. Not proper 7. Others (*Specify*) _____ 8. No opinion/DK

A2. People hold different opinions about struggle. Some people say that struggle, even when it leads to violence, is a proper method for the people to fulfill their demands, while others say that struggle is not a proper method if it leads to violence. How do you feel - is struggle leading to violence proper or not a proper method for fulfilling people’s demands?

1. Proper 2. Not proper 7. Others (*Specify*) _____ 8. No opinion/DK

A3. Have you heard of the disputed structure (Babri Masjid) at Ayodhya? 1. Yes 2. No

A3a. (If Yes) Some people say that the demolition was justified while others say it was not justified – what would you say – was it justified or not justified?

1. Justified 2. Not jsutified 8. No opinion/DK 9. NA

A3b. (If heard about demolition) What would you suggest should be built on that site now - neither mosque nor temple, a mosque should be built, a temple should be built or both a mosque and a temple should be built?

1. Neither mosque nor temple 2. Mosque should be built 3. Temple should be built
4. Both Mosque and temple should be 7. Other (*Specify*) _____ 8. No opinion/Can’t say 9. NA

A4. Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each one of them? (*Probe further whether 'fully' or 'somewhat' agrees or disagrees*).

Agree Disagree No
Fully Somewhat Somewhat Fully Opinion

a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. We should be loyal to our own region first and then to the country.	1	2	3	4	8
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. Every community should be allowed to have it’s own laws to govern marriage and property rights.	1	2	3	4	8
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. There should be a legal ban on religious conversions.	1	2	3	4	8
d.	<input type="checkbox"/>	d. Marriage of boys and girls from different castes should be banned.	1	2	3	4	8
e.	<input type="checkbox"/>	e. Prohibition (Ban of Liquor) should be imposed all over the country.	1	2	3	4	8
f.	<input type="checkbox"/>	f. In a democracy, the will of the majority community should prevail.	1	2	3	4	8
g.	<input type="checkbox"/>	g. Both sons and daughters should have equal share in their parents property.	1	2	3	4	8
h.	<input type="checkbox"/>	h. Minorities should adopt the customs of the majority community.	1	2	3	4	8
i.	<input type="checkbox"/>	i. Too much education for women is not good.	1	2	3	4	8

A5. Some people say Muslims are backward and therefore the government should give special concessions to them in employment, industry and education. What is your opinion?

1. Yes 2. No 8. No opinion

A6. Now I am going to read out 2 statements on different issues. Please tell me whether you agree more with statement 1 or statement 2?

a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. (1) Reservation for SCs and STs is correct because it is in accordance with the principle of social justice.	(2) Reservation for SCs and STs is wrong because it goes against the principle of merit.
		1. Agree with (1)	2. Agree with (2)
		8. No opinion	
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. (1) It is important that the government should make special schemes to uplift the poor and disadvantaged.	(2) Instead of wasting money on such schemes, the government should improve the entire economy.
		1. Agree with (1)	2. Agree with (2)
		8. No opinion	
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. (1) It does not matter what we wear Religion is about faith and not about tilak, cap, cross etc.	(2) Tilak, cap, cross etc. are Markers of religion; it is essential that we wear such distinct Symbol of our religion.
		1. Agree with (1)	2. Agree with (2)
		8. No opinion	
d.	<input type="checkbox"/>	d. (1) Temples, Mosques, Churches and Gurudwaras are place of worship and should not be used for political purpose.	(2) Even though Temples, Mosques, Churches and Gurudwaras are place of worship, there is nothing wrong in using them political purpose.
		1. Agree with (1)	2. Agree with (2)
		8. No opinion	

A7. Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each one of them? (*Probe further whether 'fully' or 'somewhat' agrees or disagrees*).

			Agree	Disagree	No		
			Fully	Somewhat	Somewhat	Fully	
						Opinion	
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. For jobs in (<u>name of state</u>) priority should be given to people from (<u>name of state</u>) over people from any other state.	1	2	3	4	8
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. There should be reservations for women in Vidhan Sabhas and the Lok Sabha.	1	2	3	4	8
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. Even if parents' demands are unreasonable, children still should do what they ask.	1	2	3	4	8
d.	<input type="checkbox"/>	d. People should always support the decisions of their government even if they disagree with them.	1	2	3	4	8
e.	<input type="checkbox"/>	e. Films that hurt the sentiments of any community should be banned.	1	2	3	4	8
f.	<input type="checkbox"/>	f. Politics is not meant for women.	1	2	3	4	8

A8. Some political leaders and parties have been advocating that poor people with no land and property should occupy a part of land and property of those who have large amount of land and property. Do you approve of this or do you disapprove?

1. Approve 2. Disapprove 7. Other (*Specify*) _____ 8. Can't say/DK

A9. Would you say that you belong to the majority community or you belong to the minority community?

1. Minority 2. Majority 7. Other (*Specify*) _____ 8. Can't say/DK

- a. **B1.** I will read out some things that people feel insecure about these days. Tell me how insecure do you personally feel about the following – very insecure, somewhat insecure, not at all insecure?
- | | Very | Somewhat | Not at all | Can't say |
|--|------|----------|------------|-----------|
| b. <input type="checkbox"/> a. Theft/robbery | 1 | 2 | 3 | 8 |
| c. <input type="checkbox"/> b. Physical attack/ harassment | 1 | 2 | 3 | 8 |
| d. <input type="checkbox"/> c. Terrorism | 1 | 2 | 3 | 8 |
| e. <input type="checkbox"/> d. Riots/mob violence | 1 | 2 | 3 | 8 |
| f. <input type="checkbox"/> e. Action by police/army/security forces | 1 | 2 | 3 | 8 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> f. Domestic violence | 1 | 2 | 3 | 8 |
- B2.** Compared to the situation in your village/town/city five years ago, do you now feel more safe than before, as safe as before or less safe than before?
1. More safe 2. As safe as before 3. Less safe 8. Can't say
- B3.** People's opinions are divided on the issue of the Kashmir problem. Some people say that the government should suppress the agitation by any means while others say that this problem should be resolved through mutual dialogue. What would you say, should the agitation be suppressed or resolved through negotiation?
1. Should be suppressed 2. Resolved through negotiation
3. I have not heard of Kashmir problem 7. Other (*Specify*) _____ 8. No opinion
- B4a.** People have different opinions about Indo-US Nuclear Deal. Some people say that Indo-US Nuclear Deal will enable India to get latest nuclear technology, while others say that this will place the country in a subservient position to the US. What is your opinion?
1. India will get latest technology 2. Will place India in a subservient position to US.
3. I have not heard of Indo-US Nuclear Deal 8. No opinion
- B5.** About a few months back, terrorists attacked a few hotels in Mumbai and many people died. Have you heard about it?
1. Yes 2. No
- B5a.** (*If Yes*) After the Mumbai terror attacks the government took steps to curb terrorism. What is your opinion about the steps taken by the government after the Mumbai attacks – are you satisfied or dissatisfied? (*Probe further whether R 'fully' or 'somewhat' satisfied or dissatisfied*)
1. Fully satisfied 2. Somewhat satisfied
3. Somewhat dissatisfied 4. Fully dissatisfied 8. No opinion 9. NA
- B6.** Have you heard about the Naxalites? (*Refer to local name used for Naxalites, eg: Maoists/PWG/ etc.*)
1. Yes 2. No
- B6a.** (*If Yes*) People have different opinions regarding the Naxalites. I will read out some of these opinions. Please tell me, out of these opinions, which one do you agree with the most? (*Read out answer categories 1 to 3*)
1. The Naxalites spread needless violence
2. The Naxalites struggle for the rights of the poor
3. Their demands are genuine but not their methods
8. No Opinion 9. NA

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C1. What is the most important problem you face today, which you would like the government to solve?
(Record exactly in the order mentioned and use codebook for coding. Probe for 2nd and 3rd response)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

C1a. *(If R gives response to C1)* Keeping in mind the problems you just mentioned, is there more than one party, any one party or no party that has the capability of solving these problems?

1. More than one party
2. Only one party
3. No parties
8. Can't say
9. NA

C2. Regardless of how you feel about political parties, would you say that any of the individual party leaders at the recently held election represented your views reasonably well?

1. Yes
2. No

C3. Thinking of the just completed election campaign, would you say that on promises and policies there were major differences between the parties, minor differences or no differences at all?

1. Major differences
2. Minor differences
3. No differences
9. Don't Know / Cant Say

C4. People sometimes talk about what the aims of India should be for the next ten years, I am going to read out some goals which people say are important. According to you which of them is the most important? *(Read out answers 1 to 5)*

1. A high level of economic growth
2. Making sure that the country has a strong defence force
3. Seeing that people have secure jobs
4. Trying to make our villages and cities more beautiful
5. Ensuring social harmony and unity
8. No opinion

C5. In the past one year, how many times did you approach a party leader (at the local or district or state level) for getting help, such as recommendation to get something done for your village/locality, your caste/community or something you needed for yourself or your family?

1. Not even once
2. Once
3. Twice
4. More than two times
5. Very Often
8. Can't say

C6. In the past one year, how many times did you approach a government officer (at the local or district or state level) for getting help, such as recommendation to get something done for your village/locality, your caste/community or something you needed for yourself or your family?

1. Not even once
2. Once
3. Twice
4. More than two times
5. Very Often
8. Can't say

C7. There is the view that voters vote for a party or candidate because he/she has received personal gifts such as money/food/liquor from that party or candidate. In your area/locality/mohalla/village, how many people accept the distribution of such gifts?

1. No one
2. Very few
3. Some
4. Many
5. Almost every one
8. DK

C8. Do people who receive such gifts feel obliged to vote for the party or candidate that provided them or do they finally vote as they wish regardless of the benefits they receive from parties and candidates?

1. Feel obliged
2. Vote as they wish
8. No opinion

D1. Suppose there were no parties or assemblies and elections were not held - do you think that the government in this country can be run better?

1. No 2. Yes 8. DK

D2. Would you say that persons we elect by voting generally care about what people like you think, or that they don't care?

2. Care 1. Don't care 8. DK

D3. What is democracy, is understood differently by different people. According to you what is democracy? *(Record up to two responses exactly).*

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1. _____

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2. _____

D4. Now I am going to read out a few statements. For each of them you tell me, whether you agree or disagree? *(Probe further if 'strongly', or 'somewhat' agree or disagree)*

Agree		Disagree		No
Strongly	Somewhat	Somewhat	Strongly	Opinion

a.

a. The country should be governed by experts who are not answerable to elected representatives.

1 2 3 4 8

b.

b. Politics is too complicated for people like me.

1 2 3 4 8

c.

c. The country should be governed by a strong leader who does not have to bother about winning elections.

1 2 3 4 8

d.

d. The country should be governed by the Army rather than an elected government.

1 2 3 4 8

e.

e. If people are not satisfied with their MP/MLA they should have the right to call back their representative even before the five year term is over.

1 2 3 4 8

f.

f. Many of the powers and resources of the central and state government should be taken away and given to panchayats and municipalities.

1 2 3 4 8

g.

g. While casting their vote, voters should have a choice to vote for none of the candidates if they do not like anyone.

1 2 3 4 8

D5. Do you think your vote has effect on how things are run in this country or do you think your vote makes no difference?

1. Has no effect 2. Has effect 8. DK/Can't say

D6. Now I am going to read out a few situations. Please tell me for each one of them, whether in your opinion they are democratic, undemocratic or would you say they are neither democratic nor undemocratic?

		Democratic	Undemocratic	Neither	No opinion	
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Farmers in an area do not want to give up their land, but the government decides to acquire it.	1	2	3	8
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. A boy and girl from different communities want to marry, but the <i>Panchayat</i> does not allow them.	1	2	3	8
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. An MLA dies and the party nominates his son/daughter to contest in his place.	1	2	3	8

D7. (To be asked in rural areas only) Do you know about any Gram Sabha meeting in your village that is to say a meeting where all the villagers are invited along with the panchayat members?

1. Yes 2. No 8. DK/ Can't say 9. NA

D7a. (If Yes) How often do you attend these meetings?

1. Attend regularly 2. Attend sometimes 3. Never attend
8. Don't remember 9. NA

D8. (To be asked in urban areas only) In the last one-year have you attended any ward meeting?

1. Yes 2. No 8. Don't remember 9. NA

D8a. If a ward meeting were to be held, would you attend it? (*Probe further if R says 'certainly' or 'maybe' Yes or No*)

1. Certainly Yes 2. Maybe Yes 3. Maybe No
4. Certainly No 8. Can't say 9. NA

D9. I am going to name a number of institutions. For each one, could you tell me how much trust you have in them. Is it a great deal of trust, some trust, not very much trust or none at all?

		Great Deal	Somewhat	Not very much	Not at all	No Opinion	
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Central government	1	2	3	4	8
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. State Government	1	2	3	4	8
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. Local government (panchayat/municipality)	1	2	3	4	8
d.	<input type="checkbox"/>	d. Judiciary	1	2	3	4	8
e.	<input type="checkbox"/>	e. Political parties	1	2	3	4	8
f.	<input type="checkbox"/>	f. Election Commission	1	2	3	4	8
g.	<input type="checkbox"/>	g. Government officials	1	2	3	4	8
h.	<input type="checkbox"/>	h. Elected representatives	1	2	3	4	8
i.	<input type="checkbox"/>	i. Police	1	2	3	4	8

D10. And now I am going to ask about various sources of news. Please tell me how much trust you have in them - great deal of trust, some trust, not very much trust or none at all?

		Great Deal	Somewhat	Not very much	Not at all	No Opinion	
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Newspapers	1	2	3	4	8
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. Private news channels	1	2	3	4	8
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. Doordarshan	1	2	3	4	8
d.	<input type="checkbox"/>	d. Radio news	1	2	3	4	8

- E11.** In your opinion who should become the Prime Minister of the country after this election - Mayawati, Manmohan Singh, L.K. Advani or none of the three?
 1. Mayawati 2. Manmohan Singh 3. L.K. Advani 4. None of the three 8. No opinion
- E12.** Now I will read out few statements about the state of things in India for people like you. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each one of them? (*Probe further whether 'fully' or 'somewhat' agrees or disagrees*).
- | | | Agree | | Disagree | | No |
|----|---|-------|----------|----------|-------|---------|
| | | Fully | Somewhat | Somewhat | Fully | Opinion |
| a. | <input type="checkbox"/> a. Everyone enjoys equal rights. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| b. | <input type="checkbox"/> b. People are free to speak their minds without fear. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| c. | <input type="checkbox"/> c. People have the power to change the government they do not like it. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| d. | <input type="checkbox"/> d. Most people have basic necessities like food clothing and shelter. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
- E13.** Some people think of themselves as Indian citizens, while some others do not think of themselves as citizens of India. Talking about yourself, do you consider yourself a citizen of India?
 1. Yes 2. No 7. Other (*Specify*) _____
- E14.** And who in your opinion are not citizens of India? (*Read out answer categories 0 to 5*)
 0. Those who do not take part in elections and other affairs of the country.
 1. Those not born in india, or to Indian parents, including illegal immigrants.
 2. Terrorists/separatists or those who help them.
 3. Those with loyalties other than towards India
 4. Those who do not have respect for the flag, or unity of India.
 5. NRIs, PIO card holders 7. Others (*Specify*) _____
- E15.** If the Congress led UPA alliance forms the next government after this election, who in your opinion should become the Prime Minister - Pranab Mukherjee, Sonia Gandhi, Manmohan Singh or Rahul Gandhi?
 1. Pranab Mukherjee 2. Sonia Gandhi 3. Manmohan Singh
 4. Rahul Gandhi 7. Others (*Specify*) _____ 8. No opinion
- E16.** Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each one of them? (*Probe further whether 'fully' or 'somewhat' agrees or disagrees*).
- | | | Agree | | Disagree | | No |
|----|---|-------|----------|----------|-------|---------|
| | | Fully | Somewhat | Somewhat | Fully | Opinion |
| a. | <input type="checkbox"/> a. Citizens of India should vote regularly. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| b. | <input type="checkbox"/> b. Citizens of India should respect national symbols like the flag, the national anthem and the integrity of Indian territory. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| c. | <input type="checkbox"/> c. Citizens of India should send children to school. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| d. | <input type="checkbox"/> d. Citizens of India should promote harmonious relationship between all religions. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| e. | <input type="checkbox"/> e. Citizens of India should safeguard public property like roads, trains, buses, government buildings. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
- E17.** What is your assessment of Manmohan Singh as the Prime Minister in last five years - would you say that you are satisfied or dissatisfied with it? (*Probe further whether 'fully' or 'somewhat' satisfied or dissatisfied*).
1. Fully satisfied 2. Somewhat satisfied
 3. Somewhat dissatisfied 4. Fully dissatisfied 8. No opinion

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Z15b. Total agricultural land including orchard and plantation under cultivation (*in last 12 months*):
 _____ (*Ask in local units, but record in standard acres. If more than 99, Code 99*)

Z16. Do you or members of your household have the following: Yes No

a.		a. Bicycle	1	0
b.		b. LPG	1	0
c.		c. Number of telephones (<i>Landline and mobiles. If more than 9, code 9</i>)	----	0
d.		d. Electric fan/cooler	1	0
e.		e. B/W Television	1	0
f.		f. Colour Television	1	0
g.		g. Cable connection	1	0
h.		h. Number of scooters/motorcycles/mopeds (<i>If more than 9, code 9</i>)	----	0
i.		i. Number of cars/jeeps/vans (<i>If more than 9, code 9</i>)	----	0
j.		j. Tractor	1	0
k.		k. Fridge	1	0

Z17. (*If Rural*) Livestock: (*Record exact number and total value in Rupees. Code only total value. If total value more than more than 1,00,000, code 99,999*)

		Number	Total value (In Rupees)
a.			
		a. Goat /sheep:	_____
b.			
		b. Cow/Oxen /buffalo/Camel:	_____
c.			
		c. Any other:	_____

Z18. Total monthly household income - putting together the income of all members of the household?
 _____ (*Record exact amount in Rupees. If more than 1,00,000, code 99,999.*)

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If respondent reports his/her income in terms of daily/weekly/seasonal or annual, ask for income in last working day/week/season or year. If daily, ask number of days R worked last month and multiply with that number; if weekly, multiply by 4; if seasonal, ask the number of months in last season and divide with the number and if yearly/annual, divide by 12.)

If Daily; Income of last working day **X** days R worked last month: _____ **X** _____ = _____

If Weekly; Income of last working week **X** 4 : _____ **X** 4 = _____

If Seasonal; Income of last season ÷ months in last season: _____ ÷ _____ = _____

If Annual; Income of last Year ÷ 12: _____ ÷ 12 = _____

FILL AFTER COMPLETING INTERVIEW

X1. Time of completing the Interview: _____

X1a. Total time taken in completing the Interview (*Record in minutes*): _____

X2. Were there any other people immediately present who might be listening during the interview?

- 1. No one
- 2. Children
- 3. Husband/wife
- 4. Other adult family members
- 5. Small crowd

X3. In how many questions did the respondent check with others for information to answer for questions?

- 1. None
- 2. One or two
- 3. Three to five
- 4. Five to ten
- 5. More than 10

X4. While answering the questions on voting preference in the Lok Sabha election, did the respondent use the ballot paper secretly or did she/he answer openly?

- 1. Secretly
- 2. Openly

X5. In your opinion did the respondent feel free while marking the ballot for Q1a/Q1c, or do you think that she/he was hesitant while marking the ballot, or you can't say?

- 1. Felt free
- 2. Did not feel free
- 3. Can't say

X6. At some stage did you notice something that made you feel that the respondent was answering under some fear or pressure?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Not sure

X7. Overall was the respondent cooperative? 1. Yes, very much 2. Somewhat 3. Not at all

X8. Investigator's signature (*Sign in box*):

X9. Name of the Supervisor: _____

X10. Checked by the Supervisor: 1. Yes 2. No

X11. Supervisor's signature (*Sign in box*):

Any additional notes/comments
