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**TAMIL NADU ELECTION STUDY - 2011
POST-POLL SURVEY**

F1. State Name: _____

F2. A.C. Name: _____

F3. P.S. Name: _____

F4. Name of the Respondent: _____

F5. Address of the respondent (*Give landmark*): _____

F6. Date of interview (*dd/mm/yyyy*): _____

F7. Time of starting the interview: _____

F8. 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 Tamil Nadu Post Poll survey on the opinion of people on politics and interviewing thousands of people across the State. 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 Vidhan Sabha, we find that some people were not able to vote. How about you - were you able to vote or not?

1. Could not vote (*Go to Q1c.*) 2. Voted 8. Don't remember

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 whom 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*) 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

Q1d. (*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. Who did you vote for during the last Lok Sabha elections held in 2009? I mean the MP elections for electing the Central Government in Delhi. On this slip please put a mark in front of the same symbol against which you had pressed the button. (*Supply yellow dummy ballot paper and explain the procedure* _____ 99.NA)

Q3. 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

Q4. During the elections people participate in various activities related to election. Did you participate in any such activities during the recent election campaign?

	Activities	Yes	No	No Opinion
a.	a. Attended election meetings?	1	2	8
b.	b. Participated in processions/rallies?	1	2	8
c.	c. Went home to home for canvassing?	1	2	8
d.	d. Collected funds?	1	2	8
e.	e. Distributed Pamphlets/ Put up posters?	1	2	8

Q5. 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

Q6. (*If Voted in Q1*) In deciding who to vote for in the just concluded elections, whose opinion mattered to you most? (*Don't read answer categories*)

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 9. NA

a.	Q13.	Now I will ask you to compare M Karunanidhi and J Jayalalithaa. Who among the two do you think is better on the following matters: <i>(Read out the options and record the answer)</i>					
b.			M Karunanidhi	J Jayalalithaa	Both	None	No option
c.		a. Running the administration/govt	1	2	3	4	8
		b. Concern for the poor	1	2	3	4	8
		c. For development of Tamil Nadu	1	2	3	4	8
a.	Q13a.	And who is more...	M Karunanidhi	J Jayalalithaa	Both	None	No option
b.		a. Corrupt	1	2	3	4	8
c.		b. Nepotist	1	2	3	4	8
		c. Authoritarian	1	2	3	4	8
	Q14.	What is your assessment of the work done by the DMK government in Tamil Nadu in the last five years? Would you say that you are satisfied or dissatisfied with it? <i>(Probe further whether 'fully' or 'somewhat' satisfied or dissatisfied).</i>					
		1. Fully satisfied	2. Somewhat satisfied	3. Somewhat dissatisfied			
		4. Fully dissatisfied	8. No opinion/DK				
	Q15.	If you had to compare the present DMK government led by Karunanidhi with the previous AIADMK government led by Jayalalithaa – which has been better?					
		1. DMK govt is better	2. AIADMK govt was better				
		3. Both have been equally good	4. Both have been equally bad	8. Can't say/D.K.			
	Q16.	Now compare the recently held Assembly election in your area with Assembly elections held in 2006. 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/Don't know				
	Q17.	Now I will ask you about Prime Minister Manmohan Singh. People have different opinion about him. Some say he is a clean and honest man who has tried his best to control corruption, others say he is himself corrupt, and some others say that he may be clean and honest but he has done nothing to control corruption. Which one of these do you agree with ?					
		1. Clean and honest leader who has tried his best to control corruption	2. He is himself corrupt				
		3. May be clean and honest but has done nothing to control corruption.	8. Can't say/No opinion				
	Q18.	How would you rate M Karunanidhi's performance as the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu – Very good, Good, Bad or Very bad?					
		4. Very good	3. Good	2. Bad	1. Very bad	8. Can't say/D.K.	
	Q19.	Thinking of how you (or your family, in the case of first time voters) have voted in previous elections, how would you have described yourself before this election campaign began. Were you a DMK supporter, AIADMK supporter, a Congress supporter, a supporter of some other party or not a committed supporter of any party?					
		1. DMK supporter	2. AIADMK supporter	3. Congress supporter			
		4. Supporter of some other party	5. Not a committed supporter of any party	8. Can't say/D.K.			
a.	Q20.	Now I will ask you about the assessment of the work done by the M Karunanidhi's government in the state in the last five years. Do you think that the following have improved or deteriorated? <i>(Probe further whether 'fully' or 'somewhat' improved or deteriorated).</i>					
b.			Improved	Deteriorated	D.K.		
c.			Fully	Somewhat	Somewhat	Fully	
d.		a. The Condition of roads	1	2	3	4	8
e.		b. The Supply of Electricity	1	2	3	4	8
f.		c. The Supply of Drinking water	1	2	3	4	8
g.		d. Quality of education in government schools	1	2	3	4	8
		e. Medical facilities in government Hospitals	1	2	3	4	8
		f. Law and Order situation	1	2	3	4	8
		g. Public Bus service	1	2	3	4	8

- Q21. How do you rate the present DMK-government of Tamil Nadu in terms of corruption. Is it very corrupt, somewhat corrupt, or not corrupt at all?
1 Very corrupt 2 Somewhat corrupt 3 Not corrupt at all 8 Can't say/D.K.
- Q22. If you had to compare Karunanidhi and Jayalalithaa – whose government is likely to be more corrupt? 1. Karunanidhi's govt 2. Jayalalithaa's govt 3. Both govts 4 Neither govts 8 Don't know
- Q23. Have you heard of the Commonwealth Games scam? 1. Heard 2. Not heard
- Q24. Have you heard of the 2G telecom scam? 1. Heard 2. Not heard
- Q24a. (*If yes in Q24*) Now I will read out a few names allegedly associated with 2G scam. In your opinion to what extent are they responsible for the 2G scam – to a great extent, somewhat, not at all?
- | | Great extent | Somewhat | Not at all | D.K. | N.A. |
|-----------------|--------------|----------|------------|------|------|
| a. A Raja | 1 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 9 |
| b. Kanimozhi | 1 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 9 |
| c. Dayalu Ammal | 1 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 9 |
| d. Karunanidhi | 1 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 9 |
- Q24b. (*If heard*) How much of an effect did the 2G telecom scam have on your voting decision in the recently concluded elections?
1. Great deal 2. Somewhat 3. Not at all 8. Can't say/D.K. 9. NA
- Q24c. (*If 2G scam had great deal of effect or somewhat effect in 24b*) What kind of an effect did the 2G scam have on your voting choice?
1. Shift from DMK to ADMK 2. Shift from ADMK to DMK 3. Increased commitment to ADMK
4. Increased commitment to DMK 5. No change 8. Cant say/D.K 9. Not Applicable
- Q25. 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 | | DK |
|--|-------|----------|----------|-------|----|
| | Fully | Somewhat | Somewhat | Fully | |
| a. A Raja has been targeted in the 2G telecom scam because he is a Dalit. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| b. 2G telecom scam has hurt Tamil Nadu's image. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| c. DMK govt did little to highlight the sufferings of Tamils in Sri Lanka. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| d. A separate Tamil Eelam is no longer possible. It's a dead issue. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| e. Tamil Nadu has been neglected by the UPA govt at the Centre. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| f. DMK govt has failed to take up the issue of attacks on Indian fishermen by the Sri Lankan navy. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| g. DMK govt has done more than any other govt to promote Tamil language and culture. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
- Q26. Have you heard about factionalism and infighting among DMK leaders?
2. Yes 1. No 8. Can't Say/D.K.
- Q26a. (*If yes*) To what extent it influenced your voting decision - a great deal, somewhat or not at all?
3. Great deal 2. Somewhat 1. Not at all 8. Can't say/D.K. 9. NA

Q27. Both the DMK and AIADMK promised several things to the voters ahead of the elections. Starting with the DMK can you tell me at least three 'free' things which each of these parties promised? (*Record the answer during the interview. Consult codebook for coding. If correct answer, then code relevant answer code in the boxes. If incorrect, code 90 in the boxes. If no answer, code 99 in the boxes.*)

a.		
b.		
c.		
a.		
b.		
c.		

DMK promises

- a. _____
 b. _____
 c. _____

AIADMK promises

- a. _____
 b. _____
 c. _____

Q28. Q28a.

a.		
b.		
c.		
d.		
e.		
f.		

Q28. Now I will read out a few schemes that were launched during the last five years. Please tell me are you aware of these schemes. **Q28a.** (*If yes*) Did you or your family benefit from the following schemes.

	Yes	No (<i>If yes</i>)	Benifitted	Not Benifitted	No opinion	N.A.
a. Rice at Re 1/kg	1	2	1	2	8	9
b. Free Colour TVs	1	2	1	2	8	9
c. Free LPG-cum-stoves	1	2	1	2	8	9
d. Kalaingar insurance scheme	1	2	1	2	8	9
e. Kalaingar free housing scheme	1	2	1	2	8	9
f. Marriage assistance scheme	1	2	1	2	8	9

Q29. Have you heard about the LTTE? 2. Yes 1. No

Q29a. (*If Yes*) While talking to people about the LTTE, some people say that the demands of LTTE were not at all justified, while some say that though the demands of LTTE were justified, the use of violence was wrong. Others say that in the demands of LTTE were justified, and in such situations violence can not be avoided. What is your opinion?

1. Demand not at all justified 2. Demand justified
 3. Demand justified and violence unavoidable 8. Can't say/ D.K. 9. NA

Q30. Please tell me how important was the issue of price rise for you personally when you voted in this election? 1. Very important issue 2. Somewhat important issue 3. Not an important issue
 4. Not at all an important issue 8. Can't Say

Q30a. (*If very important or somewhat important*) In your opinion, which government is more responsible for rising prices - Congress-led UPA govt at Centre or DMK govt in State?
 1. Congress-led UPA govt at Centre 2. DMK govt in the State 3. Both 4. None 8. Can't Say

Q31. Now I would like to know your opinion about coalition governments. 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

Q32. In your opinion was Vijaykanth's (DMDK) decision to form an alliance with Jayalalithaa (AIADMK) a good decision, or a bad decision? (*Probe further whether 'Very good' or 'Very bad'*).
 1. Very good decision 2. Good decision 3. Bad decision
 4. Very bad decision 5. Not heard 8. No opinion

Q33. In your opinion was Jayalalithaa's (AIADMK) decision to break the alliance with Vaiko (MDMK) a good decision, or a bad decision? (*Probe further whether 'Very good' or 'Very bad'*). 1. Very good decision 2. Good decision 3. Bad decision
4. Very bad decision 5. Not heard 8. No opinion

Q34. In your opinion was the DMK's decision of forming an alliance with the Congress even under pressure from the Congress a good decision, or a bad decision? (*Probe further whether 'Very good' or 'Very bad'*). 1. Very good decision 2. Good decision 3. Bad decision
4. Very bad decision 5. Not heard 8. No opinion

Q35. Here are some statements about DMK leader Karunanidhi. Do you agree or disagree with them? (*Probe further whether 'fully' or 'somewhat' agrees or disagrees*).

		Agree	Disagree	DK		
		Fully	Somewhat	Somewhat		
		Fully	Somewhat	Fully		
a.	a. There's nothing wrong in Karunanidhi promoting his family members in politics	1	2	3	4	8
b.	b. Karunanidhi is too old to become the Chief Minister	1	2	3	4	8
c.	c. Karunanidhi is rightly projecting Stalin as the next Party chief	1	2	3	4	8

Q36. Who do you think is best suited to be M Karunanidhi's successor – Stalin, Azhagiri, Kanimozhi, Dayanidhi Maran or someone else?
1. MK Stalin 2. MK Azhagiri 3. Kanimozhi
4. Dayanidhi Maran 7. Others (Specify) _____ 8. No opinion/DK

Q37. If there were no alliances between different political parties and all parties were contesting in your seat/constituency, who would have voted for? (*Record name of party & consult Codebook for coding*) _____ 99. NA

Q38. 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

Q39. 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

Q40. During this election campaign, in your opinion, which of the two alliances – DMK or AIADMK – distributed more money in your locality?
1. DMK alliance 2. ADMK alliance 3. Both equal 4. None 8. No opinion

a. Q41. Now I will read out the names of a few communities. Please tell me which of the two parties – DMK or AIADMK, is better at addressing their issues?

		DMK	ADMK	Both	None	No opinion
b.	a. Women	1	2	3	4	8
c.	b. Farmers	1	2	3	4	8
d.	c. Poor	1	2	3	4	8
e.	d. Youth	1	2	3	4	8
f.	e. Dalits	1	2	3	4	8
	f. Fishermen	1	2	3	4	8

- Q42. Have you heard about the Sethusamudram Project? 1. Yes 2. No
- Q42a. (If Yes) While talking to people we found that some people say that the Sethusamudram Project should not be implemented as it surts the religious sentiments of some people, while some say that it should not be implemented because many people will loose their livelihood. Others say that the Sethusamudram Project should be implemented as it is important for the overall economic development of the region. What is your opinion?
1. Not implemented as it hurts religious sentiments
2. Not implemented as people will lose their livelihood
3. Should be implemented for economic development 8. No opinion/DK 9. NA
- Q43. As compared to five years ago, how is the economic condition of your household today – would you say it has become much better, better, remained same, become worse or much worse? 1. Much better 2. Better 3. Same 4. Worse 5. Much worse 8. No Opinion
- Q44. 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).
1. Fully satisfied 2. Somewhat satisfied 3. Somewhat dissatisfied 4. Fully dissatisfied 8. D.K.
- Q45. What do you think will be the economic condition of your household in the coming few years. Would you say it will become much better, better, remain the same, become worse or much worse? 1. Much better 2. Better 3. Same 4. Worse 5. Much worse 8. No Opinion
- Q46. 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
- Q47. 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
- Q48. 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
- | | | | |
|--------------------------|---|-----|----|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Q49. For election related news, did you use/access the following sources? | Yes | No |
| a. | a. TV | 1 | 2 |
| b. | b. Radio | 1 | 2 |
| c. | c. Newspaper | 1 | 2 |
| d. | d. Internet/Website | 1 | 2 |
- Q50. In your opinion, Should the DMK government in the state get another chance?
- 2.Yes 1.No 8.Can't say

BACKGROUND DATA

Personal Information

Z1. Now let us talk about this village/ town you live in. How long have you lived here? (*If not all life, probe for number of years lived here*)

1. Less than 5 years 2. 5 to 10 years 3. More than 10 years 4. Entire life

Z1a. (*If Not all life*) Where did you come from?

Name of State: _____ 99. N.A.

Z2. What is your age? (*In completed years*) _____ (*Recode 95 for age 95 years and above*)

Z3. Gender: 1. Male 2. Female

Z4. What is your marital status?

1. Married (*If both husband and wife live together*)
 2. Married, gauna not performed (*Married but not started living together*)
 3. Widowed 4. Divorced 5. Separated
 6. Deserted 7. Never married

Z5. Up to what level have you studied _____ (*Record exactly and consult code book*)

F M

Z5a. Up to what level have your father and your mother studied?

Father: _____ **Mother:** _____

Z6. What is your main occupation? _____ (*Record exactly and consult code book & if retired, try to ascertain his/her previous occupation*)

Z6a. What is/has been the main occupation of main earner of your family? _____ (*Record exactly and consult code book & if retired, try to ascertain his/her previous occupation*)

Z6b. (*If Housewife*) Aside from your housework, do you do anything that contributes to the family income? 2. Yes 1. No 9. NA

Z6c. (*If Yes*) What do you mainly do? (*Do Not Read Answer Categories*)

1. Works in the family farm/field
 2. Runs petty shop/ sundry business/ day care centre in the family premises
 3. Piecemeal work like rolling papad, incense sticks, making candles, embroidery/tailoring/poultry/spinning and weaving/food processing
 4. Helps husband in his business/ profession 7. Any other work (*Specify*) _____ 9. NA

Z7. What is your Caste/Jati-biradari/Tribe name? _____ (*Consult state code book, or master list*)

Any other name by which your caste or subcaste is known? _____ (*Not to be coded*)

Z7a. And what is your caste group? (*Double check and consult SC/ST/OBC list for the state*)

1. Scheduled Caste (SC) 2. Scheduled Tribe (ST)
 3. Other Backward Classes (OBC) 4. Other

Z8. What is your religion?

1. Hindu 2. Muslim 3. Christian 4. Sikh 5. Buddhist/Neo Buddhist
 6. Jain 7. Animism 8. No religion 9. Others (*Specify*) _____

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

Z10. Do you have a Voter identity card?

1. Yes I have 2. Photographed, but did not get it 3. Have, but it has mistakes
 4. Do not have 5. Had, but lost it 7. Any other (*Specify*) _____

