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Q1: Assembly elections are going to be held in Himachal Pradesh in the next few weeks. Will you vote in this election?

	N	(%)
1: No	74	2.6
2: Yes	2628	93.4
3: Might	48	1.7
8: No response	65	2.3
Total	2815	100.0

Q2: If Assembly elections are held in Himachal Pradesh tomorrow, then which party will you vote for?

	N	(%)
01: Congress (INC)	1154	41.0
02: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)	1323	47.0
03: Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP)	143	5.1
04: Nationalist Congress Party (NCP)	141	5.0
05: Communist Party of India (CPI)	16	.6
06: Communist Party of India Marxist (CPI-M)	3	.1
07: Aam Aadmi Party	7	.3
90: No party	3	.1
92: NONE OF THE ABOVE (NOTA)	7	.2
95: Independent	3	.1
98: Don't know/Can't say/No response	14	.5
Total	2815	100.0

a: (*If voted in Q2*) Will you vote for the same party on day of voting to which you just voted for or your decision can change?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Will vote for the same party	2058	73.1	74.1
	2: Decision could change	459	16.3	16.5
	8: Can't say	262	9.3	9.4
	Total	2779	98.7	100.0

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		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Missing	9: N.A.	36	1.3	
Total		2815	100.0	

Q3: While deciding whom to vote for, what would matter to you the most – name of the party, local candidate or Chief Ministerial candidate of a party?

		N	(%)
1: Party		1525	54.2
2: Local Candidate		547	19.4
3: Chief Ministerial candidate		302	10.7
4: Modi		288	10.2
5: Sonia/Rahul/Priyanka/Manmohan		61	2.2
7: Others		31	1.1
8: No opinion		61	2.2
Total		2815	100.0

Q4: After the next election, who would you like to see as the Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh?

		N	(%)
01: Virbhadr Singh		801	28.5
02: Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu		194	6.9
03: Vikramaditya Singh		53	1.9
04: Vidya Strokes		35	1.2
05: Anand Sharma		3	.1
06: Kaul Singh Thakur		1	.0
07: G S Balli		1	.0
08: Sujan Singh Pathania		5	.2
10: Mukesh Agnihotri		5	.2
11: Sudhir Sharma		1	.0
12 Prakash Chaudhary		2	.1
13: Anil Kumar		4	.2
15: Prem Kumar Dhumal		868	30.8

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	N	(%)
16: J P Nadda	153	5.4
17: Anurag Thakur	120	4.3
18: Shanta Kumar	1	.0
19: Maheshwar Singh	1	.0
22: Sarveen Chaudhary	3	.1
23: Randheer Sharma	2	.1
24: Any other /any BJP leader	3	.1
85: Any other leader not mentioned above	0	.0
90: Anyone can be chief minister	3	.1
98: Can't say/No response	557	19.8
Total	2815	100.0

Q5: Which party did you vote for in the 2014 Lok Sabha election?

	N	(%)
01: Congress (INC)	773	27.5
02: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)	1020	36.3
03: Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP)	163	5.8
04: Nationalist Congress Party (NCP)	203	7.2
05: Communist Party of India (CPI)	1	.0
95: Did not vote	260	9.2
98: Don't know/Can't say/No response	395	14.0
Total	2815	100.0

Q6: Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the performance of the Narendra Modi-led BJP/NDA Government at the Centre during the last three and half years?

	N	(%)
1: Fully satisfied	878	31.2
2: Somewhat satisfied	1144	40.6
3: Somewhat dissatisfied	116	4.1
4: Fully dissatisfied	553	19.6
8: No response	123	4.4

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Total	2815	100.0
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Q7: Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the work done by your current local M.L.A.?

	N	(%)
1: Fully satisfied	693	24.6
2: Somewhat satisfied	1509	53.6
3: Somewhat dissatisfied	206	7.3
4: Fully dissatisfied	273	9.7
8: No response	134	4.8
Total	2815	100.0

Q8: Thinking of how you (or your family in the case of first time voter) have voted in the assembly elections in Himachal Pradesh in the last many years, how would you describe yourself – are you traditionally a Congress supporter or a BJP supporter?

	N	(%)
1: Congress	1173	41.7
2: BJP	1076	38.2
3: Other parties	71	2.5
7: Not a supporter of any one party	363	12.9
8: No response	133	4.7
Total	2815	100.0

Q9: While deciding whom to vote for in the coming Assembly elections, what will be the single most important issue for you?

	N	(%)
01: Electricity supply	9	.3
02: Drinking water supply	91	3.2
03: Educational facilities/school/college/education/ teacher	4	.1
04: Health facilities/hospital/doctors/treatment	79	2.8
05: Good condition of roads	3	.1
06: Poor condition of roads	27	.9

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	N	(%)
09: Railway connectivity	2	.1
10: Neglect of my area	4	.1
11: Cleanliness/sanitation	66	2.4
12: Unemployment/lack of jobs	239	8.5
13: No companies/factories	47	1.7
14: Gap between rich and poor/exploitation of poor	108	3.8
15: Poverty	231	8.2
16: Food and Clothes	49	1.7
17: Housing	18	.7
18: Inflation/price rise/prices have increased	4	.2
19: Prices have come down	4	.1
20: Corruption (generally)	221	7.9
21: Corruption of Congress government/Virbhadra Singh	0	.0
22: Drought/low rainfall	58	2.1
23: Floods	85	3.0
24: Irrigation issues	11	.4
25: MSP of crops	3	.1
26: Farmer problems/agricultural problems	44	1.6
28: Development (generally)/vikaas	56	2.0
29: Development under Congress rule	48	1.7
31: Economic growth	61	2.2
32: Increasing crime/deteriorating law and order	8	.3
33: Crimes against women/rape/Women's safety	225	8.0
34: Shimla-Kotkhai rape and murder case	4	.1
35: GST (generally)	312	11.1
37: Unhappy with GST/poorly implemented/ unnecessary	1	.0
38: Demonetisation/notebandi (Generally)	42	1.5
40: Unhappy with demonetisation/poorly implemented	4	.1
41: Caste/protection of one's caste	2	.1
42: Religion/protection of one's religion	94	3.3
43: Himachali pride/asmita	0	.0
44: Communalism/secularism/ Hindu-Muslim brotherhood	1	.0

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	N	(%)
46: Ram Mandir/Babri Masjid issue	1	.0
47: Cow protection	113	4.0
49: Issue of nationalism	1	.0
52: Vote for Narendra Modi/satisfied with Modi's performance	1	.0
54: Vote for Virbhadra Singh	1	.0
58: Vote against Narendra Modi/ dissatisfied with Modi's performance	1	.0
62: Land acquisition	23	.8
63: Illegal land/benami deals of land	1	.0
64: Workers'/labour rights	127	4.5
65: Nepotism/political dynasties	3	.1
96: No Problem/No Issue	1	.0
97: Any other issue not mentioned above	2	.1
98. No Opinion/DK /Can't say	277	9.9
Total	2815	100.0

Q10: How is the economic condition of your household, compared to a year back – is it much better, better, the same as before, worse or much worse?

	N	(%)
1: Much better	186	6.6
2: Better	1170	41.6
3: Same as before	1150	40.9
4: Worse	204	7.2
5: Much worse	32	1.1
8: No answer	73	2.6
Total	2815	100.0

Q11: Which one among these four sentences truly describes your economic condition?

	N	(%)
1: With our total household income we are able to fulfill our all requirements as well as save some money	858	30.5
2: With our total household income we are able to fulfill our requirements	952	33.8

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without any difficulty		
3: With our total household income we are not able to fulfill our necessities and we face some difficulties	701	24.9
4: With our total household income we are not able to fulfill our necessities and we face a lot of difficulties	298	10.6
8: No answer	7	.2
Total	2815	100.0

Q12. Do you like or dislike these national level politicians?

a: Amit Shah

	N	(%)
1: Fully like	1059	37.6
2: Somewhat like	1161	41.3
3: Somewhat dislike	301	10.7
4: Fully dislike	167	5.9
8: Can't say	91	3.2
9: Not heard	35	1.2
Total	2815	100.0

b: Rahul Gandhi

	N	(%)
1: Fully like	1180	41.9
2: Somewhat like	818	29.1
3: Somewhat dislike	480	17.1
4: Fully dislike	273	9.7
8: Can't say	62	2.2
9: Not heard	2	.1
Total	2815	100.0

c: Narendra Modi

	N	(%)
1: Fully like	1284	45.6

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2: Somewhat like	647	23.0
3: Somewhat dislike	587	20.8
4: Fully dislike	236	8.4
8: Can't say	51	1.8
9: Not heard	10	.4
Total	2815	100.0

d: Sonia Gandhi

	N	(%)
1: Fully like	1164	41.4
2: Somewhat like	684	24.3
3: Somewhat dislike	495	17.6
4: Fully dislike	336	11.9
8: Can't say	112	4.0
9: Not heard	24	.8
Total	2815	100.0

e: Arvind Kejriwal

	N	(%)
1: Fully like	411	14.6
2: Somewhat like	768	27.3
3: Somewhat dislike	664	23.6
4: Fully dislike	572	20.3
8: Can't say	345	12.3
9: Not heard	55	1.9
Total	2815	100.0

f: J.P. Nadda

	N	(%)
1: Fully like	589	20.9
2: Somewhat like	702	25.0

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3: Somewhat dislike	580	20.6
4: Fully dislike	383	13.6
8: Can't say	306	10.9
9: Not heard	255	9.1
Total	2815	100.0

Q13. In your opinion, the following decisions taken by Modi government were right or wrong?

a: Demonetization

	N	(%)
1: Right	1034	36.7
2: Wrong	1207	42.9
3: So-So	541	19.2
8: Can't say	33	1.2
Total	2815	100.0

b: GST

	N	(%)
1: Right	530	18.8
2: Wrong	1299	46.2
3: So-So	830	29.5
8: Can't say	155	5.5
Total	2815	100.0

Q14: People have different opinions regarding the concessions given by central government in GST recently. Some people think these concessions are enough and are satisfied, while others view these are concessions as being not much and are dissatisfied. Are you satisfied or dissatisfied?

	N	(%)
1: Satisfied	750	26.6
2: Dissatisfied	1389	49.3
8: Can't say	676	24.0

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	N	(%)
Total	2815	100.0

Q15: Do you know anyone whose employment or occupation was negatively impacted after demonetization?

	N	(%)
1: No	710	25.2
2: Yes	1310	46.5
8: Don't know	795	28.2
Total	2815	100.0

Q16: Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the performance of the Congress government of Himachal Pradesh over the last five years?

	N	(%)
1: Fully satisfied	793	28.2
2: Somewhat satisfied	1100	39.1
3: Somewhat dissatisfied	290	10.3
4: Fully dissatisfied	432	15.3
8: Can't say	200	7.1
Total	2815	100.0

Q17. Now I will read out a few statements. Please tell me whether do you agree or disagree with each one of them?

a: The central government of Delhi has discriminated against Himachal Pradesh.

	N	(%)
1: Fully agree	850	30.2
2: Somewhat agree	1308	46.5
3: Somewhat disagree	334	11.9
4: Fully disagree	171	6.1
8: No opinion	153	5.4
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b: Now Narendra Modi has failed in bringing acche din.

	N	(%)
1: Fully agree	797	28.3
2: Somewhat agree	808	28.7
3: Somewhat disagree	570	20.3
4: Fully disagree	360	12.8
8: No opinion	280	9.9
Total	2815	100.0

c: It is not necessary for Himachal's development that the same party that is ruling in the Centre should also be ruling in the State

	N	(%)
1: Fully agree	617	21.9
2: Somewhat agree	871	30.9
3: Somewhat disagree	517	18.4
4: Fully disagree	318	11.3
8: No opinion	492	17.5
Total	2815	100.0

Q18: Do you like or dislike these politicians of Himachal?

a: Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu

	N	(%)
1: Fully like	951	33.8
2: Somewhat like	1060	37.7
3: Somewhat dislike	452	16.0
4: Fully dislike	243	8.6
8: Can't say	68	2.4
9: Not heard	41	1.4
Total	2815	100.0

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b: Virbhadra Singh

	N	(%)
1: Fully like	1111	39.5
2: Somewhat like	768	27.3
3: Somewhat dislike	479	17.0
4: Fully dislike	380	13.5
8: Can't say	61	2.2
9: Not heard	16	.6
Total	2815	100.0

c: Anurag Thakur

	N	(%)
1: Fully like	915	32.5
2: Somewhat like	916	32.5
3: Somewhat dislike	574	20.4
4: Fully dislike	250	8.9
8: Can't say	131	4.6
9: Not heard	31	1.1
Total	2815	100.0

d: Vikramaditya Singh

	N	(%)
1: Fully like	697	24.8
2: Somewhat like	967	34.4
3: Somewhat dislike	563	20.0
4: Fully dislike	311	11.1
8: Can't say	218	7.7
9: Not heard	58	2.1
Total	2815	100.0

e: Prem Kumar Dhumal

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	N	(%)
1: Fully like	1078	38.3
2: Somewhat like	682	24.2
3: Somewhat dislike	472	16.8
4: Fully dislike	341	12.1
8: Can't say	179	6.4
9: Not heard	63	2.3
Total	2815	100.0

f: Shanta Kumar

	N	(%)
1: Fully like	331	11.8
2: Somewhat like	941	33.4
3: Somewhat dislike	648	23.0
4: Fully dislike	373	13.3
8: Can't say	349	12.4
9: Not heard	172	6.1
Total	2815	100.0

Q19: If we compare the present Congress government (2012-17) with the previous BJP government (2007-12) which one according to you has been better?

	N	(%)
1: Present Congress government (2012-17)	1007	35.8
2: Previous BJP government (2007-12)	918	32.6
3: Both are good	360	12.8
4: Both are Bad	218	7.7
8: Can't say	313	11.1
Total	2815	100.0

Q20: Have you or any member of your family benefited from the following government schemes?

a: Jan Dhan Yojana

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		N	(%)
1: Yes		1757	62.4
2: No		955	33.9
3: Not heard		55	2.0
8: No answer		48	1.7
Total		2815	100.0

b: Prime Minister Fasal Bima Yojana

		N	(%)
1: Yes		993	35.3
2: No		1561	55.5
3: Not heard		208	7.4
8: No answer		54	1.9
Total		2815	100.0

c: Prime Minister Ujjwala Yojana

		N	(%)
1: Yes		1081	38.4
2: No		1331	47.3
3: Not heard		286	10.1
8: No answer		117	4.2
Total		2815	100.0

d: Prime Minister Awaas Yojana

		N	(%)
1: Yes		824	29.3
2: No		1489	52.9
3: Not heard		301	10.7
8: No answer		201	7.1

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e: Indradhanush Yojana (vaccination of children)

	N	(%)
1: Yes	1436	51.0
2: No	923	32.8
3: Not heard	266	9.5
8: No answer	190	6.7
Total	2815	100.0

f: Free travel for school Children in buses

	N	(%)
1: Yes	844	30.0
2: No	1400	49.7
3: Not heard	347	12.3
8: No answer	224	7.9
Total	2815	100.0

g: Concessions to women in bus fares

	N	(%)
1: Yes	831	29.5
2: No	1317	46.8
3: Not heard	419	14.9
8: No answer	248	8.8
Total	2815	100.0

h: Skill Development allowance one thousand rupees unemployment allowance per month

	N	(%)
1: Yes	740	26.3
2: No	1469	52.2

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3: Not heard	337	12.0
8: No answer	269	9.6
Total	2815	100.0

i: The amount given by state Government for girl's marriage

	N	(%)
1: Yes	1180	41.9
2: No	1135	40.3
3: Not heard	240	8.5
8: No answer	260	9.2
Total	2815	100.0

Q21: Is the decision of Congress to declare Virbhadra Singh as the Chief Ministerial candidate for the upcoming assembly elections right or wrong?

	N	(%)
1: Right	1113	39.5
2: Wrong	789	28.0
8: Can't say	913	32.4
Total	2815	100.0

Q22: According to you, should the BJP declare its Chief Ministerial candidate for the upcoming assembly elections?

	N	(%)
1: No	533	18.9
2: Yes	1329	47.2
8: Can't say	953	33.9
Total	2815	100.0

a: (*If yes for Q.22*) Who should be the Chief Minister Candidate?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	01: Virbhadra Singh	142	5.0	10.7

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		N	(%)	Valid (%)
	02: Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu	30	1.1	2.3
	03: Vikramaditya Singh	5	.2	.4
	04: Vidya Strokes	1	.0	.1
	07: G S Balli	1	.0	.1
	08: Sujjan Singh Pathania	1	.0	.1
	13: Anil Kumar	1	.0	.1
	15: Prem Kumar Dhumal	633	22.5	47.6
	16: J P Nadda	91	3.2	6.8
	17: Anurag Thakur	72	2.6	5.4
	18: Shanta Kumar	2	.1	.1
	19: Maheshwar Singh	1	.0	.1
	20: Ramswarup Sharma	1	.0	.1
	21: Satpal Singh Satti	2	.1	.1
	22: Sarveen Chaudhary	1	.0	.1
	23: Randheer Sharma	1	.0	.1
	98: Can't say/No response	344	12.2	25.9
	Total	1329	47.2	100.0
Missing	99: N.A.	1486	52.8	
Total		2815	100.0	

Q23: Now I will read out a few statements. In your view which party has more of these - Congress or BJP?

a: Corrupt

		N	(%)
	1: Congress	1117	39.7
	2: BJP	1033	36.7
	3: Both	572	20.3
	8: No response	94	3.3
	Total	2815	100.0

b: Dynasticism

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	N	(%)
1: Congress	1030	36.6
2: BJP	1002	35.6
3: Both	616	21.9
8: No response	166	5.9
Total	2815	100.0

c: Factionalism in Party

	N	(%)
1: Congress	814	28.9
2: BJP	727	25.8
3: Both	991	35.2
8: No response	283	10.0
Total	2815	100.0

Q24: According to you, who is the best politician of the Congress in Himachal Pradesh?

	N	(%)
01: Virbhadra Singh	874	31.0
02: Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu	291	10.3
03: Vikramaditya Singh	93	3.3
04: Vidya Strokes	54	1.9
05: Anand Sharma	2	.1
06: Kaul Singh Thakur	1	.0
07: G S Balli	1	.0
08: Sujan Singh Pathania	1	.0
10: Mukesh Agnihotri	5	.2
11: Sudhir Sharma	6	.2
12 Prakash Chaudhary	2	.1
13: Anil Kumar	6	.2
15: Prem Kumar Dhumal	29	1.0
16: J P Nadda	18	.6

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	N	(%)
17: Anurag Thakur	4	.2
18: Shanta Kumar	1	.0
19: Maheshwar Singh	3	.1
20: Ramswarup Sharma	3	.1
21: Satpal Singh Satti	5	.2
22: Sarveen Chaudhary	5	.2
90: Anyone can be chief minister	4	.1
98: Can't say/No response	1407	50.0
Total	2815	100.0

Q25: Now I will read out a few statements. Please tell me, whether do you agree or disagree with each of them?

a: Virbhadra Singh is being falsely implicated in corruption cases.

	N	(%)
1: Fully agree	950	33.8
2: Somewhat agree	942	33.5
3: Somewhat disagree	587	20.9
4: Fully disagree	178	6.3
8: No opinion	157	5.6
Total	2815	100.0

b: Virbhadra Singh thinks more about his own interests and less about his party.

	N	(%)
1: Fully agree	481	17.1
2: Somewhat agree	907	32.2
3: Somewhat disagree	701	24.9
4: Fully disagree	339	12.0
8: No opinion	387	13.8
Total	2815	100.0

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- c: The influence/activities of builders and land mafias have increased in Himachal in the last few years.

	N	(%)
1: Fully agree	516	18.3
2: Somewhat agree	766	27.2
3: Somewhat disagree	724	25.7
4: Fully disagree	243	8.6
8: No opinion	566	20.1
Total	2815	100.0

Q26: Have you heard about the rape and murder case that happened in Kotkhai of Shimla?

	N	(%)
1: No	765	27.2
2: Yes	1250	44.4
8: Can't say	800	28.4
Total	2815	100.0

- a: (*If yes in Q.26*) Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the action taken by state administration in this case?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Fully satisfied	223	7.9	17.8
	2: Somewhat satisfied	621	22.1	49.7
	3: Somewhat dissatisfied	128	4.6	10.3
	4: Fully dissatisfied	178	6.3	14.3
	8: No opinion	99	3.5	7.9
	Total	1250	44.4	100.0
Missing	9: N.A.	1565	55.6	
Total		2815	100.0	

Q27: Chief Minister Virbhadr Singh has announced several developmental schemes in the last one/two months. In your opinion, have these announcements really been taken for development or just to win elections?

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	N	(%)
1: Really for development	950	33.7
2: Just for winning election	1166	41.4
3: Others	95	3.4
8: Can't say	604	21.5
Total	2815	100.0

Q28: Now I will talk about the work done by Congress Government of Himachal Pradesh during last five years. Please tell me, whether the conditions of following issues have improved or worsened during the last five years?

a: Conditions of roads

	N	(%)
1: Better	1453	51.6
2: Worse	981	34.8
3: No changes	359	12.8
8: Can't say	21	.8
Total	2815	100.0

b: Conditions of Governmental hospitals

	N	(%)
1: Better	1012	35.9
2: Worse	1138	40.4
3: No changes	623	22.1
8: Can't say	43	1.5
Total	2815	100.0

c: Supply of electricity

	N	(%)
1: Better	1324	47.0
2: Worse	801	28.5
3: No changes	563	20.0

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	N	(%)
8: Can't say	126	4.5
Total	2815	100.0

d: Supply of drinking water

	N	(%)
1: Better	1202	42.7
2: Worse	818	29.1
3: No changes	679	24.1
8: Can't say	115	4.1
Total	2815	100.0

e: Conditions of governmental schools

	N	(%)
1: Better	1026	36.4
2: Worse	719	25.6
3: No changes	860	30.5
8: Can't say	210	7.5
Total	2815	100.0

f: Conditions of public transport

	N	(%)
1: Better	812	28.8
2: Worse	931	33.1
3: No changes	845	30.0
8: Can't say	227	8.1
Total	2815	100.0

g: Conditions of law and order

	N	(%)
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	N	(%)
1: Better	936	33.3
2: Worse	897	31.9
3: No changes	698	24.8
8: Can't say	283	10.1
Total	2815	100.0

h: Conditions of trade and industry

	N	(%)
1: Better	970	34.5
2: Worse	850	30.2
3: No changes	675	24.0
8: Can't say	319	11.3
Total	2815	100.0

i: Farmer's condition

	N	(%)
1: Better	832	29.6
2: Worse	1034	36.7
3: No changes	677	24.0
8: Can't say	272	9.7
Total	2815	100.0

Q29: In your view, which party will win from your assembly constituency in the upcoming assembly election?

	N	(%)
1: Congress	1106	39.3
2: BJP	1107	39.3
3: Other	53	1.9
7: Don't know	468	16.6
8: No opinion	80	2.8

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	N	(%)
Total	2815	100.0

Q30: And according to you, which party will win or be a leading party in entire Himachal?

	N	(%)
1: Congress	1073	38.1
2: BJP	1083	38.5
3: Other	58	2.1
7: Don't know	457	16.2
8: No opinion	144	5.1
Total	2815	100.0

Q31: Have the following things increased or decreased in Himachal Pradesh during last five years?
Increased

a: Tourism in Himachal Pradesh

	N	(%)
1: Increased	1366	48.5
2: Decreased	984	35.0
3: No changes	390	13.9
8: Can't say	75	2.7
Total	2815	100.0

b: Corruption

	N	(%)
1: Increased	1038	36.9
2: Decreased	1232	43.8
3: No changes	438	15.5
8: Can't say	107	3.8
Total	2815	100.0

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c: Inflation

	N	(%)
1: Increased	1451	51.5
2: Decreased	614	21.8
3: No changes	642	22.8
8: Can't say	108	3.8
Total	2815	100.0

d: Employment opportunities in Himachal Pradesh

	N	(%)
1: Increased	1064	37.8
2: Decreased	1028	36.5
3: No changes	524	18.6
8: Can't say	199	7.1
Total	2815	100.0

e: Illegal land deals in Himachal Pradesh

	N	(%)
1: Increased	897	31.9
2: Decreased	684	24.3
3: No changes	834	29.6
8: Can't say	401	14.2
Total	2815	100.0

Q32: How often do you do the following activities – Daily, sometimes, very rarely or never?

a: Watch news on TV

	N	(%)
1: Daily	1879	66.8
2: Sometimes	586	20.8
3: Rarely	280	9.9

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	N	(%)
4: Never	58	2.1
8: No opinion	12	.4
Total	2815	100.0

b: Listen to news on the radio

	N	(%)
1: Daily	380	13.5
2: Sometimes	846	30.1
3: Rarely	729	25.9
4: Never	815	29.0
8: No opinion	44	1.6
Total	2815	100.0

c: Read the newspaper

	N	(%)
1: Daily	1075	38.2
2: Sometimes	688	24.5
3: Rarely	550	19.5
4: Never	467	16.6
8: No opinion	34	1.2
Total	2815	100.0

d: Read news on internet websites

	N	(%)
1: Daily	454	16.1
2: Sometimes	435	15.5
3: Rarely	531	18.9
4: Never	1207	42.9
8: No opinion	187	6.7
Total	2815	100.0

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Q33: How much do you use the following things - daily, some days in a week, some days in a month, very less or never?

a: Facebook

	N	(%)
1: Daily	815	29.0
2: Few days a week	235	8.4
3: Few days a month	83	3.0
4: Rarely	450	16.0
5: Never	631	22.4
6: Don't have an account	570	20.2
8: No response	31	1.1
Total	2815	100.0

b: Twitter

	N	(%)
1: Daily	321	11.4
2: Few days a week	204	7.3
3: Few days a month	78	2.8
4: Rarely	393	13.9
5: Never	904	32.1
6: Don't have an account	839	29.8
8: No response	76	2.7
Total	2815	100.0

c: WhatsApp

	N	(%)
1: Daily	939	33.3
2: Few days a week	190	6.8
3: Few days a month	101	3.6
4: Rarely	403	14.3
5: Never	535	19.0

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6: Don't have an account	559	19.8
8: No response	89	3.2
Total	2815	100.0

Q34: Should the present Congress government in Himachal Pradesh get another chance?

	N	(%)
1: No	946	33.6
2: Yes	1212	43.1
3: Maybe/Perhaps	317	11.3
8: No response	340	12.1
Total	2815	100.0

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Z1: What is your age? (in years)

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Up to 25 yrs	390	13.8	13.9
	2: 26-35 yrs	734	26.1	26.1
	3: 36-45 yrs	631	22.4	22.4
	4: 46-55 yrs	480	17.0	17.1
	5: 56 yrs. and above	577	20.5	20.5
	Total	2810	99.8	100.0
Missing	98: No answer	4	.2	
Total		2815	100.0	

Z2: Gender

	N	(%)
1: Male	1417	50.4
2: Female	1376	48.9
3: Others	22	.8

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	N	(%)
Total	2815	100.0

Z3: Up to what level have you studied?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	0: Non Literate	316	11.2	11.6
	1: Below Primary	127	4.5	4.6
	2: Primary pass/ Middle fail	333	11.8	12.2
	3: Middle pass/Matric Fail	212	7.5	7.8
	4: Matric	459	16.3	16.8
	5: Intermediate/ College no degree	633	22.5	23.2
	6: Graduate or equivalent	462	16.4	16.9
	7: Post Graduate	159	5.7	5.8
	8: Professional Degrees and Higher Research	28	1.0	1.0
	Total	2730	97.0	100.0
Missing	9: N.A.	85	3.0	
Total		2815	100.0	

Z4: What is your Occupation?

	N	(%)
01: Scientists	6	.2
02: Engineers	4	.1
03: Doctors	9	.3
04: Lawyers	8	.3
05: Accountants	1	.0
06: College/Univ. Teachers	1	.0
07: Writers	2	.1
09: Other higher professionals	2	.1
10: Science and engineering technicians	6	.2
11: Computer operators	6	.2
12: Alternative doctors	4	.2
13: Medical technicians	1	.0

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	N	(%)
14: School teachers	224	7.9
15: Nursery teachers	47	1.7
18: Priests	2	.1
19: Other lower professionals	1	.0
20: Elected Officials: Top central/state level	1	.0
21: Elected Officials: District level elected officials	1	.0
22: Managers	13	.5
23: Officials Class I	2	.1
24: Officials Class II	3	.1
25: Class III Employee (Clerical)	99	3.5
28: Class IV Employee	37	1.3
29: Other administrative, managerial and clerical workers	5	.2
31: Medium businessmen	2	.1
32: Small businessmen	285	10.1
33: Petty shopkeeper	9	.3
34: Hawkers, Vendors	2	.1
35: Sales executives	50	1.8
36: Salespersons	2	.1
37: Shop Assistants	8	.3
38: Rentier	2	.1
39: Other businessmen	11	.4
40: Waiters	77	2.7
41: Dhobi	108	3.9
42: Barbers, beauticians	61	2.2
43: Ayahs, maids, domestic servants	58	2.1
44: Chowkidars, caretakers	3	.1
45: Sweepers, scavengers	70	2.5
49: Other service workers	9	.3
50: Mechanics, machine tool operators, drivers	5	.2
51: Electricians, Plumbers	11	.4
52: Jewellers	26	.9
53: Tailors	71	2.5

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	N	(%)
54: Weavers	5	.2
55: Shoemakers	2	.1
57: Carpenters	0	.0
59: Other skilled workers	13	.5
61: Masons, bricklayers	6	.2
63: Stone-cutter and carvers	3	.1
64: Furniture, basket, mat makers	1	.0
65: Rickshaw-pullers	2	.1
66: Unskilled labourers	4	.1
69: Other semi-skilled and unskilled workers	2	.1
72: Owner-cultivators 5-10 Acres	9	.3
73: Owner-cultivators 1-5 Acres	18	.6
74: Owner-cultivators 0-1 Acre	1	.0
76: Tenant-cultivators 0-5 Acres	1	.0
78: Agricultural labourers rearers	14	.5
79: Other agriculture workers	11	.4
81: Dairy farming	8	.3
82: Poultry farming	5	.2
90: House-wife/husband	763	27.1
91: Students not seeking employment	174	6.2
92: Employment seekers	11	.4
93: Unemployed workers, non-workers	135	4.8
95: Any other occupation	1	.0
96: Political activists, missionaries	1	.0
98: Unidentifiable or unclassifiable	267	9.5
99: Not ascertained	4	.2
Total	2815	100.0

a: Are you the main earner of your household?

	N	(%)
1: No	1455	51.7

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	N	(%)
2: Yes	1360	48.3
Total	2815	100.0

b: (If No in Z4a) What is the occupation of the main earner of your household?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	02: Engineers	7	.2	.5
	03: Doctors	5	.2	.3
	04: Lawyers	7	.2	.5
	05: Accountants	1	.0	.1
	08: Modern Artists	4	.1	.3
	10: Science and engineering technicians	4	.1	.3
	11: Computer operators	2	.1	.2
	12: Alternative doctors	5	.2	.4
	13: Medical technicians	4	.1	.3
	14: School teachers	56	2.0	3.8
	15: Nursery teachers	11	.4	.8
	16: Folk and commercial artists	1	.0	.1
	19: Other lower professionals	0	.0	.0
	21: Elected Officials: District level elected officials	5	.2	.4
	22: Managers	3	.1	.2
	23: Officials Class I	1	.0	.1
	25: Class III Employee (Clerical)	67	2.4	4.6
	27: Traditional clerks	1	.0	.1
	28: Class IV Employee	16	.6	1.1
	29: Other administrative, managerial and clerical workers	37	1.3	2.5
31: Medium businessmen	1	.0	.1	
32: Small businessmen	170	6.0	11.7	
33: Petty shopkeeper	10	.3	.7	
34: Hawkers, Vendors	1	.0	.1	
35: Sales executives	64	2.3	4.4	
36: Salespersons	5	.2	.4	

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	N	(%)	Valid (%)
37: Shop Assistants	12	.4	.8
38: Rentier	3	.1	.2
39: Other businessmen	6	.2	.4
40: Waiters	67	2.4	4.6
41: Dhobi	88	3.1	6.1
42: Barbers, beauticians	64	2.3	4.4
43: Ayahs, maids, domestic servants	18	.6	1.2
44: Chowkidars, caretakers	2	.1	.2
45: Sweepers, scavengers	55	1.9	3.8
49: Other service workers	20	.7	1.3
50: Mechanics, machine tool operators, drivers	3	.1	.2
51: Electricians, Plumbers	14	.5	1.0
52: Jewellers	48	1.7	3.3
53: Tailors	116	4.1	8.0
55: Shoemakers	2	.1	.1
57: Carpenters	0	.0	.0
59: Other skilled workers	18	.6	1.2
60: Miners	1	.0	.1
62: Potters	0	.0	.0
66: Unskilled labourers	7	.2	.5
69: Other semi-skilled and unskilled workers	2	.1	.1
72: Owner-cultivators 5-10 Acres	34	1.2	2.3
73: Owner-cultivators 1-5 Acres	15	.5	1.0
76: Tenant-cultivators 0-5 Acres	1	.0	.1
78: Agricultural labourers rearers	14	.5	.9
79: Other agriculture workers	7	.2	.5
81: Dairy farming	10	.4	.7
82: Poultry farming	0	.0	.0
84: Forest produce gatherer	0	.0	.0
89: Other breeders and cattle	3	.1	.2
90: House-wife/husband	4	.2	.3
91: Students not seeking employment	3	.1	.2

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		N	(%)	Valid (%)
	92: Employment seekers	15	.5	1.0
	93: Unemployed workers, non-workers	55	2.0	3.8
	95: Any other occupation	1	.0	.1
	96: Political activists, missionaries	1	.0	.1
	98: Unidentifiable or unclassifiable	258	9.2	17.7
	Total	1455	51.7	100.0
Missing	99: Not ascertained	1360	48.3	
Total		2815	100.0	

Z5: Are you married?

		N	(%)
	1: No	347	12.3
	2: Yes	2230	79.2
	3: Divorced	38	1.3
	4: Widowed	78	2.8
	5: Separated	47	1.7
	8: No answer	75	2.7
	Total	2815	100.0

Z6: What is your Caste/Jati-biradari/Tribe name?

		N	(%)
	010: Brahmins	466	16.6
	020: Bhumihars	3	.1
	025: Rajputs	450	16.0
	035: Kayasthas	31	1.1
	045: Vaishya	5	.2
	055: Jain Barnwal	36	1.3
	065: Punjabi Khattris	20	.7
	099: Other Upper Castes	19	.7
	100: Jat (Hindu Only)	165	5.8
	199: Other PP	42	1.5

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	N	(%)
200: Gujjar	44	1.6
210: Yadav	93	3.3
220: Kurmi	8	.3
230: Lodh	49	1.8
235: Koeri	2	.1
250: Gaderia	12	.4
255: Kunbi	68	2.4
299: Other Peasant OBC	345	12.3
300: Bunkar(Weavers)	4	.1
335: Badhai (Carpenters)	4	.1
345: Kumhar(Potters)	10	.3
365: Sunar	3	.1
399: Other Craftsmen	1	.0
400: Kewat(Fishermen & Boatmen)	16	.6
410: Dhobi (Washermen)	6	.2
420: Nai(Barber)	1	.0
430: Teli (Oil Pressers)	1	.0
435: Jogi(Mendicants)	4	.1
470: Entertaining Castes	0	.0
499: Other Service OBCs	16	.6
500: Chamar	146	5.2
510: Balmiki	222	7.9
535: Julaha	44	1.6
540: Doom: Dom, Domar	32	1.1
560: Kori	2	.1
599: Other SC	177	6.3
605: Gujjar	130	4.6
610: Swangla	1	.0
699: Other STs	7	.3
700: Ashrafs	6	.2
710: Mughal (Khan)	13	.4
740: Peasants/Traders	1	.1

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	N	(%)
800: Jat Sikh	79	2.8
840: Upper Caste Christians	1	.0
850: OBC Christians	6	.2
995: Hindu no caste	24	.9
999: Not Ascertained/Failed to ask/Answer refused	3	.1
Total	2815	100.0

a: And what is your caste group?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Scheduled Caste (SC)	713	25.3	25.8
	2: Scheduled Tribe (ST)	180	6.4	6.5
	3: Other Backward Classes (OBC)	610	21.7	22.1
	4: Other	1258	44.7	45.6
	Total	2761	98.1	100.0
Missing	9: N.A.	54	1.9	
Total		2815	100.0	

Z7: What is your religion?

	N	(%)
1: Hindu	2530	89.9
2: Muslim	76	2.7
3: Christian	46	1.6
4: Sikh	122	4.3
5: Buddhist/Neo Buddhist	1	.0
6: Jain	9	.3
7: No religion	3	.1
9: Others	29	1.0
Total	2815	100.0

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Z8: Are you a pure vegetarian, vegetarian but eat eggs or you eat meat/ fish as well?

	N	(%)
1: Pure vegetarian	1877	66.7
2: Vegetarian but eat eggs	535	19.0
3: Non-vegetarian eat meat/ fish	307	10.9
8: Didn't tell	96	3.4
Total	2815	100.0

Z9: What kind of a mobile phone do you have – is it a normal one or a touch screen smart phone?

	N	(%)
1: Normal phone	1270	45.1
2: Smartphone	1212	43.1
3: Don't have a mobile phone	293	10.4
8: No response	40	1.4
Total	2815	100.0

a: (*If have mobile phone*) Is there an internet connection on your mobile?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: No	1224	43.5	49.3
	2: Yes	1258	44.7	50.7
	Total	2482	88.2	100.0
Missing	9: N.A.	333	11.8	
Total		2815	100.0	

Z10: Do you have an Aadhar Card?

	N	(%)
1: No	217	7.7
2: Yes	2598	92.3
Total	2815	100.0

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Z11: Area/locality

	N	(%)
1: Village	2523	89.6
2: Town (50,000-1 Lakh)	278	9.9
3: City (1-5 Lakh)	14	.5
Total	2815	100.0

a: (*If Town/City/Metropolitan*) Type of house where Respondent lives (own or rented)

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: House/Flat/Bungalow	48	1.7	18.1
	2: House/Flat with 5 or more rooms	10	.4	3.8
	3: House/Flat with 4 rooms	21	.8	7.9
	4: House/Flat with 3 rooms	53	1.9	19.9
	5: House with 2 rooms	61	2.2	22.7
	6: House with 1 room	56	2.0	21.1
	7: Mainly a kutchha house	17	.6	6.4
	Total	267	9.5	100.0
Missing	9: N.A.	2548	90.5	
Total		2815	100.0	

b: (*If village*) Type of house where Respondent lives (own or rented)

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Pucca (both wall and roof are made of pucca material)	1091	38.7	44.6
	2: Pucca-Kutchha (either wall or roof is made of pucca material, but others of kuccha material)	1094	38.8	44.7
	3: Kutchha (both wall and roof are made of kuccha material other than material mentioned in Category 4)	222	7.9	9.1
	4: Hut (both wall and roof are made of grass, leaves, mud, un-brunt brick or bamboo)	39	1.4	1.6
	Total	2445	86.9	100.0

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		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Missing	9: N.A.	370	13.1	
Total		2815	100.0	

Z12: Total number of family members

a: Adults

		N	(%)
1: One		132	4.7
2: Two		1218	43.3
3: Three		589	20.9
4: Four		625	22.2
5: Five		156	5.5
6: Six		74	2.6
7: Seven		17	.6
8: Eight		3	.1
9: Nine and above		1	.0
Total		2815	100.0

b: Children

		N	(%)
0: Blank/NA		146	5.2
1: One		561	19.9
2: Two		1196	42.5
3: Three		663	23.5
4: Four		183	6.5
5: Five		51	1.8
6: Six		12	.4
7: Seven		1	.0
8: Eight		1	.0
9: Nine and above		1	.0

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	N	(%)
Total	2815	100.0

Z16: Total monthly household Expenditure - putting together the expenditure of all members of the household?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Up to 1000	144	5.1	5.3
	2: 1001-2000	1208	42.9	44.2
	3: 2001-3000	642	22.8	23.5
	4: 3001-4000	253	9.0	9.3
	5: 4001-5000	161	5.7	5.9
	6: 5001-10000	172	6.1	6.3
	7: 10001-20000	104	3.7	3.8
	8: Above 20000	46	1.6	1.7
	Total	2731	97.0	100.0
Missing	9: N.A.	84	3.0	
Total		2815	100.0	

Z15: Do you or member of your family have the following?

a: Car/Jeep/Van

	N	(%)
1: No	2361	83.9
2: Yes	454	16.1
Total	2815	100.0

b: Scooter/Motorcycle/Moped

	N	(%)
1: No	776	27.6
2: Yes	2039	72.4
Total	2815	100.0

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c: Air conditioner

	N	(%)
1: No	1949	69.2
2: Yes	866	30.8
Total	2815	100.0

d: Computer/laptop/IPad

	N	(%)
1: No	248	8.8
2: Yes	2567	91.2
Total	2815	100.0

e: Electric fan/cooler

	N	(%)
1: No	1422	50.5
2: Yes	1393	49.5
Total	2815	100.0

f: Washing machine

	N	(%)
1: No	778	27.6
2: Yes	2037	72.4
Total	2815	100.0

g: Fridge

	N	(%)
1: No	323	11.5
2: Yes	2492	88.5
Total	2815	100.0

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h: Television

	N	(%)
1: No	390	13.9
2: Yes	2425	86.1
Total	2815	100.0

i: Bank/post office account

	N	(%)
1: No	855	30.4
2: Yes	1960	69.6
Total	2815	100.0

j: ATM/Debit/Credit Card

	N	(%)
1: No	393	14.0
2: Yes	2422	86.0
Total	2815	100.0

k: LPG gas

	N	(%)
1: No	2023	71.9
2: Yes	792	28.1
Total	2815	100.0

l: Toilet inside your house

	N	(%)
1: No	384	13.6
2: Yes	2431	86.4
Total	2815	100.0

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m: Pumping set

	N	(%)
1: No	2205	78.3
2: Yes	610	21.7
Total	2815	100.0

n: Tractor

	N	(%)
1: No	2442	86.7
2: Yes	373	13.3
Total	2815	100.0

Z18: Total monthly household income - putting together the income of all members of the household?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Up to 1000	20	.7	.8
	2: 1001-2000	26	.9	1.0
	3: 2001-3000	39	1.4	1.4
	4: 3001-4000	67	2.4	2.5
	5: 4001-5000	156	5.5	5.7
	6: 5001-10000	1560	55.4	57.4
	7: 10001-20000	685	24.3	25.2
	8: Above 20000	165	5.9	6.1
	Total	2718	96.5	100.0
Missing	9: N.A.	97	3.5	
Total		2815	100.0	

E1: During the interview did you at any time feel that the respondent was answering the question due to fear or pressure?

	N	(%)
1: Yes	122	4.4

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	N	(%)
2: No	2641	93.8
3: Don't know	52	1.8
Total	2815	100.0