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Q1: Did someone visit your house a few weeks ago to conduct your interview in connection with an election survey conducted by us?

	N	(%)
1: No	635	18.8
2: Yes	2697	79.9
8: Don't remember	46	1.3
Total	3377	100.0

Q2: While talking to people about the just concluded assembly elections, we found that some people were able to vote and some were not able to vote. Were you able to vote or not?

	N	(%)
1: No	107	3.2
2: Yes	3270	96.8
Total	3377	100.0

a: (*If yes*) Whom did you vote for?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	01: Congress	430	12.7	13.2
	02: BJP	59	1.7	1.8
	03: JD(U)	24	.7	.7
	04: CPI	57	1.7	1.7
	05: CPI(M)	1215	36.0	37.2
	06: BSP	5	.1	.1
	15: Trinamul Congress	810	24.0	24.8
	33: SP	19	.6	.6
	35: JMM	17	.5	.5
	41: RSP	124	3.7	3.8
	43: FBL	100	2.9	3.0
	45: WBSP	30	.9	.9
	96: Independents	28	.8	.9
	97: Others	123	3.6	3.8
	98: Don't know	230	6.8	7.0
	Total	3270	96.8	100.0
Missing	99: NA	107	3.2	
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b: (*If voted*) Do you remember at what time of the day did you vote?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Between 7 to 9 am	659	19.5	20.2
	2: Between 9 to 11 am	847	25.1	25.9
	3: Between 11 to 1 pm	703	20.8	21.5
	4: Between 1 to 3 pm	561	16.6	17.1
	5: Between 3 to 5 pm	451	13.3	13.8
	8: Do not remember	49	1.5	1.5
	Total	3270	96.8	100.0
Missing	9: NA	107	3.2	
Total		3377	100.0	

c: (*If voted*) When did you finally make up your mind about whom to vote for?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: On the day of polling	251	7.4	7.7
	2: A day or two before polling	369	10.9	11.3
	3: During the campaign	543	16.1	16.6
	4: Before the campaign started	1665	49.3	50.9
	8: Don't know	442	13.1	13.5
	Total	3270	96.8	100.0
Missing	9: NA	107	3.2	
Total		3377	100.0	

d: (*If voted*) Did the election officer correctly put the mark on your finger?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	2: Mark not found	58	1.7	1.8
	2: Mark found	3129	92.7	95.7
	8: Could not check	82	2.4	2.5
	Total	3270	96.8	100.0
Missing	9: NA	107	3.2	
Total		3377	100.0	

e: (*If not Voted*) What was the main reason due to which you could not vote in this election?

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		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Out of station	28	.8	26.2
	2: Not well	15	.4	14.0
	3: No interest/ did not feel like voting	7	.2	6.5
	4: Prevented/Fear of violence	1	.0	.9
	5: Returned, for lack of identity proof	5	.1	4.7
	7: Others	30	.9	28.0
	8: Can't say/Don't know	21	.6	19.6
	Total	107	3.2	100.0
Missing	9: NA	3270	96.8	
Total		3377	100.0	

Q3: Now i will ask you about the Lok Sabha Election held in 2004. Were you able to cast your vote or not?

		N	(%)
1: No		108	3.2
2: Yes		3227	95.5
8: Do not remember		42	1.2
Total		3377	100.0

a: (*If yes*) Whom did you vote in Lok Sabha Election 2004?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	01: Congress	537	15.9	16.6
	02: BJP	58	1.7	1.8
	03: JD(U)	8	.2	.2
	04: CPI	91	2.7	2.8
	05: CPI(M)	1263	37.4	39.1
	06: BSP	5	.1	.1
	15: Trinamul Congress	743	22.0	23.0
	33: SP	5	.1	.1
	41: RSP	121	3.6	3.8
	43: FBL	115	3.4	3.6
	45: WBSP	7	.2	.2
	96: Independents	20	.6	.6
	97: Others	26	.8	.8

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		N	(%)	Valid (%)
	98: DK	229	6.8	7.1
	Total	3227	95.5	100.0
Missing	99: NA	150	4.5	
Total		3377	100.0	

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

		N	(%)
	1: Not at all	1519	45.0
	2: Somewhat	1182	35.0
	3: Great deal	411	12.2
	8: Don't know	265	7.9
	Total	3377	100.0

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

a: Attended election meeting

		N	(%)
	1: No	2341	69.3
	2: Yes	1036	30.7
	Total	3377	100.0

b: Helped organised meetings

		N	(%)
	1: No	2718	80.5
	2: Yes	659	19.5
	Total	3377	100.0

c: Joined processions

		N	(%)
	1: No	2419	71.6
	2: Yes	958	28.4

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d: Participated in door to door canvassing

	N	(%)
1: No	2907	86.1
2: Yes	470	13.9
Total	3377	100.0

e: Contributed or collected money

	N	(%)
1: No	2056	60.9
2: Yes	1321	39.1
Total	3377	100.0

f: Distributed election leaflets

	N	(%)
1: No	2951	87.4
2: Yes	426	12.6
Total	3377	100.0

Q6: Did any candidate, party worker or canvasser come to your house during the campaign to ask for your vote?

	N	(%)
1: No	668	19.8
2: Yes	2605	77.2
8: Don't know	103	3.1
Total	3377	100.0

Q7: Which was the most important issue in elections which you took into consideration while deciding whom to vote for?

	N	(%)
01: Developmental Issues	1104	32.7
02: Liberalization policies of the government	82	2.4

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	N	(%)
03: Party affiliations	579	17.1
04: Image of the candidate	228	6.7
05: Caste consideration	12	.3
06: Law & order situation	45	1.3
07: Work done by MLA in my area	138	4.1
08: Religious consideration	17	.5
09: Lack of united opposition	40	1.2
97: Any other issues	405	12.0
98: Don't know	427	12.6
99: NA	300	8.9
Total	3377	100.0

Q8: Who would you prefer as the next Chief Minister of West Bengal?

	N	(%)
01: Buddhadeb Bhattacharya	1533	45.4
02: Jyoti Basu	68	2.0
03: Mamata Banerjee	791	23.4
04: Ajit Kumar Panja	6	.2
05: Pranab Mukherjee	171	5.1
06: Somen Mitra	10	.3
07: Adir Ranjan Chaudhary	51	1.5
08: Tapan Sikdar	17	.5
09: Subhas Chakrabarty	1	.0
21: Any one from Left front	103	3.1
22: Any one from Trinamul Congress	34	1.0
23: Any one from Congress	122	3.6
97: Others	98	2.9
98: Don't know	123	3.6
99: NA	248	7.4
Total	3377	100.0

Q9: While deciding to vote, what would be the most important consideration for you?

	N	(%)
1: Candidate	891	26.4

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	N	(%)
2: Party	2172	64.3
3: Caste-community	21	.6
4: Something else	165	4.9
8: No opinion	127	3.8
Total	3377	100.0

Q10: Thinking of how you (or your family, in the case of first time voters) have voted in previous elections, how would you describe yourself. Are you a Left front supporter, Anti left or not committed to any side?

	N	(%)
1: Left Front supporter	1302	38.6
2: Anti left	1003	29.7
4: Not committed to any side	759	22.5
8: Don't know	313	9.3
Total	3377	100.0

Q11: After this election which party or alliance would you like to form the Govt. in West Bengal?

	N	(%)
01: Congress	203	6.0
02: BJP	17	.5
03: JD(U)	16	.5
04: CPI	2	.1
05: CPI(M)	719	21.3
15: Trinamul Congress	414	12.2
20: Left Front	933	27.6
21: Trinamul Allies	382	11.3
22: Congress and allies	293	8.7
33: SP	5	.1
37: Bangla Congress	1	.0
45: WBSP	1	.0
97: Others	70	2.1
98: Don't know	68	2.0
99: NA	255	7.6
Total	3377	100.0

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Q12: Do you think elections in your state are conducted fairly, somewhat fairly, unfairly?

	N	(%)
1: Unfairly	301	8.9
2: Somewhat fairly	461	13.6
3: Fairly	2450	72.6
8: Don't know	165	4.9
Total	3377	100.0

Q13: Now I will ask you about the assembly elections held recently in your village/locality. Do you think that elections conducted fairly, somewhat fairly, unfairly?

	N	(%)
1: Unfairly	146	4.3
2: Somewhat fairly	293	8.7
3: Fairly	2813	83.3
8: Don't know	124	3.7
Total	3377	100.0

Q14: During the recently held assembly elections, did you see or hear any of the following things in your village or locality:

a: Inclusion of bogus voters in the voters list

	N	(%)
1: No	2222	65.8
2: Yes	388	11.5
8: No opinion	767	22.7
Total	3377	100.0

b: Deletion of bogus names from the voters list

	N	(%)
1: No	629	18.6
2: Yes	2069	61.3
8: No opinion	679	20.1
Total	3377	100.0

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c: Voting in the name of people who are away or dead

	N	(%)
1: No	2209	65.4
2: Yes	414	12.3
8: No opinion	753	22.3
Total	3377	100.0

d: Threatening people to vote for a particular party

	N	(%)
1: No	2780	82.3
2: Yes	161	4.8
8: No opinion	436	12.9
Total	3377	100.0

e: Booth Jamming

	N	(%)
1: No	2745	81.3
2: Yes	179	5.3
8: No opinion	453	13.4
Total	3377	100.0

f: Not allowing people to cast their votes

	N	(%)
1: No	2831	83.8
2: Yes	113	3.3
8: No opinion	433	12.8
Total	3377	100.0

Q15: If you compare the recently held election in your area with elections held here in the past, would you say that things like rigging, fraud and other mal-practices have increased, decreased or remained the same?

	N	(%)
1: Remained same	222	6.6

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	N	(%)
2: Decreased	1978	58.6
3: Increased	189	5.6
8: Don't know	987	29.2
Total	3377	100.0

Q16: Suppose there were no parties or assemblies and elections were not held-do you think that the government in this country can run better?

	N	(%)
1: No	2379	70.5
2: Yes	225	6.7
8: Don't know	772	22.9
Total	3377	100.0

Q17: Now I will read out 2 statements about Bengal. Tell me whether you agree with statement 1 or Statement 2?

a: 1: Marriages must take place within ones own caste-community; 2: There is nothing wrong if boys and girls of different caste-community marry

	N	(%)
0: Could not understand	36	1.1
1: Agree with first	2418	71.6
2: Agree with second	831	24.6
8: No opinion	92	2.7
Total	3377	100.0

b: 1. Women should go out to work, they contribute to family household income 2. Women should not go out for work, they should only look after family & children

	N	(%)
0: Could not understand	46	1.4
1: Agree with first	2184	64.7
2: Agree with second	1028	30.4
8: No opinion	118	3.5
Total	3377	100.0

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- c: 1. Anyone who comes to Bengal from outside must learn and accept Bengali language and culture 2. There should be space in Bengal for people of different language and culture

	N	(%)
0: Could not understand	242	7.2
1: Agree with first	1971	58.4
2: Agree with second	530	15.7
8: No opinion	634	18.8
Total	3377	100.0

- d. 1. Anyone can become rich with hard work and luck 2. In the present system, the poor have very little chance of becoming rich

	N	(%)
0: Could not understand	119	3.5
1: Agree with first	1934	57.3
2: Agree with second	1068	31.6
8: No opinion	256	7.6
Total	3377	100.0

Q18: Have you heard about the land acquisition by the government for Salem Group of industries?

	N	(%)
1: No	1689	50.0
2: Yes	1301	38.5
8: Don't know	387	11.5
Total	3377	100.0

- a: (*If yes*) What is your opinion about the buying of agricultural land by the government for setting up this industries?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Fully justified	309	9.2	23.8
	2: Somewhat justified	350	10.4	26.9
	3: Somewhat unjustified	166	4.9	12.8
	4: Fully unjustified	297	8.8	22.8
	8: No opinion	178	5.3	13.7

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		N	(%)	Valid (%)
	Total	1301	38.5	100.0
Missing	9: NA	2076	61.5	
Total		3377	100.0	

Q19: Now I will read out some statements related to controversies about Election Commission's (EC) role during assembly election in West Bengal. Do you agree or disagree with them?

a: Steps taken by EC was necessary for conducting free & fair elections

		N	(%)
	1: Fully agree	2175	64.4
	2: Somewhat agree	481	14.2
	3: Somewhat disagree	63	1.9
	4: Fully disagree	79	2.3
	8: No opinion	579	17.1
Total		3377	100.0

b: The EC and its officials were biased against the left parties

		N	(%)
	1: Fully agree	389	11.5
	2: Somewhat agree	441	13.1
	3: Somewhat disagree	389	11.5
	4: Fully disagree	668	19.8
	8: No opinion	1489	44.1
Total		3377	100.0

c: It was necessary to for EC to assert its authority but many officers exceeded their limits

		N	(%)
	1: Fully agree	497	14.7
	2: Somewhat agree	380	11.3
	3: Somewhat disagree	384	11.4
	4: Fully disagree	582	17.2
	8: No opinion	1534	45.4

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d: Holding election in 5 phases was an insult to West Bengal

	N	(%)
1: Fully agree	476	14.1
2: Somewhat agree	337	10.0
3: Somewhat disagree	521	15.4
4: Fully disagree	966	28.6
8: No opinion	1076	31.9
Total	3377	100.0

e: Ban on posters and writings poll graffiti on walls by EC was unnecessary

	N	(%)
1: Fully agree	588	17.4
2: Somewhat agree	528	15.6
3: Somewhat disagree	605	17.9
4: Fully disagree	909	26.9
8: No opinion	747	22.1
Total	3377	100.0

f: The restriction imposed by EC caused a lot of inconvenience to common people

	N	(%)
1: Fully agree	529	15.7
2: Somewhat agree	512	15.2
3: Somewhat disagree	526	15.6
4: Fully disagree	941	27.9
8: No opinion	869	25.7
Total	3377	100.0

Q20: What is your opinion about the financial condition in which you are placed today? Are you satisfied or unsatisfied with it?

	N	(%)
1: Fully satisfied	392	11.6
2: Somewhat satisfied	1318	39.0

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3: Somewhat unsatisfied	659	19.5
4: Fully unsatisfied	703	20.8
8: No opinion	305	9.0
Total	3377	100.0

Q21: During the past 5 years has your financial situation improved, worsened or remained the same?

	N	(%)
1: Improved	1211	35.9
2: Worsened	698	20.7
3: Remained same	1304	38.6
8: Don't know	165	4.9
Total	3377	100.0

Q22: 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?

	N	(%)
1: Much better	331	9.8
2: Better	1356	40.1
3: Same	982	29.1
4: Worse	243	7.2
5: Much worse	27	.8
8: No opinion	438	13.0
Total	3377	100.0

Q23: Now I will read out some statements about CPI(M) party in West Bengal. Do you agree or disagree with them?

a: There is a lot of corruption in the CPI(M) party

	N	(%)
1: Fully agree	1230	36.4
2: Somewhat agree	527	15.6
3: Somewhat disagree	316	9.3
4: Fully disagree	404	12.0
8: No opinion	900	26.7

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b: The party continues to follow its revolutionary principles

	N	(%)
1: Fully agree	556	16.5
2: Somewhat agree	398	11.8
3: Somewhat disagree	357	10.6
4: Fully disagree	495	14.7
8: No opinion	1571	46.5
Total	3377	100.0

c: Party workers and leaders intimidate common people

	N	(%)
1: Fully agree	976	28.9
2: Somewhat agree	629	18.6
3: Somewhat disagree	441	13.1
4: Fully disagree	567	16.8
8: No opinion	763	22.6
Total	3377	100.0

d: Party leaders and workers interfere into personal matter of people

	N	(%)
1: Fully agree	909	26.9
2: Somewhat agree	525	15.5
3: Somewhat disagree	397	11.7
4: Fully disagree	593	17.6
8: No opinion	953	28.2
Total	3377	100.0

Q24: Now I will read out 2 statements about in West Bengal. Tell me whether you agree with statement 1 or Statement 2?

a. 1. Trade unions are necessary to protect the rights of the workers. 2. There is too much trade unionism in Bengal that needs to be disciplined

	N	(%)
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	N	(%)
0: Could not understand	394	11.7
1: Agree with first	1287	38.1
2: Agree with second	829	24.5
8: No opinion	866	25.7
Total	3377	100.0

- b. 1. Government should impose a ceiling on income and wealth to reduce the gap between rich and Poor 2. There should be no ceiling on income & wealth so that people have motivation for hard work

	N	(%)
0: Could not understand	243	7.2
1: Agree with first	1544	45.7
2: Agree with second	880	26.1
8: No opinion	711	21.0
Total	3377	100.0

- c. 1. Foreign companies should be allowed to come into as it would lead to more development and jobs. 2. Foreign companies should not be allowed in Bengal as they would exploit the people.

	N	(%)
0: Could not understand	337	10.0
1: Agree with first	1380	40.9
2: Agree with second	754	22.3
8: No opinion	906	26.8
Total	3377	100.0

- d. 1: All major industries should remain in the public sector with the Govt.; 2: There is nothing wrong in privatization

	N	(%)
0: Could not understand	293	8.7
1: Agree with first	1587	47.0
2: Agree with second	551	16.3
8: No opinion	946	28.0
Total	3377	100.0

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Q25: Now I will ask you to compare Buddhadeb Bhattacharya with Mamta Banerji. Which among the two do you think is better on the following matters:

a: Who is more trustworthy?

	N	(%)
1: Buddhadeb Bhattacharya	1650	48.9
2: Mamta Banerjee	891	26.4
3: Both	285	8.4
4: None	178	5.3
8: No opinion	373	11.0
Total	3377	100.0

b: Who is better for the overall development of the state?

	N	(%)
1: Buddhadeb Bhattacharya	1652	48.9
2: Mamta Banerjee	837	24.8
3: Both	287	8.5
4: None	196	5.8
8: No opinion	405	12.0
Total	3377	100.0

c: Who is more attentive to the needs of the poor?

	N	(%)
1: Buddhadeb Bhattacharya	1411	41.8
2: Mamta Banerjee	953	28.2
3: Both	338	10.0
4: None	271	8.0
8: No opinion	404	12.0
Total	3377	100.0

Q26: Do you feel free to discuss politics openly-with anyone?

	N	(%)
1: Anyone	671	19.9
2: People you know well	676	20.0

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3: Close friends and family	944	28.0
4: No one	615	18.2
8: No opinion	471	14.0
Total	3377	100.0

Q28: Do you believe in God?

	N	(%)
1: No	135	4.0
2: Yes	3176	94.1
8: Don't know	66	1.9
Total	3377	100.0

B1: What is your age?

	N	(%)
1: Up to 25 years	415	12.3
2: 26-35 years	978	29.0
3: 36-45 years	877	26.0
4: 46-55 years	631	18.7
5: 56 years and above	475	14.1
Total	3377	100.0

B2: Gender

	N	(%)
1: Male	1770	52.4
2: Female	1607	47.6
Total	3377	100.0

B3: What is your marital status?

	N	(%)
1: Married	2865	84.8
2: Unmarried	399	11.8
3: Living with someone but unmarried	2	.1
4: Divorced/separated	10	.3

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5: Widowed	95	2.8
9: NA	7	.2
Total	3377	100.0

B4: Till what level have you studied?

	N	(%)
0: Non literate	684	20.3
1: Below primary	585	17.3
2: Primary pass/Middle fail	655	19.4
3: Middle pass/Matric fail	577	17.1
4: Matric	335	9.9
5: Intermediate/College no degree	208	6.1
6: Graduate or equivalent	258	7.6
7: Post Graduate	56	1.7
8: Professional degree and Higher Research	11	.3
9: NA	8	.2
Total	3377	100.0

a: Till what level have your father studied?

	N	(%)
0: Non literate	1472	43.6
1: Below primary	584	17.3
2: Primary pass/Middle fail	453	13.4
3: Middle pass/Matric fail	271	8.0
4: Matric	242	7.2
5: Intermediate/College no degree	102	3.0
6: Graduate or equivalent	148	4.4
7: Post Graduate	24	.7
8: Professional degree and Higher Research	6	.2
9: NA	75	2.2
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a2: Till what level have your mother studied?

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	N	(%)
0: Non literate	2029	60.1
1: Below primary	544	16.1
2: Primary pass/Middle fail	355	10.5
3: Middle pass/Matric fail	175	5.2
4: Matric	102	3.0
5: Intermediate/College no degree	54	1.6
6: Graduate or equivalent	40	1.2
7: Post Graduate	6	.2
8: Professional degree and Higher Research	3	.1
9: NA	69	2.0
Total	3377	100.0

B5: What is your main occupation?

	N	(%)
02: Engineers	5	.2
03: Doctors	8	.2
04: Lawyers	2	.1
05: Accountants	4	.1
06: College/Univ. teachers	8	.2
07: Writers	2	.1
08: Modern Artists	2	.0
09: Other higher professionals	1	.0
10: Science and engineering technicians	3	.1
11: Computer operators	7	.2
12: Alternative doctors	9	.3
13: Medical technicians	13	.4
14: School teachers	40	1.2
15: Nursery teachers	23	.7
16: Folk and commercial artists	3	.1
18: Priests	3	.1
19: Other lower professionals	4	.1
20: Elected officials(Central level)	1	.0
21: Elected officials(District level)	1	.0
22: Managers	9	.3

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	N	(%)
23: Officials Class I	2	.1
24: Officials Class II	11	.3
25: Class III Employee	18	.5
26: Suprintendants	2	.1
27: Traditional clerks	12	.4
28: Class IV Employee	28	.8
29: Other administrative workers	26	.8
30: Big businessmen	9	.3
31: Medium businessmen	44	1.3
32: Small businessmen	196	5.8
33: Petty shopkeeper	52	1.5
34: Hawkers, vendors	16	.5
35: Sales executives	11	.3
36: Salespersons	13	.4
37: Shop Assistants	11	.3
38: Rentier	4	.1
39: Other businessmen	43	1.3
40: Waiters	8	.2
41: Dhobi	5	.1
42: Barbers, beauticians	5	.1
43: Ayahs, maids	24	.7
44: Chowkidars	9	.3
45: Sweepers	4	.1
49: Other service workers	54	1.6
50: Mechanics	26	.8
51: Electricians	10	.3
52: Jewellers	16	.5
53: Tailors	23	.7
54: Weavers	36	1.1
55: Shoemakers	6	.2
57: Carpenters	15	.5
59: Other skilled workers	56	1.7
60: Miners	1	.0
61: Masons	13	.4
62: Potters	10	.3

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	N	(%)
63: Stone-cutter	5	.1
64: Furniture makers	8	.2
65: Rickshaw-pullers	43	1.3
66: Unskilled labourers	93	2.7
69: Other semi-skilled and unskilled workers	45	1.3
70: Owner-cultivators 20+ Acre	1	.0
71: Owner-cultivators 10-20 Acre	7	.2
72: Owner-cultivators 5-10 Acre	19	.5
73: Owner-cultivators 1-5 Acre	191	5.7
74: Owner-cultivators 0-5 Acre	88	2.6
75: Tenant-cultivators 5+ Acre	14	.4
76: Tenant-cultivators 0-5 Acre	64	1.9
77: Plantation workers	20	.6
78: Agricultural labourers	264	7.8
79: Other agricultural workers	37	1.1
80: Live-stock farming	9	.3
81: Dairy farming	9	.3
82: Poultry farming	3	.1
83: Shepherds	1	.0
84: Forest produce gatherer	6	.2
85: Hunters and trappers	1	.0
86: Fishermen	8	.2
89: Other breeders and cattle rearers	4	.1
90: House-wife	1192	35.3
91: Students not seeking employment	54	1.6
92: Employment seekers	30	.9
93: Unemployed workers, non-workers	40	1.2
Any other Occupation	23	.7
96: Political activists	2	.0
98: Unclassified	15	.4
99: NA	115	3.4
Total	3377	100.0

a: *(If the respondent is not the main earner)* What is/has been the main occupation of the respondent's father?

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		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	02: Engineers	5	.1	.2
	03: Doctors	3	.1	.1
	04: Lawyers	4	.1	.2
	05: Accountants	2	.1	.1
	06: College/Univ. teachers	10	.3	.5
	07: Writers	1	.0	.0
	09: Other higher professionals	39	1.1	1.9
	12: Alternative doctors	2	.1	.1
	13: Medical technicians	6	.2	.3
	14: School teachers	38	1.1	1.9
	15: Nursery teachers	6	.2	.3
	16: Folk and commercial artists	1	.0	.0
	18: Priests	5	.1	.2
	19: Other lower professionals	3	.1	.2
	20: Elected officials(Central level)	2	.1	.1
	21: Elected officials(District level)	1	.0	.0
	22: Managers	2	.1	.1
	23: Officials Class I	2	.0	.1
	24: Officials Class II	21	.6	1.1
	25: Class III Employee	33	1.0	1.6
	26: Superintendents	4	.1	.2
	27: Traditional clerks	11	.3	.6
	28: Class IV Employee	28	.8	1.4
	29: Other administrative workers	21	.6	1.1
	30: Big businessmen	8	.2	.4
	31: Medium businessmen	38	1.1	1.9
	32: Small businessmen	136	4.0	6.8
	33: Petty shopkeeper	46	1.4	2.3
	34: Hawkers, vendors	22	.7	1.1
	35: Sales executives	11	.3	.5
	36: Salespersons	4	.1	.2
	37: Shop Assistants	13	.4	.6
	39: Other businessmen	42	1.2	2.1
	40: Waiters	2	.1	.1
42: Barbers, beauticians	2	.1	.1	

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	N	(%)	Valid (%)
43: Ayahs, maids	1	.0	.1
44: Chowkidars	11	.3	.5
45: Sweepers	1	.0	.0
49: Other service workers	32	.9	1.6
50: Mechanics	20	.6	1.0
51: Electricians	10	.3	.5
52: Jewellers	16	.5	.8
53: Tailors	10	.3	.5
54: Weavers	22	.7	1.1
55: Shoemakers	3	.1	.1
57: Carpenters	11	.3	.6
59: Other skilled workers	36	1.1	1.8
61: Masons	9	.3	.5
62: Potters	6	.2	.3
63: Stone-cutter	1	.0	.1
64: Furniture makers	5	.2	.3
65: Rickshaw-pullers	39	1.2	1.9
66: Unskilled labourers	67	2.0	3.4
69: Other semi-skilled and unskilled workers	28	.8	1.4
70: Owner-cultivators 20+ Acre	2	.1	.1
71: Owner-cultivators 10-20 Acre	4	.1	.2
72: Owner-cultivators 5-10 Acre	19	.6	1.0
73: Owner-cultivators 1-5 Acre	276	8.2	13.8
74: Owner-cultivators 0-5 Acre	121	3.6	6.0
75: Tenant-cultivators 5+ Acre	22	.7	1.1
76: Tenant-cultivators 0-5 Acre	92	2.7	4.6
77: Plantation workers	36	1.1	1.8
78: Agricultural labourers	331	9.8	16.5
79: Other agricultural workers	60	1.8	3.0
80: Live-stock farming	2	.1	.1
81: Dairy farming	12	.3	.6
82: Poultry farming	4	.1	.2
83: Shepherds	1	.0	.0
84: Forest produce gatherer	2	.1	.1
86: Fishermen	6	.2	.3

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		N	(%)	Valid (%)
	89: Other breeders and cattle rearers	3	.1	.1
	90: House-wife	11	.3	.5
	91: Students not seeking employment	2	.1	.1
	93: Unemployed workers, non-workers	11	.3	.5
	Any other Occupation	27	.8	1.4
	98: Unclassified	60	1.8	3.0
	Total	2004	59.4	100.0
Missing	99: NA	1372	40.6	
Total		3377	100.0	

B6: What is your Caste/Jati-biradari/Tribe name?

		N	(%)
	01: Brahmin	181	5.4
	02: Bhumihar	3	.1
	03: Rajput	1	.0
	04: Kayasthas	152	4.5
	05: Vaishya	92	2.7
	06: Jain	1	.0
	08: Sindhi	5	.1
	09: Other upper castes	620	18.4
	10: Jat	34	1.0
	11: Reddy	3	.1
	14: Marathas	2	.1
	19: Other PP	13	.4
	20: Gujjar	12	.3
	21: Yadav	56	1.7
	26: Lingayat	1	.0
	27: Gaderia	1	.0
	29: Other peasant OBC	80	2.4
	30: Bunkar	12	.3
	31: Darzee	2	.0
	34: Badhai	1	.0
	36: Lohar	7	.2
	37: Sunar	4	.1

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	N	(%)
39: Other Craftsmen OBC	44	1.3
41: Dhobi (OBC)	19	.6
42: Nai	34	1.0
43: Teli	44	1.3
44: Jogi	1	.0
45: Traders OBC	1	.0
49: Other service OBC	52	1.5
50: Jatav (Leatherwork)	17	.5
51: Balmiki(Scavenging)	2	.1
52: Pasi+Pano	1	.0
53: Rajbanshis	106	3.1
54: Namasudras	231	6.9
56: Mahar	1	.0
57: Dhobi(Non OBC)	28	.8
59: Other SCs	474	14.0
60: Oraon	3	.1
61: Santhal	16	.5
69: Other STs	106	3.1
70: Ashrafs	24	.7
71: Mughal	57	1.7
72: Muslim Rajput	55	1.6
73: Other upper Muslim	2	.1
78: Muslim No Caste	226	6.7
79: Other Muslims	255	7.6
80: Jat Sikh	1	.0
85: Upper Christians	3	.1
88: Christian no caste	3	.1
90: Parsi	3	.1
91: Jews	1	.0
92: Buddhist	2	.1
93: Dalit Buddhist	1	.0
94: Other Minorities	4	.1
95: Hindu No caste	185	5.5
98: No religion no caste	33	1.0
99: NA	56	1.7

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		N	(%)
Total		3377	100.0

a: And what is your caste group?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Scheduled Caste(SC)	954	28.3	28.4
	2: Scheduled Tribe(ST)	137	4.1	4.1
	3: Other Backward Caste(OBC)	360	10.6	10.7
	4: Genera;/Other	1906	56.5	56.8
	Total	3357	99.4	100.0
Missing	9: NA	20	.6	
Total		3377	100.0	

B7: Which religion do you follow?

		N	(%)
1: Hindu		2693	79.7
2: Muslim		641	19.0
3: Christian		11	.3
4: Sikh		12	.4
5: Buddhist		13	.4
6: Jain		2	.1
7: Parsi		1	.0
8: Others		4	.1
Total		3377	100.0

B8: How regularly do you read newspaper?

		N	(%)
1: Daily		718	21.3
2: Frequently		594	17.6
3: Occasionally		249	7.4
4: Rarely		318	9.4
5: Never		1401	41.5
8: No opinion		96	2.9
Total		3377	100.0

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B9: How regularly do you listen to news on radio?

	N	(%)
1: Daily	545	16.1
2: Frequently	729	21.6
3: Occasionally	287	8.5
4: Rarely	505	14.9
5: Never	1251	37.0
8: No opinion	61	1.8
Total	3377	100.0

B10: How regularly do you watch news on T.V.?

	N	(%)
1: Daily	937	27.8
2: Frequently	678	20.1
3: Occasionally	347	10.3
4: Rarely	377	11.2
5: Never	964	28.5
8: No opinion	74	2.2
Total	3377	100.0

B11: How often do you offer prayer/puja/namaj?

	N	(%)
1: Daily	1547	45.8
2: Weekly	511	15.1
3: Only on festivals	1113	32.9
4: Never	143	4.2
8: No opinion	63	1.9
Total	3377	100.0

B12: Locality

	N	(%)
1: Village	2426	71.8
2: Town	456	13.5

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3: City	296	8.8
4: Metropolitan City	199	5.9
Total	3377	100.0

a: (*If Town/City*) Type of house where R lives(Own or rented)

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: House/Flat with 4 or more bedrooms	87	2.6	9.2
	2: House/Flats with 3 or 4 bedrooms	210	6.2	22.1
	3: House/Flat with 2 bedrooms (with kitchen and bath rooms)	207	6.1	21.7
	4: House/Flat with 2 Pucca rooms (With kitchen)	82	2.4	8.6
	5: House/Flat with 2 pucca rooms(Without kitchen)	59	1.8	6.2
	6: House with 1 pucca room (With kitchen)	70	2.1	7.3
	7: House with 1 pucca room (Without kitchen)	74	2.2	7.8
	8: Mainly kutcha house	66	1.9	6.9
	9: Slum/Jhuggi Jhopri/fully Kutcha	96	2.8	10.1
	Total	951	28.2	100.0
Missing	0: NA	2426	71.8	
Total		3377	100.0	

b: (*If Village*) Type of house where R lives(Own or rented)

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: <i>Pucca</i> (both wall and roof made of <i>pucca</i> material)	483	14.3	19.9
	2: <i>Pucca-kutcha</i> (Either wall or roof is made of <i>pucca</i> material and of other <i>kutcha</i> material)	582	17.2	24.0
	3: <i>Kutcha</i> (both wall and roof are made of <i>kutcha</i> material other than materials mentioned in category 4)	1053	31.2	43.4
	4: Hut (both wall and roof are made of grass, leaves, mud, un-burnt brick or bamboo)	308	9.1	12.7
		Total	2426	71.8
Missing	0: NA	951	28.2	
Total		3377	100.0	

B13: Number of rooms in use in the household

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	N	(%)
0: Blank/No rooms	10	.3
1: One	623	18.5
2: Two	1322	39.1
3: Three	653	19.3
4: Four	448	13.3
5: Five	141	4.2
6: Six	93	2.8
7: Seven	40	1.2
8: Eight	21	.6
9: Nine and above	26	.8
Total	3377	100.0

B14a: Total number of family members living in the household (Adults)

	N	(%)
0: Blank/No rooms	33	1.0
1: One	62	1.8
2: Two	887	26.3
3: Three	736	21.8
4: Four	735	21.8
5: Five	444	13.1
6: Six	232	6.9
7: Seven	103	3.0
8: Eight	63	1.9
9: Nine and above	82	2.4
Total	3377	100.0

B14b: Total number of family members living in the household (Children)

	N	(%)
0: Blank/No rooms	674	20.0
1: One	731	21.7
2: Two	1097	32.5
3: Three	512	15.2
4: Four	189	5.6
5: Five	87	2.6

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6: Six	45	1.3
7: Seven	16	.5
8: Eight	7	.2
9: Nine and above	18	.5
Total	3377	100.0

B15: Do you or your family member have the following:

a: Car/Jeep/Van/Tractor

	N	(%)
0: No	3220	95.3
1: Yes	157	4.7
Total	3377	100.0

B15b: Colour or B/W Television

	N	(%)
0: No	1917	56.8
1: B/W	793	23.5
2: Colour	667	19.7
Total	3377	100.0

B15c: Scooter/Motorcycle/Moped

	N	(%)
0: No	2960	87.6
1: Yes	417	12.4
Total	3377	100.0

B15d: Telephone

	N	(%)
0: No	2864	84.8
1: Yes	513	15.2
Total	3377	100.0

e: Mobile telephone

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		N	(%)
0: No		2864	84.8
1: Yes		513	15.2
Total		3377	100.0

f: Fridge

		N	(%)
0: No		2983	88.3
1: Yes		394	11.7
Total		3377	100.0

g: Air Conditioner

		N	(%)
0: No		3299	97.7
1: Yes		78	2.3
Total		3377	100.0

h: Electric fan/Cooler

		N	(%)
0: No		1746	51.7
1: Yes		1631	48.3
Total		3377	100.0

i: Bicycle

		N	(%)
0: No		861	25.5
1: Yes		2516	74.5
Total		3377	100.0

j: Radio/Transistor

		N	(%)
0: No		1615	47.8

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1: Yes	1762	52.2
Total	3377	100.0

k: Pumping set

	N	(%)
0: No	2991	88.6
1: Yes	386	11.4
Total	3377	100.0

B16: Total monthly household income

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Up to Rs. 1,000	782	23.2	23.6
	2: Rs. 1,001 - Rs. 2,000	929	27.5	28.0
	3: Rs. 2,001 - Rs. 3,000	565	16.7	17.0
	4: Rs. 3,001 - Rs. 4,000	313	9.3	9.4
	5: Rs. 4,001 - Rs. 5,000	301	8.9	9.1
	6: Rs. 5,001 - Rs. 10,000	289	8.6	8.7
	7: Rs. 10,001 - Rs. 20,000	111	3.3	3.4
	8: Rs. 20,001 and above	25	.7	.8
	Total	3316	98.2	100.0
Missing	9: NA	61	1.8	
Total		3377	100.0	