

KANWAR YATRA STUDY
LOKNITI – CSDS –2024

F1. Name of the location:

F2. Name of the investigator:

F2a. Roll number of the investigator:

F3. Date of the interview (dd/mm/yyyy):

F4. Time of starting the interview:

F5. May I begin the interview?

1. Yes
2. No (End the interview)

INTERVIEW BEGINS

Q1. Name of the respondent:

Z1. Age of the respondent (in years):__type 98. if age not revealed)

Z2. Gender of the respondent (determine yourself)

1. Male
2. Female
3. Other

Q2. Where are you bringing the holy water from?

1. Haridwar
2. Gaumukh
3. Gangotri
4. Rishikesh
5. Sultanganj
6. Muzaffarnagar
7. Dehradun
8. Garh-Mukteshwar
0. Any other:
0. No response

Q3. For how many years have you been participating in the Kanwar Yatra?

0. This is my first time
1. For the last 2-3 years
2. For the last 4-5 years
3. It has been more than 5 years
98. No response

Q4. Which type of Kanwar have you chosen for the Yatra?

1. General Kanwar (In this the Kanwariya carries the Kanwar alone and completes the journey while taking rest)
2. Khari Kanwar Yatra (In this Kanwar Yatra one has to walk continuously. There are two to three Kanwariyas along with one Kanwar)
3. Dak Kanwar (Kanwariya has to perform Abhishek of Shivling within 24 hours)
4. Dandi Kanwar Yatra (Kanwariya lying on the ground and moving forward measuring the total length with his hands)
0. Any other
0. No Response

Q4a. (If 1,2 or 4 in Q4) How many days does it usually take you to complete the Yatra?

1. 1-2 days
2. 3-7 days
3. 8-10 days
4. 11-15 days
5. 16-20 days
6. 21 days or more than that
98. Can't say
98. No Response

Q5. Are you doing Kanwar Yatra on foot or by vehicle? (If the respondent is travelling by vehicle, ask what type of vehicle he/she is travelling by)

1. On foot
2. Cycle/Motorcycle
3. Car
4. Truck/Tempo

5. Bus
6. Train

Q6. Why did you wish to go on the Yatra? (Do not read out the answers, and respondents may give more than one answer)

0. Friends or colleagues were going
1. Due to religious/spiritual beliefs
2. Due to family/community tradition
3. Due to family/community pressure
4. For personal enjoyment
5. My wish has been fulfilled (mannat)
6. Spiritual leader or guru told me to
0. Any other:
0. No Response

Q7. With whom are you taking the Kanwar Yatra? (Do not read out the answers)

0. With Family
1. With Friends
2. With person (s) from your caste/community
3. With person (s) from your neighbourhood
4. Person (s) you met during your last Yatra
5. Person (s) you met during this Yatra
6. Alone
0. Any Other:
0. No Response

Q8. How supportive is your family of you going on the Kanwar Yatra – completely supportive, somewhat supportive, not much supportive, not at all supportive?

1. Completely supportive
2. Somewhat supportive
3. Not much supportive
4. Not at all supportive

Q9. Are you bearing the expenses of this Kanwar Yatra yourself or have you made arrangements for it from somewhere else?

1. Are bearing the entire expense yourselves
2. Arranged from somewhere else
98. No Response

Q9a. (If 1 in Q9) Is it easy or difficult for you to bear the expenses of this Yatra? (If 'easy' then ask very easy or a little easy, if 'difficult' then ask very difficult or a little difficult)

1. Very easy
2. Little easy
3. Very difficult
4. Little difficult
98. Can't Say

Q9b. (If 2 in Q9) So how did you arrange the money? (Do not read out the answers, and respondents may give more than one answer)

1. Support from community
2. Crowdfunding/donation
3. Family and friends helped
4. People from local temple and ashrams helped
5. People from religious organisation (s) helped
6. Previous savings for the Yatra
0. Any Other:
0. No Response

Q10. After completing the Kanwar Yatra, what will be the biggest change in your life?

1. Spiritual/ Religious fulfillment
2. Personal growth/ Satisfaction
3. Greater respect in the society/ community
4. Health and well-being
0. Any other:

0. No Response

Q11. The government has provided some facilities to Kanwariyas, tell me which of these facilities could you avail?

1. Could Avail 2. Could not Avail 98. Do not know

- a. Rest facility
- b. Drinking water facility
- c. Restroom facility
- d. The facility of tacking a depth path
- e. Food facility
- f. Medical facility
- g. Crowd control facility at the ghat

Q11a. (If 1 in Q11) Overall, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with these facilities? (If 'satisfied' then ask completely or a somewhat; if 'dissatisfied' then ask completely or a somewhat)

- 1. Completely Satisfied
- 2. Somewhat Satisfied
- 3. Somewhat unsatisfied
- 4. Completely unsatisfied

98. No Response

Q12. On the route of Kanwar Yatra, the governments of UP-Uttarakhand have ordered shopkeepers to write their names on their shops or carts, have you heard about it?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 98. No Response

Q12a. (If 1 in Q12) Do you think this order is right or wrong?

- 1. Right
- 2. Wrong
- 98. Can't Say
- 98. No Response

Q13. Some Kanwariyas do these things during the journey to express their happiness, do you support these things?

1. Yes 2. No 98. No Response
- a. Bursting loud music on speakers
- b. Intoxication

Q14. Do you think women should participate in the Kanwar Yatra?

1. Yes
2. No
98. No Response

Q14a. (If 2 in Q14) Why should women not participate in the Kanwar Yatra?

1. Security issues
2. Health related problems
3. Women cannot walk together or walk slowly
4. Menstruation
5. Women talk in groups/distract
0. Any Other
98. No Response

Q15. How religious do you consider yourself to be – very religious, somewhat religious, not very religious or not at all religious?

1. Very religious
2. Somewhat religious
3. Not very religious
4. Not at all religious
98. Can't Say

Q16a. Does the religion of the shopkeeper from whom you are buying food items, matter to you?

1. Yes
2. To some extent
3. No
98. Can't Say

Q16b. Does the caste of the shopkeeper from whom you are buying food items, matter to you?

1. Yes
2. To some extent
3. No
98. Can't Say

Q17. Do you think that due to the Yatra, people's daily lives or traffic gets disrupted?

1. Yes
2. Somewhat yes
3. Not much
4. Not at all
98. Can't Say

Q18. What kind of facilities do you want from the government for Kanwar pilgrims? (Respondents may give more than one answer)

1. Safety and security facilities
2. Diversion of traffic
3. Food and water supply (roadside stalls)
4. Sanitation (toilet etc.)
5. Resting places/camps
6. Clear signs and information kiosks (notice boards)
7. Special arrangements (for children, elderly, women and disabled people)
8. Religious provisions (rituals and ceremonies)
9. Complaint center
10. Medical facilities
0. Any Other:
0. Can't Say
98. No Response

Q19. (If 1,2 or 4 in Q3) By going on these Yatras, have you become more religious, less religious, or have you noticed no change compared to before?

1. More religious
2. Less religious
3. No change compared to before
98. Can't Say

Q20. Would you like to make these people your neighbours or not?

1. Would like to have neighbours
2. Would not like to have neighbours

98. Can't Say

- a. People of a different religion
- b. People of a different caste
- c. People who eat/cook non-vegetarian food
- d. People who consume alcohol
- e. People who consume beef

Q21. Are you a vegetarian or a non-vegetarian?

1. Completely vegetarian
2. I am a vegetarian but I eat eggs.
3. Non-vegetarian
98. Can't Say

Q22. How proud are you of the construction of the Ram Mandir in Ayodhya –
very much, a little bit, not much, or not at all?

1. Very much
2. A little bit
3. Not much
4. Not at all proud
5. Indifferent to it
0. Can't Say
0. Have not heard about the Ram Mandir

Q23. To which political party do you consider yourself closest these days?

(Write the answer and click on the correct option given below)

1. Congress (INC)
2. Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)
3. Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP)
4. Janata Dal United (JDU)
5. Aam Aadmi Party (AAP)
6. Shivsena (Eknath Shinde faction)
7. Shivsena (Uddhav Thackeray faction)
8. All India Trinamool Congress (AITC)
9. Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD)
10. Lok Janshakti Party (LJP)

11. Lok Janshakti Party (Ramvilas)
12. Indian National Lok Dal
13. Jannayak Janta Party (JJP)
14. Jharkhan Mukti Morcha (JMM)
15. Samajvadi Party (SP)
16. Rashtriya Lok Dal (RLD)
0. Any other regional party:
98. No Response

Q24. How often do you do these things – daily, sometimes, rarely, never?

1. Daily
2. Sometimes
3. Rarely
4. Never
98. Don't know
97. (If 1, 2 or 3) Ask which channel/book/god
 - a. Watching religious channels on TV
 - b. Reading religious books
 - c. Praying to God at home
98. No Response

Q22aa. (If 1, 2 or 3 in Q24a) So which religious channel do you watch the most?
_____ (Note the answer given by the respondent)

Q22bb. (If 1, 2 or 3 in Q24b) So which religious book do you read the most?
_____ (Note the answer given by the respondent)

Q22cc. (If 1, 2 or 3 in Q24c) So which God do you believe in? _____ (Note the answer given by the respondent)

Q25. How much do you use these social media platforms – daily, a few days a week, a few days a month, or never?

1. Daily
2. A few days a week
3. A few days a month
4. Never
98. No Response

- 0. No account
- a. Facebook
- b. Twitter
- c. WhatsApp
- d. Instagram
- e. YouTube
- f. Snapchat
- g. Telegram

Q26. According to you, which party helps Kanwariyas the most? _____
(Write the answer and click on the correct option given below)

- 1. Congress (INC)
- 2. Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)
- 3. Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP)
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- 16. Rashtriya Lok Dal (RLD)
- 0. Any other regional party:
- 0. Can't Say
- 98. No Response

Q27. How free do you feel to practice your religion – very, somewhat, very little, not at all?

- 1. Very
- 2. Somewhat
- 3. Not much
- 4. Not at all
- 98. Can't Say

Q28. In comparison to the last two years, has the government provided more government facilities to the Kanwariyas this year?

1. Yes
2. No
3. I do not know, I have come for the first time
98. Can't Say

Q29. To what extent has your religion gained a better identity since Narendra Modi became Prime Minister – to a great extent, to some extent, not much, or not at all?

1. To a great extent
2. To some extent
3. Not much
4. Not at all
98. Can't Say

Q30. Have you gone to any religious place for pilgrimage in the last 1-2 years?

1. Yes
2. No
98. Do not remember

Q31. Will you go on any pilgrimage/religious journey in the next 1-2 years?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Can't Say

Q32. Have you donated to any religious institution in the last 1-2 years?

1. Yes
2. No
98. Do not remember

BACKGROUND DATA

Z3. How far have you studied? (First write the answer given in the space given below, and then click on the correct option from the given options)

1. Illiterate (can't read or write at all)
2. Less than primary
3. Primary pass (Class 5)
4. Middle pass (Class 8)

5. Matriculation pass (Class 10)
6. Intermediate pass (Class 12)
7. Diploma (after class 10 or 12)
8. Graduate/pursuing it
9. Post Graduate/pursuing it
10. Higher Degree (MPhil, PhD)
11. Professional Courses/degree/pursuing it (Law, Engineering etc.)
0. Any other

0. No response

Z4. Are you married?

1. No
2. Yes
3. Divorced
4. Widowed
5. Separated
98. No Response

Z5. What is your main occupation? (First write the answer given in the space given below. Find the correct answer from the options and click on it, if retired, find out his occupation before retirement)

1. Higher Professionals: Engineers, Doctors, Lawyers, Chartered Accountants, Professors etc.
2. Lower Professionals: Computer Operator, Data Entry Specialist, Ayurvedic Doctor, Nurse, School Teacher, Tutor, Priest, Astrologer, NGO Worker etc.
3. Government Managerial Job: Manager, Director, Executive, MP, MLA
4. Government Administrative Job: First-Second Class Officer, Major in the Army, Colonel, Brigadier, Police Inspector
5. Government Clerical Jobs: Class III Officers, Clerk, Typist, Army Jawan, Police Constable
6. Government Class IV: Peon, Postman, Gram Sevak, Amin, SafaiKaramchari etc.

7. Big and Medium Traders: Big Shop keepers, Factory Owners, Hotel Owners, Petrol Pumps, Taxi Owners, Big Travel Agency, Small Hotels, Property Dealers, Jewellers etc.
8. Small Trader: Grocery Shop, Small Travel Agency, Phone Booth, Broker, Parlour, Rickshaw Owner, Landlord, etc
9. Small/Temporary Business: Temporary Shopkeeper, Sales Man, Delivery Boy, Shop Assistant
10. Service/Service Area: Cook, Waiter, Washerman, Barber, Domestic Servant, Chowkidar, Private Guard, Safai Karam Chari etc.
11. Skilled Workers: Driver, Mechanic, Electrician, Plumber, Jeweller, Tailor, Cobbler, Carpenter, Sailor
12. Semi-skilled workers: Artisans, bricklayers, potters, stonecutters, furniture, basketry, matmakers Wage labourer: Rickshaw pullers, loaders, construction workers etc.
13. Farmer: Farmer/Shareholder Farmer
14. Agricultural labourers: labourers working in farms/plantations
15. Dairy/poultry/animal husbandry work
16. Student (perhaps working part time)
17. Housewife/Househusband (perhaps doing some small work to earn some money)
18. Student
19. Housewife/Househusband
20. Unemployed or looking for employment
0. Any other
98. Can't say
98. No response

Z6. What is your caste/zati biradari? (Write the answer in the space given below and then click on the correct option)

1. Brahamana
2. Kshatriya (Rajput)
3. Vaishya
4. Any other upper-caste
5. Yadava
6. Other Farmers OBC: Kurmi, Gowda, Lodh, Lodhi, Vanniyar, Kapu, Koeri, Mutharayar, Vokkaliga, Lingayat, Maratha-Kunbi, Mali/Saini, Dhanuk.
7. Shilpakara OBC
8. Seva OBC
9. Any other OBC
10. Jatava
11. Any Other Dalit
12. Meena
13. Santhal
14. Munda
15. Any other scheduled caste
0. Any Other:
 0. No Caste (only if the respondent says so)
 0. No Response

Z7. What is your caste group?

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

98. No Response

Z8. Do you or your family have these things?

1. Yes 2. No

- a. Car/Jeep/Van
- b. Scooter/Motorcycle/Moped
- c. Air Conditioner
- d. Computer/Laptop/iPad
- e. Electric Fan/Cooler
- f. Washing machine
- g. Refrigerator
- h. TV
- i. Bank/Post Office Account
- j. ATM/Debit-Credit Card
- k. LPG Gas
- l. Internet connection at home (except mobile)
- m. Indoor toilet
- n. Pumping set
- o. Tractor

Z9. Keeping in mind all the members of the household, tell us what is the total monthly income of your family? (First write the answer given in the space given below, and then find the correct answer from the given options and click on it)

- 1. Less than 1000
- 2. 2001 to 5000
- 3. 5001 to 0000

4. 10001 to 30000

5. 30001 to 50000

6. 50001 to 80000

0. 80001 to 1 Lakh

0. 1 Lakh to 2 Lakh

0. Over 2 Lakh

98. No Response

Z10. Thank you, can you tell us your mobile number so that we can contact you in future? (If the respondent refuses to give the mobile number, then type 0 ten times)

Z11. Interview completion time (in hrs: mins):

Z12. GPS Location: