

Global Questions

C- Questions common to Set A and Set B

C1. How regularly do you read the newspaper - daily, frequently, occasionally, rarely or never?

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| 1. Daily | 2. Frequently | 3. Occasionally |
| 4. Rarely | 5. Never | 0. Could not understand |
| 8. No Opinion | | |

C2. How regularly do you listen to news on radio - more than once a day, once a day, on most days, once in a while or never?

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| 1. More than once a day | 2. Once a day | 3. On most days |
| 4. Once in a while | 5. Never | 0. Could not understand |
| 8. No Opinion | | |

C3. How regularly do you watch news on TV - more than once a day, once a day, on most days, once in a while or never?

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| 1. More than once a day | 2. Once a day | 3. On most days |
| 4. Once in a while | 5. Never | 0. Could not understand |
| 8. No Opinion | | |

C4. Now I will ask you about a few religious activities. You tell me how often do you practice them – daily, weekly, only on festivals or never?

| | Daily | Weekly | On festivals | Never |
|---|-------|--------|--------------|-------|
| a. Prayer (<i>puja, namaz</i> , etc) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| b. Visiting temple, mosque, church, <i>gurudwara</i> , etc. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

C5. And what about these, how often do you practice them - frequently, occasionally, rarely or never?

| | Frequently | Occasionally | Rarely | Never |
|--|------------|--------------|--------|-------|
| a. Participating in <i>kathas, sangats bhajan-kirtans, jalsas</i> , church services etc. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| b. Keeping fasts, <i>rozās</i> , etc. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

C6. How frequently do you discuss politics with your friends and colleagues, often, occasionally, or never?

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| 1. Often | 2. Occasionally | 3. Never |
| 0. Could not understand 8. No Opinion | | |

C7. With whom do you feel free to discuss politics openly - with anyone, with people you know well, only with close friends and family or with no one?

1. Anyone 2. People you know well 3. Close friends and family
4. No one 0. Could not understand 8. No Opinion

C8. Thinking of whether you voted or not ever since you became eligible for voting, how would you describe yourself –have you voted in every election, voted in most elections, voted in some elections or hardly ever voted?

1. Voted in every election 2. Voted in most elections
3. Voted in some elections 4. Hardly ever voted
9. NA [Not eligible or eligible only once]
0. Could not understand 8. No Opinion

C9. Now I will ask you about some social and political activities that you may have ever taken part in. Tell me have you, ever in your life, taken part in —

| | Yes | No | Don't Remember | Could not understand | No opinion |
|--|-----|----|----------------|----------------------|------------|
| a. Any protest or demonstration or struggle or movement | 1 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 8 |
| b. Campaigning in elections or referendum | 1 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 8 |
| c. Solving problems concerning the locality | 1 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 8 |

C10. Do you feel close to any party?

1. Yes 2.No 0. Could not understand 8. No Opinion

C10a. (If Yes) Which party? (*Record the party name, even if R mentions party symbol or leaders' name*) _____

C11. What is democracy, is understood differently by different people. According to you what is democracy? (*Record up to two responses exactly*).

1. _____

2. _____

C12. On the whole, how satisfied are you with the way democracy works in our country - very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, totally dissatisfied?

1. Very satisfied 2. Somewhat satisfied 3.Somewhat dissatisfied
4. Totally dissatisfied 0. Could not understand 8.No Opinion

C13. I am going to name a number of institutions. For each one, could you tell me how much trust you have in them. Is it a great deal of trust, some trust, not very much trust or none at all?

| | Great Deal | Some | Not very much | None at All | Could not understand | No opinion |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------|---------------|-------------|----------------------|------------|
| a. Central/National government | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| b. Provincial government | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| c. Local government | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| d. Civil service | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| e. Police | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| f. Army | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| g. Courts | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| h. Parliament | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| i. Political parties | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| j. Election Commission | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| [or equivalent] | | | | | | |

C14. Now I will ask you about Doordarshan and Aakashwani (**replace Doordarshan and Aakashwani with the names of all government owned radio, newspaper and television news channels of your country**) To what extent is their news truthful - to a great extent, to some extent, not very much or not at all?

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| 1. To a great extent | 2. To some extent | 3. Not very much |
| 4. Not at all | 0. Could not understand | 8. No Opinion |

C15. Now I will ask you about newspapers, radio and television new channels other than Doordarshan and Aakashwani (**replace Doordarshan and Aakashwani with the names of all government owned radio, newspaper and television news channels of your country**) To what extent is their news truthful - to a great extent, to some extent, not very much or not at all?

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| 1. To a great extent | 2. To some extent | 3. Not very much |
| 4. Not at all | 0. Could not understand | 8. No Opinion |

C16. When we ask people as to who they are, we get different answers. Some people say that they are only (national identity; E.g. Nepali), while others say that they are more (national identity; E.g. Nepali) and less (regional/ethnic identity). Some people say that they are as (national identity; E.g. Nepali) as they are (regional/ethnic identity). And other say that they are more (regional/ethnic identity) and less (national identity; E.g. Nepali), while some other people say that they are only (regional/ethnic identity). How do you identify yourself?

1. Only national identity
2. More national and less regional/ethnic identity

- 3. Equal national and regional/ethnic identity
- 4. More regional/ethnic identity and less national identity
- 5. Only regional/ethnic identity
- 0. Could not understand
- 8. No Opinion

C17. How suitable is democracy for our country- very suitable, suitable, not suitable or not at all suitable?

- 1. Very suitable
- 2. Suitable
- 3. Not suitable
- 4. Not at all suitable
- 0. Could not understand
- 8. No Opinion

C18. There are different ways in which a country may be governed. I will read out some suggestions. For each of these would you say that you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree?

| | Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Could not understand | No opinion |
|---|-------------------|-------|----------|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| a. We should have a strong leader who does not have to bother about elections. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| b. The country should be governed by the Army. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| c. The country should be governed by a King. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| d. The country should be governed by those chosen by the people in a fair election. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| e. All major decisions about the country should be taken by experts rather than politicians. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| f. All major decisions about the country should be taken by religious leaders rather than politicians. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |

C19. Do you think your vote has effect on how things are run in our country or do you think your vote makes no difference?

- 2. Has effect
- 1. Makes no difference
- 0. Could not understand
- 8. No Opinion

C20. Now I am going to read to you a list of statements that describe how people often feel about the state of affairs in [country name]. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with each of these statements.

| | Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Could not understand | No opinion |
|---|-------------------|-------|----------|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| a. Every one enjoys equal rights | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |

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| b. People are free to speak their mind without fear | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| c. People have the power to change the government they do not like | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| d. Most people have basic necessities like food, clothes and shelter. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |

C21. Imagine a ladder with 10 steps (show card). At step one stand the poorest people and on step 10 stand the richest people. Where would you stand? _____

C22. I will read out few statements about your income. Please tell me, which of the following statement is closest to your situation? (*Please read out options 1 to 4*)

1. Our income covers the needs well, we can save
2. Our income covers the needs all right, without much difficulty
3. Our income does not cover the needs, there are difficulties
4. Our income does not cover our needs, there are great difficulties
0. Could not understand 8. No Opinion

C23. Which one of the following three statements do you agree with most?

1. Democracy is preferable to any other kind of government
2. In certain situations, a dictatorial government can be preferable to a democratic one
3. It doesn't matter to people like me whether we have democratic or non-democratic governance
0. Could not understand 8. No Opinion

C24. People often differ in their views on the characteristic that is essential to democracy. If you have to **choose only one** of the things that I am going to read, which one would you chose as the most essential to a democracy? (*Please read out options 1 to 3*)

1. Opportunity to change the government through elections
2. Freedom to criticize those in power
3. Equal rights to everyone
4. Basic necessities like food, clothes and shelter etc. for everyone
0. Could not understand 8. No Opinion

C25. These days, there is a lot of talk about 'majority' and 'minority' communities. Who would you say are the minorities?

C26. And who would you say is the majority community?

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| minority community? | | |
| 1 Majority | 2 Minority | 3 Depends on the context |
| 0. Could not understand | 8. No Opinion | |

C28. How proud are you to be [provincial/ethnic identity]- very proud, proud, not proud or not at all proud?

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| 1. Very proud | 2. Proud | 3. Not proud |
| 4. Not at all proud | 0. Could not understand | 8. No Opinion |

C29. How proud are you to be an [nationality] – very proud, proud, not proud or not at all proud?

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| 1. Very proud | 2. Proud | 3. Not proud |
| 4. Not at all proud | 0. Could not understand | 8. No Opinion |

C30. In your opinion has the condition of minorities improved, deteriorated or remained the same during the last few years?

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| 1 Improved | 2 Deteriorated | 3 Remained same |
| 0. Could not understand | 8. No Opinion | |

C31. Now I would read out a few statements. You tell me, do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with each of the statements?

| | Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Could not understand | No opinion |
|---|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|----------------------|------------|
| a. The government/state should treat minorities in the same way as it treats the majority | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| b. Giving equal treatment is not enough, the government should give special treatment to minorities. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| c. Like men, women should have freedom to go out and work. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| d. Too much education is not good for women | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |

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| e. In a democracy the will of the majority community should prevail. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| f. Even if it is not liked by the majority, the government/state must protect the interests of the minorities. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| g. Minorities should adopt the ways of life of the majority community. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |

C32. Thinking of the way the elections are conducted in [name of country], what do you feel – are elections fair, somewhat fair or unfair.

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| 1. Fair | 2. Some what fair | 3. Unfair |
| 0. Could not understand | 8. No Opinion | |

C33. Which party/candidate did you vote for in the [last national] election? For secret ballot method: *[This is a secret vote, so I do not want you to tell me who you voted for. Please make a mark (cross/tick) next to the party/candidate you voted for.]* _____

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(Record Ballot number)

A7. In the last one year, have you, some one in your family or some one you know personally had to deal with the military/security forces (Use country specific name) for some reason?

2. No 1. Yes 0. Could not understand 8. No Opinion

A7a. (*If Yes*) How would you describe that experience with the military/security forces (Use country specific names). Would you say that the military/security forces (country specific name) was helpful, was indifferent, was involved in harassment or in physical attack/torture?

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| 1 Helpful | 2 Indifferent |
| 3 Involved in harassment | 4 Involved in physical attack/torture |
| 0. Could not understand | 8. No Opinion 9. N.A. |

A8. In the last one year, have you, some one in your family or some one you know personally had to deal with the police for some reason?

2. No 1. Yes 0. Could not understand 8. No Opinion

A8a. (*If Yes*) How was the experience with the police. Would you say that the police was helpful, was indifferent, was involved in harassment or in physical attack/torture?

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| 1. Helpful | 2. Indifferent |
| 3. Involved in harassment | 4. Involved in physical attack/torture |
| 0. Could not understand | 8. No Opinion 9. N.A. |

A9. If you had a problem that needed police help, would you go to the police?

1.Yes 3.Probably
2.No 0. Could not understand 8. No Opinion

A10. If you went to the police, do you feel you would be treated in the same way as anyone else?

1.Yes 2. No
0. Could not understand 8. No Opinion

A11. Now I would read out the names of a few neighbouring countries and ask you about your opinion on their government and their people. Have you heard the name of [Name of country] with Sri Lanka ? (*If Yes*) How would you describe the relation with the government of [Name of country] with the people Sri Lanka - very friendly, friendly or not so friendly? Now let me ask about common people of [Name of country]. How would you describe the relationship with the people of [Name of country] - very friendly, friendly or not so friendly?

| Country | Heard | | Government | | | | People | | | |
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| | YES (2) | NO (1) | Very Friendly (1) | Friendly (2) | Not so Friendly (3) | Couldnot Understand/ No opinion (0/8) | Very Friendly (1) | Friendly (2) | Not so Friendly (3) | Couldnot Understand/ No opinion (0/8) |
| a. Srilanka | | | | | | | | | | |
| b. Nepal | | | | | | | | | | |
| c. Pakistan | | | | | | | | | | |
| d. Bangladesh | | | | | | | | | | |

A12. I will read out some things that people feel insecure about these days. Tell me, how insecure do you personally feel about the following – insecure, somewhat insecure, a little insecure or not at all insecure?

| | Insecure | Somewhat Insecure | A little Insecure | Not at all | Could not Understand | No Opinion |
|--|----------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| a. Theft/robbery | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| b. Physical attack/ harassment | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| c. Kidnapping/extortion | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| d. Riots/Mob violence | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| e. Militants/Insurgent action | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| f. Police/Army/Security forces action | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| g. Attack by another country | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| h. Global/ International terrorism | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |

Regional Questions

B-Questions present in Set B only

B1. Now I am going to read out a list of organizations. Please tell me how often do you participate in the activities of each these organizations: regularly, occasionally, rarely or never?

| | Regularly | Occasionally | Rarely | Never | Could not understand | No opinion |
|------------------------------|-----------|--------------|--------|-------|----------------------|------------|
| a. Religious organizations | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| b. Community/neighbourhood | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| c. Trade Union | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| d. Sports/recreational clubs | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| e. Political parties | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| f. Cultural organizations | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| g. Women's organizations | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| h. NGOs | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |

B2. How satisfied are you with the economic condition of your household today? Are you very satisfied, satisfied, neither satisfied nor dissatisfied, dissatisfied or very dissatisfied?

1. Very satisfied 2.Satisfied 3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
 4. Dissatisfied 5.Very dissatisfied
 0. Could not understand 8. No Opinion

B3. As compared to few 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 0. Could not understand 8. No Opinion

B4. 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, remained same, become worse or much worse?

1. Much better 2. Better 3.Same 4.Worse
 5.Much worse 0. Could not understand 8. No Opinion

B5. Now I would read out a few statements. You tell me, do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with each of the statements?

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|--|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|----------------------|------------|
| | Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Could not understand | No opinion |
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- a. Religious leaders should not make

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| recommendations about politics. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| b. Marriage of girls and boys of different religions should be banned. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| c. One should be loyal first to ones religion then to the nation. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| d. Government should not make laws to regulate religious institutions. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |

B6. Now I will read out two statements on various issues. Tell me whether you agree with statement one (1) or statement two (2)?

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| a. (1) The number of government employees should be reduced because paying their salaries is too expensive | (2) The number of government employees should not be reduced because they are necessary to run the country |
| 1. Agree with (1) | 2. Agree with(2) |
| 0. Could not understand | 8. No opinion |
| b. (1) Government companies should be sold to private companies because running business is not the work of the government | (2)Government companies should not be sold to private companies because government’s control over business is necessary for the country’s development |
| 1. Agree with (1) | 2. Agree with(2) |
| 0. Could not understand | 8. No opinion |
| c. (1) Government should impose a ceiling on income and wealth to reduce the difference between rich and poor | (2) Government should not impose a ceiling on income and wealth so that people have motivation to work hard |
| 1. Agree with (1) | 2. Agree with(2) |
| 0. Could not understand | 8. No opinion |
| d. (1) The government should allow foreign companies to come in our country since more trade benefits everyone | (2) The government should not allow foreign companies to come in our country because they exploit us. |
| 1. Agree with (1) | 2. Agree with(2) |
| 0. Could not understand | 8. No opinion |

B7. How satisfied are you with the economic condition of our country today? Are you very satisfied, satisfied, neither satisfied nor dissatisfied, dissatisfied or very dissatisfied.

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| 1. Very satisfied | 2.Satisfied | 3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied |
| 4. Dissatisfied | 5.Very dissatisfied | 0. Could not understand |
| 8. No Opinion | | |

B8. As compared to few years ago, would you say the economic condition of India has become much better, better, remained same, become worse or much worse

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| 1. Much better | 2.Better | 3.Same | 4.Worse |
| 5.Much worse | 0.Could not understand | 8. No Opinion | |

B9. Thinking about the next few years, do you think the economic condition of India

will become much better, better, remain same, become worse or much worse.

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| 1. Much better | 2. Better | 3. Same | 4. Worse |
| 5. Much worse | 0. Could not understand | 8. No Opinion | |

B10. Different people give different answers about what they like about democracy. I will read out a few of these. Tell me which one of these do you like most about democracy? (*Read out answer categories*)

1. Everyone is free to speak and act.
2. People have control over the rulers
3. The weak are treated with dignity.
4. The interest of minorities are protected.
5. Any other (*Specify*) _____

B11. Now let me talk about anxieties that many people have about democracy. Tell me which one of these do you dislike most about democracy? (*Read out answer categories*)

1. To many parties divide the people
2. Rulers keep changing
3. Corruption increases
4. Those who have more votes dominate over others.
5. Any other (*Specify*) _____

B12. In the past one year, how often have you contacted a government official in connection with any important matter? (*Do not read out answer categories*)

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| 1. Once | 2. Twice | 3. More than twice |
| 4. Never | 0. Could not understand | 8. No Opinion |

B12a. (If Contacted) How satisfied were you with the response of that official, very satisfied, satisfied, dissatisfied or completely dissatisfied?

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| 1. Very satisfied | 2. Satisfied | 3. Dissatisfied |
| 4. Completely dissatisfied | 0. Could not understand | 8. No Opinion |
| 9. N.A. | | |

B13. I will read out names of few services. Tell me whether these services should be run mainly by the government or they should be run mainly by private companies? [Do not read out Both]?

| | Govt. | Private Companies | Both | Could not understand | No opinion |
|--------------------------|-------|-------------------|------|----------------------|------------|
| a. Supply of electricity | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| b. Hospitals | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |

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|-----------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| c. Schools | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| d. Supply of drinking water | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| e. Bus | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |

Country Specific Questions

Z - Bangladesh questions common to Set A and Set B

Z1. Probably you know that there is a model code of conduct for local (union parishad) and parliamentary elections. During the elections do you think the candidates follow the code of conduct – strictly follow, more or less follow, do not follow at all?

Z2. Probably you/all of you have heard that lots of activities take place before election for nomination even within the party. Please tell us whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree, strongly agree with the following statements.

- a. The nomination of candidates should be held in a democratic manner even within the party.
- b. The nomination of candidates should be done taking into consideration the opinion of the voters.
- c. The voters need to be informed about the personal details of all the candidates before the nomination process.
- d. Appropriate steps need to be taken to stop baseless/false election campaign
- e. Everyone should be informed about the sources of money which candidates use for campaigning
- f. Legally the highest spending for election campaign can be a maximum of five lakh takkas. This amounts needs to be increased.

Z3. On what basis do you cast your vote for a candidate during parliamentary elections? (The following answers need to be read out and only one among them has to be selected)

1. Depending on the symbol/party of the candidate
2. On the basis of the social and personal qualities of the candidate
3. On the basis of educational qualification of the candidate
4. Depending on the amount of money the rich businessmen can give
5. Depending on the candidate who will work for you after getting elected
6. If the candidate is from the same constituency
7. Others (please tell)

Z4. Many people think that elections are held smoothly if international observers (those who come from abroad to observe elections) are present during the elections. Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree of the presence of international observers.

Z5. May be you know that in this country, three national/parliamentary elections were held under the supervision of a caretaker government. In that respect it can be said that elections are free and fair under the supervision of caretaker government. Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with the above statement.

Z6. Whom do you consider the right person to head the caretaker government?

1. The present Chief Justice
2. The previous Chief Justice who has just retired
3. A respected well educate person
4. NGO official
5. The present head of the armed forces
6. Any one else (please specify)

Z7. The representation of women and minority communities especially the Hindus is very low in the parliament. Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with the following statements.

- a. In the parliament, the number of seats for women need to be increased
- b. In the parliament, the number of seats for Hindus and other minority communities need to be increased on equal terms.

Z8. Now-a-days, terrorists and mustans are entering politics. Do you think that their entry into politics is the cause of the deterioration of the law and order situation in the country?

Z9. In Bangladesh calling of strike is common to raise a demand or to simply protest. Some people feel that strikes are democratic/right path to raise demands. Others feel strikes/hartals should be banned. Do you think – there should be a right to call strikes or hartals or strikes should be banned.

Z10. Many people accuse to-day that bribes are essential to get any work done at government offices and courts. While others say that politicians, leaders do not work if money is not offered. Looking at all these what is your opinion? (The answers have to be read out and one of them has to be selected)

1. The country is immersed in corruption
2. Corruption is more or less present in the country
3. In reality, there is no corruption

Z11. Now-a-days, in Bangladesh, some people want the country to be run by rules governed by Islam. Do you strongly support, support, oppose, strongly oppose this viewpoint

Z12. Whom do you consider the greatest leader in the history of Bangladesh?

I - Questions asked in India common to both sets

I1. Over the past one year, did you or any member of your family had to do without any of the following things- often, sometimes or never?

| | Often | Sometimes | Never | Don't Understand | No Opinion |
|---|-------|-----------|-------|------------------|------------|
| a- Without two square meal a day | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| b- Without clean drinking water | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| c- Without treatment or medicines during sickness | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| d- Without employment | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |

I2. Have you heard about the Naxalites?(Wherever not applicable, refer to the name of the local armed insurgent group

1. Yes 2. No 0. Could not understand

I2a. (If Yes) People talk different things regarding the Naxalites (Wherever not applicable, refer to the name of the local armed insurgent group). I will read out some of these things. You have to tell me, **out of these things**, to which one thing, you agree the most

- 1.The Naxalites, unnecessarily spread violence
 2. The Naxalites empathize with common people
 3. Their demands are genuine but not their ways
 0. Could not understand 8.No Opinion 9. N.A.

I3. Two years back there were riots in several parts of Gujarat. Have you heard of these riots?

1. Yes 2. No 0. Could not understand

I3a. (If Yes) People talk different things regarding the riots in Gujarat. I will read out some of these thing. You tell me, out of these things, to which one thing, you agree the most. (*Read out answer categories 1 to 3*)

1. What happened, was completely wrong
 2. What happened was wrong, but, to teach a lesson to anti-nationals, it was important

3. Lot of things never happened in the riots, newspapers and TV presented an exaggerated picture

0. Could not understand

8. No Opinion

9. N.A.

I4. Over the last one year, did you or any member of your family had to face any of the following situations-often, sometimes or never?

| | Often | Sometimes | Never | Don't Understand | No Opinion |
|--|-------|-----------|-------|---------------------|---------------|
| a. Had to borrow money for meeting daily expenses | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| b. Had to mortgage or sell jewellery or household assets | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| c. Had to live without any shelter | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| d. Had to take someone's help for self protection | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| e. Had gone through any kind of physical assault at home or outside | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| f. Had been harassed/humiliated before others with regard to one's caste-community | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |

I5. If you compare today with that of your parents time, in your opinion, do you think you are living a more dignified life than that of your parents, less dignified than that of your parents or that there is no difference at all.

1. Live a more dignified life

2. Live a less dignified life

3. There is no difference

0. Could not understand

8. No Opinion

I6. When you think of the future, do you think your children will have a better life than that of yours, worse than yours or that there won't be much difference in their life?

1. Live a better life

2. Live a worse life

3. No difference

0. Could not understand

8. No Opinion

I7. Have you heard about the demolition of the disputed site (Babri Masjid) at Ayodhya?

1. Yes

2. No

0. Could not understand

I7a. (If Yes) Some people think that the demolition was justified, while others say that it was not justified. what is your opinion- it was justified/ it was not justified?

1. Justified 2. Not justified 0. Could not understand 8. No Opinion

I7b. (If heard about demolition) In your opinion what should be constructed in that area now?

1. Neither a mosque nor a temple
 2. A mosque should be constructed
 3. A temple should be constructed
 4. Both mosque and temple should be constructed separately in that site
 5. Some other thing(*Specify*) _____ 0. Could not understand
 8. No Opinion 9. N.A.

I8. Now I will read out the names of few Indian leaders. You tell me about these leaders one by one, as to what was their contribution to Democracy in India. I will show you a ladder with 1 to 10 marked on it (Show Card). If 1 represents such a leader who has contributed very less to democracy and 10 represents such a leader who has made great contribution to democracy, then

| | Not heard | No opinion |
|--|-----------|------------|
| a. Where will u place Dr. Ambedkar _____ | 97 | 88 |
| b. Where will you place Bhagat Singh _____ | 97 | 88 |
| c. Where will you place Jawaharlal Nehru _____ | 97 | 88 |
| d. Where will you place Mahatma Gandhi _____ | 97 | 88 |
| e. Where will you place Jayprakash Narayan _____ | 97 | 88 |
| f. Where will you place Sardar Patel _____ | 97 | 88 |
| g. Where will you place Vinayak Savarkar _____ | 97 | 88 |

NC - Questions asked in Nepal common in both Set A and Set B

NA - Questions asked in Nepal present in Set A only

NB - Questions asked in Nepal present in Set B only

NC

NC1. Here are several statements indicating social, economic and political changes taking place in Nepal after the restoration of democracy in 1990. Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, disagree or strongly disagree to the following statements?

| | | Strongly agree | Somewhat agree | Disagree | Strongly disagree | C.U. | N.O. |
|---|---|----------------|----------------|----------|-------------------|------|------|
| a | Distance between different social groups (i.e. high caste (forward) and low caste (backward), caste and ethnic groups, touchable and untouchable has decreased. | | | | | | |
| b | Marginalized groups (like dalit, ethnic, madhesi and women) are in movement for their rights. | | | | | | |
| c | Infrastructures of development (like drinking water, health, education, road, electricity and communication) have increased. | | | | | | |
| d | Political instability has increased. | | | | | | |
| e | Leaders are more interested to promote their own personal and party interest than national interest | | | | | | |

NC2. There has been change in the politics of the country after King's act on 4 October 2002. How have you found the present situation compared to the situation before that, very good, good, bad, or very bad?

1. Very good
2. Good
3. Bad
4. Very bad
0. Could not understand
8. No opinion

NA

NA1. Different views have come up regarding monarchy. Which do you think is right among the three given below? (Read answer categories)

1. King should have more authority and power.
2. Position of king should be fully constitutional monarchy.

3. There should be a republican state.
0. Could not understand
8. No opinion

NA2. In your opinion, should Nepal remain as a Hindu state or be a secular state?

1. Nepal should remain a Hindu state.
2. Nepal should be declared a secular state.
0. Could not understand
8. No opinion

NA3. In your opinion, should Nepal remain as a unitary state or be made a federal state?

1. Should remain a unitary state.
2. Should be a federal state
3. Whether unitary or federal, ethnic autonomy should be granted.
0. Could not understand
8. No opinion

NA4. Among the different views that have come up on the issue of language, three are given below. If you have to choose one among them, which do you choose? (read answer categories)

1. Nepali should remain as only one official language.
1. Other languages also should be made official language.
2. Local/mother tongue should be used as official language at local level.
0. Could not understand
8. No opinion

NB

NB1. What should be done in order to bring the Maoists in negotiation table? (Choose one from each of the three set of answers given)

- A.
 1. Re-instatement of the dissolved House of Representatives
 2. Election of the House of Representatives
 3. Round table conference
 4. Others (state)
 0. Could not understand
 8. No opinion

- B.
 1. All-party government
 2. Interim government including Maoists
 3. Elected government
 4. Others (state)
 0. Could not understand

8. No opinion

- C. 1. Amendment of the present constitution is not necessary
2. Amendment of the present constitution
3. Framing of new constitution
4. Others (state)
0. Could not understand
8. No opinion

(if ans. 1,2,4,0 and 8, skip the following questions)

NB2. If you are in favour of a new constitution, by whom and how should it be made, by a commission formed by the king, by a commission formed by the parliament or by election of constituent assembly?

1. By a commission formed by the king.
2. By a commission formed by the parliament.
3. By election of constituent assembly.
0. Could not understand
8.No opinion

NB3. If you are in favour of constituent assembly, what do you expect from it? (Record only one answer)

P - Questions asked in Pakistan common to both Set A and Set B

P1. In your view, is Pakistan a democratic country?

1. Yes
2. No
0. Could not Understand
8. No Opinion

P2. Which democratic system is better suited for Pakistan- presidential or parliamentary?

1. Presidential
2. Parliamentary
0. Could not Understand
8. No Opinion

P3. Who do you think is more responsible for the recurrent military takeovers in the country- politicians or military?

1. Politicians
2. Military
0. Could not Understand
8. No Opinion

P4. Do you support military's role in the politics of Pakistan?

1. Yes
2. No
0. Could not Understand
8. No Opinion

P5. How satisfied are you with the following local government office holders?

| | Very Much Satisfied | Somewhat Satisfied | Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied | Somewhat Dissatisfied | Very Much Dissatisfied | NO | CU |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----|----|
| i. District Nazim | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 0 |
| ii. Tehsil Nazim | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 0 |
| iii. Union Nazim | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 0 |
| iv. General councillor/ Minority Councillor | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 0 |
| v. Woman Councillor | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 0 |
| vi. Kisan/ Mazdoor | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 0 |

| | | | | | | | |
|------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Councillor | | | | | | | |
|------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|

P6. Has the quality of the following services improved since the establishment of local governments?

| | Yes | No | NO | CU |
|-------------------|-----|----|----|----|
| i. Health | 1 | 2 | 8 | 0 |
| ii. Education | 1 | 2 | 8 | 0 |
| iii. Public Works | 1 | 2 | 8 | 0 |

P7. In your view, shall the local government system continue?

1. Yes
2. No
0. Could not Understand
8. No Opinion

P8. The women quota has been increased to 33% in union councils and 17.5% in National and provincial assemblies. Do you support this move?

1. Yes
2. No
0. Could not Understand
8. No Opinion

P9. What difference have you noticed since the increase in women quota? Give your opinion on the following statements.

| | Yes | No | NO | CU |
|---|-----|----|----|----|
| i. Women related issues are given more time in the assemblies | 1 | 2 | 8 | 0 |
| ii. The political role of women has become more acceptable socially and culturally. | 1 | 2 | 8 | 0 |
| iii. There is more legislation on women related issues | 1 | 2 | 8 | 0 |
| iv. Awareness of women related issues has increased | 1 | 2 | 8 | 0 |

P10. Now I would like to have your opinion on religious minority issues. Please give your opinion on the following statements.

| | Yes | No | NO | CU |
|---|-----|----|----|----|
| i. A non-Muslim shall have the right to become president and prime minister | 1 | 2 | 8 | 0 |
| ii. Joint electorate gives better representation to the religious minorities | 1 | 2 | 8 | 0 |
| iii. There should be separate family/ personal laws for religious minorities according to their own religion. | 1 | 2 | 8 | 0 |

P11. Do you favour the call for provincial autonomy?

1. Yes
2. No
0. Could not Understand
8. No Opinion

P12. What are your views regarding the Kalabagh Dam Issue? Do you think that:

1. It should be constructed at all costs
2. Alternative means should be explored
3. It should be constructed only after provincial consensus
4. It should not be constructed at all.
0. Could not Understand
8. No Opinion

P13. What is your opinion on increasing the number of provinces? Do you think the number of provinces should be increased or not?

1. Yes
2. No
0. Could not Understand
8. No Opinion

P14. Do you think the inequality in between the rich and poor is on the rise?

1. Yes
2. No
0. Could not Understand
8. No Opinion

P15. In your opinion, which country is the most influential in the politics of Pakistan?

1. China
2. USA
3. Great Britain
4. Saudi Arabia
0. Could not Understand
8. No Opinion

P16. Recently, there have been moves towards peace between Pakistan and India. In your opinion, will these efforts lead to peaceful relations between the two countries?

1. Yes
2. No
0. Could not Understand
8. No Opinion

S - Questions asked in Sri Lanka common to both Set A and Set B

S1. Since independence Sri Lanka has seen many violent insurrections, which has led to many changes. Some people think that this has eventually led to improvement of democracy some others don't agree with this. Could you please tell us your opinion about this?

Please state whether you very much agree, agree, somewhat agree, do not agree

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Disagree
4. Strongly disagree
0. Don't know/Not sure
8. No response

S2. I will readout some names of political parties now. In your opinion please rate the role of the following political parties/movements in building democracy in Sri Lanka.

10 – Most democratic

0 – Least democratic

How ever your rate should be a number between 0-10

| Parties/Movements | Rate | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|
| 1.SLFP | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 |
| 2.UNP | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 |
| 3.LTTE | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 |
| 4.JVP | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 |
| 5.JHU | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 |
| 6.NSSP | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 |
| 7.TNA | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 |
| 8.CWC | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 |
| 9.SLMC | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 |

S3. I would like to know your opinion about caste system. Sometimes caste matters for some people. Sometimes it won't. Could you tell me to what extent caste matters in following events

| | Very important | Some what important | Not important | Don't know | Refuse to answer |
|-----------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------|------------|------------------|
| In Marriage | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| Making Friends | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| At work | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| In your neighbourhood | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |

| | | | | | |
|---------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| When deciding how to vote | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| Caste in Sri Lanka | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |

S4. When you voted in the last election to what extent did you consider caste to be important?

1. Most important
2. Some what important
3. Not very important
4. Not important at all
0. Don't know/Not sure
8. No response

S5. When selecting the leader of the government (president and prime minister) which of the following qualities you look for?
(Rank 1 – 5)

| | President (a) | Prime minister (b) |
|------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| 1.Education | | |
| 2.Family | | |
| 3.Gender | | |
| 4.Region | | |
| 5.Ethnicity | | |
| 6.Religion | | |
| 7.Caste | | |
| 8.Honesty | | |
| 9.Efficient Leadership | | |
| 10.Other | | |
| | | |
| | | |

S6. How important is peaceful settlement of the ethnic conflict to have a strong democracy in Sri Lanka?

1. Most important
2. Somewhat important
3. Not very important
4. Not important at all
0. Don't know/Not sure
8. No response

S7. How important is to have a strong democracy to achieve peaceful settlement of the ethnic conflict in Sri Lanka?

1. Most important
2. Somewhat important
3. Not very important

- 4. Not important at all
- 0. Don't know/Not sure
- 8.No response

S8. In your view what is the best way to achieve peace in Sri Lanka? (Read 1-3)

- 1. Through negotiated settlement for power sharing
- 2. Military solution by defeating the LTTE
- 3. Combining military solution and negotiation
- 4. Any other – Specify.....

S9. Now I'm going to ask you about some proposals with regarding to the ethnic conflict that have been discussed recently. For a peace agreement, please state whether you very much agree, agree, somewhat agree, do not agree with the following proposals.

| Conditions | Strongly agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly disagree | Don't know/Not sure | No response |
|---|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| a)The powers of Provincial councils should be increased, even if those of the government at the centre have to be decreased. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| b)The powers of some Provincial council may need to be increased more than others. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| c)Each ethnic group should have the right to elect a certain number of MPs from their communities. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| d)There should be a general amnesty (that is, freedom from criminal prosecution) for people who may have committed illegal political violence against civilians during the war. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8 |

S10. Some people say that the state should make it compulsory for children to learn all the three languages at school.

Do you agree or disagree with this statement?

- 1. Strongly agree
- 2. Agree
- 3. Disagree
- 4. Strongly disagree
- 0.Don't know/Not sure

8.No response

S11. Past two years we had a ceasefire with the view to a political settlement. How actively will you take part in the inter community interactions to support this process?

| | Very much | Some what | Not at all | Don't Know | No Response |
|---|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|
| a)Visiting North/East/South | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| b)Attending religious and cultural festivals of other communities | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| c)Economic Relations | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| d)Supporting for the poor/disadvantaged in the other communities | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 8 |

S12. There is a belief in the country that democracy had not served the youth. Please state whether you very much agree, agree, somewhat agree, do not agree

- 1. Strongly agree
- 2. Agree
- 3. Disagree
- 4. Strongly disagree
- 0.Don't know/Not sure
- 8.No response

S13. People have different opinions about the role of young people between the age of 25- 35 in politics. Some people say they should play a bigger role, other say, politicians need to be older, experienced people. What do you think? *(please tick one of the following)*

- 1.I would like to see more politicians in the age of 25 - 35 in parliament
- 2.Politicians should be elder, experienced persons
- 0.Don't know/Not sure
- 8.No response

S14. I would like to know your opinion on young politicians between the age of 25-35. What is the main quality you would see in a

a)Young male politician:

b) Young female politician:

S15. What is the main shortcoming you would see in a

a) Young male politician:

b) Young female politician:

D-Background Questions

D1. What is your age? (*In completed years*) _____

D2. Record Gender: 1. Male 2. Female

D3. Which is the highest class/degree that you have passed/obtained?
(*Record exactly and consult code book*) _____

D4. Which is the highest class/degree that your father and mother have passed/obtained?
Father _____
Mother _____

D5. Where do you work?

1. Employed in a govt/public organization (*e.g. civil service or state-owned enterprise*)
2. Employed in a private organization (*e.g. in a private company*)
3. Self-employed (*Those who do not earn a salary, e.g. Farmer, Craftsmen, Businessmen, etc*)
4. Retired from work.
5. Unemployed (*Without a job but looking for work*)
6. Full-time student
7. Housewife/ anyone looking after the home full time
8. Sick /handicapped/unable to work
9. Other (*Please Specify*) _____

D5a. (*If Codes 1 to 4 to Q5*) What is your main current occupation? (“What was your last main occupation” for Retired) (*Record nature of work; for those employed record designation and status of work exactly and consult codebook.*)

D10. What is your religion?

- | | | |
|-------------|------------------------------------|-----------|
| 1. Buddhist | 2. Christian | 3. Hindu |
| 4. Jain | 5. Kirat | 6. Muslim |
| 7. Sikh | 8. Others (<i>Specify</i>) _____ | |

D10a. (*If Muslim*) To which branch of Islam do you belong?

- | | | | |
|---------|----------|------------------------------------|---------|
| 1. Shia | 2. Sunni | 3. Others (<i>Specify</i>) _____ | 9. N.A. |
|---------|----------|------------------------------------|---------|

D10b. (*If Christian*) To which branch of Christianity do you belong?

- | | | | |
|-------------|---------------|------------------------------------|---------|
| 1. Catholic | 2. Protestant | 3. Others (<i>Specify</i>) _____ | 9. N.A. |
|-------------|---------------|------------------------------------|---------|

D11. What is your caste/Jati-biradari/Tribe name? (*Probe further if R mentions ambiguous surname*)

D11a. What is your caste group?

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|-------|-------|--------|-----------|
| 1. SC | 2. ST | 3. OBC | 4. Others |
|-------|-------|--------|-----------|

D12. What is your mother tongue? (*Record exactly and consult code book*)

D13. Locality:

- | | |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Village | 2. Town (below 1 Lakh) |
| 3. City (above 1 Lakh) | 4. Big city (above 10 Lakhs) |

D13a. (*If Town/City/Big City*) Type of house where R lives (*To be suitably adapted for each country*)

1. House/Flat/Bungalow with 4 or more bedrooms
2. House/Flat with 3 or 4 bedrooms
3. House/Flat with 2 bedrooms (with kitchen and bathroom)
4. House/Flat with 2 *Pucca* rooms (with kitchen)
5. House/Flat with 2 *Pucca* rooms (without kitchen)
6. House with 1 *Pucca* room (with kitchen)
7. House with 1 *Pucca* room (without kitchen)
8. Mainly *Kutcha* house
0. Slum/Jhuggi Jhopri/fully *Kutcha*.
9. NA

| | | | |
|--|----------|-------|---|
| b. Tractor | 1 | 0 | |
| c. Colour or B/W Television | 2 colour | 1 B/W | 0 |
| d. Scooter/Motorcycle/Moped | 1 | 0 | |
| e. Telephone/Mobile Telephone | 1 | 0 | |
| f. Electric fan/cooler | 1 | 0 | |
| g. Bicycle | 1 | 0 | |
| h. Radio/transistor | 1 | 0 | |
| i. Pumping set | 1 | 0 | |
| j. Fridge | 1 | 0 | |
| k. Goats/Sheep (<i>Record exact number</i>) _____ | | | |
| l. Cows/Buffalo (<i>Record exact number</i>) _____ | | | |

D19. Does your household own any agricultural land? 1. Yes 2. No

D19a. (*If Yes*) Total agricultural land of the household? (*In local units to be recorded*)

D19b. (*If Yes*) Total irrigated land of the household? (*In local units to be recorded*)

D20. Total monthly household income

(*In currency of each country*) _____

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