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Questionnaire

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Migrant or Non-migrant house hold :
2. Name of Panchayat/Municipality :
3. Locality : Rural Urban
4. Ward No / House No :
5. Address :

6. Religion : Hindu Muslim Christian Other
7. Caste :
8. Social category : General SC ST OBC Others
:
9. If Muslim Sunni Mujahid Jamatheislami Tablegue
10. Type of Family : Joint Nuclear
11. Size of family/Total number of family members :

12. Details about members in the family.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Sl No	Name of household members (First respondent then husband, children, other family members)	Relation to respondent	Gender	Age	Marital Status	Educational Qualification	Activity	Occupation	Monthly Income	Place of Birth
1										
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II. SOCIO- ECONOMIC - PSYCHOLOGICAL DETAILS OF THE RESPONDENT

House Details of the respondent

1. Specify the category of ration card APL BPL
2. If yes, What is the colour: Yellow Pink Red White
3. Type of fuel used for cooking
 1. Wood
 2. Electricity
 3. Kerosene
 4. LPG
 5. Others
4. Type of house
 1. Luxurious
 2. Very good
 3. Good
 4. Poor
 5. Kutcha
5. Type of house ownership
 1. Own
 2. Rented
 3. Leased
 4. Quarters
 5. Flat
 6. Other
6. Who is the owner of the house
 1. Husband
 2. Respondent
 3. Both
 4. Inlaws
 5. Your Parents
 6. Others
7. Size of house in (square feet:) :
8. Area of the plot :
9. How many years have passed since this house is built:
10. Does your husband own house or land elsewhere Yes No
11. If yes total land owned in cents
12. Activity in that land:
 1. Left Idle
 2. Constructing House
 3. Constructing buildings
 4. Agricultural activities
13. Do you own house or land elsewhere Yes No
14. If yes total land owned in cents
15. Activity in that land:
 1. Left Idle
 2. Constructing House
 3. Constructing buildings
 4. Agricultural activities
16. Where are you staying/living
 - 1). Living alone with your children independently
 - 2). Living with your parents in their house
 - 3). Living with your in laws in your husband's house
 - 4). Your parents stay with you in your house
 - 5). Your in laws stay with you in your house
 - 6) Others

17. Details of household durables

Sl No	Particulars	2	3	4	5	6					
						No of items	Year of Purchase	Price of purchase	Source of expenditure	Time of purchase before or after migration	
										Before	After
1	Television										
2	Vehicles 2, 3, 4 wheeler										
3	Air conditioner										
4	Mobile phone										
5	Mixer grinder										
6	MP3/DVD/VCD										
7	Refrigerator										
8	Microwave oven										
9	Computer/Laptop										
10	Washing Machine										
11	Net Access										
12	Inverter										
13	Vacuum Cleaner										
14	Others										

18. How many years have your husband being abroad?
 19. When did your husband go abroad for the first time specify year
 20. Is it before or after your marriage Before After
 21. Year of your marriage
 22. Age at marriage Husband Yours
 23. Husband's destination place :
 24. Have you ever gone abroad Yes No
 25. If yes how long did you stay there
 1). 1 to 6 Months visit 2) 6 Months –1Year 3). One yea -3 Years 4) More than 3 years
 26. Do you like to continue staying abroad Yes No
 27. If yes give reason
 1). Like to live with husband 2). To free from house hold chores inhome country
 3). Good standard of living there 4). Relief from your in laws 5). Others
 28. If no give reason
 1). Life there is very lonely 2). Boring 3). High cost of living
 4) Don't like the culture there 5). Others
 29. Do you continued your studies/Education after marriage Yes No
 30. If yes what did you studied? Specify course
 31. Give reason to continue your studies.
 1). Own interest 2). Husband's support & interest 3). Other family members support
 4). To get a job 5). To go abroad 6). Others
 32. Do you know driving : Yes No
 33. If yes, did you learn driving before or after your husband's migration:Before/After
 34. Can you manage self-drive for your needs Yes No
 35. Reason to learn driving
 1). For own personal needs 2). Since husband not here it is essential
 3). House is in a remote place 4). Go to work out 5). Others
 36. Frequency of your husband's visit :
 37. Duration of stay in home :
 38. Details about frequency of visit

Period	How many times visited home in a Year
Early period (Till 2005)	
Middle period (2005 – 2015)	
Now a days (After 2015)	

39. Do you receive letters from your husband : Yes No
 40. If yes how many times in a month :
 41. Frequency of your husband's phone call :
 1. daily many times 2. daily ones 3. weekly ones 4. monthly
 42. Details about frequency of calls

Period	Frequency of calls
Early period (Till 2005)	
Middle period (2005 – 2015)	
Now a days (After 2015)	

43. What all new communication techniques do you use
 1. WhatsApp 2. email 3. Facebook 4. skyp e 5. others
 44. Details of communication techniques

Period	communication techniques used
Early period (Till 2005)	
Middle period (2005 – 2015)	
Now a days (After 2015)	

45. Are you comfortable with the new communication Yes/No

46. If yes, because

1. can share all day today matters with husband 2. Though husband is far way feels to be near 3. Feeling of togetherness 4. Feel more relaxed 5. others

47. If no, because

1. do not get any freedom to things in your own way 2. Feels always under observation 3. Ignorant about new communication technique 4. Others

Family Background of the respondent.

48. Your native place :

49. Details of your own family (Your father, mother, brothers, sisters, etc.)

Sl No	Members in family	Age	Educational qualification	Occupation / Abroad	Marital status
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					

50. Your level of participation in various activities

Respondent social participation in various activities

Activities	Social	Political	Religious	Cultural	Economic	Agricultural	Business
Participation							

1. Very less 2. Less 3. Moderate 4. High 5. Very High

Details about respondent social participation

51. Do you get any leisure time Yes No

52. If yes, how do you spent your leisure time

- 1). Do hobbies like gardening 2). Watch movies 3). Listen to music
4). Spent time on smart phone, whatsapp, youtube, etc. 5). Social activities 6) others

53. Are you a regular visitor in church/mosque/temple Yes No

54. Are you a member or participant in any type of association or groups, Clubs, Kudumbasree etc. there Yes No

55. If yes what is its activities

- 1). Religious study 2). Charity 3). Awareness programs 4) small scale business
5) Loans 6). Others

56. Name of the Association :

57. Do you hold any position there Yes No

58. If yes, name the position

59. Reason for your participation in such groups 1). Own interest 2) To be engaged
3) free from household chores 4) Mingle with people, friends etc.
5) To get a social position 6) gain status 7) Others

60. What all personal benefits do you gained being a participant in those groups

Sl No	Gains	Tick / Rank
1	Economic benefits	
2	Leadership quality	
3	Got many good friends	
4	Got contact with many people	
5	Time pass	
6	Emotional benefits	
7	Physical relaxation from house hold chores	
8	Socialization	

9	Experience sharing	
10	Information & awareness	
11	Status	
12	Specify if any other gains	

Details about remittance

61. Do you know how much money your husband earns? Yes No
62. If yes how much money is he earning per month
63. If no, then guess, how much do you think your husband is earning per month
64. Periodicity of money receiving from abroad
1). Monthly 2). Quarterly 3). Half yearly 4). Yearly 5). No fixed pattern
65. Mode of remittance
1). Bank 2). Money gram 3) Western Union 4). UAE Exchange 5). Other financial Institution 6). Relatives and friends coming on leave 7). Own visits 8). Others
66. Amount of cash your husband send home last time
67. Details of goods received from abroad during last year

Sl No	Particulars	Units	Value of goods in Rs
1	Food		
2	Cloths		
3	Gold		
4	Electronic equipment's		
5	Home appliances		
6	Cosmetics		
7	Others		

68. Details of goods you purchased during last year using remittance

Sl No	Particulars	Units	Value of goods in Rs
1	Land		
2	Gold		
3	Cloths		
4	Cosmetics		
5	Vehicles 2, 3, 4 Wheeler		
8	Specify others		

69. Mention your monthly consumption expenditure :

70. Your consumption expenditure details.

Sl No	Particulars	Consumption expenditure (Monthly)	
		Before migrations	After migrations
1	Food		
2	Non Food items		
3	Health		
4	Education		
5	Entertainments		
6	Social functions		

71. Have you done the following after you husband's migration

- 1). House construction 2) House renovation 3) purchase of land 4) Others
72. How much money was spend for that
73. What is the source of income for this
1). Remittance 2). Bank loans 3) Income from other family members 4) Some other sources
74. Do you think your and other members health issues are better treated by your husband's remittance Yes No

75. If yes, then details of treatments

Sl No	Name of family members respondent	Reason for treatment	Treatment	Public/Pvt Hospital	Amount Spend

76. Do you think your children's education is better given due to the remittance? Yes/No

77. Educational details of your children

Sl No	Name of child	Course studying	Std of class	Institution	Private/Public	Fees

78. Do you go to beauty parlours/health clubs Yes No

79. If yes frequency of visits

1). Regularly 2). Rarely 3). Occasionally

80. How much money do you spent there for a single visit

81. What is the frequency of yours and kids cloth purchase before and after migration :

1). Monthly 2). Quarterly 3). Half yearly
4). According to occasions 5) Irregular

82. How much money do you spends for cloths before and after migration :

83. From where did you buy these? Before (M) , After (M)

1). Ordinary shop 2). Big shop 3). Shop in big mall 4). Online purchase 5). Others

84. Do you visit big malls and supermarkets for shopping Yes No

85. Expenditure priority of the respondent

Sl No	Particulars	Rank
1	For day to day expenditure	
2	Education of children	
3	Pay back debt	
4	Renovation/Building new house	
5	To start/enlarge business	
6	Deposit in bank / Post office Insurance/ Chitties Others	
7	Health care expenditure	
8	Purchasing durables	
9	Purchasing jewells	
10	Entertainment	
11	Cloths/cosmetics purchase	
12	Maintain agriculture	
13	Purchase of land	
14	Conduct marriage expense	
15	Donation to temple/Church/Mosque	

86. Why do you not tick all the above options

1). Insufficient income 2). Now it is not considered 3). Not a priority 4). Others

87. Do you have any savings Yes No

88. If yes where 1). Bank 2). Post office 3). Other specify

89. How much amount do you save monthly Rs.

90. Do you have any type of investments Yes No

91. If yes in which from do you invest 1). Gold 2). Land 3). Shares
4). Business 5). Insurance 6). Others

92. How much you invest yearly:

93. Do you / husband start a business or enlarge existing business using the remittance. Yes No
94. If yes what type of business do you have
95. Income from that business:
96. Do you have any debt Yes No
97. If yes, How much debt do you have
98. After your husband's migration your debt position.
1). Increasing 2). Decreasing 3). No change
99. How long do you think it will take to pay back your debt?..... Years Months
100. Details of debt

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Sl. No	Purpose borrowing	Source of borrowing	Amount borrowed	Security given	Repayment Mode	Amount to be given back	Current status

Psychological wellbeing (18 items)

101. "I like most parts of my personality"
102. "When I look at the story of my life, I am pleased with how things have turned out so far."
103. "Some people wander aimlessly through life, but I am not one of them."
104. "The demands of everyday life often get me down."
105. "In many ways I feel disappointed about my achievements in life."
106. "Maintaining close relationship has been difficult and frustrating for me."
107. "I live life one day at a time and don't really think about the future."
108. "In general I feel I am in charge of the situation in which I live."
109. "I am good at managing the responsibilities of daily life."
110. "I sometimes feel as if I've done all there is to do in life."
111. "For me, life has been a continuous process of learning, changing and growth."
112. "I think it is important to have a new experiences that challenge how I think about myself and the world"
113. "People would described me as a giving person, willing to share my time with others."
114. "I gave up trying to make big improvements or changes in my life a long time ago"
115. "I tend to be influence by people with strong opinions"
116. "I have not experienced many warm and trusting relationship with others."
117. "I have confidence in my own opinions, even if they are different from the way most other people think"
118. "I judge myself by what I think is important, not by the values of what others think is important."

(1) Strongly agree	(2) Some what agree	(3) A Little agree	(4) Neither agree nor disagree	(5) A little disagree	(6) Some what disagree	(7) Strongly disagree
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III. DETAILS ABOUT EMPOWERMENT STATUS OF THE RESPONDENT

Details of decision making

1. Who decides the following
 1) Respondent alone 2) Husband alone 3) Jointly 4) In laws 5) your Parents 6) Others
 Specify - Always / Sometimes / Never

Sl No	Decisions matters	Decided by	A/S/N
1.	Daily household matters – like what to cook		
2.	Purchase of consumer durables, like TV, refrigerator, etc.		
3.	Your own health care		
4.	Your children’s health care		
5.	Your children’s education, career, Marriage, etc.		
6.	Purchasing requirement for children		
7.	How to use your own free time		
8.	Your studies, home business or your Job/work outside		
9.	What type of cloths to wear & purchase for yourself		
10.	Participation in social activities		
11.	About entertainment to in your family		
12.	About family planning		
13.	Purchase and sale of real estate, (land) gold, shares etc.		
14.	Monthly/yearly income budgeting		
15.	Control of money and there by financial independence		
16.	Giving gift to your own friends and relatives		
17.	Moving out to market school, hospital, for paying bills etc.		
18.	Your stay / visit to your family, friends and relatives.		
19.	Moving out for your personal needs shopping health club, beauty parlor		
20.	Managing an emergency situations		

2. To what extent is the following statement true

		Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1	I am afraid to disagree with my husband because he will be angry with me?					

3. Can you manage yourself with all indoor household activities like cooking, cleaning, washing child care etc. Yes / No
 4. Can you manage yourself with all our door, activities like banking, business, going to market, school, hospital, paying bills etc Yes / No

Details of mobility of the respondent

5. Are you usually allowed to go to the following places alone, only with someone else, or not at all? (Alone -1 , only with someone else-2, not at all-3)
 1). To the market 2). To pay bills 3). To the hospital 4). To the school
 5). To recreation (park, Cinema, etc.) 6). Any other specify ..
 Specify:- Always, Sometimes, Never

6. Frequency of your mobility

Purpose				Mode of travel	Frequency
	1 - Alone	2 – with someone	3- not at all	1.Self-drive 2.walk 3.Taxi 4.Others	No..of times in a month
1)Bank					
2)School					
3)Market					
4)To paybills					
5)Hospital					
6)Shopping					
7)Recreation					
8)Beauty Parlour					
9)Health Club					
10)Visiting Relatives					
11)Meetings					
12)Others					

Control of money - financial management of the respondent

7. In whose name your husband sends money
 - 1). My name 2). His parents name 3). His brother's name
 - 4). My parent's name 5). Others
8. Do you have any money of your own that you alone can decide how to use? (Yes No)
9. Do you have a bank or savings account that. you yourself use? (Yes No)
10. Have you yourself ever taken a loan to start or expand a business? Yes No
11. If yes, Nature of activity of the business (1- handicrafts, 2- food production, 3- chitties /curies, 4- others, specify
12. Income from business (in Rs.)
13. Sources of income (1-No source, 2 -Agriculture /dairying, 3-Enterprise, 4- Salary/Wage, 5- Rent, 6- Interest / dividend etc, 7-Remittance 8- Others specify) (More than one answer)
14. Control on income (1- Myself, 2 -My parents, 3 My in laws, 4 -My children, 5 -Others)
15. Do you keep money without knowledge of husband/ other family members? (Yes No)
16. Do you subscribe to any Chitties / Kuries? (Yes No)

Details of inter - spouse consultation

17. Do you need permission from your husband in the following matters (always, sometimes, never)

Sl No	Matters	Yes / No	A/S/N
1	Buying household durables		
2	Buying household perishables		
3	Purchase of land, gold, etc.,		
4	Education, expense of children		
5	Your medical treatment		
6	Medical treatment of your family members		
7	Your purchase of cloths		
8	Your outings		
9	Meeting your friends and relatives		
10	Daily food preparation		

Problems and prospects

18. Are you aware of any kind of scandalous talk about you Yes/No
19. Do you feel disappointed hearing this Yes/No
20. Do you share such rumours with your husband Yes/No
21. If yes how does he react
 1). No response 2). Shout at you 3). Accuse you
 4). Deal the issue in a sensible way 4). Complaint the authority 5). Others
22. How do you feel when your husband neglect such issues
 1). Feels bad 2). Deals by yourself 3). Accuse husband
 4). Complaint the authority 5). Others
23. Does your husband suspect your chastity Yes/No
24. Do you have any close friend or relative to share your feelings Yes/No
25. Have you ever experienced stare from others while out for shopping or social functions
 Yes/No
26. Have you ever been a victim of vulger jokes Yes/No
27. If yes, from where
 1). While shopping 2). While travel 3). While in work place/Office 4). Others
28. Do you receive improper or obscene phone calls suggestive of developing or starting an illicit affair Yes/No
29. How do you respond to this
 1). Ignore it 2). Enjoy as time pass
 3). Discourage 4). Complaint to authorities 5). Keep continuing
30. Do you feel disturbed or stressed when you see others enjoying with their family Yes/No
31. How do you feel after accomplishing task which were conventionally done by men
 1). Feel confident 2). Can do better next time 3) Fed up 4). Others
32. How do people around you respond when they see you managing all errands successfully
 1). Encourage 2). Criticize 3). Never mind 4). Tease 5). Other
33. Do you feel that your children will far better in their studies if your husband is around?
 (Yes No)
34. In the absence of your husband do you feel any of the following problems? (Yes No)
 1). Loneliness 2). Added responsibility 3). Insecurity 4). Health of parents / in-laws
 5). Bringing up children 6). Financial adjustment 7). Others
35. If yes to option 5 nature of problems (Yes , No)
 1). Disobedience 2). Misbehavior 3). Stubbornness
 4). Lack of interest in studies 5). Money mishandling 6). Others (specify)
36. If no for question No. 34 then Are you satisfied with the way you bring up your children Yes/No
37. Do your husband get angry with you if his phone call is not properly and timely attended. Yes/No
38. What is the nature of relationship with your in laws? (excellent -1,Normal -2,Strained -3)
39. If code3 to Q. 38, what is the main reason?
 (1 - Financial issues, 2 -Disciplining children, 3 -Typical in law problems, 4- Basic misunderstandings, 5-Others specify.....)
40. Have you ever gone for a counseling Yes No
41. During your husband's absence, you might have had both good and bad experiences in your Life. Please specify good experiences. & bad experiences. Indicate our choice by ranking the priorities.

Sl no	Good experiences	Bad experiences
1	Financial benefits	Loneliness and isolation
2	Could construct a house	Heavy responsibilities
3	Bought Gold Ornaments	Worries about the future/studies

			of children	
4	Purchased land		Outstanding debts/disposal of property	
5	Improved status with relatives		Insecurity	
6	Helped relatives /in-laws		Children's health problems	
7	Cleared debts		Anxiety and fear	
8	Improved life style		Disarray in household matters	
9	Could afford better education for children		Legal disputes	
10	Greater exposure to outside world		Dependence on outside help	

42. Gains from migration If you disagree If you agree
1. Increase in household income
 2. Increase in household expenditure
 3. Increase in savings
 4. Reduced debt
 5. House constructed /Renovated
 6. Better education for children
 7. Better health, Medical facilities
 8. Increase in asset holdings
 9. Better recreation, entertainments, tour and travel
 10. Better status in society

43. Do you think the absence of your husband helped you to develop your personality? (Yes No)

44. Did you gain any personal benefits because your husband is abroad Y/N

45. Does the absence of your husband made you more powerful(Yes No)

46. In case somebody in the family has to be taken to hospital urgently who does it (1. Myself 2. My parent 3. My in laws 4. Other members)

47. What all personal qualities did you acquire due to the absence of your husband

Sl No	Qualities	Tick/Rank
1	Decision making power	
2	Courage to travel alone	
3	Got self-confidence to face and talk to people outside	
4	Manage family income budgeting	
5	Learned driving	
6	Manage an emergency situation	
7	Initiative to deal with bank	
8	Continued education	
9	Managing children Single parenting	
10	Others	

48. Do you think your over-all standard of living have improved due to the remittance

Yes No

49. Do you prefer your husband to stay with you as jobless Yes No

50. Do you feel the troubles you face here are insignificant, considering the economic benefits of your husband's migration-Yes/No