Appendix – I
Semi Structured Interview Schedule

“A STUDY ON THE ELECTED WOMEN REPRESENTATIVES IN GRAMA PANCHAYATHS OF KARNTAKA”
(A comparative study undertaken in Udupi and Chamarajanagara districts of Karnataka)

Taluk : Udupi/Kundapura/Karkala/ Yalandur/Chamarajanagara/Kollegala/Gundlupet

Name of the Grama Panchayat:…………………………
Name of the Grama:……………………………………
Name of the Member: …………………………….. ….

1. Profile of Elected Women Representatives in the Grama Panchayats.
   1.1. Age of the respondent: Specify:______________________________
       1) 18-20  2) 21-25  3) 26-30  4) 31-35  5) 36-40
       6) 41-45  7) 46-50  8) 51-55  9) 56-60  10) 61 and above.

   1.2. Education: Specify:____________________________________
       1) Non literate  2) Neo-literate  3) Pre-primary  4) Primary  5) High school
       6) PUC  7) Degree  8) Technical  9) Any other-Specify _____

   1.3. Caste & Category Specify_______________________________
       1) SC  2) ST  3) CAT 1  4) Cat.2 A
       5) Cat. 2 B  6) Cat. 3 A  7) Cat. 3 B  8) GEN

   1.4. Marital status:
       1) Married  2) Un-married
       3) Widow  4) Separated1  5) Divorced2

   1.5. Occupation: Specify:_____________________________
       1) Coolie  2) Daily wager  3) Agriculture labour
       4) Home Maker  5) Any other, specify__________________________

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1 Separated means without legal procedure, living separately
2 As per the law and order separated and living separately
1.6 Respondents income: __________________________

1.7. Family constellation of the respondent

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*Social position of the husband such as his status.

1.8. Type of family
1. Joint family  2. Nuclear family  3. Extended family

2. The Participation of the Elected Women Representatives in Social Activities before becoming a Member of the Grama Panchayat:

2.1) Were you a member of any other organisation before becoming a member of the Panchayati?
   1. Yes  2. No

2.2) If yes, what are those?

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<th>Sl. no.</th>
<th>Nature of the activities</th>
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<th>Position(^3)</th>
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\(^3\) Member, office bearer, member of any NGO
3. Factors Motivating Women to Contest in the Panchayat Election

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<td>Motivation from relatives</td>
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<td>Motivation from religious institution</td>
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<td>Motivation from NGO</td>
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3.2) What was the reason for contesting the Panchayathi Election?

3.3) Did you have any idea about the Grama Panchayati before contesting the election?
   1. Yes
   2. No

3.4) If yes, what do you know?

3.5) If no, why you don’t know?

3.6) Where were you oriented about the Grama Panchayati?

3.7) Was there any member of your family who was a Panchayati member before you?
   1. Yes
   2. No

3.8) If yes, who?

⁴ Rank one is most motivated and rank 10 is least motivated
3.9) Do you think that the level of your self-confidence has increased after being elected as Panchayati member?
1. Yes 2. No

3.10) Do you think that your views are considered in the Grama Panchayati meeting?
1. Always 2. Some time 3. Not at all

3.11) Do you think that after being elected as Panchayati member you are getting respect from society?
1. Yes 2. No

3.12) Who was your major opponent in the election?
1. Male 2. Female

3.13) What is your opinion about the present election system in the Grama Panchayati?
1. Highly organized 2. Moderately organized
3. Satisfied with system 4. Lots of improvements required
5. System is not transparent

3.14) What was the response of your family members and friends towards your decision to become a Panchayati member?\(^5\)

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\(^5\) Likert style scale
4. The Problems and Difficulties Experienced by the Elected Women Representatives in Relation to their Role.

4.1) Do you feel any gender discrimination in the Grama Panchayati?
   1. Yes
   2. No

4.2) If yes, what types of discrimination?

4.3) Have you faced any family problems after being elected as a Grama Panchayati member?
   1. Yes
   2. No

4.4) If yes, what type of problem?

4.5) Challenges (problems) faced in the Panchayati

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<th>What effort you made to solve the problem?</th>
<th>What was the result?</th>
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<td>Non co-operation by the Panchayati secretary</td>
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4.6) Have you faced any family related problems after becoming a member of the Panchayati - with regard to the following:

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4.7) Have you faced any problem while allotting projects to your ward?
   1. Yes
   2. No

4.8) Have you faced problems from Panchayati officials?
   1. Yes
   2. No

4.9) If yes, what kind of problems?
   1. 
   2. 
   3. 
   4. 
   5. 

5. To study the strategies adopted by the elected women representatives in implementing development programs.

5.1) Has your status increased after becoming a Panchayati member?
   1. Yes
   2. No

5.2) Details pertaining to participation in Panchayati Raj institution as a representative

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\(^6\) Taluk Panchayati
\(^7\) Zilla Panchayati
5.3) At what level you are able to manage the position?

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5.4) Has there been any increase in economic status after becoming Panchayati member?
1. Yes
2. No

5.5) Has there been any increase in social status after becoming Panchayati member?
1. Yes
2. No

5.6) How are you treated by your male counterparts in the Grama Panchayati?
1. Very much co-operated
2. Co-operated
3. Neutral
4. Non co-operation
5. Neglected

5.7) Are you able to exercise the power given to you?
1. Yes
2. Sometimes
3. No

\(^8\) Likert scale used
5.8) If no, why? Give reasons…………
   1. 
   2. 
   3. 
   4. 
   5. 

5.9) Do you get guidance from the Panchayati officials?
   1. Yes
   2. No

5.10) Are your suggestions taken during the planning and implementation of any scheme?
   1. Yes
   2. Sometimes
   3. Not at all

5.11) Do you attend meetings regularly?
   1. Yes
   2. Sometimes
   3. No

5.12) If yes, do you actively take part in the Panchayati meeting?
   1. Yes
   2. No

5.13) What are the developmental works done during your period in the area you are representing?
   1. 
   2. 
   3. 
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   8.
5.14) How often do you visit your ward?
1. Every day
2. Once a week
3. Once in a fifteen days
4. Once in a month
5. Once in a six months
6. Once in a year
7. Not at all
8. People visit my home

5.15) Do you discuss with the womenfolk separately regarding their problems?
1. Yes
2. No

5.16) Do you get a good response when you ask questions in meeting/s?
1. Yes
2. No

5.17) Are you conducting regular Grama Sabha meetings in your ward?
1. Yes
2. No

5.18) If yes, how many Grama Sabha meetings are you conducting in a year?

5.19) How do you select a beneficiary in the Grama Sabha meeting?

5.20) Who will be a member of the Grama Sabha?
1. Adult voter of the Grama
2. All the members of the Grama
3. All the members of the Panchayati area
4. All the members of the country
5. All the members of the nation
6) The expectation of women representatives for an ideal Panchayati.

6.1) Do you feel that 33% per cent reservation is good enough for women:
   1. Yes
   2. No

6.2) If no, how much percentage reservation is required?

6.3) Are you interested to contest in the next Panchayati election?
   1. Yes
   2. No

6.4) In future what type of programmes are you interested to conduct in the Panchayati? List out:
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6.5) What are the major facilities required to function better in the Grama Panchayati? (rank it)
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6.6) What are the facilities required to work as a good Grama Panchayati? List out
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