

# KULALS IN DAKSHINA KANNADA: A SOCIOLOGICAL STUDY

## INTERVIEW SCHEDULE

- 1 Name and adress
- 2 Age
- 3 Sex                    1 Male                    2 Female
- 4 Marital Status      1 Married                2 Unmarried  
                                  3 Widowed                4 Divorced
- 5 Education            1 Illiterate                2 Primary  
                                  3 Highschool                4 College  
                                  5 Postgraduate            6 Technical  
                                  7 Medical                    8 Other (specify)
- 6 Region                1 Village                2 City                3 Town
- 7 Type of Family      1 Joint    2 Nuclear    3 Extended
- 8 Type of inheritance    1 Patrilineal            2 Matrilineal  
    3 Bilineal
- 9 Family particulars

SI No	Relation	Sex	Age	Education	Occupation	Place of birth	Income

## KINSHIP ORGANISATION

- 10 Where does your clan place (Moolasthana) lie?
- 11 What is your Clan?
- 12 Do you know anything about the origin of your Clan?
- 13 Do you observe clan exogamy at the time of marriage?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 14 With what other clan your clan cannot intermarry?
- 15 Why?
- 16 Do you have any offering at your clan place?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 17 If Yes, specify-  
1 Annually 2 Half yearly 3 Monthly 4 Occasionally

## RITUALS

- 18 Do you have your family God?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 19 Do you have commnal Prayer?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 20 If Yes, do you join the periodical community prayer?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 21 Are you required to make any contribution?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 22 If Yes, 1 In cash 2 In kind  
3 Cock/Hen 4 Other
- 23 If no, give reasons- 1 No time 2 Not interested  
3 No such periodical ceremonies  
4 No faith  
5 Quarrel between community members  
6 Other
- 24 What all Bhutas do you worship?

- 25 Why do you worship them?
- 1 They were worshipped by our ancestors
  - 2 They have created problems for us
  - 3 Own accord
  - 4 Not applicable
- 26 Do you have a separate room for Bhutas in your house?
- 1 Yes
  - 2 No
- 27 Is there any taboo on the pregnant woman?
- 1 Yes
  - 2 No
- 28 Do you practice pollution during the time of Birth/Death/Puberty?
- 29 If Yes, what type of taboo?
- 1 Entering sacred places
  - 2 Entering public places
  - 3 Food
  - 4 Other

## MARRIAGE

- 30 Whether your marriage is
- 1 Arranged
  - 2 Love marriage
  - 3 Intercaste marriage/inter-religious marriage
  - 4 Civil marriage
- 31 ~If yours is not an arranged marriage, are you facing any problem in your relationships?
- 1 Yes
  - 2 No
- 32 If Yes, specify?
- 33 ~If yours is an arranged marriage, who selected your mate?
- 1 Self
  - 2 Parents
  - 3 Elder family members
  - 4 Community head
  - 5 Parents and myself
  - 6 Others (specify)
- 34 Age of your spouse at the time of marriage
- 1 Less than 14 Years
  - 2 15-17
  - 3 18-21
  - 4 22-24
  - 5 25-29
  - 6 30-34
  - 7 Above 35
- i Husband ( )      ii Wife ( )

- 35 In which place your marriage is celebrated?  
 1 Bride's residence 2 Bridegroom's residence 3 Marriage hall  
 4 Temple 5 Hotel 6 Registrar's office 7 Other (specify)
- 36 Is marriage outside the clan a must?  
 1 Yes 2 No
- 37 How does your community react to the intercaste marriage?  
 1 Agree 2 Disagree 3 Indifferent
- 38 Is there any incidence of intercaste/inter-religious marriage in your family?  
 1 Yes 2 No
- 39 If yes, to which caste he or she belongs?  
 1 Higher 2 Lower 3 Same class 4 Not applicable
- 40 From which place you have selected your life-partner?  
 1 Own village 2 Nearby village 3 Nearby taluk  
 4 Other district 5 Other state
- 41 For your children's marriage, which factor do you consider important for accepting the proposal? (Give priorities)  
 1 Occupation ( ) 2 Education ( ) 3 Conduct ( )  
 4 Family background ( ) 5 Health ( ) 6 Clan ( )  
 7 Dowry ( ) 8 Personality ( ) 9 Other ( )
- 42 Whether widow remarriage is practiced in your community?  
 1 Yes 2 No
- 43 How does the remarriage take place? 1 With all the marriage ceremonies 2 By exchanging certain things 3 Other  
 1 for widow ( ) 11 for widower ( )
- 44 What is your reaction towards widow remarriage?  
 1 Agree 2 Disagree 3 Indifferent
- 45 Are you in favour of dowry?  
 1 Yes 2 No

46 Have you received/given dowry?  
1 Yes 2 No

47 If Yes, In - 1 Cash 2 Kind 3 Land 4 Vehicle 5 Foodgrains  
6 Any other 7 Not applicable

**EDUCATION**

48 Is there any drop-out in your family?  
1 Yes 2 No

49 If Yes, give details -

Sl No	Sex	Age	Drop-outs (stage)	Reason

50 Do you think education is important for boys?  
1 Yes 2 No

51 If Yes, Why? 1 To know how to read and write  
2 To secure job 3 To enhance status 4 Other

52 Do you think education is important for girls?  
1 Yes 2 No

53 If Yes, Why? 1 To get good husband 2 To know how to read and  
write 3 To obtain job 4 To enhance status 5 Other

54 If No, Give reasons

55 How far would you educate your children? 1 Primary  
2 High school 3 College 4 University 5 Technical  
6 Medical 7 Other

- 56 Distance from home to near by town  
 Within the city 2 Less than 2 kms 3 3-4 kms 4 5-6 kms  
 5 More than 6 kms

## ECONOMIC CONDITION

- 57 Type of house 1 Thatched 2 Tiled 3 RCC  
 4 RCC/Tiled
- 58 Occupation 1 Agriculture Agricultural labour 3 Business  
 4 Govt employee 5 Coolie 6 Household  
 7 Beedi rolling 8 Petty business 9 Pottery  
 10 Other (specify)
- 59 Occupation of your father 1 Agriculture 2 Agricultural labour  
 3 Business 4 Govt employee 5 Coolie 6 Household  
 7 Beedi rolling 8 Petty business 9 Potter 10 Other (specify)
- 60 Occupation of your grandfather 1 Agriculture 2 Agricultural  
 labour 3 Business 4 Govt Employee 5 Coolie 6 Household  
 7 Beedi-rolling 8 Petty business 9 Pottery 10 Other (specify)
- 61 Is any member of your family continuing your parental occupation?  
 1 Yes 2 No
- 62 If yes, Who? 1 Elder family members 2 Younger family  
 members 3 Self 4 Others (specify)
- 63 Have you adopted modern techniques/methods/tools in your  
 occupational field? 1 Yes 2 No 3 Not applicable
- 64 If no Why? 1 No one is skilled in it 2 It is not Profitable  
 3 Any other (specify)
- 65 Is any member of your family practicing your traditional occupation  
 (Pottery)? 1 Yes 2 No
- 66 If yes, Specify them 1 Parents 2 Elder members of the family  
 3 Younger members 4 Others (Specify)

- 67 What type of jobs do you prefer to your children? 1 Agriculture  
2 Agricultural labour 3 Govt Service 4 Self Employment  
5 Business 6 Coolie 7 Other (specify)
- 68 Do you own cultivable land?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 69 If Yes, mention the size of the land – 1 Less than one acre  
2 1-3 acres 3 4-6 acres 4 7-9 acres 5 More than 10 acres  
6 Not applicable
- 70 Are you engaged in cultivation regularly?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 71 If Yes, what kind of crops do you grow? 1 Paddy 2 Arecanut  
3 Coconut 4 Pepper 5 Banana 6 Oilgrass 7 Cashewnut  
8 All the above 9 Other 10 Not applicable
- 72 If No Give reasons – 1 Failure of monsoons 2 Problem of  
labourers 3 Lack of finance 4 Not profitable 5 Other  
6 Not applicable
- 73 Are you indebted to any bank/financial institution?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 74 If Yes, indicate the source – 1 Bank 2 Co-operatives  
3 Money lenders 4 Traders 5 Not applicable
- 74 If Yes, what was the purpose of borrowing?  
1 Purchase of land 2 Purchase of seeds/fertilizers  
3 Purchase of agricultural impliments 4 Other 5 Not applicable
- 76 Amount of money borrowed -  
1 Less than Rs 500 2 501-1000 3 1001-2000  
4 2001-5000 5 Above 5000 6 Not applicable
- 77 Are you using the following 1 Highbrid seeds  
2 Chemical fertilizers  
3 Pumpsets, Tiller etc

- 78 Type of household industry undertaken 1 Basket making 2 Beedi rolling 3 Carpentry 4 Pottery 5 Eastables 6 Other 7 None
- 79 Do you have any problem in continuing these  
1 Yes 2 No 3 Not applicable
- 80 If Yes, state the problem 1 Lack of material 2 Lack of demand 3 Other 4 Not applicable

### CASTE ASSOCIATION

- 81 Are you a member of your caste association?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 82 If Yes, mention the name and address of the association
- 83 If Yes, are you required to make any contribution to this association?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 84 If Yes, give details 1 Yearly Rs 2 Monthly Rs  
3 Half yearly Rs 4 Occasionally Rs
- 85 What is the reason to join caste association? 1 It is compulsory  
2 Own accord 3 To get the monetary benefits 4 Other (specify)
- 86 Are you a shareholder of Kulala Bank?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 87 If Yes, mention the name and address
- 88 If Yes, since how many years? 1 2 Years 2 3-4 years  
3 5-6 years 4 More than 6 Years
- 89 Are you deriving the benefits from this bank?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 90 If Yes, specify 1 Through loans 2 Scholarships to our school going children 3 Other (specify)
- 91 Whether your children are interested in caste associations?  
1 Yes 2 No



- 92 If Yes, whether they are already the members of any association?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 93 Do you want your children to be the members of caste association?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 94 Do you have contact with Kulala associations other than your place?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 95 If Yes, give details
- 96 If Yes, how did you develop contact?  
1 Through my relatives 2 Through my neighbours 3 To get the financial assistance 4 To get the hostel Facility to my school going children 5 Other
- 97 Are you deriving any benefit from the caste association?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 98 If Yes, Specify the type of benefit that you derive from the organisation?

#### **STATUS OF WOMEN**

- 99 In the absence of the household who is in charge of the family?  
1 His wife 2 Younger brother 3 Eldest son 4 Daughter
- 100 Tick, If the women take decision in the following matters -  
1 Education of children 2 Marriage of children 3 Family rites  
4 Festivals 5 Property
- 100 Whether any female from your family is employed?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 102 If yes, Who?  
1 Wife 2 Sister 3 Mother 4 Daughter
- 103 In which sector?  
1 Govt 2 Private 3 Self-employed 4 Not applicable
- 104 Would you like to send your Daughter for a job?  
1 Yes 2 No

## **SOCIAL MOBILITY**

- 105 Has any member of your family migrated?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 106 If Yes, to which place did he/she migrate?  
1 To rural 2 Urban 3 Other 4 Not applicable
- 107 To which generation does he or she belong?  
1 Own 2 Parental 3 Children
- 108 Is the person migrated educated?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 109 If Yes, Indicate the level of education -  
1 Primary 2 High School 3 College 4 University  
5 Technical 6 Medical 7 Other
- 110 Reasons for migration 1 For Job 2 For education 3 For marriage  
4 Family quarrels 5 Other
- 111 What is the job he/she doing? 1 Private labourer 2 Govt  
employee 3 Self employed 4 Coolie 5 Student 6 Other
- 112 Did you experience any sense of caste discrimination in our society?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 113 If Yes, in which of the following places did you experience?  
1 At the the houses of higher caste 2 At the work place  
3 Govt schools/offices 4 Other
- 114 What is your opinion about these discriminations?  
1 It maynot disappear in the future also  
2 It is now disappearing due to rapid education and urbanization  
3 Only in the traditional rural families, it is found
- 115 How do your children find their relationship with children in the  
neighbourhood? 1 As inferiors 2 Superiors 3 Equals

- 116 What is the caste of your immediate neighbours? .  
 1 Kulals 2 OBC's 3 Scheduled Castes 4 Sheduled Tribes  
 5 Christians 6 Muslims 7 Other
- 117 How do your children find their relationship with children in the neighbourhood? 1 Good 2 Fair 3 Satisfactory
- 118 Which of the following castes would you like to have in your neighbourhood? 1 Brahmins 2 Bunts 3 Billavas 4 Kulals  
 5 OBC's 6 Muslims 7 Christians 8 Scheduled castes  
 9 Scheduled Tribes
- 119 From whom do you accept cooked food?  
 1 Brahmins 2 Bunts 3 Billavas 4 OBC's 5 Muslims  
 6 Christians 7 Scheduled Castes 8 Scheduled Tribes
- 120 Which of the following castes accept the cooked food from you?  
 1 Brahmins 2 Bunts 3 Billavas 4 OBC's 5 Muslims  
 6 Christians 7 Scheduled Castes 8 Scheduled Tribes
- 121 Will you accept the marriage of your children with other caste members? 1 Yes 2. No
- 122 Whether any woman from your family is a member of Women organisation? 1 Yes 2 No
- 123 If Yes, specify
- 124 Are you in favour of family planning?  
 1 Yes 2 No
- 125 If Yes, from which source do you come to know about family planning? 1 From family members 2 Friends 3 Govt agencies  
 4 Mass-media 5 Other
- 126 Have you undergone family planning operation?  
 1 Yes 2 No

- 127 If you have not planned your family, give reasons - 1 No child  
2 Only one child 3 Patients are not treated well in the hospitals  
4 Children are God's gift 5 Fear of ill-health 6 I hate it 7 Not applicable
- 128 Are you aware of Govt reservation to your caste?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 129 Have any member of your family been benefited by reservation?  
1 Yes 2 No
- 130 If yes, in which area?  
1 Education 2 Employment 3 Elections 4 Other
- 131 If No, how best reservation policy can be made effective?  
1 Separate percentage should be given to Kulals in reservation  
2 In the existing category (IIA) of reservation, percentage should be raised  
3 They should come under Scheduled Castes  
4 Preference should be given to the economically backward Kulals in recruitments

Place  
Date

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