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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am to inform you that I have undertaken research on the topic given below for my **Ph.D in Political Science**, under the able guidance of **Prof.P.Muthaiah**.

**EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN IN MEDAK DISTRICT: A
CASE STUDY ON LOCAL BODIES**

I request you kindly to spare some time and give your factual information. Please give free and frank responses to each question. Your responses will be strictly confidential and duly acknowledged. Your information will be coded and will be used only for the bona fide purpose.

Thank you very much for your time, support and encouragement.

Yours faithfully,

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Encl: Questionnaire.

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR WOMEN REPRESENTATIVES

PART-A

S.No	Question	Response	
01	Name		
02	Age		
03	Caste	a)SC b)ST c)BC d) Others ()	
04	Qualifications	a)Illiterate b)Primary c) High School d) Intermediate e) Degree and above ()	
05	Occupation	Self	Husband
		a)House Wife	a)Daily laborer
		b)Daily laborer	b)Public Servant
		c)Public Servant	c) Private Service
		d)Private Service	()
06	Do you know that the voting age has been reduced?	a)Yes b)No ()	
07	Do you know that the elections are conducted for every five years	a)Yes b)No ()	
08	Source of information on women reservations	a)Family b)Neighbours c)Govt. Officials d)Media e)women Organizations ()	
09	Can women be efficient in Local Political Positions	a)Yes b)No c)Not sure ()	
10	Mode of Electoral participation	a)As a voter b)As a member of a political party c) As a supporter d) As a candidate e) As a campaigner ()	

PART-B

S.No	Statement/Question	Strongly Agreed	Agreed	Strongly disagreed	Disagreed	Not sure
01	Importance of Women Participation in Local Politics					
	(a) Local Government Politics is more accessible than state.					
	(b) Local Government Positions are less competitive.					
	(c) Local Government Politics is less intimidated					
	d) Women tend to gain more political experience in local politics.					
02	Consequences of Low participation of women in Local bodies					
	a)Low women political participation at local level is not a good governance					
	(b) Low women political participation can lead to low representation at decision-making level					
	(c) Low women participation and representation is a form of discrimination					
03	Factors Hindering Women's Participation in Local Politics					
	(a)Political Violence hinders women's participation in local politics					
	b)Low level of education hinders women's participation in local politics.					
	c)Socio-cultural beliefs hinder women's participation in local politics					
	d)Reproductive role hinders women's participation in local politics					
	(e) High rate of poverty among women hinders their political participation					
04	Factors that motivate women to participate in local bodies.					
	a)Economic independence					
	b)Family encouragement					
	c)Communication skills					
	d)Transparency					
	e)Members support					
05	Reason for contesting elections					
	a) Capture power					
	b)Help people in society					
	c)Pressure from family members					

	d)Pressure from party					
	e) Non-availability of women					
06	Problems faced by women elected representatives					
	a)Abusive Language					
	b)Lack of support from male members					
	c)Lack of support from female members					
	d)Self-motives of members					
	e)Unnecessary Interference					
07	To overcome constraints					
	a)Avoid the situation					
	b)Building confidence					
	c)By motivating other members					
	d)Regularly attending meetings					
	e)Through participation in discussions					
08	Change in attitudes & Practice					
	a)Developed positive attitude					
	b)Children's marriage age					
	c)Dowry system					
	d)Contesting again					
	e)Contesting for higher post/level					
09	Aspects to perform better as an elected representative.					
	a)Literacy					
	b)Ability to speak					
	c)Self-confidence					
	d)No male domination					
10	Measures that encourage more participation of women at local level					
	a)Govt. should implement policies					
	b)Women Organization arrange Orientation Programmes for women					
	c)Religious leaders should encourage women					
	d)women themselves should participate					
	e)Ability to network with other parties					

Date:

Signature