CORRIGENDUM

Title: "Matrimonial Advertisements in Bengali Newspapers: An Investigative Study on the Continuity and Change of our Society"

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In response to the observations made by the Indian Examiner regarding my thesis, may I submit the following points:

1. The adjudicator's observation regarding the "partial success" in my efforts, I would like to submit that I tried to do an exhaustive study and made a thorough investigation on the subject to the best of my ability. I have also tried to analyse the data of about 100 tables which came out from the study materials with the help of about 133 figures. And the "generalisation of inferences" (as mentioned by my adjudicator) is nothing but extract of my exhaustive and investigative study.

2. Regarding his further observation that the study is "more exploratory in nature than investigative", I would like to submit that it is essential to explore a matter warranting investigative study.

3. In connection with his observation regarding "content analysis", I would also like to submit that I have made sample-based data analysis. I should like to submit further that in this study the researcher had to depend on the data emerging from the study materials. There was no attempt in the study to make a "sweeping remark" on the influence of Naxalism on matrimonial trends as pointed out by the examiner.

4. In connection with the table titles "only own" and "only other", I would like to refer page no. 32 of my thesis where the "table titles" have been clearly explained. This, I feel, has possibly been overlooked by the examiner. Every effort has been made to make a sociological study on the subject concerned. But regarding spelling "mode" (not mood), it is a printing error which is being corrected.

5. It also appears that the examiner has possibly missed the contents where both "references" and "bibliography" were clearly mentioned under appendix I, due to oversight.

Regarding arrangement of the bibliography, I would like to mention that I have sincerely followed the instruction of my respected examiner and so enclosed the bibliography in the corrected form.

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APPENDIX-I

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