Annexure A

Interview Checklist for Educationists, Public and Private University Authorities and Private University Faculty Members

Questions for all participants

What is your opinion about the current higher education system in Assam?
What is your major concern for the current higher education system in Assam?
Have you noticed any basic change made in the higher education sector?
What is your opinion about the policy changes in the sector, like Private Universities Act?
Do you think that higher education is market oriented now?
Do you think that the current higher education system is politically motivated?
What is the impact of these policies on the students and society?
In your opinion what type of higher education should be ensured for graduates?
In your opinion what type of education do students want from the universities?
Is the present system catering to the aims and objectives of higher education?
What is your opinion about the role of the government in higher education?

Questions for Private University authorities

In your opinion, how can a university or a department manage their financial matters?
What are the sources of revenue generation in your university?
It is often alleged that the cost of education in private universities is too high. What is your opinion on that?
Why do the private universities concentrate primarily on professional courses?
How do you deal with the aspects of equity and justice?
Annexure B

Interview Checklist for Public and Private University Students

Name:
Address:
Age:
Sex:
Education:
Working experiences:

Could you tell me about your current student status?
Why do you study in this subject?
Is this your expected subject?
Has anyone influenced you to take this subject?
Do you think that this higher education is useful for you?
Why do you think that this higher education is useful for you?
Do you find the cost of the education affordable?
What is your opinion about the usefulness of scholarships and educational loans in supporting higher education?
Do you think your higher education will help you to build your future plan? Job you are employed in?
Are you employed? If yes, are you satisfied with the
What do you think about the current higher education system?
Do you notice any student/political activities in your university?
Do you believe in any political ideology?
Have you ever participated in any student movement?
Annexure C

Interview checklist for Student Leaders

What is your opinion about the current higher education system in Assam?
What is your major concern for the current higher education system in Bangladesh?
Have you noticed any basic change made in the higher education sector?
What is your opinion about the policy changes in the sector, like Private University Act?
Do you think that higher education is market oriented now?
Do you think that the current higher education system is politically motivated?
What is the impact of these policies on the students and society?
In your opinion what type of higher education should be ensured for graduates?
In your opinion what type of education do students want from the universities?
Is the present system catering to the aims and objectives of higher education?
What is your opinion about the role of the government in higher education?
Annexure D

Questionnaire for Teacher/Faculty of Private Universities

1. Name:
2. Designation:
3. Department/Centre/School:
4. Educational Qualification:
5. Experience:
   a. Less than 1 year   b. 1-2 years   c. 3-4 years   d. 5-6 years   e. More than 6 years
6. Name of the University/College presently teaching:____________________
7. Type of University/College: Private /State
8. Age:____________________
9. Gender:
   1. Male   2. Female
10. NET/SLET qualified:____________________
11. Mode of service:
   a. Contractual   b. Ad-hoc   c. Guest/Visiting Faculty   d. Permanent
   e. Emeritus
12. Additional Qualification (if any):____________________

13. Is your Centre/Department, in your university, adequately staffed?

14. What is the average education level of faculty in your Centre/Department?
   1. Masters
   2. M.PHIL
   3. Doctorate
   4. Other (Please specify):____________________
15. Which pay scale does your institution follow?
   1. UGC scale  2. Other

16. Are you satisfied with salary-package for the faculty?
   1. Yes  2. No

17. Does your Salary impact your teaching?
   1. Yes  2. No

18. In your opinion, are the teachers interested/ motivated to do research in your University/College? If no, why not?
   1. Yes  2. No

19. Do you enjoy security of tenure in your University/College?

20. Do you think that security of tenure helps in better performance?

21. Do you get promotions?

22. What is the criterion followed for promotions? If more than one please rank them
   1. UGC Norms  2. University Norms
   3. Keeping in the good books of seniors  4. Performance
   5. Any Other ______________________

23. Do you enjoy other benefits like gratuity, medical and post retirement benefits?
   1. Yes  2. No
   (Gratuity percentage- , medical benefits percentage- , retirement benefit percentage- )
24. Are there provisions for maternity/paternal leave?
   1. Yes  2. No

25. Do you think the institution works more for profit?
   1. Yes  2. No

26. Is there teachers’ council in your institution?
   1. Yes  2. No

27. Considering your experience as a faculty in this University/College, do you feel proud to be associated with the institution?
   1. Yes  2. Some times  3. No  4. Don’t Know / Can’t say

28. Would you recommend/refer others to join as faculty in this university/College?
   1. Yes  2. No  3. Don’t Know / Can’t say
Annexure E

Questionnaire for Students

1. College/University:
2. Programme/Course in which enrolled:
3. Specialization:
4. How long have you been enrolled in this university/college
   a. Less than 1 year   b. 1-2 years  c. 3-4 years  d. 5-6 years  e. More than 6 years
5. Age:
7. Category: a. General    b. ST    c. ST    d. OBC
8. Hometown:

Tick the option which shows your opinion-

9. You did your schooling from:
   a. a govt. school    b. a private school

10. Educational Qualification of Father:
    a. 10th/12th    c. Graduate    d. post graduate    e. PhD

11. Your father’s stream of graduation (if applicable)
    a. science    b. professional/technical    c. arts    d. commerce    e. others_____

12. Educational qualification of mother
    a. 10th/12th    c. Graduate    d. post graduate    e. PhD

13. Your mother’s stream of graduation (if applicable)
    a. science    b. professional/technical    c. arts    d. commerce    e. others_____

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14. Occupation of your father
   a. Own practice/business/industry  
   b. Government employee
   c. Private firm/concern employee

15. Department:

16. Designation:

17. Occupation of your mother
   a. Own practice/business/industry  
   b. Government employee
   c. Private firm/concern employee

18. Department:

19. Designation:

20. Annual Income of Parents/Guardian:
   a. <10,000 per month  
   b. 10,000-30,000 per month
   c. 30,000-50,000 per month  
   d. 50,000 and above

21. How did you finance the present education?
   a. Parents  
   b. Bank loan

22. Do you get fellowship/ scholarship facilities in your university/college to pursue Higher Education?
   1. Yes  
   2. No  
   8. Don’t Know/ Can’t Say  
   9. No Opinion

23. If yes, from where are these fellowship/ scholarship financed?
   1. State/ Govt. sponsored such as UGC/ ICSSR etc
   2. University Sponsored
3. Any Other (please specify)

24. Is the fellowship/scholarship amount adequate to pursue Higher Education

   9. No Opinion

25. What was your reason for pursuing higher Education?
   a. Employability
   b. Knowledge Enhancement
   c. Parental Influence
   d. Societal Pressure
   e. Status Enhancement
   f. Other (please specify)

26. Why did you choose this particular course/specialization?
   a. Its my area of interest
   b. My friends are enrolled in this course
   c. Its easy to find a job/ employment after completing this course
   d. My parents forced me to join this course
   e. Other (please specify)

27. Why did you choose this institution to pursue your degree?
   a. This is a good institution
   b. My friends are enrolled here
   c. Better career prospects/good placements
   d. My parents wanted me to join here
   e. It has good faculty
f. It has good facilities

g. I got a scholarship/ fellowship

h. Other (please specify)

28. Does your institution have student academic support mechanisms/special time set aside for assisting students such as mentoring, tutorials, remedial classes, career counseling etc?


29. Does your institution have any other student support mechanisms such as counseling, gender sensitization committees etc?


30. Does your college/institution have university accreditation?

1. Yes 2. No

31. Is there periodical NAAC visit to your institution?

1. Yes 2. No

32. Is there Students union at your institution?

1. Yes 2. No

33. Do you find the fees affordable?

1. Yes 2. No

34. How much importance is given to sports and extra-curricular activities?

1. Not at all 2. Somewhat 3. Lot of importance

35. Does your institution have a sports field?

1. Yes 2. No
36. Is there student welfare cell and officer?
   1. Yes  2. No

37. Does your college have hostel?

38. Are you guaranteed employment at the time of admission?
   a. Yes  b. No

39. Does your university follow the norms of reservation?
   a. Yes  b. No

40. If yes, who are the beneficiaries of reservation?
   a. Lower class  b. Lower caste  c. Other

41. Does your institution have a hospital?
   a. Yes  b. No

42. What is your opinion of your college in terms of
   a. Faculty:
      i. Good  ii. Average  iii. Not satisfactory  iv. No idea

   b. Cost of education:
      i. High but worth it  ii. High but not worth it
      iii. Not very high  iv. No idea

   c. Career prospects:
      i. Good  ii. Excellent  iii. Not satisfactory  iv. No idea

   d. Quality of education:
      i. Good  ii. Average  iii. Not satisfactory  iv. No idea

   e. Quality of infrastructure:
      i. Good  ii. Average  iii. Not satisfactory  iv. No idea
43. How would you rate the college hostel in terms of the following?

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46. How would you rate the college library in terms of the following:

a. Discipline wise no. of books  1  2  3  4  5
b. Acquiring new Additions/ Releases  1  2  3  4  5
c. Acquiring books demanded by students  1  2  3  4  5
d. Online access to e- journals  1  2  3  4  5

47. Would you encourage/ recommend others to join this college?

48. Having studied in this college, do you think you have got your money’s worth?

49. Has studying in the college fulfilled your objective of joining the institution?
ANNEXURE-F

FUND PROVIDED TO THE STATE UNIVERSITIES DURING 2001-2002 TO 2014-2015

(Rs. in Lakh)

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ANNEXURE-G

BUDGET ESTIMATES OF HIGHER EDUCATION OF THE STATE OF ASSAM (2001-2016)
(Rs. in Lakh)

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