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(Strictly confidential and meant only for academic purposes.)

Household Characteristics

1. Name of the respondent .................................................................
2. Age ..............................................................................................
3. Sex
   i. Male. [ ]
   ii. Female. [ ]
4. Marital status
   i. Married. [ ]
   ii. Unmarried. [ ]
   iii. Widowed. [ ]
   iv. Divorced. [ ]
5. Type of family
   i. Nuclear. [ ]
   ii. Joint. [ ]
6. No. of family members ......................
7. Education of the respondent
   i. Illiterate. [ ]
   ii. Literate up to primary level (class I-IV). [ ]
   iii. Up to M.E. level: (V-VII). [ ]
   iv. Up to High School level: (VIII-IX). [ ]
   v. Beyond High School level: (H.S.L.C.-Graduation/post graduation) [ ]
8. Information of the family members:

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Col. 3: Male = 1, Female = 2.
Col. 5: Illiterate = 1, Primary (Class I-IV) = 2, M.E. Level (V-VI) = 3, High School (VIII-X) = 4, Beyond High School Level = 5.

9. What is your main economic activity?
   i. Service.
   ii. Business.
   iii. Cultivator.
   iv. Vegetable farming.
   v. Poultry.
   vi. Handloom.
   vii. Livestock farming
   viii. Fishery.
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ix. Wage earning. 

x. Carpentry. 

xi. Others. 

10. What are your other sources of income? 

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11. Information relating to Family Income:

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12. Housing Condition:

i. Type of house
   1. Pucca. 
   2. Semi Pucca 

ii. No. of living Rooms: .................................................................

iii. Separate Kitchen
   1. Yes. 
   2. No. 

iv. Bathroom Facility:
   1. Pucca. 
   2. Kutcha. 

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3. Open.
4. Sharing with other family.

v. Toilet Facility:
   1. Sanitary.
   2. Pit.
   3. Open.
   4. Sharing with other family.

vi. Source of lighting:
   1. Electricity.
   2. Kerosene.
   3. Any Other (Specify).................................

vii. Source of drinking water
   1. Water Tape (separate).
   2. Water Tape (common).
   3. Pond/River/Spring.

viii. Fuel used for cooking:
   1. Firewood.
   2. Kerosene
   3. Coal
   4. Gas.
   5. Others (specify)

13. Which of the following durables do your household possess?
   i. Radio.
   ii. Television.
   iii. Computer.
   iv. Two wheeler vehicle.
   v. Four wheeler vehicle.
   vi. Washing machine.
   vii. Refrigerator.
   viii. Mobile phone
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Production of Ganja

14. Were your ancestors associated with cultivation of Ganja?
   i. Yes.  
   ii. No.  

15. If yes, till whose generation had it been going on since?
   i. Great grandparents.  
   ii. Grandparents.  
   iii. Parents.  

16. How many years have you been cultivating Ganja?
   .................................................................................................................................

17. How much did you produce last year?
   i. .................................................................kg  
   ii. .................................................................Maund.

18. Do you grow other crops in the land where Ganja is cultivated?
   i. Yes.  
   ii. No.  

19. If yes, what are they?
   .................................................................................................................................

20. What are these crops usually meant for?
   i. Commercial purpose.  
   ii. Human consumption.  
   iii. Animal feed.  
   iv. Sharing with relatives and friends.  
   v. Others.  

21. If for commercial purposes, how much did you earn last year from these?
   .................................................................................................................................
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22. If for human consumption, are these crops sufficient for the family throughout the year?
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23. Is cultivation of Ganja done in your private land?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

24. If No, on whose land?
   i. Private land belonging to other person of the village.
   ii. Village public land.
   iii. Private land belonging to other village.

25. Do you pay tax for using these lands?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

26. If yes, how much?

27. What are the main hardships that you face during its cultivation?

28. What is the season that you need labour the most and what for?

29. What type of labour is used for the cultivation of Ganja?
   i. Self.
   ii. Hired labour.
   iii. Both.
   iv. Others.

30. If both self labour and hired labour are used, which one do you engage more?
   i. Self labour.
   ii. Hired labour.
iii. More or less the same.

31. How often do you work on your field during the six month working season?
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32. How many members of your family members participate in the cultivation?
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33. Do you engage any other labourers without paying wages?
   i. Yes. □
   ii. No. □

34. If yes who are they?
   i. Relatives. □
   ii. Friends. □
   iii. Neighbours. □
   iv. Others. □

35. Do you also work for them without earning wages?
   i. Yes. □
   ii. No. □

36. Do you employ labourers from other villages?
   i. Yes. □
   ii. No. □

37. How many labourers do you employ during the main working season of six months?
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38. Do you also work for others and earn wages?
   i. Rarely. □
   ii. Sometimes. □
   iii. Often. □
   iv. Not at all. □
39. How are wages paid?
   i. According to skill.
   ii. According to time.
   iii. Location of the cultivating area.
   iv. On contract basis.
   v. Others.

40. What was the daily wage rate last year? ₹ ............

41. Is there difference in wage between men and women?
   i. Equal.
   ii. Women are paid less.
   iii. Men are paid less.

42. If there is difference, how much is the difference?
   i. ₹ ................. for women.
   ii. ₹ ................. for men.

43. Who fixes the wage rate and how?

44. What types of implements/tools are used for cultivation?
   i. Traditional tools only.
   ii. Animal labour.
   iii. Both traditional tools and animal labour.
   iv. Mechanised and advanced tools.
   v. All the above.

45. Do you use chemical fertilizers?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

46. If yes, how many bags of fertilizers did you use in the previous year?
   i. ............... Of urea.
   ii. ............... Of diamond.
   iii. ............... Others.
   iv.
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47. Where do you buy the fertilisers from?
   i. In the village itself.
   ii. From the nearest town.
   iii. From other sources.

48. At what price did you purchase the fertilisers per bag?
   i. (Urea) Rs.................................
   ii. (Diamond) Rs..........................
   iii. (Others) Rs...........................

49. Do you use the same dose for the same plot of land every year?
   i. Same.
   ii. Decreases.
   iii. Increases.

50. Have you ever shifted your fields of cultivation?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

51. If yes, how many times
   ............................................................................................................

52. What was the reason behind shifting?
   .....................................................................................................

Motives for Cultivation/Dealing

53. What is the main motive of cultivating/dealing in Ganja?
   i. No other alternative for means of livelihood.
   ii. To accumulate huge amount of money and live a luxurious life.
   iii. Enjoy taking risks.
   iv. No specific reasons, cultivating because others are doing.
   v. For domestic consumption.
   vi. Others.
54. What is your main intention of engaging in its cultivation and trade, on priority basis?
   i. Food.
   ii. Education.
   iii. Durables.
   iv. Properties.
   v. Entertainments.
   vi. Paying off debts.
   vii. For exchanging other goods.
   viii. Other reasons.

55. What do you think is your main benefit from Ganja?

56. How enthusiastic are you with this activity?

57. Do you think cultivating Ganja is highly profitable?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

58. Do you have any moral obligation against cultivating Ganja?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

59. Other than cultivating by yourself, do you also buy the product from other cultivators?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

60. If yes, how much did you purchase? ............................................................

61. What was the price per kilo at the time of purchase? ..............................

62. At what season do you normally purchase the product?
   i. At the time of harvesting when the product is available in plenty.  

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ii. Whenever you have money.
iii. At the time when the demand of the product is high.
iv. At the time when the total annual production is low.
v. Depending on the situation.
vi. Others.

63. Could you sell all your products?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

64. If not, how much is usually left? .................................................................

65. What was the price of Ganja per kilo during the time of your sale?
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66. Production and Sale:

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67. Where do you store the product?
   i. Kitchen.
   ii. Separate storeroom.
   iii. Underground.
   iv. Bedroom.
   v. Common room.
   vi. Others.

68. Where do you sell the product?
   i. Within the village.
   ii. Within the district.
   iii. Within the State.
   iv. Outside the State but within the country.
   v. Internationally.

69. How do you normally transact the product?
   i. Buyers come and collect it from your place.
   ii. You drop them to their place.
   iii. Set a meeting point.
   iv. Some agents in between does the work.

70. Who buys your product?
   i. Agents from the village.
   ii. Agents from other villages.
   iii. Others.

71. Who do you think benefit the most from the business?
   i. Cultivators.
   ii. Middlemen.
   iii. Higher dealers.
   iv. Law enforcers.
   v. Others.

72. How stable is its price?
   i. Remains more or less the same throughout the year.
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ii. Price is lower at the time of harvesting than other period. □

iii. Price is higher at the time of harvesting than other period. □

iv. It fluctuates even within a day. □

v. It fluctuates within a week. □

vi. It fluctuates within a month. □

vii. It fluctuates within seasons. □

73. In which season, do you think, is its price normally highest?

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74. Are you a member of any union regarding Ganja cultivation and trade?
   i. Yes. □
   ii. No. □

75. If yes, in which level?
   i. Local level. □
   ii. District level. □
   iii. State level. □
   iv. National level. □
   v. International level. □

76. Do you contribute money or pay subscription to your union?
   i. Yes. □
   ii. No. □

77. If yes, how much is the subscription for a year?
   i. .........................(in cash)
   ii. .........................(in kind)

78. In what way is your union helpful?
   i. Provide security. □
   ii. Do collective bargaining. □
   iii. Promotes smooth functioning of the business. □
   iv. Compensate your loss. □
   v. Solves disputes related to its trade. □
   vi. Others. □
79. Have you ever paid tax to any group or society relating Ganja cultivation and trade?
   i. Yes. 
   ii. No. 

80. Who takes the risks of your business?
   i. Yourself. 
   ii. Your union. 
   iii. Your higher dealers. 
   iv. Others. 

81. What do you think is the greatest risk that you endure in the cultivation and trade of Ganja?
   i. Risk of not being able to sell the products. 
   ii. Risk of getting caught. 
   iii. Risk of adversely affecting health. 
   iv. Risk of bad monsoon and poor harvesting. 
   v. Risk of getting involved in any disputes. 
   vi. Risk of getting a curse from God. 
   vii. Other risks. 
   viii. No risks 

82. Do you trust your dealers?
   i. Yes. 
   ii. No. 

83. Have you ever been betrayed by your higher level dealers?
   i. Yes. 
   ii. No. 

84. How do you take measures not to get betrayed?
   i. Never sell on credit. 
   ii. Sign a bond ensuring security. 
   iii. Threaten the buyers. 
   iv. Deal only with known and trustworthy dealers. 
   v. Use other means.
85. What method do you use to communicate with dealers?
   i. Inter personal contacts.   
   ii. Telephone.   
   iii. Internet.   
   iv. Through agents.   
   v. Post/mail.   
   vi. Others.

86. Do you sell your product to known dealers only?
   i. Yes.   
   ii. No.   

87. If not, how do you find new dealers?
   i. Through friends.   
   ii. Old dealers.   
   iii. New dealers come searching

88. What are the various ways and methods that you take to enhance your business?

89. Do you know who your higher dealers are?
   i. Yes.   
   ii. No.

90. How do you process Ganja products?

91. Where is it processed?
   i. Field itself.   
   ii. At home.   
   iii. Both.   
   iv. Others.
92. How do you transport the product from the cultivation area to the place where it is stored?
   i. Using human labour.
   ii. Using animal labour.
   iii. Both animal and human labour.
   iv. Automobiles.
   v. All the above.

93. Do you use any mechanised tools for processing Ganja?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

94. If yes, specify. .................................................................

95. How much did you spend on processing of Ganja last year?
   ................................................................................................

96. How does storing time affect price and quality?
   i. The longer the period the higher the price.
   ii. The longer the period, the higher the quality.
   iii. The longer the quality, the lower the price.
   iv. The longer the period, the lower the quality.
   v. No effect in price.
   vi. No effect in quality.

97. Did you have any experience of your products being wasted?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

98. If yes, what are the reasons?
   i. Lack of demand.
   ii. Due to improper storing system.
   iii. Destroyed by natural calamities.
   iv. Eaten by rodents.
   v. Others.
99. Did you experience any of your products being rejected by dealers?
   i. Yes.                           
   ii. No.                          

100. If yes, what are the reasons?
   i. Due to inferior quality.       
   ii. For diluting the product.     
   iii. Other reasons.               

101. Do you find any difference between cultivating Ganja and other crops?
   i. Yes.                           
   ii. No.                           

102. If yes, please elaborate a little.

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**Law and Law Enforcements**

103. Have you been in dispute with anyone on Ganja related matters?
   i. Yes.                           
   ii. No.                           

104. If yes, who do you approach to in case of any dispute regarding Ganja?
   i. Village Authority.             
   ii. Head of the clan.             
   iii. Police.                      
   iv. Societies or unions.          
   v. Compromise from within without approaching to any. 

105. Who hinders you most in the business?
   i. Police.                        
   ii. Custom and excise department. 
   iii. NGOs                         
   iv. Insurgent groups.             

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vi. Religious groups.

vii. Others.

106. Have you ever encountered directly with the law enforcing agencies on Ganja related matters?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

107. If yes, how do you manage the law enforcing agencies?
   i. Bribing them.
   ii. Outwitting them.
   iii. Working with them.
   iv. Other means.

108. Are they very dangerous?
   i. Very much.
   ii. Not much
   iii. Not at all.
   iv. Depends on the situation.

109. Has your house been ever raided by army or police on Ganja related activity?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

110. If yes, how frequent?
   i. Very rare.
   ii. Sometimes.
   iii. Frequently.

111. Have you ever been arrested by law enforcers on Ganja related crime?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

112. If Yes, What is the outcome of the arrest?
   i. Fined.
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ii. Warned.

iii. Beaten up.

iv. Detained.

v. Product seized.

vi. Jailed.

113. If jailed, how long is the sentence?

114. How are you released?

i. On bail.

ii. By paying fines.

iii. Serving full term of the sentence.

iv. Sneaking out.

v. Other means.

Consumption of Ganja

115. Have you ever tried taking Ganja in any form?

i. Yes.

ii. No.

116. If yes, how often/how many times?

i. Once in life.

ii. 2 – 5 times in lifetime.

iii. Not more than once monthly.

iv. Not more than once in a week

v. Frequently.

117. What drives you to take Ganja?

i. For fun.

ii. Peer pressure.

iii. To get relief from miserable life experience.

iv. Like the taste.

v. Just curious.

vi. For other reasons.
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118. In what form did u take ganja?
   i. Smoking.
   ii. Chewing.
   iii. Juice.
   iv. Others.

119. Is there anyone who takes Ganja in your family?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

120. If yes, how many of them?

121. Do you use ganja for any medicinal purpose?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

122. What is your opinion on consumption of ganja?

**Other aspects**

123. Do you notice any health complications cultivating Ganja which you were not aware of before?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

124. If yes, what are they?

125. Has anyone in your society discriminated you for your involvement in its cultivation and trade?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

126. How do you feel about yourself being a ganja cultivator/dealer?

127. From whom do you borrow money when you need?
   i. Money lender.
ii. Neighbour.        iii. Friends and relatives.
vi. Others.

128. Does your borrowed money carry any interest?
   i. Yes.            ii. No.

129. If yes, who fixes the rate of interest?
   i. The lender.  ii. The borrower and lender together.
   iii. The Village Authority. iv. The Headman.
v. Others.

130. What type of interest?
   i. Simple.        ii. Compound.

131. Are you in debt?
   i. Yes.          ii. No.

132. Has any of your property ever been forfeited due to your inability to pay debt?
   i. Yes.        ii. No.

133. Have you ever borrowed money or other subsistence items with the assurance of repaying with Ganja products
   i. Hardly.        ii. Sometimes.
   iii. Frequently.    iv. Not at all.
134. Do you enjoy any credit facility?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

135. Are you a beneficiary of any scheme from the government other than MGNREGS?
   i. Yes.
   ii. No.

136. If yes, what are they? ........................................................

137. Can you share with me any of your peculiar experiences regarding ganja cultivation and trade?