QUESTIONNAIRE

I/we have from Aligarh Muslim University to study about the political participation of minority in your state. The survey is solely based on academic knowledge. No person's identity would be disclosed to governmental or non-governmental agencies. We have no relation with any party or Government organisation. Your help is extremely needed in the way of completing this research.

1. For how many years have you been voting? 1/5/10/15/20/25/  Plz. Specify.

2. How do you feel to vote?
   [a] happy  [b] very happy
   [c] unhappy  [d] not vote

3. How do people of your constituency vote under the influence of a person / group of persons?
   [a] a person  [b] a group of persons

4. If so, what is / are the basis of that influence?
   [a] wealth  [b] power
   [c] religion  [d] fear
   [e] caste

5. Do you consider the advice of anybody before voting?
   [a] yes  [b] no
   [c] consider but vote independently

6. What type of candidate do you like to vote?
   [a] secular  [b] communal
   [c] regional  [d] linguistic

7. What is your opinion about the voting of your family members? Should they vote for same candidate?
   [a] yes  [b] no

8. Till date you have voted in which of the elections? How many times have you voted?
   [a] Panchayet election  times
   [b] Assembly election  times
9. On what basis do you decide your voting?
   [a] candidate ○       [b] party ○
   [c] somebody's advice ○

10. In which of the recent elections you could take part?
   [a] Assembly election ○       [b] Lok Sabha election ○
   [c] Panchayet election ○       [d] all the three ○

11. Which of parties / candidates, whose meetings you have attended?
    Name of the party               Name of the candidate
    [a] .................. [b] ..................
    [c] .................. [d] ..................
    [e] .................. [f] ..................
    [g] .................. [h] ..................
    [i] .................. [j] ..................
    [k] .................. [l] ..................
    [m] .................. [n] ..................

12. Do you listen radio / watch T.V. / read newspaper?
    [a] listen radio ○
       [i] regularly ○     [ii] often ○     [iii] once in awhile ○
    [b] Watch T.V. ○
       [i] regularly ○     [ii] often ○     [iii] once in while ○
    [c] Read newspaper ○
       [i] regularly ○     [ii] often ○     [iii] once in while ○

13. Did you help any party or candidate during election?
    [a] yes ○                      [b] no ○

14. Did you join election campaign?
15. Did you join procession and demonstration?
   [a] yes [ ] [b] no [ ] [c] occasionally [ ]

16. Did you distribute polling cards or literature for a party candidate?
   [a] yes [ ] [b] no [ ]

17. Till date have you contributed any money for the election campaign of any candidate or party?
   [a] yes [ ] [b] no [ ]

18. Is there any party or candidate that looks after the interest of your caste / region religion?
   [a] yes [ ] [b] no [ ] [c] don't know [ ]

19. How much interest would you have in politics and political affairs?
   [a] a great deal [ ] [b] some interest [ ] [c] no interest at all [ ]

20. How often do you discussed about politics and public affairs?
    [a] sometimes [ ] [b] never [ ] [c] frequently [ ]

21. What do you think that the present Prime Minister is doing.......
    [a] a good job [ ] [b] a fair job [ ] [c] a poor job [ ]

22. Do you think your vote has any effect on how things are in this country or you think your vote makes no difference?
    [a] has effect [ ] [b] makes no difference [ ]
    [c] don't know [ ] [d] other [specify].......... 

23. What do you think the main problems of your state is ----------------
    [a] militancy [ ] [b] terrorism [ ]
    [c] corruption in governmental affairs [ ] [d] communalism [ ]

24. What are the main problems faced by your caste / religion?
    [a] ...........................................................................
    [b] .............................................................................
25. Do you consider that the government in Delhi is careful about the problem of state?
   [a] yes □   [b] no □   [c] somewhat careful □

26. To which party does the Chief Minister of Assam belong?
   [d] A.G.P. □   [e] other [specify] □

27. [a] Have you ever contacted any government official for any problem or need?
   [a] yes □   [b] no □

27.[b] If yes--------

   Generally for what kind of problems have you contacted governmental officials?
   [a] your personal problems □
   [b] problem of your village / town □
   [c] problem of your caste □
   [d] problem of your region □
   [e] other problems [specify]

28. Do you think that the government officials care to problems of the public?
   [a] yes □   [b] no □   [c] somewhat □

29. Thinking about the last ten years would you say the law and order situation of the country been--------
   [a] improved □   [b] deteriorated □   [c] remained same □

30. Are you a member of any political party?
   [a] yes □   [b] no □

   If yes which of the political party-----
   [i] □   [ii] □
31. Of which type non-governmental organization have you a membership?
   [a] Farmer organization  ○  [b] Militant organization  ○
   [e] none of the above  ○  [f] any other [specify]  ○

32. Can you identify two problems faced by the nation?
   [a]  ○  [b] no  ○

33. What are the color patterns of the National Flag?
   ..........................................................
   ..........................................................

34. Can you recite our National Anthem?
   [a] yes  ○  [b] no  ○

35. How many colours are there in the Indian National Flag?
   [a] three  ○  [b] seven  ○  [c] fifteen  ○

36. Can you mention any name / some names of Indian Freedom Fighters?
   [a]  [b]  [c]

37. Who is the president of India?

38. Have you ever contacted by party canvassers or met party candidates.
   Yes.  ○  No  ○

39. Have you ever contacted with any leader?
   Yes.  ○  No  ○

40. Have you ever received help from any leader?
   Yes.  ○  No  ○

41. If “yes” for how many times?
   Once.  ○  Twice.  ○  Many times.  ○
BACKGROUND

Please Tick-up the Following....

B1. How regularly do you read newspaper-daily, frequently, occasionally, rarely or never?
   1. Daily  2. Frequently  3. Occasionally

B2. How regularly do you listen to news on radio-daily, frequently, occasionally, rarely or never?
   1. Daily  2. Frequently  3. Occasionally

B3. How regularly do you watch news on T. V.-daily, frequently, occasionally, rarely or never?
   1. Daily  2. Frequently  3. Occasionally

B4. How often do you practice-prayer / puja / namaj-daily, weekly, on festivals or never?

B5. What is your age? (In completed years) -----------------------------

B6. Gender: 1. Male  2. Female

B7. What is your marital status?
   1. Married  2. Unmarried  3. Living with someone, but unmarried
   4. Divorced / Separated  5. Widowed

B8. Till what level you studied-----------------------------

B8a. Till what level have your father and your mother studied-----------------------------

   Father----------------------  Mother----------------------

B9. What is your main occupation? -----------------------------
B9a. (If the respondent is not the main earner) What is / has been the main occupation of the respondents father? -----------------------------

*B9b. (If farmer) Total agricultural land ----------------------------- (in Acres)

B10. What is your Caste / Jati-biradari /Tribe name? ---------------

B10a. And what is your caste group? -----------------------------

1. Scheduled Caste (SC) 2. Schedule Tribe (ST)
3. Other Backward Caste (OBC) 4. Other

B11. Which religion do you follow?


B12. Generally, which language do you speak at home?

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B13. Area / Locality:

1. Village 2. Town (Below 1 lakh)
3. City (Above 1 lakh) 4. Metropolitan City (Above 10 lakh)

(If in doubt consult the electoral roll or census. If not stated on either then it is classed as a village)

B13a. (If Town / City) Type of house where R lives (own or rented)

1. House / Flat / Bungalow with 4 or more bedrooms
2. House / Flat with 3 or 4 bedrooms
3. House / Flat with 2 bedrooms (With kitchen and bathroom)
4. House / Flat with 2 Pucca rooms (With kitchen)
5. House / Flat with 2 Pucca rooms (Without kitchen)
6. House with 1 Pucca rooms (With kitchen)
7. House / Flat with 1 Pucca rooms (Without kitchen)
8. Mainly Kutcha house
9. Slum / Jhuggi Jhopri / fully Kutcha
10. N.A. (Not applicable)

B13b. (If Village) Type of house where R lives (own or rented)

1. Pucca (both wall and roof made of pucca material)
2. Pucca-kucha (Either wall or roof is made of pucca material and of other kutcha material)
3. Kutcha (both wall and roof are made of kutcha material other than materials mentioned in category 4)
4. Hut (both wall and roof are made of grass, leaves, mud, un-burnt brick or bamboo)
5. N.A.

B14. Number of rooms in use in the household

B15. Total number of family members living in the household? (Adult--------- Children----------)

B16. Do you or your family member have the following:  

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B17. Total monthly household income

1. Upto Rs.1,000  
2. Rs.1,001-Rs.2,000  
3. Rs.2,001-Rs.3,000  
4. Rs.3,001-Rs.4,000  
5. Rs.4,001-Rs.5,000  
6. Rs.5,001-Rs.10,000  
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