Appendix A

Interview Guideline

I. Background Information

• Name:
• Age:
• Date of Marriage:
• Education:
• Employed/Non Employed:
• Type of natal family: Joint/Extended:

II. Marriage

1. Meaning of marriage (before and after marriage)
   • What does marriage mean to you?
   • Before getting married, when you thought of marriage, what came to your mind?
   • After being married, what do you think is “a good marriage”?

2. Socialization for marriage
   • Can you share (any) instance, where you were given some kind of formal/informal inputs to prepare you for a married life?

3. Process of selecting your marriage partner
   • Please tell me about the process of selecting your partner.

4. Changes after marriage
   (a) in self  (b) in relationships (c) in daily routine (any other)
   • All women change after marriage. Its x yrs of your marriage, what changes do you find in yourself after marriage?
5. Feelings associated with these changes
   - How do you feel about these changes?

6. Preparation for these changes
   - Were you prepared for these changes? If yes, what kind of preparation you had made? Who helped you? If no, do you think some preparation is required?
   - Did you get any help/support from affinal family in marriage adjustment?

7. Aspects of self which did not change after marriage
   - Are there aspects of yourself which has not changed after marriage?
   - Are there any aspects, which you did not wish to change, but had to change? How do you feel about it?

8. Expectations of others from you
   - What are the expectations of your parents in laws and husband from you?
   - Are you able to fulfill these expectations?

III. Education

1. Meaning of higher education
   - What is the meaning of higher education for you?

2. Reasons for higher education
   - Why did you decide for post graduation?
   - What expectations, of yourself and other were connected with your higher education?

3. Influence of education
   - How do you think your education has influenced you?
   - Did it change the way of your relating to other? If yes, in which way?
• How do you feel about the changes your education has brought in you?

4. Stay during higher education

• Where did you stay for your studies? (in hostel, with parents/relatives, as paying guest)

• You have spent x yrs in college/university. What does this time mean to you?

• What did it mean to significant other and your in-laws?

IV. Impact of education on adjustment in marriage

• Your education has brought x changes in you. How do you think these changes, has intervened in the process of adjustment after marriage?

• Who is especially important for you and why?