ANNEXURES
Interview Schedule No. 01. (For the general respondents in Guwahati)

Personal information:

1. Name:

2. Age group:
   - 15 to 30 yrs:
   - 31 to 50 yrs:
   - 51 years & above:

3. Sex:
   - Female:
   - Male:

4. Marital status:
   - Married.
   - Unmarried:

5. Educational Qualifications:
   - School level.
   - Under graduate:
   - Graduate:
   - Post-graduate:

6. Occupation:
   - Professional:
   - Service holder:
   - Business:
   - Retired:

7. Address:

8. Ward No.:
9. Are you aware that we have the Guwahati Municipal Corporation; it was constituted in 1974 for the upkeep of the city? Yes/No.

10. Do you believe that the Guwahati Municipal Corporation has an important role to play in the life of the Guwahatians? Yes/no/cannot say.

11. Do you feel that people of Guwahati can do without the Guwahati Municipal Corporation? Yes/no/cannot say.

12. Are you a permanent of Guwahati? Yes/no.

13. Are you receiving the minimum facilities, which should be available to city dwellers like street lights, water supply etc.? Yes/no.

14. Can you mention any specific problem that has affected you and your locality primarily?
   - A)
   - B)
   - C)

15. Do you vote in elections regularly? Yes/no.

16. What are the criteria when you vote?
   - Image of the political party.
   - Quality of the candidate.
   - Religion, caste. Language of the candidates.

17. How do you come to know about the candidates during the elections?
   - From friends
   - From newspapers.
   - From television/radio.
   - Handbills/pamphlets/writings on the walls of the city.

18. Are you aware of your fundamental rights under the Indian constitution? Yes/no.

19. Do you believe that the role of the political parties is fruitful in the functioning of the Guwahati Municipal Corporation? Yes/no.

20. In the next Guwahati Municipal Corporation election will you vote? Yes/no/undecided.
21. Have you attended any meetings addressed by any important political leaders? Yes/no. If yes please cite the names of three such leaders.
   - A)
   - B)
   - C)

22.
   i. Do you have any local organisation/committee in your ward/locality/neighbourhood? Yes/no/do not know.
   ii. If yes, please name it:
   iii. Are you a member of the said organisation? Yes/no.
   iv. If yes, do you have any specific responsibility in it?
   v. If yes, please specify:
   vi. Even otherwise, do you attend its meetings regularly? Yes/no.
   vii. How often are its meeting held? Weekly/monthly/seldom/do not know.
   viii. Which, do you consider to be the most important problems of your locality?
       - A)
       - B)
       - C)
       - D)
       - E)
   ix. Do you think that if the people have greater enthusiasm in the public affairs, may of our problems can be solved? Yes/no/cannot say.
   x. How do you perceive the co-operation, involvement and participation of the people of your locality/ward/neighbourhood in any scheme concerning them? Satisfactory involvement/indifferent attitude.
   xi. Are you a member of any other organisation/association? Yes/no.
   xii. If yes, please name it:
   xiii. Is your social organisation affiliated to any political party? Yes/no/do not know.
   xiv. If yes, please name it:

23.
   i. Have you ever approached your ward councillor regarding any issue or for the solution of the problems of your locality/house etc? Yes/no.
   ii. How has been his response?
      - Co-operative.
24. Has any scheme been undertaken in your locality/ward by the Guwahati Municipal Corporation recently? Yes/no.

25. Do you feel that the rates/taxes should be revised? Yes/no.

26. How would you rate the performance of the Guwahati Municipal Corporation?
   - Good.
   - Satisfactory.
   - Miserable failure.

27. Please suggest a few steps to enhance the performance of the Guwahati Municipal Corporation:
   - A)
   - B)
   - C)
   - D)
   - E)

28. i. Are you aware about the 74th Constitution Amendment Act, 1992? Yes/no/do not know.
   ii. Do you know that the 74th Constitution Amendment Act, 1992 has facilitated the direct active participation of women through reservation of seats to the tune of 30%? Yes/no.
   iii. If yes, what is your view on this step?
      - It is a positive step.
      - It is an unnecessary step

29. Please rank the following qualities that you expect in a candidate of your choice:
   - Honesty
   - Personality
   - A helpful individual.
   - An individual who can represent the problems of your locality
Interview schedule No. 02. (For the contestants for the Guwahati Municipal Corporation, 2003 December elections)

Personal information:

1. Name:

2. Address:

3. i. Age group:
   - 21 to 30 yrs.
   - 31 to 50 yrs.
   - 51 yrs and above.

   ii. Sex:
   - Female
   - Male.

   iii. Place of births:

   iv. Which ward do you represent?

4. Educational qualifications:
   - School level.
   - Under graduate:
   - Graduate:
   - Post-graduate:

5. Contact no:

6. Are you a member of any local organisation? Yes/no.
   If yes, please name it:

7. You are contesting the Guwahati Municipal Corporation elections as:
   - An independent candidate:
   - A candidate of the _______________________ (name of the political party).

8. Did you contest any election earlier? Yes/no.
9. Why did you decide to participate in local politics?
   - Just like that:
   - You wanted to serve the neighbourhood/locality:
   - Family tradition:

10. Were you always interested in social welfare? Yes/no.

11. (If a party candidate). Why did you not think of contesting the Guwahati Municipal Corporation elections as an independent candidate?


13. Through the 74th Constitution Amendment Act, 1992 the Municipal Corporations have been given constitutional position and have been made more broad-based in terms of powers, functions and resource mobilisation; henceforth it will be:
   - Fruitful:
   - Not fruitful:
   - Cannot say:

14. The 74th Constitution Amendment Act, 1992 has also been an important measure for empowering women by providing them with the facility of seat reservation to the tune of 30% in the urban local governments; henceforth it will be:
   - It is a positive development:
   - It is an unnecessary step:

15. According to you what are the problems of your wards priority wise?
   - A)
   - B)
   - C)
   - D)
   - E)
16 Can you suggest a few remedies to reduce the perennial financial crunch of the Guwahati Municipal Corporation?
- A)
- B)
- C)
- D)
- E)

17. Do you think that to discharge the duties of the councillors effectively, they should be trained formally? Yes/no.

18. Do not you feel that the Guwahatians are themselves doing the work of the Guwahati Municipal Corporation by arranging for the disposal of the garbage in their locality, repairing, building and lighting their lanes and by-lanes, besides paying the Guwahati Municipal Corporation all types of taxes? Yes/no.

19. Do you still feel that the people of the city of Guwahati should vote in the Guwahati Municipal Corporation election? Yes/no