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Extract/Questionnaire
PROFILE OF THE STUDENT

1. Name of the Institution :
2. Stream : Arts/Science/Commerce
3. Class :
4. Year :
5. Age :
6. Sex
8. Religion
9. Place of residence : Rural / Urban
10. Where do you stay in for your study? (Home/Hostel/Mess/Any other)
11. Who bears the necessary expenditure of your education?
   a. Parents/Other than parents   b. Scholarship   c. Partly parental
      source and partly scholarship   d. Private tuition   e. Parental source
      and tuition
   f. Scholarship and tuition   g. Loan from the govt. or financial
      institution
   h. Any other
12. Father’s occupation :
    Cultivation/Govt Employee/Private employee/Businessman/Wage
    earner/Others /Nil
13. Yearly income of your parents/guardians : 0-21,000/21,001-
    50,000/50,001-1,00,000/above
14. Father’s education : Illiterate/Primary/Secondary/Under
    Graduate/Graduate/above
15. Do you participate in extra-curricular activities? (Yes/No)
16. How often your parents or other family members discuss political issues at
    home?
Did any other members of your family or near relatives hold any public / political office? (Yes/No)

Do you read books other than textbooks? (Yes/No)

Is there any problem in your area? If yes, what are those?

a. 

b. 

d. 

Do you ever tried to solve the problems? If yes, “to whom have you approached”

a. Politicians

b. People of the society

c. D C.

d. S.D C.

e. President of GP

f. Teacher

g. NGO/Club

POLITICAL AWARENESS

Do you read newspapers regularly? (Yes/No) If yes, specify National/Regional/Both

Do you listen to the news? (Yes/No)

Do you believe in any kind of political ideology? (Yes/No)

Do you know any of the ethnic movements of North East India? (Yes/No)

Do you think that these movements are necessary? (Yes/No)

Do you think that these lead to disintegration? (Yes/No)

Does it help to ensure ethnic identity? (Yes/No)

Have you ever contested in the college union election? (Yes/No)

If yes, please mention which motivated you to contest in the college union election –

To serve the student community/to gain popularity/to prepare a base for future political leadership/to exercise power/to serve the country/to reform the educational system/to rectify the administration/to represent a political party/to represent a
student organization/friends wanted me to contest/to eradicate corruption at college or society/out of excitement/incidentally/for any other purpose

6 What was the result of the election? (Won/lost)

7 What were your support group? –
a. Student of your class  b. Male students  c. Female students
d. Senior students  e. Majority of students  f. All  g. Do not know

8 Which factors made your victory? –
a. Personality  b. Oratory  c. Good academic career  d. Organisational networking  e. Past services and suffering  f. Active participation in agitation  g. Important issues raised by you in the interest of students  h. Popular due to excellence in extra-curricular activities  i. Support of political party  j. Support of student organization  k. Money power  l. Force  m. Other factors.

9 Reasons for your failure:
Weak organization/character assassination by the opponent/interference by outside forces/lack of funds/sectarian politics (caste/religion/communal/hostellite feeling/faculty feeling)/Other factors

10 Did you incur any expenditure in the election? (If yes, mention the sources)

Parents/friends/student organizations/political party/political leader/voluntary contribution by the supporter/other

11 Do you belong to any student organization? (Yes/No)

12 Do you belong to any political party? (Yes/No)

13 Have you defected your affiliation from one to other student organization/political party? (Yes/No)

14 Should students align with political parties and seek their support? Agree/Disagree/No response

15 Should student organizations be affiliated to political parties? Agree/Disagree/No response

16 What way students should participate in politics?
a. Membership of political parties - Agree/Disagree/No response
b. Active worker in political party/their organization - Agree/Disagree/No response
c. Attendance at study circles/seminar conducted by them - Agree/Disagree/No response
d. Discussion on political issues - Agree/Disagree/No response

17. Do you think that students union play positive role –
   a. In the interest of academic life of the students
   b. In the interest of campus peace
   c. In the interest of academic excellence of the students

18. Do you think that there is student unrest in your society?
   (Yes/No), If yes, please put a tick mark in the column as per your personal opinion –
   Factors of opinion - Unemployment/Price rise/General indiscipline in the country/Political instability/Interference of political parties and personalities in educational institutions/Tampering of student leaders by power politics/decline of standard in public life/Lack of parental control/Influence of trade unionism/Influence of mass media/Identity crisis/Consciousness of student power/ Unsympathic or tactless handling of the students by the authorities/submission of authorities to undue extraneous pressure/Lack of proper facilities in the colleges/Poor and indifferent teaching/Lack of communications between teacher and students/Lack of definite goal among students/Curricular sterility/defects and deficiencies in the examination system/English as medium of instruction/Absence of proper guidance and counseling to students.

19. Do you think that regional party can be an alternative in North Eastern region?
   Yes/No/Do not know.
POLITICAL PARTICIPATION

1. Do you fight for any issue during your studentship? (Yes/No)
   If yes, Did you fight for a. Social issues b. Economic issues c. Politico-
   administrations d. Academic issues e. Moral issues f. Sporadic outburst g
   Any other issues or cause.

2. Did there any unrest (revolts/strike/boycott/demonstration/movement) take
   place in your student days? (Yes/No)

3. What is the outcome of the unrest?
   Objective achieved/Not achieved.

4. Which of the following techniques were adopted by you to achieve the
   objectives?
   Appeal/Demonstrations/Issuing notices and ultimatum/Press
   conference/Meetings/Picketing and
   dharna/Gherao/threats/strikes/violence/any other.

5. Are you imprisoned? (Yes/No)

6. Do you participate in any off-campus election? (Yes/No)
   If yes, tick out the following:
   a. Parliamentary election/Assembly election/Municipal
      election/Panchayat election/Election in other campuses.
   b. Please indicate your role in these elections:
      Miking/Postering/Rallying/Polling agent/Distributing
      leaflets/Temporary office bearer/Any other.

7. Please indicate strains and stresses you have undergone as a student leader
   Dissuasion by family/Pressure of academic
   schedule/Factionalism/Apathetic student mass/Transitory nature of
   studentship/Financial worries/Government pressure/Political
   interference/Indifferent administration/Any other/No Stress.

8. What is your occupational aspirations out of your studentship? Please tick
   which is applicable:
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Thank you for your kind cooperation.