APPENDIX - II

EDUCATION AND INFORMATION FOR EMPOWERING WOMEN THROUGH PUBLIC LIBRARIES
WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO A.P.

QUESTIONNAIRE
To Be Answered By Library Users

I. General
1. Name
2. Age
3. Qualification
4. Occupation
   a) Student b) Teacher c) Lawyer d) Engineer
   e) Doctor f) Politicians g) Working woman h) Business
   i) House-wife j) Software professionals
5. Marital Status
   a) Single b) Married
6. Since how long you are using Public Libraries.
   a) 1 Year b) 2 Years c) 3 Years
d) 4 Years e) 5 Years and above
7. How much time you spend in the library?
   a) Less than one hour b) One hour c) Two hours
d) Three hours e) Four hours and above
8. Purpose of your visit to the library.
   a) Recreation b) Fiction Reading c) Newspaper Reading
d) Magazine Reading e) Text Book use f) To develop
g) Reference purpose h) Games and sports

II. Library Facilities
9. What is your opinion on the scheduled working hours of public libraries?
   a) convenient b) few hours convenient c) not convenient
10. What is your opinion with regard to the reading room furniture?
    a) adequate b) just sufficient c) not adequate
11. How do you feel about the shelf arrangement of reading material?
    a) good b) moderate c) below average
12. What is your opinion with regard to the adequacy of staff?
   a) adequate   b) moderate   c) not adequate

13. What is your opinion about the audio video equipment available in the public library.
   a) good   b) moderate   c) below average

III. Library Services

14. What is your opinion about the conventional services rendered by public library.

   Good        Average       Below Average

   1. Current awareness service
   2. Refernce service
   3. Newspaper clippings
   4. Answering over telephone

15. Are there any special services rendered by the library to the women users for their empowerment?

   1. Special wing for women       Yes/No
   2. Special services privded to them       Yes/ no
   3. Continuing education programme for women       Yes/no
   4. Orientation programme for women       Yes/no

16. What are your experiences with the staff of public libraries in respect of their attitude in the library?

   a. pleasing and helpful
   b. moderately pleasing and helpful
   c. not helpful and noncourteous

IV. Extension Service

17. Do the library conduct at any time the following user activities useful for women empowerment.

   Yes / No

   a. Legal awareness programme
   b. General women awareness programme
   c. Readers forum
   d. Seminars and debates on women rights
   e. Quiz competitions
18. In your opinion which of the following attracts you towards library?
Options: (1) Greatest extent (2) Greater Extent (3) Some what extent
(4) Little extent (5) Almost Nil

1) Lectures
2) Film shows
3) Organising special programme for women
4) Radio talks on library
5) T.V. Programmes
6) Exhibitions and display of new books
7) Display of central and state schemes for women

V. Library Utilization

19. How frequently do you borrow the books from the library
   a) Daily          b) Weekly          c) Fortnightly
   d) Monthly        e) Occasionally

20. Give your opinion on the present library collection mentioned below:
    Options: (1) Excellent (2) Good (3) Satisfactory (4) Needs updating
             (5) Not at all useful

1) Fiction
2) Periodicals (Journals)
3) Competitive exam books
4) Magazines
5) Text Books
6) Reference books
7) Non-book materials
8) Electronic documents

21. What is your opinion with regard to the availability of books for the use in the library.
    1) Available    2) Sometimes available    3) Not available

VI. Reading Habits

22. Who inspired you to make use of the public library
    1) Parents    2) Friends    3) Teachers
    4) Husband    5) Class-mates    6) Brothers
    7) Sisters
23. Which of the following are your favourite Newspapers (please tick)
1) Eenadu 2) Vaartha 3) Indian Express
4) Andhra Prabha 5) Andhra bhoomi 6) Andhra Jyothi
7) Visalandhra 8) Hindu 9) Deccan Chronicle
10) Times of India

24. Which of the following are your favourite magazines. (please tick)
1) University News 2) Vanitha Jyothi 3) Employment News
4) Women's Era 5) Femina 6) India Today
7) Swathi 8) Andhra Bhoomi 9) Yojana

25. Which part of the newspaper do you like to look at (please check)
1) Editorial 2) Sports 3) News relating to women
4) Advertisements 5) Special features like cooking, etc.,
6) Political news 7) Sensational news 8) Entertainment
9) Educational 10) Matrimonia

26. Which kind of books do you like to read.
1) Fiction 2) Drama 3) Classics
4) Biographies 5) Poetry 6) Travel
7) Humour

27. By which source you obtain most of the books you need?
1) From Public library 2) From college library
3) From lending (subscription) library 4) By buying books
5) By borrowing from friends

VII. Suggestions

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1. Please specify the current problems, if any prevailing in your library, especially for women (specify)
2. Offer your suggestions to overcome the above stated problems.
3. Please offer your suggestions to develop library services for empowering women.