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QUESTIONNAIRE

IMPACT OF SELF HELP GROUPS ON WOMEN EMPOWERMENT IN DHARMAPURI DISTRICT

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(A) PERSONAL DATA

1. Name : 

2. No. of family members : 

3. Age (in years) 

   (a) Below 25 ( )   (b) 25-30 ( )   (c) Above 30 ( )

4. Educational Qualification

   (a) Illiterate ( )   (b) Up to 10th level ( )

   (c) Higher secondary level ( )   (d) Graduation ( )

5. Area of living

   (a) Rural ( )   (b) Urban ( )

6. Please tick your occupation

   (a) Daily Labourer ( )   (b) Agriculture ( )   (c) Housewife ( )

7. Marital Status:

   (a) Unmarried ( )   (b) Married   (c) Widow/Seperated

8. Religion

   (a) Hindu ( )   (b) Muslim ( )

   (c) Christian ( )   (d) if others ( )
9. Community

(a) BC ( )  (b) MBC ( )  (c) SC/ST ( )  (e) Others ( )

10. Land owning

(a) No Land ( )  (b) Below 1 Acre ( )
(c) 1-5 acres ( )  (d) Above 5 acres ( )

11. Do you share your family / domestic problems with the group?

(a) Yes ( )  (b) No ( )  (c) Sometimes ( )

If yes, please specify _____________

12. Reasons for Sharing of domestic problems with group

(a) Health solving the problem ( )  (b) Aggravate the problem ( )
(c) Consoling mind ( )  (d) Provides new ideas ( )
(e) Recreates mind ( )

(B) PSYCHOLOGICAL CONDITIONS

13. Being a SHG members, is very helpful

(a) Strongly agree ( )  (b) Agree ( )
(c) Disagree ( )  (d) No idea ( )

14. Mixing with the group of SHG acts as stress buster

(a) Yes ( )  (b) No ( )

If yes, please specify _______________

15. Provides and increases self confidence

(a) Yes ( )  (b) No ( )
16. Who motivated you to join the SHG?
   (a) Friends (   )   (b) Relatives (   )
   (c) Newspapers (   )   (d) Govt. Officials (   )

17. Increase in Motivational Level
   (a) High (   )   (b) Low (   )   (c) Remains the same (   )

18. When was your SHG start? ________________

19. Number of years you involve in SHG activities
   (a) Upto 6 yeas (   )   (b) 6-9 yeas (   )   (c) Above 9 years (   )

20. What are the following basic records regularly maintained by the SHG?

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21. What is the purpose of conducting meeting?
   (a) To discuss real activities (   )   (b) Borrowing fresh loans (   )
   (c) Repayment of loans (   )   (d) Settlement of dispute (   )
22. From which of the following institution do you borrow money?
   
   (a) Self - Help Groups ( )  (b) Bank ( )  (c) Money lender ( )
   (d) Relatives ( )  (e) Friends ( )

23. How do you visualize the loan processing time?
   
   (a) Quick ( )  (b) On time ( )
   (c) Processing delay ( )  (d) Undue delay ( )

24. How do you feel about the rate of interest?
   
   a) Very high ( )  (b) High ( )
   (c) Moderate ( )  (d) Low ( )

25. How do you rate your SHG?
   
   (a) Highly Successful ( )  (b) Moderately successful ( )
   (c) Successful ( )  (d) Unsuccessful ( )

26. Kindly show your preference by putting a tick ( ) against the following statements in relation to the usage of borrowed micro-finance

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27. **OPINION OF SHG MEMBERS TOWARDS SUPPORTING AGENCIES**

Please indicate your opinion about the following statements:

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<td>Behaviour of officials of supporting agencies is positive to clients</td>
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<td>The assistances of supporting agencies are effective.</td>
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<td>Support agencies provide timely supporting</td>
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<td>For the success of SHG, member’s performance, family members including spouse is necessary</td>
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(C) ECONOMIC IMPACT OF SHG ON MEMBERS

28. Monthly Income of the family
   (a) Less than Rs. 5,000 ( )  (b) Rs. 5,000 – 8,000 ( )
   (c) Rs. 8,000 – 10,000 ( )  (d) Above Rs. 10,000 ( )

29. Monthly expenditure of your family
   (a) Below Rs. 2000 ( )  (b) Rs. 2,000 -4,000 ( )
   (c) Rs. 4,000 – 6,000 ( )  (d) More than Rs. 6,000 ( )

30. Have your income and assets increased after joining SHG?
   (a) Yes ( )  (b) No ( )

31. Has your saving increased after joining SHG?
   (a) Yes ( )  (b) No ( )

32. Did your productive expenditure increase after joining SHG?
   (a) Yes ( )  (b) No ( )

33. Has your debt decreased after joining SHG?
   (a) Yes ( )  (b) No ( )

34. Did your material possession increase after joining SHG?
   (a) Yes ( )  (b) No ( )

(D) WOMEN EMPOWERMENT ATTAINED BY THE SHG MEMBERS

35. Have you ever been involved in decision making of your family?
   (a) Yes ( )  (b) No ( )

   If yes, please specify    _______________
36. Who takes the decision in your family?
   (a) Yourself ( )   (b) Husband( )   (c) Both ( )

37. Is there any difference between your levels of participation before and after your involvement in the SHG project?
   (a) Yes ( )   (b) No ( )
If yes, please specify ______________

38. Please tick the capabilities that you have acquired through SHG
   (a) Flow of Information ( )   (b) Economic Improvement ( )
   (c) Social status ( )   (d) Decision making ( )
   (e) Societal relationship ( )

39. State the social empowerment attained by you
   (a) Highly attained ( )   (b) Moderately attained ( )   (c) Less attained ( )

40. State the economic empowerment attained by you
   (a) Highly attained ( )   (b) Moderately attained ( )   (c) Less attained ( )

41. State the economic empowerment attained by you
   (a) Highly attained ( )   (b) Moderately attained ( )   (c) Less attained ( )
42. Managerial Capabilities of SHG Entrepreneurs and their Training Needs.

Please tick your opinion, regarding your managerial capabilities as entrepreneurs

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43. Please indicate how far you agree or disagree with the following statements by marking a tick in the relevant boxes towards skill attainment.

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<td>I feel ‘leadership quality’ is also an important attribute of a SHG Member</td>
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<td>SHG member’s entrepreneurship skill will be successful, only when there is ‘Govt. assistance’</td>
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44. Please indicate your suggestions __________________________.