APPENDIX IV

Specimen of Scoring procedure

The Superstition Attitude Scale consisted of 30 items or statements on superstitious beliefs, the subjects were asked to respond to the statements recorded positively or negatively. The attitude Scale on five point scale, from strongly agree (SA) to strongly disagree (SD). In the opinionnaire, some statements were positive, that is, favourable on or supporting superstitious beliefs, and some were negative i.e. unfavourable to or against the superstitions beliefs. Favourable statements were scored with 5 marks for SA (strongly agree), 4 marks for A (Agree), 3 marks for uncertain (U), 2 for D (disagree) and 1 mark for SD (strongly disagree). For example : positive statement :

(1) Faith in superstitions makes man confident in the undertaking concerned

Subject has tickmarked (✓) under D (disagree). Hence, in this case, the response carried two marks.

Unfavourable statements were scored in the reverse direction i.e. 1 for SA (strongly agree), 2 for A (agree), 3 for U (uncertain), 4 for D (disagree) and
5 for SD (strongly disagree). For example: Negative statement:

(2) Resort to superstitious beliefs is a sign of an unhealthy mind. 

The subject has ticked (✓) under SD (strongly disagree). Hence, his response would carry five marks.