INTERVIEW SCHEDULE FOR AN ETHNIC GROUP

Identification

1.1 Name:

1.2 Caste:

1.3 Please give details of the household members who are living with you:

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Migration

2.1 How long have you been living in Mandi?

2.2 Where did you/your parents come from?

2.3 What were the circumstances which forced you/your parents to leave your home community?

2.4 In which year did you/your parents leave your home community?

2.5 In which year did you/your parents come to Mandi?

2.6 What were the factors which helped you/your parents to select Mandi as a place of new settlement?

2.7 Who was the person who prompted you/your parents to settle at Mandi?

2.8 Did you/your parents come to Mandi directly from the home community? Yes/No.

2.8.1 If 'No', which was/were the intermediary place/places?

2.9 When you first came to Mandi, who helped in the following?

Regarding Accommodation:

(a) Relatives  (b) Friends of own Ethnic Group
(c) None       (d) Specify if any other
Regarding earning livelihood:

(a) Relatives  (b) Friends of own Ethnic Group
(C) None     (d) Specify if any other

**Socio-economic Status**

3.1 What was the nature of work you/your parents were doing at your home community?

3.2 What was your source of livelihood when you/your parents first came to Mandi?

(i) Shop
(ii) Kiosk
(iii) Rehri
(iv) Hawker

(a) Moving from place to place
(b) At pavement

3.3 When did you move to your present site of work?

3.4 Did you buy it/hire it/constructed it?

3.5 Is the house in which you are staying at present your own (bought it/constructed it) or rented?

3.5.1 If own, when did you construct or buy your house?

3.6 To which of the following income category you belong to?

(i) Upto Rs. 1000 p.m.
(ii) Rs. 1001-3000 p.m.
(iii) Rs. 3001-5000 p.m.
(iv) Above Rs. 5000 p.m.

3.7 Have you got your property insured? Yes/No.

3.7.1 If Yes, for how much?

**Marriage and Birth Ceremonies**

4.1 Did any marriage ceremony take place in your family after coming to Mandi? Yes/No

4.1.1 If Yes, did you invite locals? Yes/No

4.1.2 If 'Yes', did they attend? Yes/No
4.1.3 What was the nature of their participation?

4.2 Did local invite you on their marriage? Yes/No

4.2.1 If Yes, did you attend? Yes/No

4.2.2 What was the nature of your participation?

4.3 Have you discarded any of your marriage customs after coming to Mandi? Yes/No

4.3.1 If Yes, please specify:

4.4 Have you picked up any marriage customs of the locals after coming Mandi? Yes/No

4.4.1 If Yes, please specify:

4.5 Are you in the favour of Namdhari marriages with locals? Yes/No

4.5.1 If Yes, will you like to take of give daughters?

4.6 Did you celebrate any birth ceremonies/birthdays in your family after coming to Mandi? Yes/No

4.6.1 Did you invite locals? Yes/No

4.6.2 If Yes, did they attend? Yes/No

4.6.3 What was the nature of their participation?

4.7 Did local invite you on their birth ceremonies/birthdays? Yes/No

4.7.1 If Yes, did you attend? Yes/No.

4.7.2 What was the nature of your participation?

4.8 Are there any customs of your birth ceremonies which you have discarded after coming to Mandi? Yes/No

4.8.1 If Yes, specify:

4.9 Are there any customs pertaining to your birth ceremonies which you have followed from Locals? Yes/No

4.9.1 If Yes, specify:
Neighbourhood Relations and Friendship with Locals

5.1 People of which ethnic group the respondent has as his neighbours (Physical).
   (i) Only Namdharis
   (ii) Only Locals
   (iii) Mixed Groups:
   (a) More Namdharis few locals
   (b) More Locals few Namdharis

5.2 Do you exchange eatsables with neighbours (social neighbours and physical neighbours)? Yes/No

5.2.1 If Yes, on what occasions?

5.2.2 To which ethnic group yours neighbours belong with whom you exchange eatsables?

5.3 Do you also exchange eatsables with the locals (other than neighbours)? Yes/No

5.3.1 If Yes, on what occasions?

5.4 In case you need something and it is not easily available at a short time or in case of any other emergency do you approach your local neighbours? Yes/No

5.5 Do locals also approach you in case of emergency or if the need arises? Yes/No

5.6 How often do you visit locals home?
   On very special occasions/ Frequently/ Occasionally Never

5.7 How often locals visit your home?
   On very special occasions/ Frequently/ Occasionally Never

5.8 What type of neighbourhood (Physical) you would prefer to have?
   (i) Only Namdharis (ii) Only Locals
   (iii) Mixed Group (iv) Irrespective of ethnic group
5.9 Please give the names of three of your best friends at Mandi:

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5.10 Do you have some local friends? Yes/No
5.10.1 If Yes, how many?
5.10.2 Was there any occasion when you helped your local friend? Yes/No
5.10.3 If Yes, specify:
5.10.4 Was there any occasion when your local friend had helped you? Yes/No
5.10.5 If Yes, specify:
5.10.6 How frequently you meet your local friends? Almost everyday/ Occasionally
5.10.7 Please name the places where you usually meet your local friends:

At each other home/Market/Place of work/Any others

Festivals and Fairs
6.1 Do Locals participate in your festivals? Yes/No
6.1.1 If Yes, which festivals?
6.1.2 What is the nature of their participation?
6.2 Do you participate in local festivals? Yes/No
6.2.1 If Yes, which festivals:
6.2.2 What is the nature of your participation?
6.3 Which of your festivals you have discarded after coming to Mandi?

6.4 Which of the Local festivals, you have started celebrating after coming to Mandi?

6.5 Do you participate in local fairs? Yes/No

6.5.1 If Yes, specify which fairs? Shivratr1/Navratras/Any other specify.

6.5.2 What is the nature of your participation?

Food Habits

7.1 Have you ever eaten any Mandiyali dishes? Yes/No

7.1.1 If Yes, did you relish them? Yes/No

7.1.2 Do you/your wife know how to cook them? Yes/No

7.2 Have you discarded any of your food habits? Yes/No

7.2.1 If Yes, specify:

7.3 Have you picked up any local food habits? Yes/No

7.3.1 If Yes, specify:

Dress

8.1 How often do you put on your traditional dress? Always/Occasionally/Never.

8.2 Do your younger generations put on traditional dress? Yes/No

(i) School going age group: Yes/No
(ii) Those who have crossed school going age: Yes/No

8.3 Have you discarded some of your traditional dresses after coming to Mandi? Yes/No

8.3.1 If Yes, specify:

8.4 Have you picked up some local dresses after coming to Mandi? Yes/No
8.4.1 If Yes, specify:

Language

9.1 Do you understand local dialect Mandiyali? Yes/No
   Very Well/Little bit

9.2 Do you speak local dialect Mandiyali? Yes/No
   Very Well/Little bit

9.3 How often do you speak Mandiyali within your family? Always/Occasionally/Never

9.4 In which language/dialect Locals talk to you? Hindi/Punjabi/Mandiyali

Education

10.1 Where are your children studying:

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10.2 Are you in the favour of giving equal education to sons and daughters?

10.3 Are you in the favour of separate educational institutions for Namdhari children? Yes/No

Religion

11.1 How often you visit your Gurudwara?
   On very special occasions/Usually/Occasionally

11.2 How often you visit your Gurumaharaj?
   On very special occasion/Usually/Occasionally
11.3 Do you also visit Gurudwara of Namdhari's at places other than Mandi? Yes/No

11.3.1 If Yes, specify:

11.4 Do you regularly pay cess (religious donations) to your Guru/Gurudwara? Yes/No

11.4.1 If Yes, how much?

11.5 Do you have any place of worship at your home? Yes/No

11.5.4 If Yes, specify:

11.6 Do you always seek blessings from your Guru/Gurudwara before starting any new venture? Yes/No

11.7 What are the main religious functions which are performed at your family?

11.7.1 Have you ever invited locals on such occasion? Yes/No

11.7.2 If Yes, which function? Yes/No

11.7.3 If Yes, did they attend? Yes/No

11.7.4 What was the nature of their participation?

11.8 Have you ever been invited by locals at their religious functions performed at their family levels? Yes/No

11.8.1 If Yes, which function?

11.8.2 If Yes, did you attend? Yes/No

11.8.3 What was the nature of your participation?

11.9 Do you pay a visit to local temples? Yes/No

11.9.1 If Yes, how frequently?
On very special occasions/Usually/Occasionally

11.10 Do you believe in local Devi-devatas? Yes/No

11.10.1 Do you visit the place of local Devi-devatas? Yes/No

11.10.2 If Yes, how often?
On very special occasions/Usually/Occasionally
11.11 In what respect do you think Namdharis religious preachings/sect differ from that of Hindus?

Political Participation

12.1 Did you cast your vote in the last elections? Yes/No

12.1.1 If Yes, did you cast your vote according to family decision/community decision/Guru Maharaj decision/Self Choice

12.1.2 What was the main consideration while casting vote? Individual/Party

12.2 In case of dispute(criminal or civil) involving Namdharis to whom do you approach?

12.3 In case of dispute(criminal or civil) involving Namdharis and local, to whom do you approach?

12.4 Do you think interests of the Namdharis are well represented in Mandi? Yes/No

12.4.1 If No, specify:

12.5 Are you in the favour of reserve seat for Namdharis in Municipal Committee of Mandi town? Yes/No

Organizational Membership

13.1 Are you member of any local organization? Yes/No

13.1.1 If Yes, please name:

13.1.2 What is the nature of your participation in local organizations?

13.2 Do you contribute in cash or in kind to local organizations?

13.3 What purpose or interest local organizations serve for you?

13.4 Are you member of any formal organization? Yes/No

13.4.1 If Yes, please name:
13.4.2 What is the nature of your participation in formal organizations?

13.5 Do you contribute in cash or in kind to formal organizations? Yes/No

13.6 What purpose or interest formal organizations serve for you?

13.7 Are you member of any ethnic organization? Yes/No

13.7.1 If Yes, please name:

13.7.2 What is the nature of your participation in ethnic organizations?

13.8 Do you contribute in cash or in kind to ethnic organizations? Yes/No

13.9 What purpose or interest ethnic organizations serve for you?

Process of Assimilation

14.1 Are there some traditions and way of life the local people which are not palatable to you? Yes/No

14.1.2 If Yes, specify:

14.2 Are there any traditions and way of life of yours which are not palatable to locals? Yes/No

14.2.1 If Yes, specify:

14.3 Do you feel that local people are maintaining some distance from you? Yes/No

14.3.1 If Yes, elaborate:

14.4 Do you also maintain distance from locals? Yes/No

14.4.1 If Yes, elaborate:

14.5 Do you feel some kind of discrimination and prejudices are being practiced against you? Yes/No

14.5.1 If Yes, elaborate:
14.5.2 What are the factors responsible for this discrimination or prejudices?
(i) Business Rivalry
(ii) Punjab Problem
(iii) Self-confinement
(iv) Different cultural backgrounds
(v) Any other

14.5.3 Have you taken any remedial steps to eliminate this discrimination and prejudices? Yes/No

14.5.4 If Yes, specify:

14.6 Was there any occasion when local people came to your rescue? Yes/No

14.6.1 If Yes, specify:

14.7 Was there any incident in which local people joined hands against you? Yes/No

14.7.1 If Yes, specify:

14.8 Did you ever help locals? Yes/No

14.8.1 If Yes, specify:

14.9 Do you have any complaint against the locals? Yes/No

14.9.1 If Yes, specify:

14.10 What things worry you most in your life here at Mandi?

14.11 After having lived at Mandi for the last several years, have you come to the conclusion that:
(i) It was a bad decision to come to Mandi for settlement
(ii) It was a good decision
(iii) No comment
(iv) Any other

14.12 Did you ever think of leaving this town? Yes/No

14.12.1 If Yes, when and why?

14.13 In end, will you suggest some steps with the help of which there can be cordial relations between Namdhari and local people?
INTERVIEW SCHEDULE FOR THE HOST POPULATION

Identification

1.1 Name:  

1.2 Caste:  

1.3 Please give details of the household members who are living with you:

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1.4 What is total monthly income of your family from all sources?

(i) Upto Rs. 1000  
(ii) Rs. 1001-3000  
(iii) Rs.3001 - 5000  
(iv) Above Rs. 5000.

1.5 Have you got your property insured? Yes/No

1.5.1 If Yes, for how much?

2.1 How long you/your parents have been living in Mandi?

2.2 Since when Namdharis started coming to Mandi?

2.3 When Namdharis came to Mandi who helped them in the following:

2.3.1 Regarding Accommodation:

(a) Relatives  
(b) None  
(c) Friends of their own group  
(d) Locals  
(e) Specify, if any other:

2.3.2 Regarding earning livelihood:

(a) Relatives  
(b) Friends of their own ethnic group.  
(c) None  
(d) Locals  
(e) Specify, if any other:

3.1 What was the nature of work most Namdharis were doing when they first came to Mandi?
3.2 What was the locals reaction towards Namdhari's in the initial stages?

Positive  Indifferent  Negative

3.3 Do you find any change in the socio-economic status of Namdhari's after having settled at Mandi? Yes/No

3.3.1 If Yes, in what respect?

Marriage and Birth Ceremonies

4.1 Have you ever invited Namdhari's on the eve of any marriage in your family? Yes/No

4.1.1 If Yes, did they attend?  Yes/No

4.1.2 What was the nature of their participation?

4.2 Did Namdhari's ever invite you on their marriage ceremonies? Yes/No

4.2.1 If Yes, did you attend? Yes/No

4.2.2 What was the nature of your participation?

4.3 Have you discarded any of your marriage customs in recent past? Yes/No

4.3.1 If Yes, please specify;

4.4 Have you picked up any marriage customs of Namdhari's? Yes/No

4.4.1 If Yes, specify:

4.5 Do you think that Namdhari's have adopted any of the marriage customs of the locals? Yes/No

4.5.1 If Yes, specify:
4.6 Are you in the favour of Local's marriages with Namdhari's? Yes/No

4.6.1 If Yes, will you like to take or give daughters?

4.7 Did you invite Namdhari's on eve of any birth ceremonies/birthdays? Yes/No

4.7.1 If Yes, did they attend? Yes/No

4.7.2 What was the nature of their participation?

4.8 Did Namdhari's ever invite you on their birth ceremonies/birthday? Yes/No

4.8.1 If Yes, did you attend? Yes/No

4.8.2 What was the nature of your participation?

4.9 Have you discarded any of your birth functions in the recent past? Yes/No

4.9.1 If Yes, specify:

4.10 Have you picked up any of Namdhari's birth customs? Yes/No

4.10.1 If Yes, specify:

Neighbourhood and Friendship

5.1 Do you exchange eatables with neighbours(social and physical)? Yes/No

5.1.1 If Yes, on what occasions?

5.1.2 To which ethnic group your neighbours belong to with whom you exchange eatables?

5.2 Do you exchange eatables with Namdhari's? Yes/No

5.2.1 If Yes, on what occasions?

5.3 In case you need something and it is not easily available at a short time or in case of any other emergency do you approach Namdharis? Yes/No
5.4 Do Namdhari also approach you in case of emergency or the need arises? Yes/No

5.5 How often do you visit Namdharis home?
On very special occasions/Occasionally/Frequently/ Never.

5.6 How often Namdharis visit your home?
On very special occasions/Occasionally/Frequently/ Never.

5.7 What type of Neighbourhood (Physical) you would prefer to have:
(i) Local only
(ii) Mixed Group
(iii) Irrespective of the ethnic group

5.8 Do you have some Namdhari friends? Yes/No

5.8.1 If Yes, how many?

5.8.2 Was there any occasion when you helped your Namdhari friend? Yes/No

5.8.3 If Yes, specify:

5.8.4 Was there any occasion when your Namdhari friend had helped you? Yes/No

5.8.5 If Yes, specify:

5.8.6 How frequently you meet your Namdhari friend? Almost everyday/Occasionally

5.8.7 Please name the places where you usually meet your Namdhari friends:
At each other's home/Market/Place of work/Any other

Festivals

6.1 Do Namdharis participate in your festivals? Yes/No

6.1.1 If Yes, which festivals?
6.1.2 What is the nature of their participation?

6.2 Do you participate in Namdhari festivals? Yes/No
6.2.1 If Yes, which festivals?
6.2.2 What is the nature of your participation?
6.3 Have you discarded a few of your festivals? Yes/No
6.3.1 If Yes, specify:
6.4 Have you picked up any festivals of Namdhari? Yes/No
6.4.1 If Yes, specify:

Language and Education

7.1 In which language Namdhari talk to you?
   Hindi/Punjabi/ Mandiyali
7.2 In which language you talk to Namdhari?
   Hindi/Punjabi/ Mandiyali
7.3 Do you find any change in Namdhari's conversations after they came to Mandi? Yes/No
7.3.1 If Yes, explain:
7.4 Do you find any change in Namdhari's attitudes regarding formal education after they came to Mandi? Yes/No
7.4.1 If Yes, specify:

Religion

8.1 Do you have any place of worship at your home? Yes/No
8.1.1 If Yes, specify:
8.2 What are the main religious functions which are performed at your house?
8.3 Have you ever invited Namdhari to your religious function? Yes/No
8.3.1 If Yes, on which religious function?
8.3.2 If Yes, did they attend? Yes/No
8.3.3 If Yes, what was the nature of their participation?
8.4 Have Namdhari's ever invited you on their religious functions? Yes/No
8.4.1 If Yes, which religious functions?
8.4.2 Did you attend? Yes/No
8.4.3 If Yes, what was the nature of your participation?
8.5 In what respect do you perceive Namdhari's religion differs from that of yours?

Organizational Membership
9.1 Are you member of any local organizations? Yes/No.
9.1.1 If Yes, please name:
9.1.2 What is the nature of your participation in local organizations?
9.2 Do you contribute in cash or in kind to local organizations? Yes/No
9.3 What purpose or interest local organizations serve for you?
9.4 Are you member of any formal organizations? Yes/No
9.4.1 If Yes, please name:
9.4.2 What is the nature of your participation in formal organizations?
9.5 Do you contribute in cash or in kind to formal organizations? Yes/No
9.6 What purpose or interest formal organizations serve for you?
9.7 Are you member of any Namdhari organization? Yes/No
9.7.1 If Yes, please name?

9.7.2 What is the nature of your participation in Namdhari organizations?

9.8 Do you contribute in cash or in kind to Namdhari organizations? Yes/No

9.9 What purpose or interest Namdhari organizations serve for you?

9.10 Will you like a Namdhari to be your elected representative? Yes/No

Assimilation Process

10.1 Are there some traditions and way of life of the Namdharis which are not palatable to you? Yes/No

10.1.1 If yes, specify:

10.2 Are there any traditions and way of life of yours which are not palatable to Namdharis? Yes/No

10.2.1 If Yes, specify:

10.3 Do you maintain distance from Namdharis? Yes/No

10.3.1 If Yes, elaborate how and why?

10.4 Do you feel that Namdharis are maintaining some distance from you (Locals)? Yes/No

10.4.1 If Yes, specify how and why?

10.5 Was there any occasion when you helped Namdhari? Yes/No

10.5.1 If Yes, specify:

10.6 Was there any occasion when you had dispute with Namdhari? Yes/No

10.6.1 If Yes, specify:

10.7 Was there any occasion when Namdhari came for your help? Yes/No
10.7.1 If Yes, specify:

10.8 Do you have any complaint against Namdhari? Yes/No

10.8.1 If Yes, specify:

10.9 In end, will you suggest some steps with the help of which there can be cordial relations between Namdharis and local people?