Annexure-II

Interview Schedule for the Female Representatives of the PRIs

1. Name ......................

2. Representatives of District/ Block/ Village ......................

3. Position held in the PRIs ......................

4. Age
   1. 21-30 years
   2. 31-40 years
   3. 41-50 years
   4. 51 years and above

5. Category
   1. General
   2. SC
   3. BC
   4. Any other

6. Educational Qualification
   1. Illiterate/Can sign name only
   2. Primary/Middle/Metric/10+2
   3. Graduate/Post graduate
   4. Technical degree/diploma

7. Average Monthly Income of the Family
   1. Less than Rs. 5,000/-
   2. Rs. 5,001/- to Rs. 10,000/-
   3. Rs. 10,001/- to Rs. 20,000/-
   4. More than Rs. 20,000/-

8. Respondents Political Background
   1. Member of a Political Party
   2. Member of a Pressure Group
   3. Member of a Local Group
   4. Independent

VIII
9. Who persuaded you to become a Representative of Panchayati Raj Institutions?
   1. Own decision
   2. Persuaded by friends
   3. Persuaded by family members
   4. Persuaded by the political party

10. Did you take interest in village problems before becoming the Representative of PRIs?
    1. Yes, to a large extent
    2. Yes, to some extent
    3. Very rarely
    4. Never

11. Are you aware of the main provisions of the 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act, 1992?
    1. Yes
    2. To a large extent
    3. To lesser extent
    4. Not aware

12. Are you aware of the main provision of the Haryana Panchayati Raj Act, 1994
    1. Yes
    2. To a large extent
    3. To lesser extent
    4. Not aware

13. As representative of PRI, are you aware of your powers and functions?
    1. Yes
    2. To a large extent
    3. To lesser extent
    4. Not aware

14. What is your main source of getting information on general political issues?
    1. Media (including TV/Radio/Newspaper/Magazine)
    2. Political party
    3. Family members
4. Friends/Colleagues

15. What is your source of getting information regarding the government schemes for the rural areas?
1. Government officials
2. Media (including TV/Radio/Newspaper/Magazine)
3. Political party
4. Friends/Family/Colleagues

16. How often do you attend meetings of the PRIs?
1. Regularly
2. Very often
3. Very rarely
4. No

17. What remains the main hurdle in attending meetings of the PRIs?
1. Busy in family work
2. Do not bother about meetings
3. Diffidence
4. Dominating/Bias attitude of the male representatives

18. How often do you speak in the meetings of PRIs?
1. All meetings
2. Very often
3. Very rarely
4. No

19. Have you ever raised an issue in the meetings of PRIs?
1. All meetings
2. Very often
3. Very rarely
4. No

20. What type of issues have you raised?
1. Social issues
2. Economic issues
3. Welfare issues

X
4. Development issues

21. How Male Representatives of the PRIs react to your raising issues?
   1. Give attention
   2. Do not pay attention
   3. Ignore your views/Indifferent
   4. Make derogatory remark

22. How do you make yourself heard?
   1. Repeat the issue
   2. Walkout
   3. Protest by speaking loudly
   4. Remain silent

23. What type of gathering you have addressed?
   1. Only in meetings of PRIs
   2. While canvassing/During election campaign
   3. Special occasion (Festivals/V.I.P. visits etc.)
   4. Never addressed any such gathering

24. Your participation in the PRIs meetings provide you an opportunity to:
   1. Express your views about important issues
   2. To make efforts for meeting the needs and demands of the area
   3. To work for the welfare of the people
   4. To make your presence felt

25. How often you consult the local people while making the rural development plans for your area?
   1. Regularly
   2. Very often
   3. Very rarely
   4. No

26. In your opinion, what is the main impediment in the empowerment of the PRIs?
   1. Financial difficulties
   2. Administrative difficulties
   3. Disunity among representatives of PRIs

XI
4. Political interference

27. In your perception, which is the main problem in the development of your area?
   1. Lack of public cooperation
   2. Dearth of good rural leaders
   3. Lack of public unanimity on general issues
   4. Illiteracy among the people

28. Which measure do you suggest to pave the way for development of your area?
   1. Mobilizing popular participation
   2. Encouraging local leadership
   3. Drawing public consensus on general issues
   4. Spread of education

29. How often local people approach you with their problems?
   1. Regularly
   2. Very often
   3. Very rarely
   4. No

30. How often you have been able to redress the grievances of the people, who approached you?
   1. Always
   2. Very often
   3. Very rarely
   4. Never

31. Do the Male Members of the area approach you with the local problems?
   1. Yes
   2. Very often
   3. Very rarely
   4. Never

32. To help the people, do you depend upon your husband or family members?
   1. Yes
   2. To a large extent
   3. To lesser extent

XII
33. How far your social status got elevated after becoming the Representative of the PRIs?
   1. Significant elevation
   2. Moderate elevation
   3. Slight elevation
   4. No elevation

34. After being elected to the PRIs, do you perceive any positive change in the attitude of the people of your area, in general towards you?
   1. Yes, to a large extent
   2. Yes, to some extent
   3. Indifferent
   4. No

35. Being a Representative of PRIs, what type of problems are you facing in your personal life?
   1. Children are not properly looked after
   2. Housework is neglected
   3. No time left for personal care
   4. Occupation suffers

36. Your spouse or family is happy with your participation in public life?
   1. Yes
   2. To a large extent
   3. To lesser extent
   4. No

37. Do you think that male Representatives of PRIs tilt the decisions as they wish to?
   1. Yes, to a large extent
   2. Yes, to some extent
   3. No
   4. No opinion

38. Do you think that Caste plays an important role in electing panchayat leaders of PRIs?
1. Yes, to a large extent
2. Yes, to some extent
3. No
4. No opinion

39. Do you think that the Representation given to the SCs in the PRIs is adequate?
   1. Yes, to a large extent
   2. Yes, to some extent
   3. Not adequate
   4. No opinion

40. How often have you travelled outside your village to attend meeting as part of your official responsibility?
   1. Regularly
   2. Very often
   3. Very rarely
   4. Never

41. When you travel outside for a meeting, who accompany you?
   1. Family members
   2. Colleagues
   3. Officials
   4. Alone/No one

42. How often do you meet the Panchayati Raj Officials concerned with your area?
   1. Regularly
   2. Very often
   3. Very rarely
   4. Never

43. What kind of attitude the Officials have towards you?
   1. Co-operative/Responsive
   2. Disrespectful
   3. Indifferent
   4. Undecided

XIV
44. How often do you meet the MLAs/MPs of your area to push the local
development schemes?
1. Regularly
2. Very often
3. Very rarely
4. Never