A study on The Problems of Rural youth in Higher Education in Batala city (Gurdaspur District), Punjab

Interview Schedule for students

Q. 1. Name
   1.1 College
   1.2 Sex Male / Female
   1.4 Class
   1.5 Roll No.
   1.6 Academic record of the respondent

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1.7 Any distinction / prize won so far

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1.8 Father’s Name
1.9 Mother’s Name
1.10 Details about the family.

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Q. 2 Do you have separate room for study at home?  
Yes / No

2.1 When you are busy in studies, what is the attitude of your parents?  
(a) They don’t disturb you at all.  
(b) They want you to help in domestic chores/agricultural work.  
(c) They are indifferent.  
(d) They don’t disturb during exams only.  
(e) Any other

2.2 What do your parents do about your educational needs?  
(a) They immediately try to fulfill demands related to your education.  
(b) They want you to wait for some time.  
(c) They try to convince you that you can manage without these things.  
(d) They tell you that they cannot afford these and you better discontinue your education.  
(f) Any other
2.3 When your parents do not understand your educational needs, how you cope with your problems at home? (You can tick more than one)
(a) You try to convince your parents?
(b) You try to find some sources to earn money, e.g. taking tuitions etc.
(c) You try to take help from your teachers.
(d) Any other.

2.4 Out of the following, your father will prefer to spend on. (Please give ranks)
(a) Marriage of Children.
(b) Family functions
(c) Education of Children (only sons or both sons and daughters)
(d) Clothes
(e) Any other.

2.5 Out of the following, your mother will prefer to spend on. (Please give ranks)
(a) Marriage of Children
(b) Family Functions
(c) Education of Children (only sons or both)
(d) Clothes
(e) Any other.

2.6 What is more important for your family? (You can tick more than one)
(a) To get you a good life partner.
(b) To get you a good Job.
(c) To get you a good educational degree.
(d) Any other.
2.7 For educational matters, who is the most helpful in your family?
   (a) Father  (b) Mother
   (c) Sister  (d) Brother
   (e) Any other.

2.8 When you are unable to get good marks, what do you do?
   (You can tick more than one)
   (a) You try to hide your marks from your parents.
   (b) You give your parents wrong information.
   (c) You tell everything clearly.
   (e) Nobody bothers about it.
   (f) Any other

2.9 How do you come to college?
   (a) By bus
   (b) By rickshaw
   (c) By scooter / motor cycle
   (d) Any other mode.

2.10 What problems do you face on the way when you come by bus?
     (You can tick more than one)
   (a) Bus drivers and conductors are very rude.
   (b) Eve-teasing is very common.
   (c) Buses are over crowded.
   (d) Drivers and Conductors treat girls differently than boys.
     Explain how?
   (g) You get late for college due to insufficient bus service.
   (h) You don’t get money easily for bus.
   (i) Any other
2.11 If you face any problem in the bus,
(You can tick more than one)
(a) Your college mates (boys/girls) come forward to help you.
(b) Drivers and Conductors help you.
(c) Co-passengers are good to you.
(d) You tell your parents.
(e) Your college mates also join in teasing you.
(f) Any other.

2.12 Are you attending your classes regularly?
Mostly/almost/not so regular/not regular at all

2.13 Do you teachers give comments in the class on the basis of ...
(a) Gender
(b) Caste
(c) Class (Rich/Poor)
(d) Urban – rural background
(e) Type of schooling.

2.14 If you have any problems in the college, how do you cope with these?
(a) You try to solve your problems yourself.
(b) You seek the help of your teachers.
(c) You take the help from your friends.
(d) You go to student union.
(e) You tell the whole matter to your parents.
(f) Any other

2.15 If you don’t get good marks, what is the reaction of your teachers?
(a) They give extra time to the weak students.
(b) They are indifferent and don’t bother about your marks.
2.16 How are the educated people treated in your village?
(a) Educated people get more respect and they bring pride to their families.
(b) Educated people are not willing to help their parents in agricultural work.
(c) Higher education is a hurdle in the way of the marriage of the girls.
(d) Education spoils them.
(e) Any other

2.17 If you are weak in English, do you consider it a major handicap in academic and social situations?
Often/Sometimes/Never
If yes, then what you do to solve this hardship?
(a) You try to learn English.
(b) You feel ashamed of it and become an introvert.
(c) You fight with students who point out this weakness in you.
(d) Any other way adopted to cope

Q. 3 How do you think higher education is going to help you in life?
(a) It will help in the choice of a good career.
(b) It will enhance your social status.
(c) It will help in getting a good life partner.
(d) It will help you to avoid rural-based work.
(e) It will help you to earn money.
(f) It will help you to go abroad.
3.1 Do you think that higher education makes people more career conscious?
Yes / No / Not sure

3.2 What is your future plan?
(a) Your own ________________________________
(b) Your parents
   (i) Your father's ________________________________
   (ii) Your mother's ________________________________

Q. 4 Enlist the major problems of Punjab at the present time.

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4.1 Do you know any person who takes drugs?
Yes / No

4.2 Which drugs are commonly used by youth in rural areas of Punjab?
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4.3 Do you think that drug addiction among youth is a problem in Punjab?
Yes / No

4.4 Enlist the reasons for the problem of drug addiction in Punjab.
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4.5 Have you tasted any drug?
Yes / No

4.6 Are you in favour of dowry system?
Yes / No / Indefinite

4.7 Will you give or accept dowry in your marriage?
1. Certainly yes
2. Depends on parents or income
3. Certainly not
4. Any other.

4.8 Do you know any boy or girl who has refused to give or accept dowry in his / her marriage?
Yes / No
If yes, Please specify:

4.9 How do you think that problem of dowry can be solved?
(a) With love marriage.
(b) If young generation takes stand against it
(c) When laws against dowry are strictly implemented.
(d) When boy’s/girl’s parents or both refuse to give/take dowry.
(e) When boy/girl both refuse to take or give dowry.
(f) Any other suggestion.

4.10 Is equality between genders possible?
Yes / No / to some extent / Any other.
4.11 Do you think that man is a born master and he should dominate in relationship with the woman?
(a) Certainly yes
(b) Certainly no
(c) To some extent
(d) Any other

4.12 Do you think that boys should be given more opportunities in education as they are going to become bread winners for the family?
(a) Certainly Yes
(b) Certainly no
(c) To some extent
(d) Any other

4.13 Some people think that it is better to kill your daughter in the womb than to give her a life full of sufferings. Do you agree?
Yes / No / To some extent

4.14 Have you heard of any instance of female foeticide in your area / village?
Yes / No

4.15 Do you feel that killing someone for the sake of family honour in the name of caste or religion is justified?
(a) Justified at all
(b) Not at all justified
(c) Justified in exceptional cases if C, specify those exceptional cases.
4.16 Do you think writing caste with the name is very important?
Yes / No
If yes, why?

4.17 Why students, especially Jat Sikhs write their caste on their vehicles? (You can tick more than one)
(a) They want to show that they are from a higher caste.
(b) They have nothing else to show to impress girls.
(c) It adds to their style.
(d) Anything else you want to mention in this regard.

Q. 5. If you are given a choice, which college you will prefer to get admission in?

Your own
(a) Co-Educational
(b) Girls College
(c) Boys College

Your parents
(a) Co-Educational
(b) Girls College
(c) Boys College

5.1 Do you think that your parents give more importance to your brother’s/sister’s education than yours?
Yes / No / Not sure

5.2 Do you think that whenever your parents find a good match for you, they will discontinue your study and marry you off?
Yes / No / Not sure / any other
5.3 Being a girl / boy, Do you feel, ...
(a) Inferior
(b) Proud of yourself
(c) Deprived of social opportunities.
(d) Weaker sex
(e) Ashamed of yourself.

5.4 Do your parents feel that highly qualified girls do not find good marriage partner?
Yes / No
Do you also agree?
Yes / No

5.5 How you think higher education is going to help you?
(You can tick more than one)
(a) It will make you independent and confident.
(b) It will help you to get respect from society.
(c) It will help you to get job.
(d) It will help you to get a good life partner.
(e) It will make you sensitive and sensible.
(f) It will make you smart.

5.6 Do you think being a girl / boy, you are facing more problems while traveling by bus?
Yes / No
If yes, what makes you say so?
Relate any incident—

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5.7 What is the attitude of your village people regarding your education?
(a) Encouraging
(b) Discouraging
(c) Varying in different situations
(d) Indifferent
(e) Any other

5.8 Do your close relatives encourage you to go for higher studies?
Yes / No / indifferent / any other
Please specify.

5.9 Do you think your village elders view education for girls and boys differently?
Yes / No / Not sure / any other

5.10 While choosing your mate in marriage, which of the following attributes would be important for you?
(a) Educational Qualifications
(b) Physical appearance
(c) Financial status of family
(d) Political status of family
(e) Occupational status
(f) Urban residence
(g) Size of the family
(h) Any other.

Thank you.

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