APPENDIX

INTERVIEW SCHEDULE

A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF POLITICAL AWARENESS AMONG
TWO LAMANI SETTLEMENTS OF BELLARY DISTRICT

I. Personal Information:

a) Name :

b) Caste :

c) Age :

d) Marital Status : married/bachelor/spinster/widowed.

e) Occupation : Household/Farmer/Tenant/

Agricultural labourer/Any other

f) Income : a) Rs. 500 to 1,000

b) Rs. 1,000 to 2,000

c) Rs. 2,000 to 3,000

d) Rs. 3,000 to 4,000

e) Rs. 4,000 and above

g) Education : Primary school/high school/

pre-university/bachelor's degree/

post-graduation/doctoral degree/

and others.
II. Family Background and other Related Information:

a) Family Information:

1. Total number
2. Relations (specify)
3. Age
4. Dependents
5. Earning members (specify)
6. Total income
7. Type of family: Nuclear family/Joint family

b) Land and House:

1. Do you own a house? yes/no
2. If yes what type:
3. Do you consider it? big/small/medium
4. Do you own land? yes/no
5. If yes specify the size:
6. Do you own agricultural implements? yes/no
7. If yes, indicate the nature of implements:
   - oxen/bufaloes/traditional plough/fodder
   - machine/cane crushing-machine/tractor.

c) Material Consumption:

1. Specify the fuel you use.
2. Specify the utensils you use.
3. What kinds of furniture you have in your house? specify.
4. Do you use cosmetics? yes/no

5. Which of the following items do you have?
   a) Radio
   b) Tape-recorder
   c) Vehicle/bicycle/motor bike/luna/moped/scooter/any other
   d) T.V.
   e) any other, specify

III. Mass Media and Exposure:
   a) Which of the following language:
      1. Can you speak? Hindi/English/Lamani/Kannada/Tamil/any other
      2. Can you write? Hindi/English/Lamani/Kannada/Tamil/any other
      3. Can you read? Hindi/English/Lamani/Kannada/Tamil/any other
   b) How far have you travelled for marriage/marketing/or other purpose?
      Nearby villages/towns/cities/neighbouring states/other states/nowhere.
   c) What is the frequency of your visit to these places?
      frequently/occasionally/rarely/not visited at all
   d) Do you listen to radio?
      regularly/occasionally/never
e) If yes, where? Have you your own? /
   At some one's house /At some shop/
   At the local temple.

f) What is your favourite radio programme?
   national international news/local news/
   entertainment programmes/rural programmes/
   sports/and any other.

g) Do you read newspapers? regularly/occasionally/never
   If yes, where? purchase/at some shop/by borrowing
   from some.

h) Which newspaper do you read?
   regional language newspaper/English language
   newspapers.

i) Generally, which news in the newspapers do you
   read with maximum interest?
   national - international news/local news/entertainment
   news/editorials and reviews/business news/advertisement
   column/and any other.

j) Do you go to cinema? frequently/occasionally/never

IV. Political Knowledge:

   a) Of which place do you consider yourself citizen to be?
      India/Karnataka/Bellary, Specify.
b) Which are the important neighbouring countries of India? (Specify).

c) What are the dates of Independence and Republic days in India?
   1. Independence day
   2. Republic day

d) What is the tenure of M.L.A. and member of Parliament (Lok Sabha)?

e) What is the voting age in India?

f) Please give the names of the following in India:
   1. President
   2. Vice President
   3. Prime Minister
   4. Chief Minister of Karnataka.

V. Political Opinion:

a) Please give the name of the father of the nation:

b) Please give three names of some great leaders of the countries you know:

c) Please give the name of some of the world leaders you know:

   Name  Country

   

d) In your opinion, who are the friendly and enemy countries of India? Specify

   Friendly  Enemy
e) Please give the most important national and international events of the last five years you know:
f) What are the most urgent socio-economic and political problems of the country?

VI. Political Interest:

a) Do you take interest in what: much/little/average/people say and do during election?
b) Do you show interest in: much/little/average/knowing the election results?
c) Do you take interest in knowing: much/little/average/the events whenever there is any political turmoil?
d) Do you take interest in: much/little/average/discussing political matters?
e) Do you take interest in knowing: much/little/average/local and national problems.

VII. Political Identification And Participation:

a) Please name the ideal leader. Specify the reason for your choice of the leader.
b) Please name the leaders whom you think to be the well-wishers of Scheduled Tribes. Specify the reason for your choice.
c) Which political ideology you believe in?
   democracy/socialism/dictatorship/monarchy/
or any others.

d) Name the party which corresponds to your ideology?

e) Are you a supporter or a member of any political party?
   No/supporter/full member/alternate member/
office holder.

f) Have you at any time changed political parties?
   yes/no

g) If yes, why did you leave that party? Give reasons.

h) Please give the names and clans of those leaders
   with whom you have maximum social contacts?

   Name                     Clan

i) What is the nature of your party activities?
   fund collection/enrolling members/propagating
   party ideals/organising processions and meetings/
   election propaganda/attending meetings/any other

j) Which political party you supported during elections?
   yes/no

1. If yes, for which party, how and why? Specify.

2. At whose insistence did you work for political parties?
   Own clan members/leaders in the settlement/friends/
   family elders/any other. Specify.
k) How many times you have voted in elections?

1. Panchayat elections:
2. Assembly elections:
3. Parliamentary elections:
   a) Have you been prevented from voting at any time during election? yes/no
   b) Has any one compelled you to vote for a particular party or person? yes/no

1. Do you talk about political affairs related to:
   a) a village faction,      b) clan factions,
   c) regional faction,      d) nyaya punchayats,
   e) assembly,              f) parliament.
   g) national and international politics.

1. Besides election activities, which other political activities do you participate in? Specify.

VIII. Entry to Leadership:

a) What are your social-political activities?
   social service/party work/election propaganda/
   social education/factional politics/community programmes/any other.

b) Since how many years you have been taking interest in politics?

   Time          Manner

1. Have you contested in any election? yes/no.
2. If yes, then in how many elections you have won.

   Number contested       Number won.

C) What is your present position in Gram Panchayat?

   ordinary member/up-pradhan/pradhan/any other.

   1) Did you contest the present election

   2) Prior to this did you hold any position

      in the Panchayat? yes/no

   3) If yes, for how many years did you

      hold this position?

   4) On whose insistence did you contest

      the present election?

      own clan/own function/family/

      friends/own initiative/party/other.

   d) Who supported you in the election. Give details?

   e) Which was the most significant factor in your

      winning the election? support

      support of clan/party support/mohalla support/

      personal influence/education/efficiency/

      previous activities/age/division among other

      castes/factionalism/personal popularity

      any other.

   f) Which clan opposed you in the village?

      a) influential member of the clan
      b) others inimical to you

      c) vested interests.
g) Who supported you in the elections?
progressive members of the clan/friends and
well-wishers/relatives/friendly political parties.

IX. Functional Effectivity:

a) In terms of effectiveness do you consider
yourself to be a:
factional leader/charismatic or popular leader/
district leader/state leader/community leader/
national leader.

b) Why do people in the Lamani settlement accept
you as a leader?

c) Why do the people from outside the settlement accept
more land/more votes/honesty/political influence/
personal influence/clan dominance/wealth/education/
any other.

d) How much importance is given to your advice?

e) How much importance is given to your advice?
very much/much/average/less/not at all

Education
Housing
Agriculture
Civic amenities
Election matters
Socio-cultural
Any other

f) How do others in your Lamani settlement look upon your leadership?
scornful/indifferent/neglecting/respectful/
supportive/any other.

X. Peoples Orientation: Do you agree with the following statements?

a) One should not hesitate in intermixing with people of other clans than one's own clan. agree/disagree

b) Most of the problems of society are due to relaxation of the restrictions of clan agree/disagree

c) If educated and earning the boy and the girl should be forced to marry anyone in the clan they like agree/disagree

d) As far as possible one should vote for his own clan or community agree/disagree

e) Intelligence, manners and bravery depend upon clan socialization agree/disagree

f) A little sympathy with other clan(s) makes them arrogant and rowdy agree/disagree
2. Regionalism: Do you agree with the following statements?

   a) The events and problems surrounding man are more important than national and international events agree/disagree

   b) May be that local needs do not coincide, with national needs but they should be given more importance agree/disagree

   c) Even if they are detrimental to the interests of a particular settlement, development plans should serve the wider interests of the nation agree/disagree

   d) For the development of the settlement, even if the leaders have to leave the party they should not hesitate to do so agree/disagree

   e) The leaders should attend more to the problems of their regional settlement rather than taking interest in national issues agree/disagree

3. Fatalism: Do you agree with the following statements?

   a) One may do whatever he likes but gets only what is destined agree/disagree
b) One's sickness and disease are the consequences of his previous life agree/disagree

c) None can harm a person protected by God agree/disagree

d) In life, prayer is more significant than action agree/disagree

e) Being rich or poor is a matter of luck, one cannot do anything agree/disagree

4. Superstition: Do you agree with the following statements?

a) Where everything fails, (Occult treatment) proves miraculous agree/disagree

b) Faith in ghosts and spirits is nonsense agree/disagree

c) As far as possible one should do everything after consulting an astrologer for an auspicious day (Muhurat) agree/disagree

d) To believe in the effects of crossing by a cat or sneezing is nothing but foolishness agree/disagree

5. Achievement Orientation: Do you agree with the following statements?

a) Money provides comfort and status in life agree/disagree
b) Ends are more important than means for success in life

agree/disagree

c) Rather than imitating others one should be satisfied with what one has

agree/disagree

d) The charm of life is being thirsty and not in accumulating money

agree/disagree

6. Development Orientation: Do you agree with the following statements?

a) Maintaining healthy relations and harmony in different communities is more essential than the achievement of socio-economic progress.

agree/disagree

b) The programmes of socio-economic upliftment should be abandoned if they adversely affect the sweetness of personal human relations

agree/disagree

c) Whatever be their importance, the plans and policies which hurt the sentiments of the people should be dropped

agree/disagree
d) The programmes of economic development which cause hardship to the people should be dropped

agree/disagree

e) Efforts must be made to take people into confidence before programmes are implemented

agree/disagree

f) The programmes which are not in the interest of the people should not be implemented

agree/disagree

7. Conflict Orientation: Do you agree with the following statements?

a) The rich and the poor suffer from clan bias and cannot be one

agree/disagree

b) The exploitation of the weaker sections cannot be stopped without conflict and organised opposition

agree/disagree

8. Orientation to Revolution: Do you agree with the following statements?

a) Social welfare programmes should be implemented without coercion

agree/disagree

b) Programmes disliked by the people should not be implemented

agree/disagree
c) Those who do not cooperate in social welfare programmes should be taken to task agree/disagree
d) Basic social changes are essential in society agree/disagree
e) Traditions should be maintained but not at the expense of progress agree/disagree

X. Sense of Political Efficacy: Do you agree with the following statements?

a) The victory or defeat of any party depends on the votes of weaker sections agree/disagree

b) It is due to our solid votes that the government cares so much for our sentiments and wishes agree/disagree

c) Voting by the weaker sections is a must for their political dominance and show of strength agree/disagree

d) Weaker sections and minorities can change the government as and when they like agree/disagree
XI. **Confidence in People:**

a) Do people go to leaders with their problems and difficulties? yes/no

b) Do the people pressurize the leaders for unjust demands? yes/no

c) Do people expect leaders to be intelligent and above board? yes/no

d) Do people take an objective and impartial view in matters of national interest? yes/no

e) Do people support controversial leaders mainly on the basis of work done by them in public interest? yes/no

f) Do people understand their political and civic responsibilities? yes/no

g) Do people have the capability to distinguish between selfish leaders and leaders committed to public welfare? yes/no

XII. **Confidence in Leadership:** Do you agree with the following statements?

a) Most of the leaders are impartial and selfish agree/disagree
b) Most of the leaders do not work sincerely in the interest of the public agree/disagree

c) Leaders are less conscious of their obligations and duties to the people agree/disagree

d) Leaders are devoted and committed to their work if their personal interest is at stake agree/disagree

e) Most of the leaders sacrifice their personal interest for public welfare agree/disagree

XIII. **Ideal Leaders:** Do you agree with the following statements?

a) The position of a leader can improve only by devoted work and not by political coercion agree/disagree

b) Even if it harms a leader he should place all the facts before the public agree/disagree

c) A successful leader is one who accepts his mistakes publicly agree/disagree

d) A leader can be successful by appearing to the higher-ups or developing vested interest agree/disagree
e) A leader can serve better by preserving his position by using all means at his disposal agree/disagree

f) A leader should avoid taking decision on any matter which is against his principles agree/disagree

g) The success of a leader lies in getting things done and not merely in honest dealings agree/disagree

h) If by changing the party a leader can better serve the people he should do it agree/disagree

i) If a leader is efficient in his work one should not mind small instances of dishonesty agree/disagree

XIV. Identification of problems:

a) In your opinion what are the major problems of rural society? Briefly specify.

b) What problems of people should be brought to the attention of the leader? Briefly specify.

c) Work in public interest involves sacrifice and self-denial yes/no
d) On the basis of your own experience, can you really do something for the welfare of the village? yes/no

e) Can you implement policies and programmes irrespectively of the support of the people? yes/no

XV. Institutional Viability:

a) What is your opinion about the role of panchayat raj institutions such as panchayats and zilla parishads? much/average/not at all

b) Are you satisfied with the leaders connected with panchayat raj? at all

c) How do you rate the role of M.L.As and M.Ps? much/average/not at all

d) What is your perception of the role of district officials? much/average/not at all

e) How do you look upon the role of government in social development? much/average/not at all

XVI. Awareness (Specific)

a) Do you know the various constitutional safeguards provided to weaker sections? yes/no

If yes, please specify with illustrations.
b) Do you know the laws enacted to prevent untouchability? yes/no

c) If yes, please specify and give illustrations

d) Do you know that political reservations are provided to weaker sections? yes/no

e) If yes, what is the percentage of reservation for them at Panchayat, assembly and parliamentary levels? yes/no

f) Do you know that the children of weaker sections (Lamanis) are provided reservation in educational institutions? yes/no

g) If yes, how much?

h) What are the other educational facilities given to the children of the weaker sections (Lamanis)

i) Do you know of reservation of jobs, and services provided to weaker sections? yes/no

j) If yes, how much?

XVII. Need of Scheduled Castes:

a) In your opinion, what are the major problems of weaker sections (Lamanis) in your Lamani settlement?

b) What programmes do you want to implement for the weaker sections? (Lamanis)
c) Do you get peoples support in working for the welfare of the weaker sections (Lamanis) yes/no
d) How much support do you command in getting any work related to: much/mild/not at all weaker sections (Lamanis) done from the panchayat?
e) On the basis of your experience can you really do something for: yes/no the weaker sections (Lamanis) in your settlement?
f) What difficulties do you face in working for the weaker sections (Lamanis) in your own settlement?
g) Are you satisfied with the role: much/average/not at all of panchayat raj institutions such as panchayat and zilla parishad in the welfare of the weaker section (Lamanis)?
h) Are you satisfied with the role: much/average/not at all of leader connected with panchayat raj in the welfare of weaker sections (Lamanis settlement)?
i) Are you satisfied with the role: much/average/not at all of MLAs and M.Ps in the welfare of weaker sections? (Lamanis)
j) Are you satisfied with the role: much/average/not at all of district administration officials in the welfare of weaker sections? (Lamanis settlement)

k) Are you satisfied with the: much/average/not at all role of the government in the welfare of weaker sections (Lamanis).

l) On whose support would you: common people/influentials/political leaders/government like to depend on the welfare of the weaker sections (Lamanis) in the settlement?

m) On whose support do the welfare: common people/influentials/political leaders/government programmes of the weaker sections (Lamanis) depend?

n) In your opinion, who among the: block leaders/district following can play the most significant role in the success of the programmes for weaker sections (Lamanis)?
o) What type of attitude do the weaker section (Lamanis) members in the following have towards other weaker sections?

Panchayat Pradhan - Cooperative/arrogant/indifferent/scornful/normal

Zill Parishad Chairman - Cooperative/arrogant/indifferent/scornful/normal

M.L.As and M.Ps - Cooperative/arrogant/indifferent/scornful/normal