APPENDIX

Questionnaire

1. Do you think that marriage is essential for a woman's life?  
   Yes _____    No

2. Are you of the opinion that dowry should be abolished?  
   Yes _____    No

3. Between arranged marriage and romantic marriage, which will you prefer?  
   Arranged marriage _____   Romantic marriage

4. Do you support intercaste marriage?  
   Yes _____    No

5. Do you support registry marriage?  
   Yes _____    No

6. Do you prefer early marriage?  
   Yes _____    No

7. Do you want to have an equal voice in important matters of family life?  
   Yes _____    No
8. Do you like to live in a joint family or in a nuclear family?
   Joint family ✔ Nuclear family ☐

9. Do you approve of the present legislation about the equal rights of women to the parental property?
   Approve ✓ Disapprove ☐

10. Do you think that if there is marital disharmony, it is better to divorce?
    Yes _____ No _____

11. Do you support widow remarriage?
    Yes _____ No _____

12. Do you think that a working wife can legitimately claim the help from her husband in performing household chores and rearing children?
    Yes _____ No _____

13. Do you support the use of family planning methods?
    Yes _____ No _____

14. Do you support the view that economic emancipation is a precondition for improving women's status in the family?
    Yes _____ No _____
15 What is your goal behind taking education?

i) Getting a job

ii) Gathering true knowledge

iii) Good marriage

iv) Utilizing sparetime

v) Undecided

16 Are you of the opinion that girls should be given vocational training at par with boys?

Yes ______  No ______

17 Do you read newspapers regularly to collect information about job opportunities?

Regularly ______  Not regularly ______

18 Are you of the opinion that economic independence is an essential factor for the liberation of women?

Yes ______  No ______

19 If the financial condition of your family is comfortable, would you work?

Yes ______  No ______

20 Would you like to do a job instead of being a full-time housewife?

Yes ______  No ______
21. Do you think that a wife should have an independent source of income so as to enable her to spend money according to her free choice?
   Yes _____  No _____

22. Do you think that a woman's employment raises her status subsequently, both in the family and society?
   Yes _____  No _____

23. Do you like to discuss politics with your friends or relatives?
   Yes _____  No _____

24. Do you like to take part in forming a new organization for solving some local problems?
   Yes _____  No _____

25. Do you like to attend a political meeting/rally?
   Yes _____  No _____

26. Do you like to engage in any activity during a political campaign to elect some candidates?
   Yes _____  No _____

27. Are you a supporter of a political party?
   Yes _____  No _____
28 Do you use mass media (newspaper, radio, television or either of these, as available to you), for the purpose of collecting information about political affairs?

Yes _____ No _____

29 Do you read political literature (Books, journals, pamphlets, etc.)?

Regularly _____ Casually _____ Not at all _____

30 Do you approve of women's participation in politics?

Yes _____ No _____

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a) Are you participating in the Students' Union election out of any political consideration?

b) Do you think that higher education you are receiving, has an impact on your political attitude?

c) Do you think that higher education has encouraged you to take part in political activities?

* The interrelated aspects of this question were put specifically to the 25 Post-graduate students of The University of Burdwan, during the University Students' Union election of 1984.