Respected Respondents, I am pursuing PhD on the topic “SOCIO-LEGAL DIMENSIONS OF BEGGARY VIS-A-VIS RIGHT TO LIVE WITH DIGNITY” - WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO KASHMIR, under the esteemed supervision of Prof. Noor Mohammad Bilal. In order to obtain your responses/views/suggestions on the above mentioned topic, I submit to you the following questionnaire. As you people already know that the information solicited is for research purposes, I request your good self to fill/answer this questionnaire. The information revealed by you, your name and identity will be kept confidential. There are five responses against each question you have to tick the one response you think most correct. Your response will be a great asset in successful completion of this research study.

Name:

Gender:

Educational qualification:

Religion:

Place:

Occupation:

QNo1: Beggary is a social evil?

(a) Strongly Agree   (b) Agree   (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly   (e) Disagree

QNo2: Beggars are the ugly face of the society and underestimates the healthy status of a society?

(a) Strongly Agree   (b) Agree   (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly   (e) Disagree
QNo3: Do you generally give alms to Beggars?
(a) Yes  (b) No  (c) At times
(d) Never  (e) Depends

QNo4: who do you generally prefer to give alms?
(a) Male  (b) Females  (c) Children
(d) Old Aged  (e) Handicapped

QNo5: Has beggary become a Profession?
(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QNo6: Beggary is sponsored by certain agencies?
(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QNo7: Beggars earn more than a labourer?
(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QNo8: Beggary results in earning better livelihood without hard work?
(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QNo9: Begging is a habit not a necessity?
(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree
QNo10: Is beggary a legacy?

(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QN11: What are the main reasons for Begging according to you?

(a) Poverty  (b) Illiteracy  (c) Natural calamities
(d) Biological Defects  (e) Habit

QNo12: Who do you think are more involved in Begging?

(a) Adults  (b) Children  (c) Old Aged
(d) Handicapped  (e) Any other

QNo13: Who do you think deserves more sympathy by way of Begging?

(a) Poor  (b) Handicapped  (c) Children
(d) Old age  (e) Any other

QNo14: Beggars have developed their own societies, particular communities wherein begging is generally accepted as a Social custom?

(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

Q. No15: How do the Beggars react in case they are not paid anything?

(a) Use of abusive language  (b) Gives you weird look  (c) Says nothing
(d) Runs after you  (e) Other

QNo16: Beggars at public places has resulted into a major nuisance causing annoyance to the public?

(b) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree
QNo17: Beggars are involved in illegal activities like Drug trafficking, Prostitution and Kidnapping, Stealing etc, etc.?

(a) Strongly Agree   (b) Agree   (c) Undecided  
(d) Disagree Strongly   (e) Disagree

QNo18: Certain religious practices encourage begging?

(a) Strongly Agree   (b) Agree   (c) Undecided  
(d) Disagree Strongly   (e) Disagree

QNo19: People generally give money to beggars for earning blessings from them?

(a) Strongly Agree   (b) Agree   (c) Undecided  
(d) Disagree Strongly   (e) Disagree

QNo20: People please beggars with the belief that it is repentance for their sins?

(a) Strongly Agree   (b) Agree   (c) Undecided  
(d) Disagree Strongly   (e) Disagree

QNo21: Should Beggary be restricted to certain places like homes and shrines?

(a) Strongly Agree   (b) Agree   (c) Undecided  
(d) Disagree Strongly   (e) Disagree

QNo22: In order to eliminate the menace of beggary should State rehabilitate the beggars?

(a) Strongly Agree   (b) Agree   (c) Undecided  
(d) Disagree Strongly   (e) Disagree
QNo23: Beggary should be planned and channelised by the government?

(a) Strongly Agree (b) Agree (c) Undecided
(b) (d) Disagree Strongly (e) Disagree

QNo24: Every citizen has a right to live with dignity under the Constitution of India and under the Constitution of J&K so does have the beggars?

(a) Strongly Agree (b) Agree (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly (e) Disagree

QNo25: State Government has failed in protecting the very basic right to live with dignity of beggars?

(a) Strongly Agree (b) Agree (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly (e) Disagree

QNo26: Curbing beggary would tantamount to violation of right to Livelihood of beggars?

(a) Strongly Agree (b) Agree (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly (e) Disagree

QNo27: Beggary needs to be understood in the light of directive principles of state policy, like right to work and to education and public assistance?

(a) Strongly Agree (b) Agree (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly (e) Disagree

QNo28: The menace of begging in Kashmir is compounded by the presence of migrant beggars?

(b) Strongly Agree (b) Agree (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly (e) Disagree
QNo29: In Kashmir there is majority of migrant beggars?
(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QNo30: In Kashmir the migrant beggar’s harass the people for getting money and has become a public nuisance?
(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QNo31: In main cities of Kashmir, migrant beggars are directly responsible for traffic jam?
(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QNo32: Invocation of beggary laws in other states have increased the influx of begging in Jammu and Kashmir?
(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QNo33: Should state go for banning the influx of migrant Beggars?
(c) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QNo34: should State make measures for the Vocational training of the beggars, so that the Beggars became self-reliant and earn a dignified living?
(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree
QNo35: Are you aware that under The Jammu & Kashmir Prevention of Beggars, Act 1960) beggary is prohibited?

(a) Yes  (b) No  (c) No idea  (d) May be

QNo36: Do you know that this law is applicable only to few districts?

(a) Yes  (b) No  (c) No Idea  (d) May be

QNo37: The Jammu and Kashmir Prevention of beggars, Act 1960, should be made applicable to the whole state of J&K?

(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QNo38: Should the Government ban beggary altogether?

(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QNo39: Is it in the public interest to ban beggary?

(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QNo40: Non-implementation of beggary laws in Jammu and Kashmir has accelerated the growth of beggar population?

(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree
QNo41: Government has failed to achieve the objective of the Jammu and Kashmir Prevention of Beggars Act, 1960 to prevent beggary and making beggars good citizens?

(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QNo42: Beggary Act is not implemented properly because of Lack of Government intervention?

(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QNo43: Beggary Act is not implemented properly because of Lack of enforcement machinery?

(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QNo44: Beggary Act is not implemented properly because of the Lack of Seriousness of the government?

(a) Strongly Agree  (b) Agree  (c) Undecided
(d) Disagree Strongly  (e) Disagree

QNo45: Suggest some remedies to eradicate the menace of beggary in Jammu and Kashmir?

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