

## APPENDIX

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*(The information sought through this questionnaire is purely for the purpose of PhD dissertation)*

**Livelihood Sustainability of Migrant Labourers from Bihar in North East India: A Comparative Study of Assam and Sikkim**

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**Interview Schedule for Labour Migrants**

Date of Interview:	Serial No. :
Place:	Mobile No. of the respondent-

**A. Demographic Section:**

- 1) Name :
- 2) Age :
- 3) Marital Status : (1-Married & 2-Unmarried)
- 4) Caste: (1- General; 2- ST; 3- SC & 4-OBC)
- 5) Religion: (1-Hindu; 2- Muslim; 3-Sikh & 4-Christian)
- 6) a. Occupation : b. No. of hours of work:  
d. Occupation before migration: e. No. of hours of work:  
(1- Self employed; 2- Daily wage labour; 3- Manual labour)
- 7) Educational Level.  
(1- Illiterate, 2- Primary (1st to 5th), 3- Secondary (6th to 10th) , 4- Higher secondary (11th &12th), 5- Diploma/Vocational degree, 6- Degree)
- 8) Knowledge of local language (1- Understand; 2- speak; 3-Donot understand)

9) Place of origin (1 rural, 2 urban) :

10) Income generating property at home: ... (1- No; 2- agricultural land; 3- Building/shop)

11) When did you migrate? ..... (months/years)

12) Stay at present? ..... (1-alone, 2- family, 3- Co-worker, 4- with employer)

13) Are you the main bread earner in the family: ... ( 1- Yes; 2- No)

14) Household details Only dependent family members (Excluding Children who are dependent)

	Relationship to self	Occupation	Sex	Age	Place of stay
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					

(Note: Codes for occupation: - Self employed; 2- Daily wage labour; 3- Manual labour; 4- not employed

Codes for sex are 1- female; 2- male.

Place of stay codes- 1- at destination; 2- at native; 3-others)

15) No. of children in the family:

16) School/College goers?

17) Type of Schooling/College of the wards? ..... (1-Private, 2- Government)

18) **Expenditure Details of the Respondent (In the last 30 days) :**

	Name of the Item	Expenditure in Rupees
1	Food +beverages	
2	Housing+ Electricity/ Gas/ fuel wood	
3	Telephone/ stationary/Footwear/clothing	
4	Education (Wards)	
5	Health & medicines	

6	Beedi/ cigarette and intoxicants	
7	Recreational activities	

**C. Details on Migration:**

**19) Motivational Aspects of Migration:**

Factors responsible for migration, indicate according to priority (1st, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3rd)

i)	Landlessness at home.	
ii)	Jobless at home (job in the village or in the neighbouring areas).	
iii)	Financial crisis at home.	
iv)	Inadequate income in the previous occupation.	
v)	For higher social status (status quo)	
vi)	Impressed by the city life.	
vii)	Friends and relatives.	
viii)	Any other, specify	

**20)** a) Previous migration (if any) other than this present one? (1-yes; 2-No)

b) If yes, where and why did you leave that place?

Reason for leaving:

**21)** What image of “here” you had in mind before you reached this city? Select from the following factors (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> points) :

	Getting a job would be easy here.	
	Getting a better job than previous one would be easy here.	
	Expecting better support from friends and relatives here.	
	Good city to stay	
	Any other, please specify.	

**22)** How did you come here? (1-Single; 2-Friends; 3-Relatives; 4-Through Agents( alone) & 5-Through agents( in group) )

**23)** Frequency of sending money? (1-Monthly; 2- once in two months; 3- more than once a year; 4- whenever demanded.

**24)** How do you send the money (medium)?

(1-Money Order; 2-Banking transfers; 3- e- banking 4- personally; 5- through friends and relatives 6-any other, mention)

25) How often do you visit your native place? ..... (1-Every month, 2-Once in three months,3- Once in 6 months,4- Once in a year,5-Occasionally)

**E. Livelihood sustainability:**

**Economic/Financial indicators**

26) Savings per month-

27) Work Status ( Fixed Income Job -1; Daily Wage - 2; Weekly Wage -3; Monthly Wage - 4; Variable Income -5)

28) Unavailability of job/income in a month ( 1: No; 2: 0-5 days; 3: 5-10 days; 4: More than 10 days)

29) Changed job per year after coming here?

30) a) Amount of debts/ loan? b) source of loan:

c) how many days:

d) Have you repaid any of your debt with the income earned at the destination (0- no; 1- yes, a part of the debt; 2- yes, fully)

31) Do you hold a bank account- (0-no, 1- yes, opened before coming here 2-yes, opened after coming here)

32) How many bandh/strikes faced and that stopped work in a month?..... 1- never; 2- sometimes; 3-often

33) Change in job/employer/place because of late or irregular payment- (1-Yes; 2- No)

34) Insurance/ LIC /post office savings/ Or any other -

**Human/ personal dimension**

35) Because of the nature of the job, do you face irregularity in taking meal? ... (1- Never; 2- sometimes; 3- often)

36) Are you on any kind of regular medication here (diabetes or any kind of chronic disease)? ... (1- no; 2- Yes)

37) How many times have you fallen sick in the past 30 days?

38) What do you do if you fall sick? ..... (1-self medication; 2- govt hospital or clinic; 3- private clinic)

39) Accessibility to a health service? (5 likart scale)

40) Time allocation throughout the day:

	Activity	Hours
1	Work	
2	Household work if any	
3	Spending time with friends and family	
4	TV/ sports/ or any other recreational activity	
5	Sleep	
6	Others, if any	

41) Do You Read/ Listen/ Watch news? ..... (1-Yes; 2- No)

42) How many times in a month you go for movies, plays, meet a friend/relative or any kind of recreational activity?

**Social/ Political dimension**

43) Contact with family left at origin....

1. Daily
2. 2-3 times a week
3. few times in a month
4. monthly

- 44) Do you have local friends(apart from native): (1-No; 2-Yes)
- 45) Are you a member of any occupational union- (1-Yes; 0-No)
- 46) Are you a member of any social organization-
- 47) Possibility of seeking help in time of crisis- (1-employer; 2- union; 3- friends or relatives from native; 4- local friends)
- 48) Do you attend any kind of meeting or awareness programme? (1-Yes; 0- No)
- 49) Trust Scale:
- a) Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted or that you can't be too careful in dealing with people?
- Most people can be trusted
  - can't be too careful
- b) Would you say that most of the time, people try to be helpful, or that they are mostly just looking out for themselves?
- Try to be helpful
  - Look out for themselves.
- c) Do you think that most people would try to take advantage of you if they got the chance or would they try to be fair?
- Take advantage
  - Try to be fair

### **Physical Dimension**

- 50) Nature of accommodation: (1-Rented, 2-Provided free by the employer, 3- stray; 4- temporary arrangement )
- 51) Type of accommodation (1- dormitory, 2- flat, 3- Bed and breakfast accommodation, 4-Caravan or other temporary dwelling)
- 52) Cleanliness in the neighbourhood? 5-Strongly satisfied 4-satisfied 3-neither satisfied nor dissatisfied 2- dissatisfied 1- strongly dissatisfied
- 53) Toilet facility - (1- open 2-Katcha independent, 3-katcha shared; 4 – pucca independent; 5- pucca shared)
- 54) Kitchen facility (0- no, shared-1 independent-2)
- 55) Electricity- (1-Yes; 0- No)

56) Source of drinking water- (1-tap water; 2- river or stream; 3- open well; 4- Tube well)

57) How do you cook food? (1- wood fire; 2-kerosene oil stove; 3-induction ; 4-LPG )

58) Owner ship of productive or other assets at the destination-

Sl. No.	Asset	Nos.	Present market value
1	Recreation (Television/radio/music system)		
2	Household and kitchen durables(LPG/iron/almirah/ mixer grinder/Refrigerator) score 0 if not any		
3	Mobile		
4	Bicycle		
5	Motor vehicle		

59) Willingness or plan to stay in Future-

### **F. Quality of Life:**

#### **General Happiness Scale (GHS):**

*Instructions:* please circle the point on the scale that you feel is most appropriate in describing you.

1. In general, I consider myself:

not a very happy person 1                      2            3            4            5            6            7 a very happy person

2. Compared to most of my peers, I consider myself:

Less happy 1            2            3            4            5            6            7 more happy

3. Some people are generally very happy. They enjoy life regardless of what is going on, getting the most out of everything. To what extent does this characterization describe you?

not at all 1    2            3            4            5                                  6 7 a great deal

4. Some people are generally not very happy. Although they are not depressed, they never seem as happy as they might be. To what extend does this characterization describe you?

not at all 1    2            3            4            5            6            7 a great deal

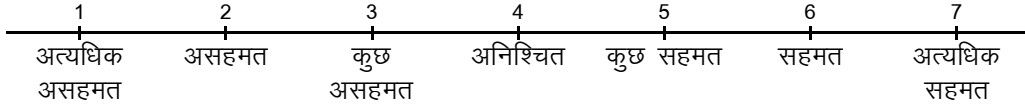
## Satisfaction with Life Scale

( जीवन संतुष्टि मापनी )

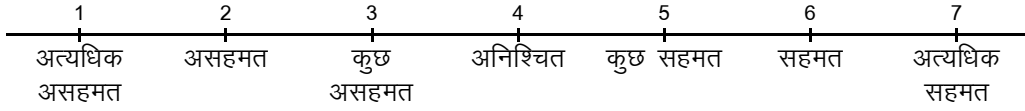
निर्देश:

नीचे पाँच कथन दिये हुए हैं जिनसे आप सहमत या असहमत हो सकते हैं। 1-7 अंक मापनी (Scale) का उपयोग करते हुए कृपया बताये कि इन कथनों से आप किस सीमा तक सहमत हैं। कृपया सभी कथनों के उत्तर दें। आपके उत्तर पूर्णतया गोपनीय रखे जायेंगे।

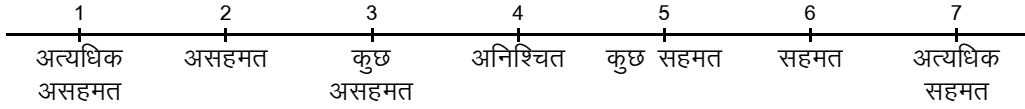
1. अधिकतर मायनों में मेरा जीवन लगभग मेरे आदर्श (Ideal) जीवन के करीब है।



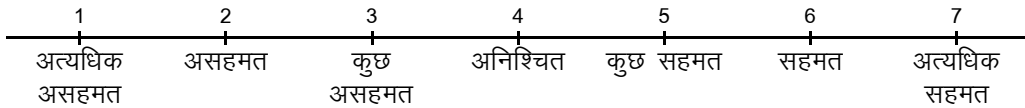
2. मेरे जीवन की परिस्थितियाँ उत्तम (Excellent) हैं।



3. मैं अपने जीवन से संतुष्ट हूँ।



4. मैंने जीवन में अभी तक जिन चीजों की इच्छा की है वे मुझे मिली हैं।



5. यदि मैं अपना पूरा जीवन जी सका/सकी तो मैं उसमें लगभग कोई परिवर्तन नहीं करूँगा/करूँगी।

