

**APPENDIX II
(QUESTIONNAIRE)**

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Name-

2. Village-

3. Age- 01. 25-35 02. 36-45 03. 46 and above

4. Marital status- 01. Unmarried 02. Married 03. Widowed 04. Divorced

5. Qualification-

6. Occupation-

II. STATUS OF WOMEN IN THE FAMILY

7. Who is the head of your family?

01. Self 02. My father 03. My husband 04. My mother 05. My son

06. Any other

8. Who makes decision on the children's upbringing in your household?

		Men	Women	Both
1	Children's education			
2	Children's health			
3	Disciplining children			

9. What type of work do men and women do in your house?

Men-

Women-

10. Do you think that both men and women should share household reproductive works equally?

01. Yes 02. No.

11. Why?

12. What type of work do men and women do in agricultural activities?

Men-

Women-

13. Do you think that there is a wage disparity between men and women when it comes to agricultural work or wage earning?

01. Yes 02. No

14. Why?

15. Has there been any changes in the last few decades regarding the above practices?

III. WOMEN AND INHERITANCE

16. According to the customary law, who inherits ancestral property in your family?

01. Men 02. Women

17. Do you think that the laws of inheritance should change?

01. Yes 02. No

18. If yes, what changes do you suggest?

01. Equal share of ancestral property for both men and women 02. Women also should inherit ancestral property though not equal share with men 03. Any other

19. If no, why?

01. Customary laws do not allow women to inherit ancestral property 02. It affects the tribal identity 03. Any other

20. Do you think that women should have equal rights on acquired property?

01. Yes 02. No

21. Why?

22. Is there any change taking place regarding the law of inheritance in the last few decades?

01. Yes 02. No

23. If yes, what are the changes?

IV. WOMEN AND RELIGION

24. Which religious affiliation would you associate yourself with?

01. Traditional religion 02. Baptist 03. Revival 04. Roman Catholic 05. Any other

25. Does your religion assign any role to women in religious rituals and ceremonies?

01. Yes 02. No

26. Why?

27. Do you appreciate the role played by women in religious affairs?

01. Yes 02. No

28. Is there any taboo against women?

01. Yes 02. No

29. If yes, what are they?

30. Does your religious belief treat women as equal to men?

01 .Yes 02. No

31. What is the impact of your religion on customary law?

32. What changes have occurred since the last few decades in religious activities with regard to the status of women?

V. WOMEN AND MATRIMONY

33. What marriage customs do you follow in your family?

01. Monogamy 02. Polygamy 03. Any other

34. Does your community practice bride price in the society?

01. Yes 02. No

35. If yes, is it paid in cash or kind?

36. What are the changes in the bride price in recent years?

37. What changes have occurred in marriage customs since the time of your parents/grandparents?

38. According to the customary law what are the provisions that protect the rights of widows/divorcees?

VI. WOMEN, EDUCATION AND MODERN INPUTS

39. Do you think that both boys and girls should be given equal opportunity for education?

01. Yes 02. No

40. Do you agree that both boys and girls are getting quality education equally from school?

01. Yes 02. No

41. What changes have occurred since the last few decades regarding education? What is the impact of education in your society?

42. Do you think that women should take up salaried jobs?

01. Yes 02. No

43. Why?

44. Does your society accept women as entrepreneur, leader, officers, etc.?

01. Yes 02. No

45. Why?

46. Do you support the view that economic empowerment of women by being a bread winner will make them have more say in the society?

01. Yes 02. No

47. Why?

48. What changes have occurred regarding the career of women in your society?

VII. WOMEN AND ADMINISTRATION/POLITICS

49. Are there women members in the village council, VDB etc.?

01. Yes 02. No

50. If yes, which one? (more than one answer possible)

01. Village council 02. VDB 03. Any other

51. If no, why?

01. It is against the customary laws 02. Women should be at home and not in decision making

03. Patriarchal society does not allow women

52. If there are women members, how many?

53. How are they elected?

54. Do they have equal voice as men in decision making?

01. Yes 02. No

55. Why?

56. Can women become the chairperson of village council?

01. Yes 02. No

57. Why?

58. What is the role of women in decision making in your community?

59. Can women decide on disputes?

01. Yes 02. No

60. Why?

61. Is there any reservation for women in the council of your community?

62. Do you agree with the 33% reservation of seats for women?

01. Yes 02. No

63. Why?

64. Do you think that women should become members of political parties or contest in election?

01. Yes 02. No

65. Why?

66. Would women in decision making improve delivery of basic services?

01. Yes 02. No

67. Why?

68. Has there been any changes regarding the status of women in the village administration/politics?

IX. GOVERNANCE AND CUSTOMARY LAWS

69. Would you like your tribe to be governed according to customary laws?

01. Yes 02. No

70. If yes, why?

01. It preserve our culture 02. It has easy conflict resolution mechanism
03. It fosters unity of the community 04. Any other

71. If no, why?

01. It is not gender sensitive 02. It does not cover all areas of life 03. It is outdated and out of touch with the present time 04. Any other

72. Do you think that customary laws favours men and discriminates women?

01. Yes 02. No

73. Why?

74. What are the changes that have occurred in the last few decades regarding the customary laws in your tribe?

75. Is there anything in the customary laws that need change?

01. Yes 02. No

76. Why?

X. CUSTOMARY LAWS AND GENDER EQUALITY

77. Are there any norms in the customary laws that protects the right of women?

01. Yes 02. No

78. Why?

79. What changes have been introduced in the customary laws to strengthen the rights of women?

80. What changes are required in your customary laws in order to ensure gender equality?

81. Do you think that the government is doing its best to uplift the status of women? 82. Do you have any other information?