

APPENDIX

INTERVIEW SCHEDULE

Role of Self-Help Groups in Socio-Economic Empowerment of Women in Sivasagar District of Assam

Schedule no:

PART- I

Personal information of the respondent:

1. Name:

2. Age: 15-34 35-54 Above 55

Socio-economic background of the respondent:

3. Category: ST SC OBC/MOBC GEN

4. Community:

5. Religion: Hindu Islam Buddhism Other (specify) _____

6. Marital status: Married Unmarried Widow Divorced

7. Educational status: Illiterate Primary High school HS UG

8. Type of the family: Joint Nuclear Extended family

9. Who is the head of your family? _____

10. a. Source of family income: Cultivation Service Business

Animal husbandry

b. Source of respondent's income before joining SHG: _____

11. a. Respondent's monthly income after joining SHG: Rs _____

b. Monthly income of the family: Rs _____

12. House pattern: Kuccha House Pucca Semi pucca Other
13. Sanitation Facility: Pucca latrine Kaccha latrine
14. What are the sources of drinking water? Ponds Tube well Supply
water

PART-II

Profile of the SHGs

1. Name of the SHG: _____
2. Year of establishment: _____
3. Registration number of the SHG: _____
4. Total no of members in the group: _____
5. Respondent's position in the SHG: Leader Member
6. Name of the Gaon Panchayat: _____
7. Name of the village: _____
8. Income generating activities of the group: Farming(Specify) _____
Handloom (Specify) _____
Handicraft (Speicify) _____
Food making (Specify) _____
Other(specify) _____
9. From where do you purchase raw materials?
1. In village 2. Nearby village 3. Town
10. Sources of raw materials: 1.Dealer 2.Agent/villagers 3.NGO
11. Marketing of products: 1.By own 2.Friend 3.Wholeseller
12. Place of marketing of productive goods: 1.In village 2.Nearby village 3.Town
13. What is the procedure of selection of the group leader: Election Selection

14. On what ground have you selected/ elected the group leader? _____
15. If the group meeting is arranged: Yes No
16. If yes, the meeting is held: Daily Weekly Monthly
17. Is the right to every member to give opinion in the meeting? Yes No
18. On what subjects basically the group meeting is organized? _____
19. If the group has bank account: Yes No
20. How much amount the group deposit to the bank:
1. Very good (more than 10,000) 2. Good (Rs 5,000 to Rs 10,000)
3. Unsatisfactory (less than Rs 5,000)
21. Who deposits the group money in the bank account? Leader Member
Both
22. Who communicate with the bank officials at the time of transaction?
- Leader Member Both
23. Did the group get credit from the bank in time? Yes No
24. How much your SHG has taken loan? _____
25. If the group is regular in repayment of loan: Yes No
26. If no, what is the reason? _____
27. If the group provide loan to its members: Yes No
28. Is the group provide loan to the outsider of the group? Yes No
29. If yes, in what rate of interest the group provide loan to the outsider?
30. If the member repay the loan in time? Yes No
31. If the group get any subsidy from any institution? Yes No
32. If yes, how much is it? Rs _____

33. After getting loan has your group been benefitted? Yes No
34. How much does your group saved? Rs _____
35. The group saving is: Increasing Decreasing
36. If the group use the following to keep records:
1. Attendance registers
 2. Saving register
 3. Loan register
 4. Cash book
 5. Receipt and payment voucher
37. Who keeps the internal records of the group? Leader Member Other
38. If the members are regular? Yes No
39. If the members pay fine if they are irregular? Yes No

Respondents' income expenditure savings:-

40. How much do you earn from your group? Rs. (Monthly) _____
41. Can you save money? Yes No
42. If no, what is the reason? _____
43. How much can you save? Monthly _____
44. Can you help your husband in your family expenditure? Yes No
45. On what aspect you expend your earned money?
1. Health
 2. Children's education
 3. Consumer goods
 4. Daily family expenditure
 5. Religious ceremony
 6. Other (specify) _____
46. Where do you keep your savings? 1. Bank ac 2. Head of the family 3. husband
47. If you have a personal bank account? Yes No
48. You opened it by whom? 1. Own self 2. Other (specify)

49. Money is deposited by whom? Own Other (specify) _____

50. Have you been taken credit from your group? Yes No

51. If yes, at what rate of interest have you taken loan? _____

52. Whether you repay your debt in time? Yes No

53. If no, what is the reason? _____

54. On what purpose, you have taken loan? _____

Socio economic changes of the members

56. Before joining SHG, do you have independent source of income?

Yes No

57. What was your source of income? _____

58. If your economic condition has improved after joining SHG? Yes No

60. After involving in SHG, are you discouraged by others? Yes No

61. If yes, who discourage you in your activities? 1. Family members 2. Outsider

62. What is the reason for discouraging your involvement in SHG? _____

63. Do you feel that, after joining SHG, you become economically independent?

Yes No

64. If yes, have you get a better image in your family? Yes No

65. If yes, how do you feel? 1. Very good 2. Good 3. Average

66. After joining SHG, can you spent money or your income independently?

Yes No

67. Can you consume your earnings freely? Yes No

68. If no who expend your earned money?

1.Husband 2. Father 3.brother 4.Other _____

69. Do you have freedom to save money? Yes No

70. Do you have freedom to invest? Yes No

71. Do you invest in any income generating activities? Yes No

72. If yes, where have you invested? _____

73. Have you found positive change in people's perception after your involvement in SHG? Yes No

74. If yes, how do you feel? _____

75. If yes what type of changes have you found in their perception?

76. After joining SHG, have you involved in other social or economic organization or development programme? (Specify) _____

77. If yes, what is the purpose of your involvement? _____

78. Decision making inside and outside your family:

Decision making matters	Before joining SHG			After joining SHG		
	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both
Making decisin on expenditure of family consumer goods						
Decision on religious functions						
Decisions on childrens education						
Decision in family property						

79. Making decision outside the family:

Decision making matters	Before Joining SHG		After Joining SHG	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Social and religious aspects				
Participation in development programmes				
Protesting violence against women				
Participation in political aspects				

80. Other social empowerment before joining SHG:

Indicators of social empowerment	Before joining Self-help Group		After joining SHG	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Acquire knowledge				
Improvement of social status				
Problem solving attitude				
Sense of self efficient				

81. Do you have freedom of physical movement outside your family?

Responses	Before joining	After joining
Yes		
No		

82. Do you aware about health and family welfare?

Information	Before joining		After joining	
	Know	Don't know	Know	Don't know
Maternity				
Childcare				
Nourishment				
Birth control practices				
Registration of birth, death marriage				
Educating girl				

83. Opinion of respondents towards SHG:

Opinions	Extensively	Not extensively	Briefly
Self-help Groups helps in growth of economic condition			
Provides opportunity to talk with other confidently			
Provide opportunity to talk confidently in public meeting			
Helps to develop entrepreneurial traits			
Helps women to realize their needs			
Helps women to realize a leadership attitude			

Problems faced by the respondents:

84. Have you ever get proper training to perform entrepreneurial activities?

Yes No

85. If yes, who provide training? _____

86. What were the purposes of the training programmes? _____

87. If your product get market? Yes No

88. Do you get any impediment from your family members when you go out from home to perform group activities? 1. Yes 2. No

89. If yes, what is the reason? _____

90. Do you get any impediment from outsiders when you go out from home to perform group activities? 1. Yes 2. No

91. If yes, what is the reason? _____

92. Have you ever get problems from the officials? If yes, what types of problems have you faced? _____

93. If the group has faced problems among your members? Yes No

94. If yes, what is the reason?

1. Unskilled member 2. Conflict among the group members

3. Uneducated member 4. The members are not energetic

5. Differences in members' opinion

95. What are overall problems that you have faced within and outside your group?

96. According to you, what are the strategies can be taken which can make your group more success?
