

Appendix

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**INTER-ETHNIC CONFLICTS IN NORTH EAST INDIA: A CASE STUDY OF
THE GARO-RABHA CONFLICT**

INTERVIEW SCHEDULE

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Schedule No._____

I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. (a). Head of the family: Mr. /Mrs. _____
(b). Name of the respondent: _____
(c). Age of the respondent: _____ (d). Sex: Male/Female
2. Native Place of the respondent:
 - (a) Name of the village: _____
 - (b) Nearest Administrative Office and Distance from your village:

 - (c) Police Station and Distance from your village: _____
 - (d) District: _____
 - (e) State: _____
 - (f) Mobile No. : _____

II. SOCIAL BACKGROUND

(a) Language and Ethnicity

3. Mother Tongue: 1. Garo 2. Rabha 3. Assamese 4. English 5. Other_____
4. Which linguistic groups are living in your native village? :
 1. Garo, 2. Rabha, 3. Assamese, 4. Other_____
5. What language do you use as a medium of communication with Native communities? 1. Garo, 2. Rabha, 3. Assamese, 4. Other_____

6. Is there any linguistic difference among the Garos who lives in Assam and those in Meghalaya? 1. Yes 2. No
7. If yes, specify how?: _____
8. Is there any linguistic difference among the Rabhas who lives in Assam and Meghalaya? 1. Yes 2. No
9. If yes, specify how?: _____
10. To which Garo group do you belong?: 1. Akawes, 2. Chisaks, 3. Duals, 4. Matchis, 5. Matabengs, 6. Kochus, 7. Atiagas, 8. Abengs, 9. Chiboks, 10. Rugas, 11. Ganchings or Garas, and 12. Atongs.
11. What is your clan?: 1. Sangma 2. Marak 3. Momin 4. Shira 5. Areng
12. What are the differences among these sub-groups?: _____
13. To Which Rabha group do you belong?: 1. Pati 2. Rongdani 3. Maitory 4. Koccha, 5. Tatla 6. Hana 7. Dahuri 8. Bitalia 9. Other _____
14. Is there any difference between the hills and plain Garo people living within Meghalaya? 1. Yes 2. No
15. If yes, specify _____
16. Which communities are living in your native village? _____
17. Is there any affair/relationship with your native community? 1. Yes 2. No
18. In which field your community cooperate with other community's affairs? _____

(b) Family

19. Type of family: 1. Nuclear 2. Joint
20. How many members are there in your family have?
1. 1-4, 2. 5-8, 3. Above 8
21. Are the male members enjoying full utilization of family property?
1. Yes, 2. No
22. If not than to what extent they can utilize their family's property? _____
23. Is there any change that has taken place in the traditional type of matrilineal society? 1. Yes 2. No
24. If yes, in which sphere? _____

25. If not completely matrilineal, is there any similarity with matrilineal family?

1. Yes 2. No

26. If yes, specify how? _____

27. Family Composition:

Sl. No	Name of family members	Relation with the respondent	Age	Sex	Marital status	Age at marriage	Occupation		Total annual income	Languages known (since when)			
							Main Income	Subsidiary Income		Understanding	U/ Speaking	U/S/ Reading	U/S/R/ Writing
1.													
2.													
3.													
4.													
5.													
6.													
7.													
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11.													
12.													
13.													
14.													
15.													

Note: S=Speaking, R= Reading, U=Understanding, W=Writing.

(c) Marriage

28. What type of marriages occurred in your family? 1. Love marriage
2. Arranged marriage

29. How marriage is performed in your family?

(a) Conventional process (b) In Court (c) In Temple

30. Is there any existence of traditional system of marriage?

1. Cross cousin marriage 2. Other (specify): _____

31. Is there similarities of marriage system with other native communities?

1. Yes 2. No

32. If yes, name of the community: 1. Khasi 2. Jaintia 3. Garo 4. Rabha

5. Other _____

33. How is it similar? _____
34. Is there any prohibition regarding establishment of marital relationship with other communities? 1. Yes 2. No
35. If yes, Specify why _____
36. If marital relationship established with other communities, Specify with whom _____
37. Has any son or daughter's marriage taken place in your family with other Community? 1. Yes 2. No
38. If yes, specify his/her religion _____
Tribe _____ Language _____
39. To which place the spouse/son-in-law belong?
1: Name of the village: _____
2: Police Station _____
3: District: _____
4: State: _____
40. Has any divorce taken place in your family? 1. Yes, 2. No
41. If yes, reason for the divorce. 1. Dowry 2. Superstitious belief
3. Other _____
42. Has any re-marriage taken place in your family? 1. Yes 2. No
43. If yes, specify briefly _____
44. Do you take bride price? 1. Yes 2. No :
45. Specify why? _____

(d) Religion

46. What religion does your family follow: 1. Christianity,
2. Songsarek/Animism 3. Hindu 4. Other _____
47. Has your family been converted from one religion to another religion?
1. Yes, 2. No
48. If yes,
1. From which religion? _____
2. When was your family converted? _____
3. Why was your family converted? _____

49. If Christian, what denomination does your family follow? 1. Roman Catholic
2. Baptist, 3. Others _____
50. If Hindu, what sect does your family follow?: _____
51. Which religious ethnic group is living in your neighbor? _____
52. What types of relationship exists with other religious communities? _____
53. Is there any religious difference among the Rabhas who lives in Assam and those in Meghalaya? 1. Yes 2. No
54. Specify differences _____
55. Is there any religious difference among the Garos who lives in Assam and those in Meghalaya? 1. Yes 2. No
56. Specify differences _____
57. What fair and festivals does your family celebrate? Specify the names _____
58. What are the Rites and Rituals that your family performs in a year?
Specify the names: _____
59. Does your family perform religious birth ceremonies? 1. Yes 2. No
60. Specify the names: _____
61. Who performs it? _____
62. Does your family perform religious marriage ceremonies? 1. Yes 2. No
63. How is it performed (procedure)? _____
64. Who performs it? _____
65. Does your family worship?
- (a). Hindu Gods and Goddesses 1. Yes 2.No
Name _____
- (b). Household deities 1. Yes 2.No
Name _____
- (c). Forest deities 1. Yes 2.No
Name _____
- (d). Christian Gods 1. Yes 2.No
Name _____
- (e). Others (specify) _____

66. Does your family organize worship at home? 1. Yes 2. No

67. What way does your family worship it? _____

68. What type of dress does your family members wear during festival?

1. Traditional, 2. Modern wear, 3. Other _____

(e) Education

69. Educational Qualification of the Family?

Educational Level	Year of Passing	Age	Place of Studying	Stream
1. Infants (below 7yrs)				
2. Illiterate				
3. Primary				
4. High School				
5. Higher Secondary				
6. Graduate				
7. Technical				
8. Professional				
9. Any other _____				

(f) Health

70. What source of drinking water does your family have?

(1). Supply water 2. Spring water 3. Tube well

71. How does your family cook food? 1. LPG, 2. Firewood, 3. Electric, 4. other

72. From where does your family seek treatment? 1. State Health Centre,

2. District Health Centre, 3. Community Health Centre
4. Faith Healer, 5. Other _____

73. Is there proper sanitation system in your family? 1. Pacca Latrine 2. Semi-Pacca Latrine 3. Kachcha Latrine 4. Open defecation

(h) Food Pattern:

74. What type of food do you prefer? 1. Vegetarian, 2. Non-Vegetarian

75. If vegetarian, you prefer to have: 1. Rice 2. Rooti, 3. Other _____

76. If Non-Vegetarian, you prefer to have: 1. Meat, 2. Fish, 3. Other _____

77. Which meat you like most: 1. Pork, 2. Mutton, 3. Chicken, 4. Beef, 5. Other

(i) House

78. What type of house does your family have?

(a). **Pacca** (i) R. C. C.

(b). **Semi-Pacca**

(i) Brick wall cement plaster floor with tin roof

(ii) Half brick wall cement plaster floor with tin roof

(iii) Mud plasters bamboo wall, cement plaster floor and tin roof

(c). **Katcha**

(i) Wood plank wall with tin roof.

(ii) Mud plaster bamboo wall with thatch roof

(iii) Bamboo wall with thatch roof

(j) Use of Mass Media

79. Does your family use any mass media to access information? 1. Yes 2. No

80. If yes, what type of tools do your family use? 1. Magazine, 2. TV, 3. Radio

4. Telephone, 5. DTH, 6. Computer, 7. Internet, 8. e-mail, 9. Newspaper

III. ECONOMY

81. What is the source of Income of your Family?

1. Agriculture, 2. Service, 3. Business, 4. Worker, 5. Other_____

82. Is there any occupational difference among the Rabhas who lives in Assam and those of Meghalaya? 1. Yes 2. No

Specify differences_____

83. What is the Yearly Income of your Family (In Rs.)? Rs. _____

84. Is there any occupational difference between the hills and plain Garo people in Meghalaya and Assam? 1. Yes 2. No

85. If yes, specify _____

86. Is there any occupational difference between the Rabha people in Meghalaya and Assam? 1. Yes 2. No

87. If yes, specify _____

(a) Agriculture

89. Does your family hold any land in the village? 1. Yes, 2. No
90. Total land possessed by your family: _____
91. Total cultivable land possessed by your family: _____
92. What type of agricultural land does your family use for cultivation?
1. Jhum, 2. Terrace, 3. Plain, 4. Hill slope, 5. Other _____
93. What crops does your family grow in a year? 1. Paddy, 2. Maize
3. Vegetables 4. Pulses 5. Rubber/Tree plantation, 6. Other _____
94. Which vegetables are grown by your family? _____
95. What types of Paddy does your family grow? _____
96. What type of trees planted by your family? _____
97. What types of land does your family use for cultivate? 1. Dry land, 2. Mud land
98. Total crops yielded: One/Two/Three
99. The products are meant for Consumption/sell/Both.
100. What type of labour is used in production? 1. Family Labour 2. Hired Labour.
101. If hired labour, to which ethnic group do they belong?: _____
102. Are they good as labourers? 1. Yes, 2. No,
103. Specify why _____

(b) Service

104. Is anyone of your family members engaged in service? 1. Yes 2. No
105. If yes, what type of job? 1. Govt. 2. Private sector
106. What is his/her Designation & Department? _____
107. How many members of your family are engaged in government services?
1. One 2. Two 3. Above two
108. Since when he/she is in the service? 1. Since one year, 2. Since 2-5 years
3. Since 6-10 years 4. Since 11-15 years 5. Since 16-20 years
6. Since 21-25 years 7. Above 25 years
109. From which community do your Subordinates belong? _____
110. From which community your Super ordinates belong? _____

111. Of which community your Super ordinates/ Subordinates do you like most? _____

112. What labour do you do? _____

113. To which community does your owner belong? _____

114. To which community do your co-workers belong? _____

(b) Business

115. Is anyone of your family members engaged in business? 1. Yes, 2. No

116. What type of business he/she is engaged in? 1. Running shop

2. Selling local Vegetable products 3. Selling forest products
4. Other _____

118. Is anyone of your family members engaged in farm? 1. Yes 2. No

119. If yes, what type of farming is it? 1. Piggery farm, 2. Banana farm

3. Chicken farm 4. Other _____

120. From what source did your family get motivation for farming? _____

(c) Market

121. What is the name of market in your locality? _____

122. How long is it in your locality?

123. To which community does the product sellers belong? _____

124. From which place do they come to the market? _____

125. What commodities are sold by them? _____

126. To which community does the product buyers belong? _____

127. What commodities do they buy? _____

128. From which community does the workers belonged?

129. People of which community do you prefer to employ? _____

130. Specify why? _____

131. To which community does the customer mostly belong? _____

132. Are your family members going outside native place for shopping?

1. Yes 2. No

133. Where does your family go outside the native place for shopping?

1. outside state 2. Within state

134. Specify the state _____ district _____ town _____

135. What is the name of the Market? _____

136. What items does your family members buy most? _____

137. How far is it from your village? _____

138. Who were the product Sellers? _____

139. Who were the product buyers? _____

(d) Production

140. Is anyone of your family members engaged in handicraft production?

1. Yes, 2. No

141. If yes, state the names: _____

142. Are your family members engaged in weaving? 1. Yes 2. No

143. If yes, what type of weaving? _____

144. How much is produced in a year? _____

145. Where does your family sell the product? _____

146. Number of domestic/pet animals in your family: 1. Cow, 2. Hen, 3. Duck,
4. Goat, 5. Pig, 6. Other _____

147. Does your family rear these domestic animals for the purpose of selling?

1. Yes 2. No

(f) Transportation

148. Which places are frequently visited by your family? 1. Mendipathar
2. Resubelpara 3. Krishnai 4. Tura 5. Williumnagar 6. Shillong
7. Guwahati 8. Dudhno, 9. Krishnai 10. Goalpara
11. Other _____

149. Is your village connected to the National High Way? 1. Yes 2. No

150. Is your village connected to the state High Way? 1. Yes 2. No

151. Is your village connected with PWD road? 1. Yes 2. No

152. Is your village road pacca/black topping? 1. Yes 2. No

153. For what purpose do your family members visit these places? _____

154. How often do your family members go to state capital? _____

155. How do your family members travel? 1. Bus 2. Sumo
3. Hired vehicle 4. Personal vehicle 5. Other _____

156. Is road communication convenient? 1. Yes 2. No

157. If no, specify why? _____

IV. POLITY

(a) Political Parties

158. What are the political parties existing in your locality? _____

159. Does your family: 1. Support any political party _____ Since _____

2. Sympathize with any political party _____ Since _____

160. Has anyone of your family members joined a National political party?

1. Yes 2. No

161. What is the name of the National Political Party? _____

162. If yes, when did he/she join it? _____

163. Has anyone of your family members joined a Regional political party?

1. Yes 2. No

164. What is the name of the Regional Political Party? _____

165. If yes, when did he/she join it? _____

166. Is anyone of your family members in the District Council? 1. Yes, 2. No

167. If yes, when did he/she join the District Council? _____

168. Is anyone of your family members in the Village Council? 1. Yes, 2. No

169. If yes, when did he/she join the Village Council? _____

170. Is anyone of your family members in NGO? 1. Yes, 2. No

171. If yes, which NGO? _____

172. When did he/she join that NGO? _____

173. What are his/her activities? _____

174. Is anyone of your Family members in youth club? 1. Yes, 2. No

175. If yes, when did he/she join youth club? _____

176. What are his/her activities? _____

177. Has anyone of your family members joined Village Development Board ?

1. Yes 2. No

178. If yes, when did he/she join Village the Development Board? _____

179. What are his/her activities? _____

V. SOCIETY

(a) Migration

180. When did your family settle in the village? 1. Since immemorial, 2. Since 1 year, 3. Since 5 years, 4. Since 10 years, 5. Since 50 years, 6. Above 50 years
181. Where does your family migrate from? _____
182. What is the purpose of your family's migration into the village? _____

(b) Spatial Movement

183. Is any one of your family members working outside the village? 1. Yes 2. No
184. If yes, how many family members are working outside the village?
1. One 2. Two 3. Three 4. Above three
185. Who are they (with relation to the head of family)? _____
186. Who is the first person to work outside the village in your family? _____
187. Where is he/she working? _____
188. What kind of job is he/she doing? _____
189. When did he/she start to work? _____
190. How far is his/her work place from your village? _____
191. Is anyone of your family members studying outside the village?
1. Yes 2. No
192. If yes, how many family members are studying outside the village?
1. One, 2. Two, 3. Three, 4. More than three.
193. Who are they (with relation to the head of family)? _____
194. Who is the first person to study outside the village in your family? _____
195. Where is he/she studying? _____
196. What type of education he/she is receiving? _____
197. When did he/she go for study? _____
198. How far is that educational institution from your village? _____
199. Has anyone of your family members married outside the village?
1. Yes 2. No

200. If yes, how many family members have married outside the village?
 1. One 2. Two, 3. Three, 4. Above three
201. Who are they (with relation to the head of family)? _____
202. Who is the first person to marry outside the village in your family? _____
203. From where did he/she marry? _____
204. What way did he/she marry? _____
205. When did he/she marry? _____
206. How far from your village has he/she married? _____

(c) Neighbourhood Patterns

207. How far is your nearest neighbour from your family?
 1. Less than 50 metres , 2. 51-100 metres, 3. Above 100 metres
208. When did your nearest neighbour settle?
 1. Since last month 2. Since 1 year, 3. 1-5 years
 4. 6-10 years 5. 11-20 years 6. 21-50
 7. More than 50 years
209. Which community they belong? _____

(d) Community Organization

210. Is there any Traditional Social Organization in your Village/ Town?
 1. Yes 2. No
211. If Yes, What is/ are this/ these?
212. Are you a member of any such Organization? 1. Yes 2. No
213. If yes, then, what is that organization? (a) G. Panchayat (b) Mahila Samiti
 (c) SHG
214. What are the roles (duties) performed by the Organization(s)?
 (a) Agricultural development (b) Sanitation (c) Irrigation
215. Is there any Traditional Political Organization in your Village?
 1. Yes 2. No
216. If yes, what is that? (a) Gaon Sabha (b) Kebang

VI. SOCIAL MOVEMENT

217. Is any family member (s) working outside the district/state? 1. Yes, 2. No

218. Are those who are working outside the district/state use to come the home during festivals?: 1. Yes, 2. No
219. Is any family members blocked on the way to home from work place due to band/economic blocked/ train blocked, etc.? 1. Yes, 2. No
220. If yes, specify experiences_____
221. Which organization frequently declares bandh calls?_____
222. Do you think that movement is required for the development of your community? 1. Yes 2. No
223. If yes, Specify why?_____
224. Does your community engage in any movement to achieve sixth Schedule status? 1. Yes 2. No
225. Does your village come under Autonomous District Council?
1. Yes 2. No
226. If yes, specify the name of ADC:_____
227. Has any violent incident taken place since the beginning of the movement?
1. Yes 2. No
228. Specify: 1. Year of violence_____
2. Place of violence_____
3. Number of lives lost_____
4. Account of properties_____
5. Violence between whom_____
229. Has any change taken place in your village after the formation of ADC?
1. Yes 2. No
230. What type of changes has taken place? (specify): _____
231. What type of opportunities/facilities do your family avail after getting ADC?
232. If your village is getting less opportunity after the formation of ADC, specify the areas where your community or village is lagging behind?

233. Why are your Village/community not getting all the facilities that are provided by ADC?_____

234. If your village does not come under ADC, is there any movement going on in your district to form Autonomous District Council or Other such Governmental Agency? 1. Yes 2. No
235. If yes, specify What is the name of that movement and when was it started?

236. What are the objectives of the movement?_____
237. Is the movement confined only to your district? 1. Yes 2. No
238. If not, specify the areas outside your district/state/ Nation: _____
239. Do they come to your district (Goalpara) from other states (Meghalaya) to join in the Movement? 1. Yes 2. No
240. If yes, specify the places_____
241. If there any impact observed during this movement period?
1. Yes 2. No
242. If yes, what are the impacts?_____
243. What are the major incidents that took place during movement?_____
244. What are the results of this events?_____
245. What do you think about the leadership of the Movement?
1. Capable 2. Weak 3. Appropriate
246. Is there any opponent group who is against this movement? 1. Yes 2. No
247. If yes, specify: _____
248. Why do they oppose? :_____
249. Who are the supporters of the movement?_____
250. What is the role of political parties in this regards?_____
251. What ideology do they follow?_____
252. Is there any ideological change during the movement period?
1. Yes 2. No
253. Which ideology they have changed?_____
254. What are the major demands of the movement?_____
255. Is there any change of demand since its establishment? 1. Yes 2. No
256. If yes, specify_____
257. What strategies are adopted to reach their goal?_____

258. Specify the organizational structures of the movement:_____

259. What are the changes brought into Garo/Rabha society due to the movement? _____

260. What is your opinion about the solution of this movement?_____

VIII. PROPERTY LOSS

261. What are the properties that your family lost during conflict?_____

IX. RELIEF CAMP

262. Was life comfortable in the relief camps? 1. Yes 2. No

263. If not, why?_____

264. Did you receive proper medical care in the camp? 1. Yes 2. No

265. If not, what are the problems?_____

266. Did you receive proper nutritious food in the camp? 1. Yes 2. No

267. If not, what did you get?_____

268. Were you provided clothes in the camp? 1. Yes 2. No

269. Were you provided proper sanitation in the relief camps? 1. Yes 2. No

X. REHABILITATION

270. Did your family receive any aid for rehabilitation? 1. Yes 2. No

271. If yes from whom was the aids received? 1. Government 2. N.G.O.

172. Whom do you consider to be more beneficial? 1. Government 2. N.G.O.

273. What kind of assistance did you receive? 1. Household goods

2. Building materials, 3. clothes, 4. Food grains 5. Others

274. Do you think that the financial assistance received for Government is adequate? 1. Yes 2. No

275. If no how much did you loss and how much has been offered to you by Government Authority?_____

276. Have you lost all your landed property? 1. Yes 2. No

277. If yes what is your opinion about the resettlement of your family?_____

278. Do you feel secured in your original place of habitation? 1. Yes 2. No

279. If not, specify why?_____

280. Has the State Government or other organizations taken any steps for providing your family new ways of livelihood? 1. Yes 2. No

XI. PEACE PROCESS

281. Who are taking more interest in giving momentum to the peace process?

1. Government organizations/ Institutions, 2. NGOs

282. If Government organizations, who are they?_____

283. If Non-Government organizations, who are they?_____

284. What are the initiative taken as parts of peace process?_____

285. Do you think that peace process is fruitful? 1. Yes 2. No

286. If not, what are the short comings?_____

287. Do you think that normalcy will return to the affected villages?

1. Yes 2. No

288. Do you think that the future of your children are hampered by this conflict? 1. Yes 2. No

289. If yes, specify why?_____