

# A REPORT

On

## MEGHALAYA ASSEMBLY ELECTION 2008

### A CSDS Study



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## A: INTRODUCTION

On 3 March 2008, the election to the State Legislative Assemblies of Meghalaya was held. Lokniti, CSDS, Delhi conducted a Pre Poll Survey on State Assembly Election-2008 in Meghalaya. The main objective of the survey was to understand the peoples' opinion on the performance of the previous government in the state as well as the choice of voting preference in the election. The survey also made an attempt to understand the peoples' perception on various issues like, development, law and order situation, problem of outsider and insurgency, bifurcation of two state for Khasi-Jantias and Garos, issues of Uranium mining, etc.

**Table-I: The Background of the Election**

Total Number of Assembly Constituencies	<b>60</b>
Number of AC seats reserved for Schedule Caste	---
Number of AC seats reserved for Schedule Tribe	<b>55</b>
Total Number of Voters in the state	<b>12, 14, 636</b>
Voter Turn out	<b>89.41%</b>

Source: CSDS data Unit

**Table-II: Election Results**

Party	Seats Contested	Seats won	Vote share (%)
INC	59	25	32.8
UDP	53	11	18.6
NCP	49	14	20.3
BJP	23	---	2.7
MDP	18	---	2.8
KHNAM	16	1	4.5
HSPDP	15	2	3.8
Independent	73	5	13.1
Others	25	---	1.0

Source: CSDS data Unit

Note: Others include LJP, GNC and CPI.

**Table-III: Sample Frame**

Number of Sampled ACs	<b>20</b>
Number of Sampled Polling Stations(PS)	<b>60</b>
Number of Respondents (n)	<b>1135</b>
Type of Survey	<b>Pre Poll Survey</b>

**Table-IV: Sample Profile- Census of India vs. Survey**

Categories	2001 Census	Survey
Rural	<b>80.4</b>	<b>79</b>
Urban	<b>19.5</b>	<b>21</b>
Women	<b>49.2</b>	<b>54</b>
Schedule Caste	<b>0.5</b>	<b>4</b>
Schedule Tribe	<b>85.9</b>	<b>88</b>
Hindu	<b>13.3</b>	<b>14</b>
Christian	<b>70.3</b>	<b>74</b>

Muslim	<b>4.3</b>	<b>3</b>
Other Religions	<b>11.5</b>	<b>8</b>
Khasi-Jaintia Tribe	<b>56.4</b>	<b>58</b>
Garo Tribe	<b>34.6</b>	<b>22</b>

All figures in percent.

Note: Other religions include Buddhist and other tribal religions or animists.

## B: SURVEY DESIGN

### Sampling Note:

#### d. How Assembly Constituencies for the survey were selected?

**Out of its total 60 ACs, 20 ACs were sampled for the survey.**

- i. All the 60 ACs in the state were arranged in ascending order according to their AC ID numbers along with the total number of registered voters in each AC.
- ii. The cumulative total of the total number of voters for each AC was computed. The cumulative total refers to adding the total number of registered voters in the first AC to the total number of registered voters in the second AC, and adding the cumulative number to the total number of registered voters in the third AC. This process is repeated for all the ACs and the cumulative total of the last AC was equal to the total voters in the state.  
For example, if AC 1, 2, 3 and 4 have 11, 15, 15 and 20 voters respectively, the cumulative total for AC 1 will be 11, AC 2 will be 26 (11+15=26), AC 3 will be 41 (15 + 26 = 41), and the cumulative total for AC 4 will be 61 (20 + 41 = 61).
- iii. In order to arrive at a Sampling Constant, the total number of voters was then divided by 20, as it was decided that the survey will be conducted in 20 ACs.  
For example, if the total number of voters is 1000, it was divided by 20 to arrive at a Constant Sampling of 50.
- iv. A number less than the Sampling Constant was randomly selected in the column of cumulative totals. Here randomly refers to an absolute non-bias approach wherein you should not be inclined to pick any particular PS. Then the AC in which the randomly selected number was located (identified from cumulative voters) became the first selected AC.  
For example, if the 50th voter (if 50 is the Sampling Constant) was identified to be in AC number 4, then AC number 4 became the first sampled AC.
- v. By adding the Sampling Constant to the cumulative voter list of the first sampled AC, the next AC was selected.  
For Example, if the cumulative total at AC 4 is 75, then 50, the sampling constant will be added to 75 (75 + 50 = 125). Thus the second sample AC will be the one in which 125 will lie, or in other words the AC in which 125th voter is located becomes the second sampled AC.
- vi. By repeating the same process, the third randomly sampled AC was selected. The same process was carried out to select all the 20-sampled ACs.

**e. How Polling Stations for the survey were selected?**

- i. A comprehensive list of all the PS in the AC listing their number in ascending order was prepared.
- ii. As it was decided to sample 3 PS in each AC, the total number of PS was divided by 3 to arrive at a Sampling Constant. For example, if the AC has 120 PS, it was divided by 3 to get a Sampling Constant of 40 ( $120 \div 3 = 40$ ).
- iii. Any PS with a number less than the Sampling Constant (for example less than 40) was randomly selected.
- iv. The next PS was selected by adding the Sampling Constant to the PS Number already sampled. For example, if PS No. 25 (which is less than 40) is the first Sampled PS, then 40 (the Sampling Constant) to it to select the second sampled PS. So, 65 ( $25 + 40 = 65$ ), becomes second randomly sampled PS.
- v. By repeating the same process, the third randomly sampled PS was selected. For example, by adding 40 to randomly sampled PS No. 65 (as explained in the example above), add 40, 105 ( $65 + 40 = 105$ ), becomes third randomly sampled PS.
- vi. Thus, 3 randomly sampled PS from the total PS in each sampled AC was selected for the survey. For example, PS No. 25 (First Sample PS), PS No. 65 (Second Sample PS) and PS No. 105 (Third Sample PS). This process was carried out for all the 20-sampled ACs.

**f. How Respondents for the survey were selected?**

- In each PS sampled after following Step I a sampled respondent list of 25 voters were prepared from the voter list procured for this purpose. (*Download it from state EC website or if not available from EC office*)
- As the sample in each PS is 25 voters, the total number of Voters as given in the electoral roll of the selected sampled PS was divided by 25 to arrive at a Sampling Constant. For example, if the PS has 1000 Voters, it was divided by 25 to get a Sampling Constant of 40 ( $1000 \div 25 = 40$ ).
- The first Voter with a number less than the Sampling Constant (for example less than 40) was randomly selected. Here, randomly refers to an absolute non-bias approach wherein one should not be inclined to pick any particular Voter.
- By adding the Sampling Constant to the Voter Number already sampled, the next Voter is selected. For example if the randomly sampled Voter No. 25 (which is less than 40) is first Sampled Voter, by adding 40 (the Sampling Constant) to it, voter No. 65 ( $25 + 40 = 65$ ), became the second randomly sampled Voter. By repeating this process, 25 Voters from the voter list were selected.
- Thus, the names of the 25 Voters with their details in the blank respondent list were recorded to provide to the investigators for interviews.
- Substitution of respondents (Sampled Voters) was strictly not allowed.
- A team of 2 Investigators were asked to approach all the 25 respondents sampled at each PS in one day and interview as many voters as possible.

**Table-V: Questionnaire Design**

<b>Language designed</b>	<b>English</b>
<b>Language translated</b>	<b>Khasi and Garo</b>
<b>Translated by</b>	<b>Dr. Rajesh Dev, Women's College, Shillong, Meghalaya</b>

<b>Number variables</b>	<b>88</b>
<b>Major Themes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Performance of the Congress-Led MDA Government</li> <li>• Question on the Bifurcation of Two Separate States for Garos and Khasis</li> <li>• Issues of Outsiders</li> <li>• Question of Uranium Mining</li> <li>• Problem of Insurgency</li> <li>• Role of Darbar</li> <li>• Free and Fairness of the Election</li> </ul>

**Table-VI: Details of Training Workshop of Investigator**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>No. of Investigator</b>	<b>Resource Person(s)</b>
<b>2 March 2008</b>	<b>Shillong, Meghalaya</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>Dr. Rajesh Dev, Women's College, Shillong, Meghalaya</b>

**Table-VII: Data Collection and Processing**

Date(s) of field work	<b>3- 6 March 2008</b>
Date(s) of Data Checking	<b>6 March 2008</b>
Venue of Data Checking	<b>Lokniti, CSDS, Delhi</b>
Date(s) of Data Entry	<b>6-7 March 2008</b>
Venue of Data Entry	<b>Lokniti, CSDS, Delhi</b>

**Table-VIII: Details of Data Dissemination**

<b>Electronic Media</b>			
Name of the Channel	Date	Time	
<b>CNN-IBN</b>	<b>7 March 2008</b>	<b>8.00 p.m.</b>	
<b>Print Media</b>			
Name of the Publication	Title of Article	Name of Author	Date
<b>The Indian Express</b>	<b>Winner doesn't take all</b>	<b>Rajiv Kshetri, Lokniti, CSDS</b>	<b>8 March 2008</b>

## **C: DETAILS OF SURVEY TEAM**

Sanjay Kumar of the CSDS directed the survey. Lokniti- state coordinator, Dr Rajesh Dev of Women's College, Shilong Coordinated the entire process of the survey like the selection of the investigators, their training and finally in supervising the field-work The team that designed, coordinated and analyzed the survey at CSDS comprised of Dhananjai Joshi, Himanshu Bhattacharya, Kanchan Malhotra, Kshetri Rajiv Singh, Praveen Rai, Vikas Gautam and Yogendra Yadav.

# **D: ANNEXURES**

## I: ANNEXURE-1

### DETAILS OF SURVEY PROFILE

AC No.	AC Name	PS No	Frequency
01:	WAR-JAINTIA(ST)	6	24
		16	24
		26	27
	<b>Total</b>		<b>76</b>
04:	RALIANG(ST)	4	22
		17	22
		30	24
	<b>Total</b>		<b>69</b>
07:	JOWAI(ST)	7	22
		17	22
		27	21
	<b>Total</b>		<b>65</b>
09:	UMROI(ST)	4	27
		14	24
		24	25
	<b>Total</b>		<b>77</b>
12:	MAIRANG(ST)	3	21
		13	21
		23	22
	<b>Total</b>		<b>63</b>
15:	MYLLIEM(ST)	5	20
		13	22
		<b>Total</b>	
18:	PYNTHORUMKHRA	5	22
		14	20
		23	19
	<b>Total</b>		<b>61</b>
21:	MAWPREM	3	24
		9	20
		15	20
	<b>Total</b>		<b>64</b>
24:	SOHRYNGKHAM(ST)	4	22
		11	24
		18	23
	<b>Total</b>		<b>69</b>
27:	LYNGKYRDEM(ST)	7	8
		16	9
		25	12
	<b>Total</b>		<b>29</b>
31:	MAWSYNRAM(ST)	4	24
		13	25

		22	21
	Total		<b>70</b>
34:	NONGSTOIN(ST)	9	27
		22	25
		35	26
	Total		<b>78</b>
40:	KHARKUTTA(ST)	5	17
		14	16
		23	17
	Total		<b>51</b>
43:	SONGSAK(ST)	7	17
		18	16
		29	8
	Total		<b>40</b>
46:	DADENGGIRI(ST)	6	16
		15	19
		24	15
	Total		<b>49</b>
49:	RAJABALA(ST)	5	23
		13	22
		21	6
	Total		<b>52</b>
52:	TURA(ST)	6	22
		18	17
		30	17
	Total		<b>56</b>
55:	DALU(ST)	3	17
		8	18
		13	14
		21	20
	Total		<b>69</b>
58:	AMPATIGIRI(ST)	4	16
		11	22
		18	16
	Total		<b>55</b>

Source: CSDS Data Unit.

Note: Out of sampled 20 ACs, the survey was conducted only in 19 ACs due to the transportation difficulties and other problems related to the bad law and order situation in the state. Similarly, out of 60 polling stations targeted for the survey, only 57 polling stations could be surveyed. Thus, a total of 1135 voters spread across 57 Polling Stations in 19 ACs were interviewed during the survey.

## II. ANNEXURE-2

### MARGINAL OF ALL QUESTIONS

**Q1: While talking to people about the just concluded assembly elections, we find that some people were not able to vote. How about you? Were you able to vote or not?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Not able to vote	35	3.1	3.1	3.1
2: Able to vote	1100	96.9	96.9	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q1a: (If voted) Whom did you vote for?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 01: Congress	362	31.9	31.9	31.9
02: BJP	58	5.1	5.1	37.0
03: NCP	225	19.8	19.8	56.8
04: CPI	1	.1	.1	56.9
05: UDP	204	18.0	18.0	74.9
06: LjnsP	1	.1	.1	75.0
07: MDP	21	1.8	1.8	76.9
08: KHNAM	49	4.3	4.3	81.2
09: HSPDP	44	3.8	3.8	85.0
96: Independents	95	8.4	8.4	93.4
97: Others	2	.2	.2	93.6
98: Don't know	38	3.3	3.3	96.9
99: Blank/Refusal	35	3.1	3.1	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q1b: (If voted) When did you finally make up your mind about who to vote for?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: On the day of voting	60	5.3	5.3	5.3
2: A day or two before voting	71	6.3	6.3	11.6
3: During the campaign	138	12.2	12.2	23.8
4: After campaigning started	110	9.7	9.7	33.5
5: Before the campaign started	636	56.1	56.1	89.5
8: Can't say	75	6.6	6.6	96.2
9: N.A.	44	3.8	3.8	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q1c: (If voted) Did the election officer correctly put the mark on your fingers?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Mark not found	9	.7	.7	.7
2: Mark found	1021	89.9	89.9	90.7
8: Could not check the mark	50	4.4	4.4	95.1
9: N.A.	55	4.9	4.9	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q1d: (If not voted) What was the main reason due to which you could not vote in this election?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Out of Station	8	.7	.7	.7
2: Did not know I was a voter	6	.5	.5	1.2
4: Not well	2	.2	.2	1.4
6: Somebody had already voted before I went to vote	1	.1	.1	1.5
7: Others	1	.1	.1	1.6
8: Can't say/D.K.	18	1.6	1.6	3.2
9: N.A.	1099	96.8	96.8	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q2: Now let us talk about the election campaign during the election. How much interested were you in the election campaign this time-a great deal, somewhat or not at all?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Not at all	224	19.7	19.7	19.7
2: Somewhat	428	37.7	37.7	57.5
3: Great deal	276	24.3	24.3	81.8
8: Can't say/D.K.	207	18.2	18.2	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q3a: During the elections people participate in various activities related with election. Did you participate or attend election meetings?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: No	457	40.3	40.3	40.3
2: Yes	678	59.7	59.7	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q3b: During the elections people participate in various activities related with election. Did you participate in processions/rallies?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: No	855	75.3	75.3	75.3
2: Yes	280	24.7	24.7	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q3c: During the elections people participate in various activities related with election. Did you participate in door-to-door canvassing?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: No	1035	91.2	91.2	91.2
2: Yes	100	8.8	8.8	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q3d: During the elections people participate in various activities related with election. Did you contribute or collected money?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: No	1087	95.8	95.8	95.8
2: Yes	48	4.2	4.2	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q3e: During the elections people participate in various activities related with election. Did you distribute election leaflets?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: No	977	86.1	86.1	86.1
2: Yes	158	13.9	13.9	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q4: Did any candidate, party worker or canvasser come to your house during the campaign to ask for your vote?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: No	433	38.2	38.2	38.2
2: Yes	597	52.6	52.6	90.8
8: Don't remember	104	9.2	9.2	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q5: Whom did you vote for in the 2004 Lok Sabha Elections held in 2004? I mean the MP election for electing the government in Delhi.**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 01: Congress	651	57.3	57.3	57.3
02: BJP	68	6.0	6.0	63.3
03: NCP	127	11.2	11.2	74.5
04: CPI	2	.2	.2	74.7
05: UDP	4	.3	.3	75.0
08: KHNAM	1	.1	.1	75.1
10: GNC	1	.1	.1	75.2
96: Independents	19	1.6	1.6	76.8
97: Others	99	8.7	8.7	85.6
98: Don't know	1	.1	.1	85.7
99: Blank/Refusal	162	14.3	14.3	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q6: Who would you prefer as the next Chief Minister of Meghalaya?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: P.A. Sangma	224	19.8	19.8	19.8
2: D.D. Lapang	210	18.5	18.5	38.2
3: Salseng Marak	105	9.2	9.2	47.4
4: Donkumar Roy	101	8.9	8.9	56.4
5	13	1.2	1.2	57.5
7: Others	265	23.3	23.3	80.9
8	23	2.1	2.1	82.9
9: Blank/Refused/Don't want to say	194	17.1	17.1	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q7: What is your assement of the work done by the Congress led MDA government in Meghalaya during the last five years-would you say that you are satisfied or dissatisfied with it?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Fully satisfied	93	8.2	8.2	8.2
2: Somewhat satisfied	366	32.2	32.2	40.4
3: Somewhat dissatisfied	198	17.4	17.4	57.9
4: Fully dissatisfied	303	26.7	26.7	84.5
8: Can't say/D.K	176	15.5	15.5	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q8: And what is your opinion about the performance of D.D. Lapang as Chief Minister of Meghalaya in the last five years-would you say that you are satisfied or dissatisfied with his performance?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Fully satisfied	96	8.5	8.5	8.5
2: Somewhat satisfied	315	27.8	27.8	36.3
3: Somewhat dissatisfied	196	17.2	17.2	53.5
4: Fully dissatisfied	327	28.8	28.8	82.3
8: Can't say/D.K	200	17.7	17.7	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q9a: People have different considerations while deciding whom to vote for I'll read out few such things. Please tell me what mattered more to you -party or candidate while deciding whome to vote for in the recent election?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Party	249	21.9	21.9	21.9
2: Candidate	799	70.4	70.4	92.4
8: Can't say	87	7.6	7.6	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q9c: People have different considerations while deciding whom to vote for I'll read out few such things. Please tell me what mattered more to you -caste/tribe/community or other ossues while deciding whome to vote for in the recent election?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Caste	160	14.1	14.1	14.1
2: Others	320	28.2	28.2	42.2
8: Can't say	656	57.8	57.8	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q10: If we compare P.R. Kyndiah and P.A. Sangma, who in your opinion is a better representative of the people of Meghalaya in the parliament in Delhi-P.R. Kyndiah or P.A. Sangma?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: P.R. Kyndiah	464	40.9	40.9	40.9
2: P.A. Sangma	297	26.1	26.1	67.0
3: Both equally good	126	11.1	11.1	78.1
4: Both equally bad	43	3.8	3.8	81.9
8: Can't say	206	18.1	18.1	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q11a: Now I will talk about the changes that have taken place in Meghalaya during the last five years, after the Congress led MDA Govt. again won election. In the five years, has the development of Tripura improved, deteriorated or remained the same?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Improved	408	35.9	35.9	35.9
2: Remained same	521	45.9	45.9	81.9
3: Deteriorated	78	6.9	6.9	88.8
8: D.K	128	11.2	11.2	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q11b: Now I will talk about the changes that have taken place in Meghalaya during the last five years, after the Congress led MDA Govt. again won election. In the five years has the condition of roads improved, deteriorated or remained the same?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Improved	266	23.4	23.4	23.4
2: Remained same	505	44.5	44.5	67.9
3: Deteriorated	301	26.5	26.5	94.4
8: D.K	63	5.6	5.6	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q11c: Now I will talk about the changes that have taken place in Meghalaya during the last five years, after the Congress led MDA Govt. again won election. In the five years has the security of ordinary people improved, deteriorated or remained same?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Improved	281	24.7	24.7	24.7
2: Remained same	608	53.5	53.5	78.3
3: Deteriorated	107	9.4	9.4	87.6
8: D.K	140	12.4	12.4	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q11d: Now I will talk about the changes that have taken place in Meghalaya during the last five years, after the Congress led MDA Govt. again won election. In the five years has the condition of poor improved, deteriorated or remained the same?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Improved	178	15.7	15.7	15.7
2: Remained same	650	57.3	57.3	73.0
3: Deteriorated	193	17.0	17.0	90.0
8: D.K.	114	10.0	10.0	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q12a: And also tell me if in the last five years, after the Congress led MDA Govt. came to power, corruptions have increased, decreased or remained the same?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Increased	641	56.5	56.5	56.5
2: Remained same	276	24.3	24.3	80.9
3: Decreased	29	2.5	2.5	83.4
8: D.K.	188	16.6	16.6	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q12b: And also tell me if in the last five years, after the Congress led MDA Govt. came to power, insurgencies have increased, decreased or remained the same?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Increased	106	9.4	9.4	9.4
2: Remained same	431	37.9	37.9	47.3
3: Decreased	450	39.7	39.7	87.0
8: D.K.	148	13.0	13.0	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q12c: And also tell me if in the last five years, after the Congress led MDA Govt. came to power, inflations have increased, decreased or remained the same?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Increased	635	56.0	56.0	56.0
2: Remained same	301	26.5	26.5	82.5
3: Decreased	105	9.2	9.2	91.7
8: D.K.	94	8.3	8.3	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q12d: And also tell me if in the last five years, after the Congress led MDA Govt. came to power, employment opportunities have increased, decreased or remained the same?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Increased	113	9.9	9.9	9.9
2: Remained same	505	44.5	44.5	54.4
3: Decreased	328	28.9	28.9	83.3
8: D.K.	189	16.7	16.7	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q13: Now I would like to know your opinion about a coalition government. Some people believe that there is no harm in a coalition government. Others believe that in special circumstances there is no alternative to it. What is your opinion in this regard?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Nothing wrong in it	275	24.3	24.3	24.3
2: No alternative to coalition	224	19.8	19.8	44.0
3: No coalition government in any circumstances	125	11.0	11.0	55.0
8: No opinion	458	40.4	40.4	95.4
9	52	4.6	4.6	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q14: We often hear some people saying that the Garo Hills are less developed because of Khasi domination in Meghalaya's politics, while others say that the Garo Hills are less developed because the Garo people do not work hard to develop their region. What is your opinion?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Less developed because of Khasi domination	118	10.4	10.4	10.4
2: Less developed because Garos don't work	302	26.6	26.6	37.0
3: Garo hills not less developed	178	15.7	15.7	52.7
8	537	47.3	47.3	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q15: People are divided on the issue of outsiders getting settled in Meghalaya. Some people say that there should be a law banning the settling of people from outside, while some say that there is no need for any such law. What is your opinion?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Law banning outsiders	504	44.4	44.4	44.4
2: No such law	81	7.2	7.2	51.5
3: Entry of foreigners be effectively stopped	182	16.0	16.0	67.5
8: Can't say/No opinion	368	32.5	32.5	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q16a: Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the statement-We should be loyal to our own region first then to the country?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Fully disagree	46	4.1	4.1	4.1
2: Somewhat agree	92	8.1	8.1	12.2
3: Somewhat disagree	318	28.0	28.0	40.2
4: Fully agree	546	48.1	48.1	88.3
8: No opinion	132	11.7	11.7	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q16b: Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the statement-Non-tribals should not be allowed to buy and sell land in Meghalaya?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Fully disagree	121	10.7	10.7	10.7
2: Somewhat agree	94	8.3	8.3	19.0
3: Somewhat disagree	195	17.2	17.2	36.2
4: Fully agree	602	53.1	53.1	89.2
8: No opinion	122	10.8	10.8	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q16c: Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the statement-Women should be allowed to take membership in Dorbars?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Fully disagree	121	10.6	10.6	10.6
2: Somewhat agree	107	9.4	9.4	20.1
3: Somewhat disagree	365	32.2	32.2	52.2
4: Fully agree	291	25.7	25.7	77.9
8: No opinion	251	22.1	22.1	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q16d: Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the statement-People from outside Meghalaya are necessary for the development of the state?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Fully disagree	140	12.4	12.4	12.4
2: Somewhat agree	242	21.3	21.3	33.7
3: Somewhat disagree	291	25.7	25.7	59.3
4: Fully agree	173	15.3	15.3	74.6
8: No opinion	288	25.4	25.4	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q16e: Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the statement-Compared to national parties, regional parties can provide better government in states?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Fully disagree	130	11.5	11.5	11.5
2: Somewhat agree	203	17.9	17.9	29.3
3: Somewhat disagree	370	32.6	32.6	61.9
4: Fully agree	176	15.5	15.5	77.4
8: No opinion	256	22.6	22.6	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q16f: Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the statement-Non-Khasis should be allowed to take membership in Dorbars?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Fully disagree	568	50.0	50.0	50.0
2: Somewhat agree	91	8.0	8.0	58.0
3: Somewhat disagree	106	9.4	9.4	67.4
4: Fully agree	75	6.6	6.6	74.0
8: No opinion	296	26.0	26.0	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q16g: Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the statement-The coming of foreigners to Meghalaya is a major cause of growing unemployment?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Fully disagree	73	6.4	6.4	6.4
2: Somewhat agree	113	9.9	9.9	16.3
3: Somewhat disagree	343	30.3	30.3	46.6
4: Fully agree	288	25.4	25.4	72.0
8: No opinion	318	28.0	28.0	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q17: Thinking of how you or your family have voted in the past few elections, how would you describe yourself, would you say you have been a Congress, NCP, BJP, MDP, UDP supporter or you have not been a supporter of any one party?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Congress supporter	340	30.0	30.0	30.0
2: NCP supporter	152	13.4	13.4	43.4
3: BJP supporter	41	3.6	3.6	47.0
4: MDP supporter	38	3.4	3.4	50.4
5: UDP supporter	127	11.2	11.2	61.6
6: Supporter of no one party	125	11.0	11.0	72.6
7: Others	95	8.4	8.4	81.0
8: Can't say/D.K.	216	19.0	19.0	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q18: Have you heard the name of Hyniewtrep National Liberation Council(HNCL)?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: No	200	17.7	17.7	17.7
2: Yes	935	82.3	82.3	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**18a: (If yes) People have different opinions about HNCL. Some people feel that HNC are genuine, and an armed struggle is justified, while some feel that HNCL's demands are baseless. What is your opinion?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Armed struggle justified	45	4.0	4.0	4.0
2: Baseless demands	207	18.3	18.3	22.2
3: Should join democratic process	301	26.6	26.6	48.8
8: Can't say/No opinion	381	33.6	33.6	82.3
9: N.A.	200	17.7	17.7	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q19: People are divided on the issue of corruption in the present MDA government. Some people say that only Congress is responsible for corruption, while others say that Congress allies are equally responsible. What is your opinion?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Only Congress	65	5.7	5.7	5.7
2: Both Congress and allies	668	58.9	58.9	64.6
3: No corruption	10	.9	.9	65.5
8: Can't say/No opinion	392	34.5	34.5	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q20: Now I will ask you about the assembly elections held in recently in your village/locality. Do you think that elections conducted fairly, somewhat fairly or unfairly?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Unfairly	26	2.3	2.3	2.3
2: Somewhat fairly	188	16.5	16.5	18.9
3: Fairly	850	74.9	74.9	93.8
8: Can't say/D.K	71	6.2	6.2	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q21: If you compare the recently held assembly election in your village/locality with the 2003 assembly elections held five years ago, would you say that recently held election was more fair or was it more unfair compared to the 2003 Assembly election?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: More fair	641	56.4	56.4	56.4
2: More unfair	45	4.0	4.0	60.4
3: No difference	286	25.2	25.2	85.6
8: Can't say/D.K.	163	14.4	14.4	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q22a: Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the statement-The Central government in Delhi should have complete control over the natural resources of the states?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Fully disagree	369	32.5	32.5	32.5
2: Somewhat agree	242	21.3	21.3	53.8
3: Somewhat disagree	200	17.7	17.7	71.5
4: Fully agree	109	9.6	9.6	81.1
8: No opinion	215	18.9	18.9	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q22b: Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the statement-Mining of Uranium should be allowed?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Fully disagree	546	48.1	48.1	48.1
2: Somewhat agree	186	16.4	16.4	64.5
3: Somewhat disagree	125	11.0	11.0	75.6
4: Fully agree	38	3.4	3.4	78.9
8: No opinion	239	21.1	21.1	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q22c: Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the statement-Meghalaya should be bifurcated into two separate states for Garos and Khasis?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Fully disagree	87	7.7	7.7	7.7
2: Somewhat agree	129	11.3	11.3	19.0
3: Somewhat disagree	272	24.0	24.0	43.0
4: Fully agree	414	36.4	36.4	79.5
8: No opinion	233	20.5	20.5	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q22d: Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the statement-Rangbah Shnong (village elders) never get involved in corruption?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Fully disagree	226	19.9	19.9	19.9
2: Somewhat agree	219	19.3	19.3	39.2
3: Somewhat disagree	177	15.6	15.6	54.8
4: Fully agree	119	10.5	10.5	65.3
8: No opinion	394	34.7	34.7	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q22e: Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the statement-Infomal trade between the people of Meghalaya and Bangladesh needs to be stopped for security reasons?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Fully disagree	131	11.5	11.5	11.5
2: Somewhat agree	153	13.5	13.5	25.0
3: Somewhat disagree	315	27.7	27.7	52.7
4: Fully agree	195	17.2	17.2	70.0
8: No opinion	341	30.0	30.0	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q22f: Now I will read out few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the statement-Private investment should be allowed in order to boost the state's economy?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Fully disagree	43	3.8	3.8	3.8
2: Somewhat agree	83	7.3	7.3	11.1
3: Somewhat disagree	374	33.0	33.0	44.1
4: Fully agree	368	32.4	32.4	76.5
8: No opinion	267	23.5	23.5	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q23: How satisfied are you with the work done by the MLA in your village/locality during the last five years-would you say that you are satisfied or dissatisfied with it?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Fully satisfied	177	15.6	15.6	15.6
2: Somewhat satisfied	386	34.0	34.0	49.6
3: Somewhat dissatisfied	211	18.6	18.6	68.2
4: Fully dissatisfied	246	21.7	21.7	89.9
8: Can't say/D.K.	115	10.1	10.1	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q24: In an ordinary week, how regularly do you read newspaper-daily, 5-6 times in a week, 2-4 times a week, once or twice or never?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Daily	265	23.3	23.3	23.3
2: 5-6 times in a week	71	6.3	6.3	29.6
3: 2-4 times in a week	148	13.1	13.1	42.6
4: 1-2 days	141	12.5	12.5	55.1
5: Never	342	30.1	30.1	85.2
8: Can't say	168	14.8	14.8	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q25: In an ordinary week, how regularly do you listen to news on radio-more than once a day, once a day, 5-6 times a week, 2-4 times a week, once or twice or never?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Once a day	219	19.3	19.3	19.3
2: More than once a day	167	14.7	14.7	34.0
3: 5-6 times in a week	61	5.4	5.4	39.4
4: 2-4 times in a week	79	7.0	7.0	46.4
5: 1-2 days	97	8.6	8.6	55.0
6: Never	350	30.8	30.8	85.8
8: Can't say	161	14.2	14.2	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q26: In an ordinary week, how regularly do you watch news on TV-more than once a day, once a day, 5-6 times a week, 2-4 times a week, once or twice or never?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Once a day	247	21.7	21.7	21.7
2: More than once a day	167	14.8	14.8	36.5
3: 5-6 times in a week	72	6.3	6.3	42.8
4: 2-4 times in a week	85	7.4	7.4	50.3
5: 1-2 days	73	6.4	6.4	56.7
6: Never	328	28.9	28.9	85.5
8: Can't say	164	14.5	14.5	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**Q27: Do you think that the present Congress led MDA government in Meghalaya should be given another chance?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: No	486	42.8	42.8	42.8
2: Yes	290	25.5	25.5	68.3
8: Can't say	359	31.7	31.7	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B1: Now let us talk about this village/town you live in. How long have you lived here?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Less than 10 years	27	2.3	2.3	2.3
2: Ten years or more	122	10.7	10.7	13.1
3: Entire life	987	86.9	86.9	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B1a: (If not entire life) Where did your ancestors (grand parents) live?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Present Bangladesh	1	.1	.1	.1
2: Present Assam	7	.6	.6	.7
3: Present West Bengal	7	.6	.6	1.3
4: Other states of India	14	1.3	1.3	2.6
7: Others	119	10.5	10.5	13.1
9: N.A.	987	86.9	86.9	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B2: What is your age?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 18	14	1.2	1.2	1.2
19	34	3.0	3.0	4.2
20	33	2.9	2.9	7.1

21	38	3.3	3.3	10.4
22	44	3.8	3.8	14.2
23	31	2.8	2.8	17.0
24	25	2.2	2.2	19.2
25	56	4.9	4.9	24.1
26	36	3.2	3.2	27.3
27	30	2.7	2.7	29.9
28	36	3.2	3.2	33.1
29	29	2.6	2.6	35.7
30	40	3.5	3.5	39.2
31	37	3.3	3.3	42.4
32	35	3.1	3.1	45.5
33	26	2.3	2.3	47.8
34	29	2.6	2.6	50.4
35	45	3.9	3.9	54.3
36	19	1.7	1.7	56.0
37	15	1.3	1.3	57.4
38	37	3.3	3.3	60.6
39	21	1.8	1.8	62.5
40	35	3.1	3.1	65.6
41	27	2.4	2.4	67.9
42	31	2.7	2.7	70.6
43	15	1.3	1.3	71.9
44	12	1.1	1.1	73.0
45	23	2.0	2.0	75.0
46	11	.9	.9	76.0
47	18	1.6	1.6	77.5
48	13	1.1	1.1	78.7
49	14	1.2	1.2	79.9
50	30	2.7	2.7	82.5
51	7	.6	.6	83.2
52	19	1.7	1.7	84.9
53	15	1.3	1.3	86.1
54	13	1.2	1.2	87.3
55	14	1.3	1.3	88.6
56	15	1.4	1.4	89.9
57	5	.5	.5	90.4
58	13	1.1	1.1	91.5
59	4	.3	.3	91.9
60	14	1.2	1.2	93.1
61	5	.4	.4	93.5
62	9	.8	.8	94.3
63	7	.6	.6	94.9
64	7	.6	.6	95.5
65	12	1.1	1.1	96.5
66	3	.2	.2	96.8
67	1	.1	.1	96.8
68	2	.2	.2	97.0
69	3	.2	.2	97.2
70	7	.6	.6	97.8
71	1	.1	.1	97.9
72	6	.6	.6	98.5
73	1	.1	.1	98.5
74	3	.3	.3	98.8
75	2	.2	.2	99.0
76	2	.1	.1	99.1
78	2	.2	.2	99.3
79	1	.1	.1	99.4
80	3	.3	.3	99.7
85	1	.1	.1	99.8
86	1	.1	.1	99.8

90	1	.1	.1	99.9
99	1	.1	.1	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B3: Gender**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1: Male	521	45.9	45.9	45.9
	2: Female	614	54.1	54.1	100.0
	Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B4: What is your marital status?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1: Married	770	67.8	67.8	67.8
	2: Unmarried	267	23.5	23.5	91.3
	3: Living with someone, but unmarried	48	4.2	4.2	95.6
	4: Divorced/Separated	5	.4	.4	96.0
	5: Widowed	23	2.1	2.1	98.1
	N.A.	22	1.9	1.9	100.0
	Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B5: Till what level have you studied(Respondent)?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0: Non Literate	226	20.0	20.0	20.0
	1: Below Primary	246	21.7	21.7	41.6
	2: Primary pass/Middle fail	156	13.8	13.8	55.4
	3: Middle pass/Matric fail	144	12.7	12.7	68.1
	4: Matric	114	10.0	10.0	78.1
	5: Intermediate/College no degree	140	12.3	12.3	90.4
	6: Graduate or equivalent	82	7.2	7.2	97.6
	7: Post Graduate	9	.8	.8	98.4
	8: Professional Degrees and Higher Research	18	1.6	1.6	100.0
	Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B5a: Till what level has your father studied?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 0: Non Literate	528	46.6	46.6	46.6
1: Below Primary	224	19.7	19.7	66.3
2: Primary pass/Middle fail	76	6.7	6.7	73.0
3: Middle pass/Matric fail	54	4.7	4.7	77.7
4: Matric	75	6.6	6.6	84.3
5: Intermediate/College no degree	50	4.4	4.4	88.7
6: Graduate or equivalent	34	3.0	3.0	91.7
7: Post Graduate	5	.4	.4	92.1
8: Professional Degrees and Higher Research	89	7.9	7.9	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B5a: Till what level has your mother studied?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 0: Non Literate	573	50.5	50.5	50.5
1: Below Primary	258	22.8	22.8	73.2
2: Primary pass/Middle fail	84	7.4	7.4	80.6
3: Middle pass/Matric fail	42	3.7	3.7	84.3
4: Matric	59	5.2	5.2	89.6
5: Intermediate/College no degree	24	2.1	2.1	91.6
6: Graduate or equivalent	7	.7	.7	92.3
7: Post Graduate	2	.2	.2	92.5
8: Professional Degrees and Higher Research	85	7.5	7.5	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B6: What is your main occupation?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 02: Engineers	1	.1	.1	.1
04: Lawyers	2	.2	.2	.3
06: College/University teachers	4	.4	.4	.6
09: Other higher professional	1	.1	.1	.7
10: Science and engineering technician	2	.2	.2	.9
14: School teachers	44	3.8	3.8	4.8
15: Nursery teachers	10	.8	.8	5.6
18: Priests	1	.1	.1	5.7
21: Elected officials (District)	1	.1	.1	5.7
23: Officials Class-I	2	.2	.2	5.9
24: Officials Class-II	1	.1	.1	6.0

25: Class-III Employee (Clerical)	7	.6	.6	6.6
27: Traditional clerks	2	.2	.2	6.8
28: Class IV employee	21	1.8	1.8	8.6
29: Other administrative workers	16	1.4	1.4	10.0
30: Big businessmen	1	.1	.1	10.1
31: Medium businessmen	35	3.1	3.1	13.1
32: Small businessmen	32	2.8	2.8	16.0
33: Petty business	33	3.0	3.0	18.9
34: Hawkers	2	.2	.2	19.1
36: Salespersons	3	.3	.3	19.4
37: Shop Assistants	4	.4	.4	19.7
39: Other businessmen	19	1.7	1.7	21.4
40: Waiters	1	.1	.1	21.5
41: Dhobi	2	.2	.2	21.7
42: Barbers	1	.1	.1	21.8
43: Ayahs, Maids, Domestic servants	7	.6	.6	22.3
44: Chowkidars	1	.1	.1	22.4
49: Other service workers	3	.3	.3	22.7
50: Mechanics	8	.7	.7	23.4
51: Electricians	6	.5	.5	23.9
53: Tailors	4	.4	.4	24.3
56: Blacksmiths	3	.3	.3	24.5
57: Carpainters	15	1.3	1.3	25.8
59: Other skilled workers	33	2.9	2.9	28.8
63: Stone-cutter and carvers	1	.1	.1	28.9
64: Furniture, basket, mat makers	1	.1	.1	28.9
66: Unskilled labourers	36	3.2	3.2	32.1
69: Other semi-skilled and unskilled workers	3	.3	.3	32.4
72: Owner-cultivators 5-10 Acres	9	.8	.8	33.2
73: Owner-cultivators 1-5 Acres	56	4.9	4.9	38.2
74: Owner-cultivators 0-1 Acre	51	4.5	4.5	42.6
75: Tenant Cultivators. 5+ acres	2	.2	.2	42.8
Tenant Cultivators 0-5 acres	5	.4	.4	43.2
77: Plantation workers	9	.8	.8	44.0
78: Agricultural labourers	163	14.4	14.4	58.4
79: Other Agricultural Workers	19	1.7	1.7	60.0
90: House-wife/husband	141	12.4	12.4	72.5
91: Students	76	6.7	6.7	79.1
92: Employee seekers	23	2.0	2.0	81.1
93: Unemployed workers	27	2.3	2.3	83.5
95: Other occupation	21	1.9	1.9	85.4
96: Political activists	1	.1	.1	85.4
98: Unidentifiable	27	2.3	2.3	87.8
N.A.	139	12.2	12.2	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B6a: What is/was/has been the main occupation of the main earner of the respondent's household?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
<b>Valid</b>	03: Doctors	1	.1	.1	.1
	04: Lawyers	1	.1	.1	.2
	05: Accountants	1	.1	.1	.3
	06: College/University teachers	6	.5	.5	.8
	10: Science and engineering technician	1	.1	.1	.9
	13: Medical Technician	1	.1	.1	1.0
	14: School teachers	37	3.3	3.3	4.2

15: Nursery teachers	7	.6	.6	4.8
18: Priests	2	.2	.2	5.0
21: Elected officials (District)	2	.2	.2	5.1
22: Managers	1	.1	.1	5.2
23: Officials Class-I	1	.1	.1	5.3
24: Officials Class-II	4	.4	.4	5.7
25: Class-III Employee (Clerical)	9	.8	.8	6.4
26: Superintendents	2	.2	.2	6.6
27: Traditional clerks	3	.3	.3	6.9
28: Class IV employee	38	3.4	3.4	10.2
29: Other administrative workers	22	2.0	2.0	12.2
30: Big businessmen	4	.4	.4	12.6
31: Medium businessmen	57	5.0	5.0	17.6
32: Small businessmen	53	4.6	4.6	22.2
33: Petty business	30	2.7	2.7	24.9
34: Hawkers	3	.3	.3	25.2
35: Sales Executive	1	.1	.1	25.2
36: Salespersons	2	.2	.2	25.4
37: Shop Assistants	2	.2	.2	25.6
38: Rentire	1	.1	.1	25.7
39: Other businessmen	26	2.3	2.3	28.0
40: Waiters	1	.1	.1	28.1
41: Dhobi	1	.1	.1	28.2
42: Barbers	1	.1	.1	28.3
43: Ayahs, Maids, Domestic servants	1	.1	.1	28.4
44: Chowkidars	2	.2	.2	28.6
49: Other service workers	2	.2	.2	28.8
50: Mechanics	10	.9	.9	29.7
51: Electricians	3	.2	.2	29.9
53: Tailors	4	.4	.4	30.3
56: Blacksmiths	1	.1	.1	30.4
57: Carpainters	20	1.8	1.8	32.1
59: Other skilled workers	51	4.5	4.5	36.6
60: Miners	1	.1	.1	36.7
61: Measons	2	.2	.2	36.9
64: Furniture, basket, mat makers	5	.5	.5	37.3
66: Unskilled labourers	37	3.3	3.3	40.6
69: Other semi-skilled and unskilled workers	5	.5	.5	41.1
70: Owner-cultivators 20+ Acres	1	.1	.1	41.2
71: Owner-cultivators 10-20 Acres	1	.1	.1	41.2
72: Owner-cultivators 5-10 Acres	14	1.2	1.2	42.5
73: Owner-cultivators 1-5 Acres	70	6.2	6.2	48.7
74: Owner-cultivators 0-1 Acre	72	6.3	6.3	55.0
75: Tenant Cultivators. 5+ acres	4	.3	.3	55.3
Tenant Cultivators 0-5 acres	11	.9	.9	56.3
77: Plantation workers	11	1.0	1.0	57.3
78: Agricultural labourers	218	19.2	19.2	76.5
79: Other Agricultural Workers	19	1.7	1.7	78.1
90: House-wife/husband	4	.4	.4	78.5
93: Unemployed workers	6	.5	.5	79.0
95: Other occupation	34	3.0	3.0	82.0
96: Political activists	2	.2	.2	82.2
98: Unidentifiable	42	3.7	3.7	85.9
N.A.	160	14.1	14.1	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B7: What is your Caste/Jati-biradari/Tribe name (Respondent)?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 01: Upper castes	34	3.0	3.0	3.0
31: Nepali	24	2.1	2.1	5.1
32: Soloi	1	.1	.1	5.2
33: Sudra Das or Dey	3	.3	.3	5.5
39: Other OBC	7	.6	.6	6.0
59: Others SCs	28	2.5	2.5	8.5
60: Boro Kacharis	2	.2	.2	8.7
63: Garo	249	22.0	22.0	30.7
64: Hajong	35	3.1	3.1	33.8
66: Khasi, Jaintia	661	58.3	58.3	92.1
67: Koch	16	1.4	1.4	93.5
71: Any Mizo (Lushai) Tribes	1	.1	.1	93.6
73: Any Naga Tribes	1	.1	.1	93.7
75: Raba, Rava	1	.1	.1	93.8
79: Other STs	7	.6	.6	94.4
80: Muslims	29	2.5	2.5	96.9
84: Christians	1	.1	.1	97.0
88: Other Minorities	2	.2	.2	97.2
95: Hindu no caste	1	.1	.1	97.3
98: No religion no caste	2	.2	.2	97.4
99: NA	29	2.6	2.6	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B7a: And what is your Caste group(Respondent)?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Scheduled Caste (SC)	41	3.6	3.6	3.6
2: Scheduled Tribe (ST)	998	87.9	87.9	91.5
3: Other Backward Caste (OBC)	22	1.9	1.9	93.4
4: Others	75	6.6	6.6	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B8: Which religion do you follow? (Respondent)**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Hindu	160	14.1	14.1	14.1
2: Muslim	38	3.3	3.3	17.4
3: Christian	842	74.2	74.2	91.5
5: Buddhist	2	.2	.2	91.7
8: Others	94	8.3	8.3	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B9: Generally, which language is spoken in your house?**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 03: Assamese	2	.2	.2	.2
04: Hindi	11	1.0	1.0	1.1
21: Nepali/Gokhali	28	2.5	2.5	3.6
22: Tamil	1	.1	.1	3.7
25: Bengali	67	5.9	5.9	9.6
28: Urdu	1	.1	.1	9.7
29: Marwari	1	.1	.1	9.8
32: Bhojpuri	7	.6	.6	10.4
37: Mewari	1	.1	.1	10.5
63: Ladakhi	1	.1	.1	10.6
64: Naga	11	1.0	1.0	11.6
66: Nissi/Daffla	5	.5	.5	12.1
67: Thado	1	.1	.1	12.2
75: Bodo	2	.2	.2	12.4
77: Khasi	595	52.5	52.5	64.8
82: Other Indian Language	4	.3	.3	65.1
85: Garo	217	19.1	19.1	84.3
86: Hajong	32	2.8	2.8	87.1
87: Koch	11	1.0	1.0	88.1
88: Jaintia	9	.8	.8	88.9
89: Pnor	53	4.7	4.7	93.6
90: Borman	2	.2	.2	93.7
99: NA	71	6.3	6.3	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B10: Area/Locality**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Village	893	78.6	78.6	78.6
2: Town(Below 1 Lakh)	214	18.9	18.9	97.5
3: City (above 1 Lakh)	28	2.5	2.5	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B10a: (If Town/City) Type of house**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0: NA	894	78.7	78.7	78.7
	1: House/Flat with 4 or more bedrooms	72	6.3	6.3	85.1
	2: House/Flat with 3 or 4 Bedrooms	32	2.8	2.8	87.9
	3: House/Flat with 3 bedrooms	38	3.3	3.3	91.2
	4: House/flats with 2 pucca rooms (with kitchen)	49	4.3	4.3	95.5
	5: House/Flat with 2 pucca rooms(Without kitchen)	6	.5	.5	96.1
	6: House with 1 pucca rooms(With kitchen)	12	1.0	1.0	97.1
	7: House with 1 pucca rooms(without kitchen)	1	.1	.1	97.2
	8: Mainly Kutcha house	28	2.4	2.4	99.6
	9: Slum/JJ/Fully Kutcha	4	.4	.4	100.0
	Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B10b: (If Village), Type of House**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0: NA	275	24.2	24.2	24.2
	1: Pucca	201	17.7	17.7	41.9
	2: Pucca-Kutcha	320	28.2	28.2	70.1
	3: Kutcha	243	21.4	21.4	91.6
	4: Hut	96	8.4	8.4	100.0
	Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B11: Total number of family member(Adult)**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0: Blank/NA	23	2.0	2.0	2.0
	1: One	91	8.0	8.0	10.0
	2: Two	269	23.7	23.7	33.7
	3: Three	173	15.2	15.2	48.9
	4: Four	261	23.0	23.0	71.9
	5: Five	159	14.0	14.0	85.9
	6: Six	79	7.0	7.0	92.9
	7: Seven	34	3.0	3.0	95.9
	8: Eight	20	1.7	1.7	97.6
	9: Nine and above	27	2.4	2.4	100.0
	Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B11: Total number of family member(Children)**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 0: Blank/NA	213	18.8	18.8	18.8
1: One	103	9.1	9.1	27.8
2: Two	227	20.0	20.0	47.8
3: Three	245	21.5	21.5	69.3
4: Four	163	14.3	14.3	83.7
5: Five	92	8.1	8.1	91.8
6: Six	41	3.6	3.6	95.4
7: Seven	20	1.7	1.7	97.1
8: Eight	12	1.1	1.1	98.2
9: Nine and above	20	1.8	1.8	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B12a: Car/Jeep/Van/Tractor**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 0: No	1002	88.3	88.3	88.3
1: Yes	133	11.7	11.7	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B12b: Colour or B/W Television**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 0: No	539	47.5	47.5	47.5
1: B/W	157	13.8	13.8	61.3
2: Colour	439	38.7	38.7	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B12c: Scooter/Motorcycle/Mopet**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 0: No	1017	89.6	89.6	89.6
1: Yes	118	10.4	10.4	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B12d: Telephone/Mobile Phone**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 0: No	750	66.1	66.1	66.1
1: Yes	385	33.9	33.9	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B12e: Electric fan/cooler**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0: No	1003	88.3	88.3	88.3
	1: Yes	132	11.7	11.7	100.0
	Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B12f: Bicycle**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0: No	920	81.1	81.1	81.1
	1: Yes	215	18.9	18.9	100.0
	Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B12g: Radio/Transistor**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0: No	535	47.1	47.1	47.1
	1: Yes	600	52.9	52.9	100.0
	Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B12h: Pumping set**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0: No	1087	95.8	95.8	95.8
	1: Yes	48	4.2	4.2	100.0
	Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B12i: Fridge**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0: No	998	87.9	87.9	87.9
	1: Yes	137	12.1	12.1	100.0
	Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B12j: Cow/Buffalow**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 0: Blank/NA	839	73.9	73.9	73.9
1: One	18	1.6	1.6	75.5
2: Two	48	4.3	4.3	79.7
3: Three	45	4.0	4.0	83.7
4: Four	37	3.3	3.3	87.0
5: Five	21	1.9	1.9	88.9
6: Six	14	1.2	1.2	90.1
7: Seven	7	.6	.6	90.7
8: Eight	6	.5	.5	91.2
9: Nine and above	100	8.8	8.8	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B13: Most important source of drinking water**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Tap inside the house	177	15.6	15.6	15.6
2: Tap outside the house	410	36.1	36.1	51.7
3: Tube well	48	4.2	4.2	55.9
4: Well	155	13.7	13.7	69.6
5: Hand pump	3	.3	.3	69.9
6: Natural source(Pond/Lake/Stream/River)	233	20.5	20.5	90.5
7: Others	108	9.5	9.5	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B14: Most important source of lighting**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: Electricity	897	79.1	79.1	79.1
2: Kerosene	128	11.2	11.2	90.3
3: No lighting	34	3.0	3.0	93.3
7: Others	76	6.7	6.7	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B15: Most important source of fuel used for cooking**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1: LPG/Gas	232	20.4	20.4	20.4
2: Electricity	40	3.5	3.5	23.9
3: Kerosene	39	3.4	3.4	27.3
4: Coal/Lignite/Charcoal	11	1.0	1.0	28.3
5: Other bought(Firewood/Crop residue/Cow dung cake)	206	18.1	18.1	46.5
6: Others not bought(Firewood/Crop residue/Cow dung cake)	528	46.5	46.5	93.0
7: Others	80	7.0	7.0	100.0
Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

**B16: Total monthly household income?**

Valid	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
0	280	24.7	24.7	24.7
100	1	.1	.1	24.8
300	1	.1	.1	24.8
500	1	.1	.1	24.9
800	2	.2	.2	25.1
1000	33	2.9	2.9	28.0
1100	3	.2	.2	28.2
1200	4	.3	.3	28.6
1300	3	.3	.3	28.9
1350	1	.1	.1	28.9
1400	5	.4	.4	29.3
1500	70	6.1	6.1	35.5
1560	1	.1	.1	35.6
1600	6	.6	.6	36.1
1700	2	.2	.2	36.3
1800	25	2.2	2.2	38.5
1850	1	.1	.1	38.6
2000	96	8.5	8.5	47.1
2100	1	.1	.1	47.2
2200	2	.2	.2	47.4
2400	1	.1	.1	47.5
2500	49	4.3	4.3	51.8
2550	1	.1	.1	51.9
2600	2	.2	.2	52.0
2700	2	.1	.1	52.2
2800	5	.4	.4	52.6
3000	118	10.4	10.4	63.0
3100	1	.1	.1	63.1
3200	1	.1	.1	63.2
3400	1	.1	.1	63.3
3500	19	1.7	1.7	65.0
3800	4	.3	.3	65.3
3933	1	.1	.1	65.4
3950	1	.1	.1	65.5
4000	61	5.3	5.3	70.8
4200	1	.1	.1	70.9
4450	1	.1	.1	71.0
4500	13	1.2	1.2	72.2
4800	2	.2	.2	72.4

	4910	1	.1	.1	72.5
	5000	68	6.0	6.0	78.5
	5175	1	.1	.1	78.6
	5500	7	.7	.7	79.2
	6000	52	4.5	4.5	83.8
	6500	3	.3	.3	84.0
	7000	27	2.4	2.4	86.4
	7187	1	.1	.1	86.5
	7300	1	.1	.1	86.5
	7500	2	.2	.2	86.7
	8000	40	3.5	3.5	90.3
	8500	3	.3	.3	90.5
	9000	1	.1	.1	90.6
	10000	28	2.5	2.5	93.1
	10001	1	.1	.1	93.2
	11000	2	.2	.2	93.4
	12000	18	1.6	1.6	95.0
	13000	2	.2	.2	95.2
	13500	1	.1	.1	95.3
	14000	3	.2	.2	95.5
	15000	14	1.3	1.3	96.8
	16000	4	.3	.3	97.1
	18000	4	.3	.3	97.4
	20000	15	1.4	1.4	98.8
	22000	1	.1	.1	98.8
	25000	4	.3	.3	99.1
	30000	7	.6	.6	99.8
	35000	1	.1	.1	99.9
	40000	1	.1	.1	99.9
	50000	1	.1	.1	100.0
	Total	1135	100.0	100.0	

### III: ANNEXURE-3:

#### VOTE SHARE BY DIFFERENT CATEGORIES OF VOTER

Category	Congress	NCP	UDP	HPDP	KHNAM	Others*
<b>All</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>A. Gender</b>						
Male	30	19	20	5	4	22
Female	35	21	18	3	5	18
<b>B. Locality: Rural vs. Urban</b>						
Rural	37	19	21	5	6	12
Urban	20	24	7	1	---	48
<b>C. Age</b>						
Up to 25 yrs	32	18	24	4	5	17
26-35 yrs	32	23	16	4	6	19
36-45 yrs	32	19	15	5	5	24
46-55 yrs	35	23	19	2	1	20
56 yrs. and above	35	19	20	5	2	19
<b>D. Education</b>						
Non Literate	33	27	21	6	5	8
Upto Primary	39	16	18	6	5	16
Upto Matric	30	21	16	3	3	27
College and above	27	20	20	1	3	29
<b>E. Region</b>						
Khasi-Jaintia Hills	31	10	26	6	7	20
Garo Hills	36	43	2	---	---	19

*Source: CSDS Data Unit, Meghalaya Assembly Election Study, Post-Poll – 2008, Weighted Data Sets*

*Note: All figures in percent. 'No opinion' excluded from analysis.*

*\* Others include BJP, LJP, GNC, CPI, MDP and Independents.*

*Question wording: "Whom did you vote for? Please mark your vote on this slip and put it in this box. If you don't find the symbol of the party you vote for, please mark your vote in the blank space given below." (Supply Yellow dummy ballot paper, record its number and explain the procedure.)*