ASSAM ASSEMBLY ELECTION STUDY - 2016
POST POLL SURVEY
CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF DEVELOPING SOCIETIES (CSDS), DELHI

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**INVESTIGATOR’S INTRODUCTION AND STATEMENT OF INFORMED CONSENT**

*My name is ____________________________________________ and I have come from the Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (also give your university’s reference), a social science research organization in Delhi. We are conducting a survey on the just concluded Assembly election and interviewing hundreds of people across Assam to gauge their attitudes and opinions on political issues. The findings of this survey will be used for research articles and writing articles in newspapers. This survey is an independent study and is not linked to any political party or government agency. Whatever information you provide will be kept strictly confidential. Participation in this survey is voluntary and it is entirely up to you to answer or not answer any question that I ask. We hope that you will take part in this survey since your participation is important. It usually takes 25 to 30 minutes to complete this interview. Please spare some time for the interview and help me in successfully completing the survey.*

## F8. May I begin the interview now?

1. Respondent agrees to be interviewed  
2. Respondent does not agree to be interviewed

## INTERVIEW BEGINS:

### Q1. In talking to people about this Vidhan Sabha election, we often find that a lot of people were not able to vote because they were not registered, they were sick, they were not interested in voting this time or they just didn’t have the time. What about you - did you vote or did you not vote in this election?

1. I am sure I voted  
2. I did not vote *(If this answer then go to Q1e)*  
8. No response (NR)

#### Q1a. *(If voted)* Whom did you vote for? I am giving you this slip which has names and election symbols of all the candidates that you saw on the voting machine. On this slip please put a mark in front of the same symbol against which you pressed the button. *(Supply dummy ballot and explain procedure)*

98. No response  
99. Not applicable (NA)

#### Q1b. *(If voted)* What was the reason for voting for the party you voted for?

98. No response  
99. Not applicable (NA)

#### Q1c. *(If voted)* When did you finally make up your mind about whom to vote for? *(Do not read out options)*

1. On the day of voting  
2. A day or two before voting  
3. When the election/candidates were announced  
4. During the campaign  
5. Even before the campaign started  
8. Can’t say (CS)  
9. NA
Q1d. *(If voted)* Did the election officer correctly put the mark on your finger? *(Please observe marking on the index finger and record the answer accordingly)*

2. Checked and mark found 1. Checked, but mark not found 8. Could not check the mark 9. NA

Q1e. *(If not voted)* What was the main reason due to which you could not vote in this election?


8. Can’t say 9. NA

Q2. During the elections people participate in various activities. In the recent elections, did you participate in the following activities?

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<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>8</td>
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<td>b. Attended election meetings/rallies?</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>8</td>
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<td>c. Participated in door to door canvassing?</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>8</td>
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<td>d. Distributed election leaflets or put up posters?</td>
<td>2</td>
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Q3. Did any candidate, party worker or canvasser come to your house during the election campaign to ask for your vote?

2. Yes 1. No 8. No response

Q3a. *(If yes)* From which party/parties? *(Write down first two answers and consult codebook)*

1. __________________________ 98. NR 99. NA

2. __________________________ 98. NR 99. NA

Q4. Did any party or candidate contact you or a family member through a phone call or recorded voice or SMS or Whatsapp during the campaign?

2. Yes 1. No 8. No response

Q4a. *(If yes)* From which party/parties? *(Write down first two answers and consult codebook)*

1. __________________________ 98. NR 99. NA

2. __________________________ 98. NR 99. NA

Q5. People have different considerations while deciding whom to vote for. What mattered to you more while deciding whom to vote for in the recent election - party, local candidate or the chief ministerial candidate?


Q6. After this election who would you prefer as the Chief Minister of Assam? *(Don't offer any name, note answer and consult codebook for coding)*

____________________________ 98. CS

Q7. Who did you vote for in the Lok Sabha election held in 2014? I mean the MP elections for electing the Central Government in Delhi? *(Note down answer and consult codebook for coding)*

________________________________ 99. Did not vote 98. No answer

Q8. What is your assessment of the performance of the Narendra Modi-led NDA Government at the Centre during the last two years – would you say that you are satisfied or dissatisfied with it? *(Probe further whether 'fully' or 'somewhat' satisfied or dissatisfied)*


4. Fully dissatisfied 8. No response

Q9. What is your assessment of the performance of the Congress government in Assam in the last five years? Would you say that you have been satisfied or dissatisfied with it? *(Probe further whether 'fully' or 'somewhat' satisfied or dissatisfied)*


4. Fully dissatisfied 8. No response
Q10. How would you rate Tarun Gogoi’s performance as the Chief Minister of Assam – has it been very good, good, bad or very bad?  
1. Very good  
2. Good  
3. Bad  
4. Very bad  
8. CS

Q11. In your opinion how corrupt is the Congress government in Assam - very corrupt, somewhat corrupt or not corrupt at all?  
1. Very corrupt  
2. Somewhat corrupt  
3. Not at all corrupt  
8. NR

Q12. During the last two- three years have you or any of your family members benefited from any Government scheme?  
2. Yes  
1. No (If no, go to Q13)  
8. No response

Q12a. (If yes) Which scheme did you benefit from the most? (Write down name of scheme. This answer will be post-coded.)  
________ ___________________________________  
98. CS  
99. NA

Q12b. (If yes in Q12) And who would you give credit for it - the Central govt., the State govt., local politicians/party worker, or local bureaucrat/government officer?  
1. Central govt.  
2. State govt.  
3. Local politician/party worker  
4. Local bureaucrat/govt. officer  
8. NR  
9.NA

Q12c. (If yes in Q12a) In order to avail of these benefits did you get help from any one?  
2. Yes  
1. No  
8. NR  
9.NA

Q12d. (If yes to Q12c) Whose help did you get? (Don’t read out the answers)  
0. Any Government servant  
1. Social Worker  
2. Local leader/party worker  
3. Sarpanch/ Gram Panchayat Member  
4. Any other elected representative  
5. Relative  
6.NGO  
7. Any other_____________  
8. NR  
9.NA

Q13. While talking to people during this election, we realised that people considered different issues while voting. How about you? Which issue did you consider as most important while voting? (Do not offer any issue & record exact answer and later consult code book for coding)  

Q14. Now I will read out a few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each one of them? (Probe further whether ‘fully’ or ‘somewhat’ agrees or disagrees).  

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<td>a. Narendra Modi has not lived up to his promise of bringing acche din.</td>
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<td>b. For the development of the State, the ruling party at the Centre and the State should be the same.</td>
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<td>c. To promote his own son, Tarun Gogoi has neglected other leaders of the Congress.</td>
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<td>d. Modi government is an anti-student government.</td>
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<td>e. Tarun Gogoi should retire from politics as he is quite old now.</td>
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Q15. Have you heard of the exchange of territory/land between India and Bangladesh?  
1. Heard  
2. Not heard

Q15a. (If heard) Do you support or oppose this land exchange between India and Bangladesh?  
1. Support  
2. Oppose  
3. Support but not the way it was done  
8. NR  
9. NA

Q16. Have you filled the form to update National Register of Citizens (NRC)?  
1. Filled  
2. Not filled  
3. Not heard  
8. No response

Q16a. (If filled) Did you have any problem in filling the NRC form or providing the required documents?  
2. Yes  
1. No  
8. NR  
9. NA
Q16b. Do you think the updation of the NRC will solve the foreigners issue in Assam?  
2. Yes  1. No  8. Can’t say

Q16c. Who do you give credit to for the updation of the National Register of Citizens – the Central government or the State government?  
5. Other_________________  8. Can’t say  9. NA (Not heard)

Q17. Now I will read out a few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each one of them? (Probed whether ‘fully’ or ‘somewhat’ agrees or disagrees).

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a. Insurgent groups such as ULFA have lost the popular support of the people.  
   1  2  3  4  8

b. People from outside Assam can spoil the culture and way of life of the people of Assam.  
   1  2  3  4  8

c. An independent homeland for the Bodo ethnic group should be carved out of Assam.  
   1  2  3  4  8

d. Bengali speaking Hindus who migrated from Bangladesh should be granted refugee status.  
   1  2  3  4  8

e. Government should take more responsibility to ensure that the poor are provided for.  
   1  2  3  4  8

Q18a. Do you support or oppose the demand of ST status by six ethnic communities/soijanagusti?  

Q18b. Which party do you think is most likely to implement their demand? (This question is to be asked to all irrespective of whether they support or oppose)  

Q19. How important was this issue of secret killings of ULFAs and their relatives in the past for you when you went out to vote in this election - very important, somewhat important, or not important?  
1. Very important  2. Somewhat important  3. Not important  8. Can’t say

Q19a. (If very important or somewhat important) Which party or leaders do you think had a hand in these secret killings? (Take only one answer)  
01. Cong  02. BJP  03. AGP  04. Other party_______  
05. Sarabananda Sonowal  06. Prafulla Kumar Mahanta  07. Bhaskar Sarma  08. Hiteshwar Saikia  

Q20. In the last 1-2 years have you or any of your family member...... ?  
Yes  No  NR  NA

a. Opened a bank account through a govt scheme (Jan Dhan Yojana).  
   2  1  8  9

b. Has any women in the family received any government assistance during the pregnancy period (Mamoni and Majoni).  
   2  1  8  9

c. Has any girl child in your family got a fixed deposit done under a government scheme (Majoni).  
   2  1  8  9

Q21a. Have you heard about the following schemes?  
Q21a. (If heard) Have you or any of your family members benefited from them?  
Heard  Not-heard  (If heard) Benefited  Not benefited  NR  NA

a. Scheme for making home (Indira/Rajiv Awas Yojana)  
   1  2  1  2  8  9

b. Rozgar Guarantee Yojana (MNREGA)  
   1  2  1  2  8  9

c. Free medical facilities (National Rural Health Mission)  
   1  2  1  2  8  9

d. Pension money (old age, widow, disabilities etc.)  
   1  2  1  2  8  9

e. Public distribution system (PDS)  
   1  2  1  2  8  9
Q22. The MGNREGA guarantees that the government will provide up to 100 days paid manual employment a year for any household in a rural area which demands it. To what extent do you think it helps the poor - not at all, to some extent or a great deal?

1. Not at all  
2. To some extent  
3. A great deal  
4. D.K.

Q23. Now I will ask you about the assessment of the work done by the Tarun Gogoi government in the state in the last five years. Do you think that the following have improved or deteriorated?

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<td>b. The supply of electricity</td>
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<td>c. The supply of drinking water</td>
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<td>d. Quality of education in government schools</td>
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<td>e. Medical facilities in government hospitals</td>
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<td>f. Safety of women</td>
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Q24. Have you heard of the following schemes? Q24a (If heard) Are they effective or not effective?

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<td>b. Swachh Bharat</td>
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<td>2</td>
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<td>c. Digital India scheme</td>
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<td>d. Skill India scheme</td>
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<td>e. Make in India scheme</td>
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Q24a

| Prime Minister Suraksha Bima Yojana | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 9 |
| Swachh Bharat | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 9 |
| Digital India scheme | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 9 |
| Skill India scheme | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 9 |
| Make in India scheme | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 9 |

Q25. Do you support or oppose the BJP’s alliance with the following parties ...?

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<td>a. Bodoland People’s Front (BPF)</td>
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<td>b. Asom Gana Parishad (AGP)</td>
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Q26. Out of these three statements, which one do you agree with the most? (Read out 1 to 3 statements)

1. Cow or buffalo, eating meat of both should be banned.  
2. Eating cow meat should be banned but eating buffalo meat should be allowed.  
3. There should not be any legal restriction on eating meat of any kind, be it cow or buffalo meat

Q27. Do you know who Rohith Vemula is? (Correct Answer only for the Investigator - a Hyderabad University Dalit Student who committed suicide, a student who committed suicide recently after his suspension, a Dalit student who was killed recently etc. The answer may not be exactly this but if it is conveying the idea, it should be marked as correct.)

1. Correct  
2. Incorrect  
3. Not heard

Q28. Do you know who Kanhaiya Kumar is? (Correct Answer only for the Investigator - JNU Student/JNUSU president/student leader who was arrested recently on sedition charges for allegedly raising anti-national slogans. The answer may not be exactly this but if it is conveying the idea, it should be marked as correct answer)

1. Correct  
2. Incorrect  
3. Not heard

Q29. Which party or alliance do you think is likely to win this assembly election?

1. Cong  
2. BJP/AGP/BPF  
3. AIUDF  
4. No one/hung assembly  
5. CS

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Q30. In your opinion, which party is best for...?  

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<td>b. For people like you</td>
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<td>c. For the development of Assam</td>
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<td>d. Stopping illegal migration from Bangladesh</td>
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<td>e. Increasing job opportunities in Assam</td>
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<td>f. Resolving Hindu-Muslim conflicts in Assam</td>
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Q31. And which party if comes to power will lead to...?  

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<td>a. More corruption among govt. officers.</td>
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<td>b. Will promote its family members and relatives in politics and govt.</td>
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Q32. In your opinion why do some people in Assam join different armed groups(XOXOSTRO Sangathan/gut)?  
(Note down answer, they will be post coded.)

98. No response

Q33. During the last four-five years, do you think you have become more religious than before, less religious or there has been no change?  

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Q34. Would you have preferred an alliance of Congress and AIUDF in Assam for contesting the assembly elections?  

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Q35. Now you compare the current elections in your area/locality with the previous elections. Do you think electoral malpractices in your area in the current elections increased, decreased, or you would say electoral malpractice never happened in your area?  

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Q36. What is your opinion about the performance of your MLA during the last five years would you say that you are satisfied or dissatisfied with it?  
'(Probe further whether ‘fully’ or ‘somewhat’ satisfied or dissatisfied).  

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Q37. Now I will read out few statements on the performance of the Tarun Gogoi govt. during last five years. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each one of them?  
'(Probe further whether ‘fully’ or ‘somewhat’ agrees or disagrees).  

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<td>b. Interference of security personell in the daily lives of people have increased.</td>
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<td>c. Influx of Bangladeshi migrants has increased.</td>
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<td>d. Harassment of Muslims has increased on the pretext of detection of foreigners.</td>
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Q38. Thinking of how you (or your family, in the case of first time voters) have voted in the last few elections, how would you describe yourself? Which party’s traditional supporter are you?  
'Record exact name & consult party codes)

97. Not a supporter of any one party  
98. DK/CS/NR

Q39. Now I will ask you a question on the foreigners’ issue. Some people think it is still an important issue. Others say it has been blown out of proportion and is not an important issue now. What is your opinion?  

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Q40. How regularly do you do the following to obtain news/information on politics – daily, sometimes, rarely or never?

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Q41. Do you have the following accounts? Q41a (If yes) How frequently do you use them for getting information about politics or expressing your views on politics – do you use them daily, sometimes, rarely or never?

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Q42a. Out of every 100 people in Assam how many do you think are Muslims? _______ 998. CS

Q42b. Out of every 100 people in Assam how many do you think are Bangladeshi Muslims? _______ 998. CS

Q43. There are five identities people of Assam identify themselves with – the language which they speak, the religion which they belong to, the country in which they live, the state which they are from and the caste or tribal community to which they belong. Out of these five identities, which one do you feel closest to? (Investigator may repeat the Question if the respondent does not understand in the first reading)


Q44. Should the Congress government in Assam get another chance? 2. Yes 1. No 8. Can’t say

Q45. Which of these two statements do you agree with?

1. BJP is right in acting against those who it thinks are involved in anti-national activities.
2. BJP is raising the issue of nationalism to deflect people’s attention from governance issues. 8. CS

BACKGROUND DATA

Z1. For how many years have you been living in Assam? (in years) _______ 98. No Response

Z1a. (If not by birth/not whole life) From where did you come to Assam?
Name of State: ________________________________________ 99. NA

Z1b. (If since birth/whole life) From where did your ancestor/s come to Assam?
Name of State: ________________________________________ 99. NA

Z2. What is your age? (in completed years) _______ 98. No Response (Code 95 for 95 yrs & above)


Z4. Up to what level have you studied? (Record exactly and consult code book)
_________________________________________________________ 9. No response

Z5. What is your main occupation? (Record exactly and consult codebook & if retired, try to ascertain his/her previous occupation. If student or housewife, then note down that as well)
_________________________________________________________ 98. No response

Z5a. Are you the main earner of your household? 2. Yes 1. No

Z5b. (If No in Z5a) What is the occupation of the main earner of your household? (Record exactly and consult codebook)
_________________________________________________________ 99. NA

Z6a. And what is your caste group? *(Double check and consult code book)*

1. Scheduled Caste (SC)  
2. Scheduled Tribe (ST)  
3. Other Backward Classes (OBC)  
4. Other

Z7. What is your religion?  
1. Hindu  
2. Muslim  
3. Christian  
4. Sikh  
5. Buddhist/Neo Buddhist  
6. Jain  
7. No religion  
8. Others *(Specify) ______

Z8. Generally, which language is spoken in your house? *(Consult code book for coding)*

98. No response

Z9. Are you a pure vegetarian, a vegetarian but eat eggs or are you a non-vegetarian who also eats chicken, meat or fish?  
1. Pure vegetarian  
2. Vegetarian but eat egg  
3. Non-vegetarian, eat chicken, meat, fish etc.  
8. Did not tell

Z10. Do any members of your household live outside Assam?  
2. Yes  
1. No

Z10a. *(If yes in Z10)* Have those persons gone outside Assam for employment or for studies or some other work?  
1. Employment  
2. Education/Studies  
3. Both  
4. Other work  
8. Did not tell  
9. NA

Z10b. *(If yes in Z10)* Did any of those persons come back home to vote in this election?  
2. Yes  
1. No  
8. Did not tell  
9. NA

### Household Information

Z11. Area/Locaity:  
1. Village  
2. Town  
3. City  
4. Metropolitan City

Z11a. *(If Town/City/Metropolitan)* Type of house where Respondent lives

1. House/Flat/Bungalow  
2. House/Flat with 5 or more rooms  
3. House/Flat with 4 rooms  
4. Houses/Flat with 3 rooms  
5. Houses/Flat with 2 rooms  
6. House with 1 room  
7. Mainly Kutch house  
8. Slum/Jhuggi Jhopri  
9. NA

Z11b. *(If village)* Type of house where Respondent lives

1. Pucca (both wall and roof made of pucca material)  
2. Pucca-Kutcha (Either wall or roof is made of pucca material and other of kutcha material)  
3. Kutcha/Mud houses (both wall and roof are made of kutcha material)  
4. Hut (both wall and roof made of grass, leaves, un-burnt brick or bamboo)  
9. NA

Z12. Total No. of family members living in the household:  

Above 18 years: _____  
Below 18 years: _____ *(If more than 9, Code 9)*

Z13. Total agricultural land including orchard and plantation owned by your household *(as on date of survey):*  
---------- *(Ask in local units, but record in standard acres. If more than 99, Code 99)*

Z14. Do you or members of your household have the following?  

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Z15. Livestock: 

a. Goat/sheep/pig: ___________  
b. Cow/Oxen/buffalo/Camel: ___________  
c. Any other: ___________  

Z16. Total monthly household income - putting together the income of all members of the household? 

______________________________________________________________

(Record exact amount in Rupees. If respondent does not give any amount then record 000000)

Z17. Are you married?  
1. Married  2. Married (Gauna not performed, not started living together)  

FILL AFTER COMPLETING INTERVIEW