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Q1: During this election campaign, have you attended any election meeting organised by any party candidate?

	N	(%)
1: No	8279	89.3
2: Yes	987	10.7
Total	9266	100.0

Q2: Has any candidate, party worker or canvasser come to your house during the campaign to ask for your vote?

	N	(%)
1: No	7241	78.1
2: Yes	2025	21.9
Total	9266	100.0

Q3: Are you going to vote this time?

	N	(%)
1: No	184	2.0
2: Yes	9082	98.0
Total	9266	100.0

Q4: Have you made up your mind about who to vote for in the coming election?

	N	(%)
1: No	2570	27.7
2: Yes	6696	72.3
Total	9266	100.0

Q5: If Lok Sabha elections were to take place tomorrow, who would you vote for?

	N	(%)
00: No party	37	.4
01: Congress	3344	36.1
02: BJP	1760	19.0

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	N	(%)
03: JD	691	7.5
04: CPI	124	1.3
05: CPM	494	5.3
06: BSP	324	3.5
08: Independents	199	2.1
09: Others	98	1.1
12: INC(S)	2	.0
13: INC(Tiwari)	81	.9
18: TMC	184	2.0
21: Shiv Sena	205	2.2
27: IUML	49	.5
28: PDP (Madani)	7	.1
29: In League	2	.0
32: SJP	1	.0
33: SP (Mulayam)	309	3.3
34: Samata	144	1.6
41: RSP	76	.8
42: IPF/CPML	45	.5
44: Forward Bloc	11	.1
50: RPI	22	.2
62: SAD	45	.5
64: SAD(B)	18	.2
65: JMM	45	.5
66: HVP	40	.4
70: PWP	23	.2
71: MGP	1	.0
72: UGDP	5	.1
79: MDMK	11	.1
80: AIADMK	61	.7
81: DMK	231	2.5
82: TDP(NTR)	61	.7
85: TDP(Naidu)	162	1.7
86: PMK	38	.4

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	N	(%)
87: KCP	5	.1
90: AGP	69	.7
97: TUJS	1	.0
98: Don't know	11	.1
99: Refusal	230	2.5
Total	9266	100.0

Q6: And what about state elections - who would you vote for in the assembly elections?

	N	(%)
00: No party	4	.0
01: Congress	603	6.5
02: BJP	74	.8
03: JD	17	.2
04: CPI	35	.4
05: CPM	382	4.1
06: BSP	11	.1
08: Independents	24	.3
09: Others	29	.3
12: INC(S)	16	.2
13: INC(Tiwari)	15	.2
18: TMC	83	.9
27: IUML	36	.4
28: PDP (Madani)	6	.1
29: In League	2	.0
34: Samata	23	.2
40: LF/LDF	29	.3
41: RSP	72	.8
44: Forward Bloc	27	.3
66: HVP	74	.8
79: MDMK	25	.3
80: AIADMK	134	1.4
81: DMK	352	3.8

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	N	(%)
84: KC(J)	26	.3
86: PMK	32	.3
90: AGP	91	1.0
99: Refusal/N.A.	7044	76.0
Total	9266	100.0

Q7: Which party would you like to form the government in Delhi after this election?

	N	(%)
00: No party	121	1.3
01: Congress	3348	36.1
02: BJP	1706	18.4
03: JD	476	5.1
04: CPI	31	.3
05: CPM	268	2.9
06: BSP	230	2.5
08: Independents	12	.1
09: Others	48	.5
10: UDF in Kerala	5	.1
13: INC(Tiwari)	39	.4
18: TMC	77	.8
20: BJP-Shiv Sena	27	.3
21: Shiv Sena	64	.7
27: IUML	12	.1
28: PDP (Madani)	3	.0
30: National Front	42	.5
32: SJP	6	.1
33: SP (Mulayam)	200	2.2
34: Samata	35	.4
40: LF/LDF	50	.5
41: RSP	1	.0
42: IPF/CPML	21	.2
44: Forward Bloc	2	.0

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	N	(%)
47: CMP	1	.0
49: NF-LF	133	1.4
50: RPI	2	.0
59: Mixed Coalition	57	.6
62: SAD	9	.1
64: SAD(B)	1	.0
65: JMM	23	.2
66: HVP	11	.1
70: PWP	5	.1
80: AIADMK	9	.1
81: DMK	63	.7
82: TDP(NTR)	6	.1
85: TDP(Naidu)	22	.2
86: PMK	4	.0
90: AGP	6	.1
98: Don't know	2052	22.1
99: Refusal	38	.4
Total	9266	100.0

Q8: And, who would you like to be the next prime minister?

	N	(%)
01: P.V. Narasimha Rao	2192	23.7
02: L.K, Advani	287	3.1
03: Atal Behari Vajpayee	1145	12.4
04: V.P. Singh	262	2.8
05: Chandra Sekhar	58	.6
06: Kanshi Ram	173	1.9
07: Jyoti Basu	182	2.0
08: Laloo Prasad Yadav	195	2.1
09: Mulayam Singh Yadav	212	2.3
10: Arjun Singh	35	.4
11: Sharad Pawar	69	.7

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	N	(%)
12: Rajesh Pilot	15	.2
13: Others	624	6.7
98: Don't know/Can't say	3817	41.2
Total	9266	100.0

Q9: Here in this Lok Sabha Constituency which parties do you think would really be in the main contest this time?

a: 1st party

	N	(%)
00: No party	39	.4
01: Congress	2978	32.1
02: BJP	1407	15.2
03: JD	647	7.0
04: CPI	63	.7
05: CPM	463	5.0
06: BSP	164	1.8
08: Independents	27	.3
09: Others	40	.4
10: UDF in Kerala	45	.5
13: INC(Tiwari)	36	.4
18: TMC	166	1.8
20: BJP-Shiv Sena	29	.3
21: Shiv Sena	162	1.7
27: IUML	15	.2
32: SJP	1	.0
33: SP (Mulayam)	190	2.1
34: Samata	77	.8
40: LF/LDF	44	.5
41: RSP	60	.6
42: IPF/CPML	19	.2
44: Forward Bloc	1	.0
49: NF-LF	3	.0

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	N	(%)
50: RPI	6	.1
59: Mixed Coalition	11	.1
62: SAD	28	.3
65: JMM	23	.2
66: HVP	30	.3
70: PWP	27	.3
72: UGDP	4	.0
79: MDMK	5	.1
80: AIADMK	93	1.0
81: DMK	342	3.7
82: TDP(NTR)	39	.4
85: TDP(Naidu)	130	1.4
86: PMK	29	.3
87: KCP	2	.0
89: HPU	1	.0
90: AGP	49	.5
98: Don't know	1747	18.9
99: Refusal	24	.3
Total	9266	100.0

b: 2nd party

	N	(%)
00: No party	80	.9
01: Congress	2660	28.7
02: BJP	1676	18.1
03: JD	419	4.5
04: CPI	103	1.1
05: CPM	415	4.5
06: BSP	224	2.4
08: Independents	69	.7
09: Others	63	.7
10: UDF in Kerala	31	.3

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	N	(%)
13: INC(Tiwari)	31	.3
18: TMC	48	.5
20: BJP-Shiv Sena	20	.2
21: Shiv Sena	157	1.7
27: IUML	4	.0
32: SJP	5	.1
33: SP (Mulayam)	188	2.0
34: Samata	70	.8
40: LF/LDF	68	.7
41: RSP	22	.2
42: IPF/CPML	4	.0
44: Forward Bloc	2	.0
48: JSS	1	.0
49: NF-LF	3	.0
50: RPI	49	.5
51: RPK	1	.0
59: Mixed Coalition	22	.2
62: SAD	65	.7
64: SAD(B)	43	.5
65: JMM	34	.4
66: HVP	18	.2
70: PWP	18	.2
71: MGP	2	.0
72: UGDP	8	.1
79: MDMK	18	.2
80: AIADMK	309	3.3
81: DMK	102	1.1
82: TDP(NTR)	66	.7
85: TDP(Naidu)	179	1.9
86: PMK	5	.1
89: HPU	1	.0
90: AGP	26	.3
97: TUJS	2	.0

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	N	(%)
98: Don't know	1488	16.1
99: Refusal	447	4.8
Total	9266	100.0

Q10: Talking about the election will be held shortly, what do you think was the main issue around which the election will fight this time?

	N	(%)
0: No issue	356	3.8
1: Good governance	1453	15.7
2: Price rise	1699	18.3
3: Corruption	1380	14.9
4: Nationalism	151	1.6
5: Social justice	349	3.8
6: Local issue	1093	11.8
7: Others	322	3.5
8: Don't know	2463	26.6
Total	9266	100.0

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Z1: What is your age?

	N	(%)
1: Up to 25 years	2216	23.9
2: 26 to 35 years	2493	26.9
3: 36 to 45 years	1732	18.7
4: 46 to 55 years	1145	12.4
5: 56 years and above	1680	18.1
Total	9266	100.0

Z2: Gender

	N	(%)
1: Male	4747	51.2
2: Female	4519	48.8
Total	9266	100.0

Z3: What is your highest level of education?

	N	(%)
1: Non-literate	3917	42.3
2: Middle pass	2676	28.9
3: Intermediate	1817	19.6
4: Graduate and above	514	5.5
9: N.A.	342	3.7
Total	9266	100.0

Z4: What is/has been your main occupation?

	N	(%)
01: Executives, Managers, Professionals and officials	83	.9
02: Professionals and officers (Class II)	194	2.1
03: White-Collar	234	2.5

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	N	(%)
04: Class IV employees in Govt./non-Govt. sector	141	1.5
11: Skilled workers	132	1.4
12: Craftsmen and Artisans (Group I)	215	2.3
13: Semi-skilled workers	249	2.7
14: Craftsmen and Artisans (Group II)	106	1.1
15: Unskilled workers	752	8.1
16: Domestic servants/maid servants	28	.3
21: Petty business	283	3.1
22: Small scale business	208	2.2
23: Large scale business	39	.4
31: Farmers with 5 or more acres of land	670	7.2
32: Farmers with 1-4.99 acres of land	694	7.5
33: Farmers with less than 1 acre of land	144	1.6
34: Share-cropper	37	.4
35: Agricultural labourers with some land of their own	344	3.7
36: Landless agricultural labour	633	6.8
41: Poultry and Dairy farming	19	.2
42: Fishermen	29	.3
43: Shepherd, Cattle Grazers, Toddy tapers	25	.3
50: Unemployed/non worker	287	3.1
51: Student	303	3.3
52: Housewife	2875	31.0
80: Other occupations	148	1.6
99: Not specified	394	4.3
Total	9266	100.0

a: *(If housewife, student or unemployed)* What is/has been occupation of main earner?

	N	(%)
01: Executives, Managers, Professionals and officials	82	.9
02: Professionals and officers (Class II)	151	1.6
03: White-Collar	221	2.4
04: Class IV employees in Govt./non-Govt. sector	120	1.3

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	N	(%)
11: Skilled workers	122	1.3
12: Craftsmen and Artisans (Group I)	138	1.5
13: Semi-skilled workers	185	2.0
14: Craftsmen and Artisans (Group II)	61	.7
15: Unskilled workers	397	4.3
16: Domestic servants/maid servants	6	.1
21: Petty business	181	2.0
22: Small scale business	155	1.7
23: Large scale business	36	.4
31: Farmers with 5 or more acres of land	470	5.1
32: Farmers with 1-4.99 acres of land	522	5.6
33: Farmers with less than 1 acre of land	114	1.2
34: Share-cropper	27	.3
35: Agricultural labourers with some land of their own	139	1.5
36: Landless agricultural labour	316	3.4
37: Tea/Coffee/Rubber plantation workers	1	.0
41: Poultry and Dairy farming	12	.1
42: Fishermen	12	.1
43: Shepherd, Cattle Grazers, Toddy tapers	14	.2
44: Hunters	1	.0
50: Unemployed/non worker	26	.3
51: Student	3	.0
52: Housewife	33	.4
80: Other occupations	95	1.0
99: Not specified	5626	60.7
Total	9266	100.0

Z6a: What is your Caste Group?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Scheduled Caste	1605	17.3	18.0
	2: Scheduled Tribe	747	8.1	8.4
	3: Other Backward Caste	3613	39.0	40.5

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		N	(%)	Valid (%)
	4: Others	2961	32.0	33.2
	Total	8926	96.3	100.0
Missing	9: N.A.	340	3.7	
Total		9266	100.0	

Z7: What is your religion?

		N	(%)
	1: Hindu	7411	80.0
	2: Muslim	960	10.4
	3: Christian	334	3.6
	4: Sikh	119	1.3
	8: Others	442	4.8
	Total	9266	100.0

Z8: Locality

		N	(%)
	1: Rural	7440	80.3
	2: Urban	1826	19.7
	Total	9266	100.0

Z9: Have you got voter's photo identity card?

		N	(%)
	1: No card, not photographed	1763	19.0
	2: Photographed but card not issued	3063	33.1
	3: Card issued but defective	303	3.3
	4: Card issued and in order	3552	38.3
	5: Others	37	.4
	9: N.A.	548	5.9
	Total	9266	100.0