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Respondent No.

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As in voter list

**POLICE STUDY - 2017**  
**LOKNITI, CSDS-COMMON CAUSE STUDY**

- F1. State Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- F2. A.C. Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- F3. P.S. Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- F4. Name of the Respondent: \_\_\_\_\_
- F5. Address of the respondent (*Give landmark*): \_\_\_\_\_
- F6. Date of interview (*dd/mm/yyyy*): \_\_\_\_\_
- F7. Name of the Investigator (*Code Roll No.*): \_\_\_\_\_

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

*My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I have come on behalf of Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (also give your university's reference), a social science research organization and Common Cause, an NGO in Delhi. We are conducting a survey on people's perception and experience of dealing with the police. Every person over the age of 18 has an equal chance of being included in this study. You have been selected by chance. There is no risk and also no benefit in participating in this survey and your participation is voluntary. This survey is an independent study and is not linked to any political party or government agency. Your identity and the information you provide will be kept strictly confidential. Participation in this survey is voluntary. We hope that you will take part in this survey since your participation is important. It usually takes 30 to 35 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:**

- Z1. Let us begin by talking about this village/ town you live in. How long have you lived here? (*Number of years*) \_\_\_\_\_ 97. Entire life      98. Don't know
- Z1a. Which state do your ancestors belong to? (*Record state name & consult Codebook for coding*)  
Name of State: \_\_\_\_\_ 98. Don't know
- Z2. What is your age? (*in completed years*) \_\_\_\_\_ 98. No Response (*Code 95 for 95 yrs & above*)
- Z3. Gender:      1. Male      2. Female      3. Other
- Z4. Up to what level have you studied? (*Record exactly and consult code book*)  
\_\_\_\_\_ 9. No response
- Q1. How often do incidents such as burglary, murder, physical assault, chain snatching occur in your locality- very often, sometimes, rarely or never? 1. Very often      2. SomeTimes      3. Rarely  
4. Never      8. DK
- Q1a. In your opinion, is the police's investigation of such incidents proper and satisfactory or is it temporary investigation? 1. Investigation is proper and satisfactory      2. Temporary investigation  
3. Police harasses people during investigation  
4. Does not carry out the needful investigation      8. DK
- Q2. What kind of police presence would you like to see in your village/area- greater, less or no change?  
1. Greater      2. Less      3. No change, same as before      8. DK



<b>Q11.</b>		Usually both men and women work in the police force. In your opinion who is more:					
			<b>Police woman</b>	<b>Police man</b>	<b>Both</b>	<b>Neither</b>	<b>DK</b>
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Honest	1	2	3	4	8
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. Hardworking	1	2	3	4	8
		<b>And.....</b>					
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. Whom would you approach for help	1	2	3	4	8

**Q12.** Listed below are a number of institutions. Please tell me how much trust do you have in each of them - a lot, somewhat, not much or not at all?

		<b>A lot</b>	<b>Somewhat</b>	<b>Not much</b>	<b>Not at all</b>	<b>DK</b>	
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Local police like police inspector, Sub inspector, SHO	1	2	3	4	8
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. Senior police officer like SP, DCP	1	2	3	4	8
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. Traffic police	1	2	3	4	8
d.	<input type="checkbox"/>	d. Army/Paramilitary	1	2	3	4	8
e.	<input type="checkbox"/>	e. Court	1	2	3	4	8
f.	<input type="checkbox"/>	f. Government official	1	2	3	4	8

**Q13.** Often women and young girls are scared to seek help from the police or visit the police station. In your opinion, what is the main reason for this? (*Record answer and consult the codebook for coding.*)

\_\_\_\_\_ 98. DK

**Q14.** On a scale of 10 points where the 1st point at left stands for extremely ineffective and the 10th point at the right stands for extremely effective. In your opinion, where would you place the following in terms of effectiveness to get work done from the police? **SHOW THE SCALE AND EXPLAIN (If no answer is given, then code 98)**

		Extremely ineffective									Effectiveness
		01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Political connection									
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. Money									
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. Personal connections in the police									
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	d. Seeking help from local goon									

**Q15.** In the last 2-3 years, has crime in your locality increased or decreased?

1. Increased                      2. Decreased                      3. Remained the same                      8. DK

**Q16.** Now I will read out two statements. Please tell me which statement would you agree the most with?

**Statement 1:** Police is not able to function properly due to lack of training and other resources.

**Statement 2:** It is not that the police lacks resources, they are in fact lazy and not motivated to serve people.

**1. Agree with statement 1                      2. Agree with statement 2                      8. DK**

**Q17.** Do you think the police intentionally implicates people under false charges?

2. Yes                      1. No                      3. May be                      8. Can't say

**Q18.** In an area, whenever there is an instance of fight between people from two religious communities, do you think the police sides with any particular religious community or remains impartial ?

1. Sides with a particular religious community                      2. Remains impartial                      8. DK

**Q18a.** (*If answer in Q18 is police sides with a particular religious community*), In your opinion, which religious community does the police take sides with? (*Record answer and consult codebook*)

\_\_\_\_\_ 98. DK                      99. NA

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Q19.</b>	How satisfied are you with police performance and their work in your area? ( <i>If satisfied or dissatisfied, probe further whether fully or somewhat.</i> )	1. Fully satisfied	2. Somewhat satisfied	3. Somewhat dissatisfied	4. Fully dissatisfied	8. DK						
	<b>Q20.</b>	Do you know of anyone who....?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>DK/ CS</b>								
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Died in mysterious circumstances under police custody	2	1	8								
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. Been taken into unlawful detention by police/army	2	1	8								
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. A woman who is a victim of sexual harassment or eve teasing by the police.	2	1	8								
d.	<input type="checkbox"/>	d. A victim of fake encounter	2	1	8								
e.	<input type="checkbox"/>	e. A victim of police firing, lathi charge.	2	1	8								
f.	<input type="checkbox"/>	f. A victim of police torture.	2	1	8								
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Q21.</b>	Very often , even in times of need, people are hesitant to visit the police or seek help. What is the single most important reason for this? _____						98. DK					
	<b>Q22.</b>	Now I will read out some statements. Please tell me whether you would agree or disagree with the following? ( <i>Probe further whether 'fully' or 'somewhat' agree or disagree</i> )	<b>Agree</b>		<b>Disagree</b>		<b>NR</b>						
			<b>Fully</b>	<b>Somewhat</b>	<b>Somewhat</b>	<b>Fully</b>							
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Police is blamed unnecessarily even when it does its job well	1	2	3	4	8						
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. There is nothing wrong in politicians interfering in the transfer and posting of police officers.	1	2	3	4	8						
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. There is nothing wrong in the police being violent towards criminals.	1	2	3	4	8						
	<b>Q23.</b>	Looking at the present number of these communities in the police force, are there adequate numbers of the following groups in the police ?	<b>Adequate</b>	<b>Less than adequate</b>	<b>More than adequate</b>	<b>DK</b>							
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Scheduled Caste such as Dalits	1	2	3	8							
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. OBC	1	2	3	8							
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. Scheduled Tribes such as Adivasis	1	2	3	8							
		<b>And what about the following?</b>											
d.	<input type="checkbox"/>	d. Muslims	1	2	3	8							
e.	<input type="checkbox"/>	e. Women	1	2	3	8							
	<b>Q24.</b>	On a scale of 10 points where the 1st point at left stands for extremely corrupt and the 10th point at the right stands for not at all corrupt. In your opinion, where would you place the following institutions in terms of corruption? <b>SHOW THE SCALE AND EXPLAIN</b> ( <i>If no answer is given, then code 98</i> )											
			<b>Extremely corrupt</b>					<b>Not at all corrupt</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	a.	a. Local police- police inspector, Sub inspector, SHO, Beat constable	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	b.	b. Senior police officer- SP, DCP	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	c.	c. Traffic police	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	d.	d. Army/Paramilitary	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	e.	e. Court	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	f.	f. Government official	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10

		Q25. Now I will read out a few statements. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with these statements? (Probe further whether strongly or somewhat agree or disagree)					NR	
		Agree		Disagree				
		Fully	Somewhat	Somewhat	Fully			
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Police as a profession is better than other occupations because of easy access to power and security.	1	2	3	4	8	
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. Compared to other professions, it is difficult to work in the police force because of high stress levels and long working hours.	1	2	3	4	8	
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. Police is corrupt- it does not do its job without a bribe.	1	2	3	4	8	
		Q26. Often people are scared of police due to different reasons. What about you- how scared are you of the following- a lot, somewhat, not much or not at all?						
			Very	Somewhat	Not much	Not at all	DK	
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Fear of being beaten up by the police	1	2	3	4	8	
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. Fear of being arrested by the police for no reason	1	2	3	4	8	
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. Fear of the police coming to your house	1	2	3	4	8	
d.	<input type="checkbox"/>	d. Fear of being falsely implicated in police cases.	1	2	3	4	8	
e.	<input type="checkbox"/>	e. Fear of sexual harassment or eve teasing by the police.	1	2	3	4	8	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Q27. Have you ever seen a police officer violating the law?	2.Yes		1.No		8.DK	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Q27a. (If answer is yes in Q27) Then did you file a complaint?	2.Yes		1.No		8.DK 9.NA	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Q27b. Do you think there should be a separate body for filing complaint against police officers who violate the law?	2.Yes		1.No		8.DK	
		Q28. Often the police says that it is not allowed to work independently and free from political interference. Please tell me how much interference do these groups have in the functioning of the police in your locality- a lot, somewhat, not much or not at all?						
			A lot	Somewhat	Not much	Not at all	DK	
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Political party & politicians	1	2	3	4	8	
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. Local goons / gundas	1	2	3	4	8	
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. Senior police officers	1	2	3	4	8	
d.	<input type="checkbox"/>	d. Economically powerful groups	1	2	3	4	8	
e.	<input type="checkbox"/>	e. Influential and dominant caste of your area	1	2	3	4	8	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Q29. Do you know of someone or have heard of a case of domestic violence in your village/ locality?	2.Yes		1.No		8.DK	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Q29a. (If answer is yes in Q29) Do you know if the victim of domestic violence filed a complaint or not?	2.Yes		1.No		8.DK 9.NA	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Q29b. In cases of domestic violence, is the police helpful to the victim?	2.Yes		1.No		8.DK	
		Q30. It is often argued that police harasses certain groups of people. Have you seen the police harassing the following communities? Q30a. Is the police right or wrong in taking action against these communities?						
Q30.	Q30a.		Yes	No	DK	Q30a. Right	Wrong	DK
a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Rickshaw pullers	2	1	8	2	1	8
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. street vendors	2	1	8	2	1	8
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. Nat dancers/street performers/Madaris/Saperas (specify Denotified and Nomadic Tribes in every state)	2	1	8	2	1	8
d.	<input type="checkbox"/>	d. Beggars	2	1	8	2	1	8
e.	<input type="checkbox"/>	e. Hijras/ Kinnars/ Kothi	2	1	8	2	1	8

		<b>Q31.</b>	According to you, in the police force of your village/ locality? ( <b>Record answer and consult codebook for coding</b> )						
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	a.	a. Which religious community's members are more in number? _____	98.	DK				
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	b.	b. Which caste's members are more in number? _____	998.	DK				
		<b>Q32.</b>	It is widely believed that police discriminates between people on the basis of different things. In your opinion, does the police discriminate?			<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>DK/CS</b>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	a.	a. On the basis of caste.	2	1	8			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	b.	b. On the basis of religion.	2	1	8			
			<b>And does it also discriminate between</b>						
	<input type="checkbox"/>	c.	c. Rich and poor.	2	1	8			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	d.	d. Women and men.	2	1	8			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	e.	e. People from another state.	2	1	8			
		<b>Q33.</b>	Many people argue that working in the police is not appropriate for women. Now I am going to read out some such arguments. Please tell me whether these arguments are justified or not? ( <b>Probe further whether very or somewhat justified or unjustified</b> ).			<b>Justified</b>	<b>Unjustified</b>	<b>DK</b>	
				<b>Very</b>	<b>Somewhat</b>	<b>Somewhat</b>	<b>Very</b>		
	<input type="checkbox"/>	a.	a. Being in the police requires physical strength and aggressive behavior which women lack.	1	2	3	4	8	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	b.	b. A woman should prioritise managing home instead of joining the police force.	1	2	3	4	8	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	c.	c. Women police are incapable of handling high intensity crimes and cases.	1	2	3	4	8	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	d.	d. Because of inflexible working hours, it is difficult for women to work in the police force.	1	2	3	4	8	
		<b>Q34.</b>	Please tell me whether the following measures in your locality/ area have been introduced or not?			<b>Introduced</b>	<b>Not introduced</b>	<b>CS</b>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	a.	a. All women police station.	1	2	8			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	b.	b. PCR van patrolling in your locality.	1	2	8			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	c.	c. Senior citizen helpline.	1	2	8			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	d.	d. Child helpline number.	1	2	8			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	e.	e. Helpline for people from North Eastern part of India ( <i>To be asked only in cities</i> )	1	2	8			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	f.	f. Help desk for SC & ST in police station.	1	2	8			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Q35.</b>	If your daughter/son was to be the victim of any crime, would you allow her/him to visit the police station alone to file a complain? ( <i>To be asked to everyone including unmarried respondents</i> )			2. Yes	1. No	8. DK	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Q35a.</b>	( <i>If yes in Q35</i> ) Would you allow your daughter to visit the police station as much as you would allow your son?			2. Yes	1. No	8. DK	9. NA
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Q36.</b>	In your locality, members from which caste/community are more in number? ( <b>Record answer and consult codebook</b> ) _____	998.	DK				

Q37. In an area, whenever there is an instance of fight between people from two caste groups, do you think the police sides with any particular caste group or remains impartial ?

1. Sides with a particular caste group      2. Remains impartial      8. DK

Q37a. (If answer in Q37 is police sides with a particular caste group), In your opinion, which caste group does the police take sides with? (Record answer and consult codebook)

998. DK      999. NA

Q38. Now I will read out three statements. Please tell me which of these would you agree with? (Probe further whether 'fully' or 'somewhat' agrees or disagrees).

		Agree		Disagree		NR
		Fully	Somewhat	Somewhat	Fully	

a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Often members of backward castes such as Dalits are falsely implicated in petty crimes such as theft, robbery, dacoity by the police.	1	2	3	4	8
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b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. Often tribals are falsely implicated on Maoist charges by the police.	1	2	3	4	8
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c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. Often Muslims are falsely implicated in terrorism related cases by the police.	1	2	3	4	8
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Q39. In any of the above cases, if the person is absolved of charges by the court, should action be initiated against policemen who implicated them?      2. Yes      1. No      8. DK

Q40. In the last 2-3 years, have you tried calling police (100 number) on phone in an emergency situation?      2. Yes      1. No      8. DK

Q40a. (Only for women) Have you ever called on the women's helpline number?      2. Yes      1. No      8. DK      9. NA

Q40b. (If yes in Q40) Then on calling police did you receive any help?  
 2. Yes      1. No      3. No one took the call  
 4. Number was not in use      5. Other \_\_\_\_\_      8. DK      9. NA

Q40c. (If yes in Q40) In your experience, to what extent has access to 100 number improved in the last 2-3 years- a lot, somewhat, not much or not at all?      1. A lot      2. Somewhat      3. Not much  
 4. Not at all      8. DK      9. NA

Q41. In comparison to other jobs, are the working hours of the police greater or less?  
 1. Greater      2. Less      3. Same as other jobs      8. DK

Q42. We know that the process of justice often gets delayed and numerous cases remain pending for several years. According to you, which institution is responsible for this delay?  
 1. Police      2. Court      3. Both      4. Neither  
 5. Other \_\_\_\_\_      8. DK

Q43. Often, police harasses those girls and boys who hang out and roam around in public places. In your opinion is this right, somewhat right or wrong?  
 1. Right      2. Somewhat Right      3. Wrong      8. DK

Q44. In your locality, have you seen the police preventing girls and boys from meeting and hanging out in public area?  
 2. Yes      1. No      8. DK





## Household Information

Above Below

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**Z14.** Total No. of family members living in the household:

Above 18 years: \_\_\_\_\_

Below 18 years : \_\_\_\_ (If more than 9, Code 9)

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**Z15.** 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)

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**Z16.** In normal circumstances, what is your monthly household expenditure? (Record in Rupees, if respondent

gives no answer, fill 000000 in the box) \_\_\_\_\_

**Z17.** Do you or members of your household have the following:

Yes No

a
b
c
d
e
f
g
h
i
j
k
l
m
n
o

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a. Car/Jeep/Van

1 2

b. Scooter/Motorcycle/Moped

1 2

c. Airconditioner

1 2

d. Computer/laptop/Ipad

1 2 1.With Internet 2.Without Net 9. NA

e. Fan/Cooler

1 2

f. Washing machine/Microwave

1 2

g. Fridge

1 2

h. TV

1 2

i. Bank/Post office account

1 2

j. ATM/Debit/Credit card

1 2

k. LPG gas

1 2

l. Toilet inside the house

1 2

m. Motorised pumping set

1 2

n. Tractor

1 2

o. Handpump inside the house

1 2

**Z18.** Livestock:

**Total Number**

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a. a. Goat /sheep/pig:

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b. b. Cow/Oxen /buffalo/Camel:

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c. c. Any other:

\_\_\_\_\_

**Z19.** Total monthly household income - putting together the income of all members of the household?

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

**Z20.** Mobile/Telephone number of the respondent \_\_\_\_\_

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**FILL AFTER COMPLETING INTERVIEW**

**E1.** Were there any other people immediately present who might be listening during the interview?  
1. No one      2. Husband      3. Other adult male family members      4. Adult female family members  
5. Any male from neighborhood      6. Any Female from neighborhood      7. Small crowd      8. Any Other\_\_\_\_\_

**E2.** In how many questions did the respondent check with others for information to answer for questions?  
1. None      2. One or two      3. Three to five      4. Six to ten      5. More than 10

**E3.** At some stage did you notice something that made you feel that the respondent was answering under some fear or pressure?      1. Yes      2. No      3. Not sure

**E4.** Which caste community was more in number in the locality you visited? (*Record answer and consult codebook*) \_\_\_\_\_

**E5.** Which religious community was more in number in the locality you visited? (*Record answer and for coding refer to Z9 Codes.* ) \_\_\_\_\_

**E6.** Overall was the respondent cooperative?      1. Yes, very much      2. Somewhat      3. Not at all

**E7.** Investigator's signature (*Sign in box*):

**E8.** Name of the Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

**E9.** Checked by the Supervisor:      1. Yes      2. No

**E10.** Supervisor's signature (*Sign in box*):

**Any additional notes/Cocomments**

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