APPENDIX

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Questionnaire for M.Phil Dissertation :

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Dowry System in Indu Society - A Sociological study of attitudes of college girls.

A) Personal data of the girl : 1) Name of the girl : 2) Address : 3) Education : 4) Name of the institution or college : 5) Religion : 6) Caste : b) Sub-caste : 7) Marital status : Married/Unmarried widow/Divorced. 8) Who is your guardian ? : Father/Mother/Husband/Any other. 9) Qualification of the guardian : 10)(a) Occupation of the guardian : (b) Guardian's Monthly Income : B) Data of the girls family : 1) Number of brothers with ages (a) (b) (c) (d) (e) (f) 2) Number of sisters with ages (a) (c) (b) (d) (e) (f)

3) Whether dowry was paid ? Yes/No 4) How much ? (c) (a) (b) (d) (f)(e) 5) Whether dowry was taken to brothers : Yes/No Now much ? (a) (b) (c) (f) (d) (e) 6) What is your view about your/their married life ? Satisfactory/Not satisfactory/Can't say. 7) If not, then do you think that the dowry is a main cause of it ? Yes/No/Can't say. 8) Have you a dowry system in your caste ? Yes/No 9) Do you feel your brother should get dowry ? : Yes/No 10) Do you feel that your sister should be paid dowry ? Yes/No C) Girls views about dowry : 1) What are your own views on talking or viging dowry ? a) Complete abolition. b) Partial abolition. c) Retention. 2) What forms of dowry do you prefer ? a) Cash money given to the bridegroom. b) Money spent for marriage ceremony. c) Gold ornaments or many useful things.

d) Gifts to bride and relatives of bridegroom.

e) Gift to bride for her share in parental property.

- 3) Do you think that taking dowry is useful to set up a new home ? Yes/No
- 4) Do you feel that giving dowry is insulting ? Yes/No
- 5) Is dowry unavoidable part of the Hindu marriage system ? Yes/No
- 6) Do you know whether dowry system exist in any other religion ? Yes/No
- 7) Do you feel that Hindu marriage system has some shortcomings in comparison with other religions ? Yes/No
- 8) Do you believe in traditional marriage or civil marriage ?
- 9) Do you think that the expenditure on marriage should be minimised ?
- 10) What are the forms of dowry presently prevalent in your caste ?
- D) Causes of the dowry :
 - Do you think that any of the following is the cause for the dowry ?
 - a) Parental affection.
 - b) Low status of women.
 - c) Their low education.
 - d) Economic dependence of women.
 - E) Remedies.
 - 1) What do you think are the remedies ?
 - a) Registered marriages/Love marriages/Intercaste marriages.

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b) Higher education.

c) Employment of women.

d) Mass education and propoganda.

e) Movements by social reformers.

f) Determination by the girl and boys.

g) Re-construction in legislation.

Signature of investigator.