India – Phone Survey

Information and consent script for first phone interview

Thank you for agreeing to speak to me.

First I will tell you a few sentences about who we are and what we are trying to do, then after that I will ask you if you are comfortable to answer our questions.

We are from the French Institute Pondicherry, we are doing research about the coronavirus lockdown.

We want to find out more about how you are coping with the corona virus shutdown, the role of credit-taking before and during the pandemic, and what impact both have on your household’s health and wellbeing (arogyam/ sukkadaram).

We would like to call you about 6 times in the next two months, we will check and fix a time when you don’t have other work. At this time because we know the difficulties caused by the lockdown, we from our organisation we have a provision to give 500 rupees after this first call and then 500 rupees again at the end of the sixth call to all participants.

If you decide you no longer want to participate at any time no problem you can withdraw and you can ask us not to use the information that you have given us.

If you agree to participate in this research, you will not be personally identifiable, we will use the information that you give us but we will not write your name anywhere and no one will know that it was you who said it.

I will write down notes to remember what you tell me, if you agree I will also record, to avoid missing anything, if you don’t agree, no problem I will not record. The recording will only be used to make correct notes and then will be deleted, we will not share it with anyone outside the project team.

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I will ask you some questions, please say yes or no - Do you understand that:

You are agreeing to take part in a research project once a week for 6 weeks.  Any personal identifiable information will be removed or altered to protect my identity?

[PARTICIPANT SHOULD VERBALLY INDICATE YES OR NO]

You can stop participating in the research at any time during the 6 weeks.

[PARTICIPANT SHOULD VERBALLY INDICATE YES OR NO]

<<<You can request that any data you have provided be deleted within 6 months of the survey/interview I have taken part in. You do not need to explain why I wish to do so and no penalty or loss of benefits will occur as a result.

[PARTICIPANT SHOULD VERBALLY INDICATE YES OR NO]

I agree to:

The researcher recording my name, village name, and telephone number so that I can be re-connected about the possibility of participating in other parts of the research project. [PARTICIPANT SHOULD VERBALLY INDICATE YES OR NO]>>>

Allow anonymous data from this survey to be part of the research outputs (e.g. project report)

[PARTICIPANT SHOULD VERBALLY INDICATE YES OR NO]

Allow you to record.

[PARTICIPANT SHOULD VERBALLY INDICATE YES OR NO]

I am over 18 years of age and agree to participate in this research

[PARTICIPANT SHOULD VERBALLY INDICATE YES OR NO]

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At the end of the interview:

Is there anything you said to me in the conversation we just had that you want us to delete immediately and not share with anyone?

Do you agree to being called next week to fix a time to have an interview with you again?