

## Socio-Economic Profile of Rural Households in India

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### PARENTAL CONSENT FORM

Household ID # \_\_\_\_\_

Person # \_\_\_\_\_ of parent

Child # \_\_\_\_\_

[After reading and receiving the consent of adult respondents with the adult consent form, those that are parents or guardian of children aged 9-14 will be read the following.]

Dear [parent of child 14 and below]: \_\_\_\_\_

In addition to collecting information on adults in this study, we are also collecting information on all children who live in the household. All this information is for research purposes only.

#### **How the survey will measure your child's health and nutrition**

The study will weigh and measure children. If they are 8 years old or above, we will also ask them to take some tests of cognitive achievement and logical reasoning in which they will not need to write any answers. They can answer all the questions orally or by pointing with their finger. The information we will collect from your children will be used in research to measure health and educational skills in India and to formulate policies to improve them in future.

#### **Your child's participation is voluntary**

As before, the participation of your child [name of child] in the survey is voluntary. You may refuse to have him/her answer any question or take any test. We further want to remind you that your child's participation in the development activities sponsored either by India government or by NGOs in the village will not be affected if you do not concur to participate in our survey. There are no foreseeable physical risks to participating in the survey.

#### **Information collected is strictly confidential**

We will keep all identifying information obtained from your child and others in your household confidential. We will not disclose names to anyone except the survey team from the Institute of Rural Management Anand. The information we collect will be used

only for research purposes. Your name and address and that of your child will not be given to any government or non-government agency or to any individuals except the research team from the Institute of Rural Management Anand.

If you have any questions about the survey and its use, please contact the Project Director, Professor Hari Nagarajan, at the Institute of Rural Management Anand.

Our field Research Team will be very happy to provide you with his contact address at the Institute of Rural Management Anand, or to pass on a message to him.

Would you like to consent to having you child participate in this survey? If so, please sign this form or provide me with verbal consent.

Agreed to Participate in the Survey: \_\_\_\_\_

Not Agreed to Participate in the Survey: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Interviewer: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Respondent: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_