

APPENDIX -IV**RESPONSE SHEET OF THE INTERVIEW CONDUCTED WITH THE PEOPLE OF THE VILLAGES UNDER COMMUNITY AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (C&RD) BLOCKS OF EAST GARO HILLS DISTRICT [UNDIVIDED] AND THE DATA COMPUTED IN PERCENTAGE****RESPONSE SHEET - I****[Response from the Male Village Elders: Resubelpara C&RD Block]****1. Leader of the Village:**

Leader of the village	Total	%
Sardar	43	81.13
Nokma		

81.13% of the male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said Sardar is the leader of the village.

2. Existence of Village Council:

Existence of Village Council	Total	%
Yes	49	92.45
No	4	7.55

92.45% of the male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said there exist Village Council whereas, 7.55% said do not exist.

3. Knowledge of Members of Village Council:

Knowledge of Members of Village Council	Total	%
Yes	46	86.79
No	7	13.21

86.79% of male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said that they have knowledge of members of Village Council whereas, 13.21% male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said they have no knowledge about members of Village Council.

4. Members of Village Council elected:

Members of Village Council elected.	Total	%
Yes	19	33.93
No	37	69.81
Don't know	3	5.66

69.81% of the male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said members of Village Council are not elected whereas, 33.93% said members of Village Council elected and 5.66% said they do not know about it.

5. Persons to approach during problems in the village:

Persons to approach during problems in the village	Total	%
Sardar	53	100
Nokma		
Village Council		

100% of the male members of Resubelpara C& RD Block said that Sardar is the person to approach during problems in the village.

6. Problems of the village taken care of by:

Problems of the village taken care by	Total	%
Sardar	46	92.45
Nokma	5	9.43
Village Council	2	3.77

92.45% of the male members of Resubelpara C& RD Block said that Sardar takes care of the problems of the village whereas, 9.43% said Nokma and 3.77% said Village Council takes care of the problems of the village.

7. Nokma of the concerned Village/A'king:

Nokma of the concerned Village/A'king	Total	%
Yes	51	96.22
No	2	3.77

96.22% of the male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said that Nokma is the concerned Village/A'king whereas 3.77% said Nokma is not the concerned Village/A'king.

8. Working system of Nokma underwent change in the present times:

Working system of Nokma underwent change in the present times.	Total	%
Yes	35	66.04
No	12	22.64
Don't know	6	11.32

Around 66.04% of the male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said that working system of Nokma underwent changes in the present times whereas, 22.64% said did not undergo any change and 11.32% said they do not know about it.

9. Knowledge about District Council:

Knowledge about District Council	Total	%
Yes	49	92.45
No	3	5.66

92.45% of the male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said they have knowledge about District Council, whereas, 5.66% said they do not have any knowledge about District Council.

10. Knowledge about MDC of concerned constituency:

Knowledge about MDC of concerned constituency	Total	%
Yes	51	96.22
No	1	1.88

As per the data given in the table, we can say that 96.22% of the male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said that they have knowledge about MDC of concerned constituency whereas, 1.88% said they have no knowledge.

11. Participation in Village Council Election:

Participation in Village Council Election	Total	%
Yes	37	69.81
No	14	26.41

69.81% of the male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said they participate in the Village Council election and 26.41% do not participate in the Village Council election.

12. Whether benefitted by MGNREGA:

Whether benefitted by MGNREGA	Total	%
Yes	45	84.91
No	7	13.21

84.91% of the male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said that they have benefitted by MGNREGA whereas, 13.21% said that they have not benefitted.

13. People benefitted by Government Schemes:

People benefitted by Government Schemes	Total	%
Yes	43	81.13
No		
Don't know		

81.33% of the male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said the people have benefitted by Government Schemes.

If yes, the Persons who select the beneficiaries from the village:

The Persons who select the beneficiaries from the village	Total	%
Nokma		
Village Council	43	81.13
Don't know		

As per the data given in the table we come to know that 81.13% of the male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said Village Council selects the beneficiaries from the village.

14. Existence of Village Employment Council:

Existence of Village Employment Council	Total	%
Yes	42	79.24
No	3	5.66
Don't Know	8	15.09

76.24% of the male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said they know that there exists Village Employment Council whereas, 5.66% said no and 15.09% said do not know about it.

15. Knowledge about Panchayati Raj System:

Knowledge about Panchayati Raj System	Total	%
Yes	35	66.04
No	19	35.85

66.04% of the male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said they have knowledge about the Panchayati Raj System, and 35.85% said do not have knowledge.

16. Have you heard village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states?

Have you heard village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states	Total	%
Yes	38	71.69
No	15	28.30

71.69% of the male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said they have heard that village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states whereas, 28.30% have not heard about it.

17. Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers:

Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers	Total	%
Yes	38	71.69
No	14	26.41
Don't know		

71.69% of the male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers whereas, 26.41% said Panchayat is not a body elected by all villagers.

18. Preferences for Panchayat body for concerned villages:

Existence of Village Employment Council	Total	%
Yes	23	43.39
No	20	37.73
Don't Know	11	20.75

43.39% of the male members of Resubelpara C&RD Block said that there is preferences for Panchayat body for concerned villages whereas, 37.73% said there is no preferences and 20.75% said they have no knowledge about it.

RESPONSE SHEET – II**[Response sheet from the Female Village Elders: Resubelpara C&RD Block]****1 Leader of the Village:**

Leader of the village	Total	%
Sardar	56	100
Nokma		

From the above table it is seen that 100% of the female members in Resubelpara C&RD Block said that Sardar is the leader of the village.

2 Existence of Village Council:

Existence of Village Council	Total	%
Yes	53	96.36
No	2	5.36

As per the data from the given above table we can clearly distinguish that 96.36% of female members in Resubelpara C& RD Block said that there exists village council whereas, 5.36% said do not exist Village Council.

3 Knowledge of Members of Village Council:

Knowledge of Members of Village Council	Total	%
Yes	51	91.07
No	5	8.93

91.07% of the female members in Resubelpara C&RD Block said they have knowledge of the members in Village Council whereas, 8.93% do not have knowledge about Village Council.

4 Members of Village council elected:

Members of Village Council elected.	Total	%
Yes	25	44.64
No	28	50
Don't know	3	5.36

As per the data from the given table, it is indicative that 44.64% of the female members in Resubelpara C&RD Block said members of Village Council are elected whereas, 50% said not elected and 5.36% said that they do not know about it.

5 Persons to approach during problems in the village:

Persons to approach during problems in the village	Total	%
Sardar	56	100
Nokma		
Village Council		

From the table it is seen that 100% of the female members in Resubelpara C&RD Block said that Sardars are approached during problems in the village.

6 Problems of the village taken care of by:

Problems of the village taken care of by	Total	%
Sardar	53	96.36
Nokma	2	3.57
Village Council	1	1.78

From the table it is found out that 96.36% of the female members in Resubelpara C& RD Block said that problems of the village are taken care by the Sardar, whereas, 3.57% said Nokma, and 1.78% said Village Council.

7 Nokma of the concerned Village/A'king:

Nokma of the concerned village/A'king	Total	%
Yes	47	83.93
No	9	16.07

Around 83.93% of the female members in Resubelpara C&RD Block said that Nokma of the concerned Village/A'king whereas 16.07% said Nokma is not the concerned Village/A'king.

8 Working system of Nokma underwent change in the present times:

Working system of Nokma underwent change in the present times.	Total	%
Yes	38	67.86
No	13	23.21
Don't know	15	26.79

Around 67.86% of the female members in Resubelpara C&RD Block said working system of Nokma underwent changes in the present times, whereas, 23.21% said no

changes and 26.79% said they do not know about the situation of the change in Nokma system.

9 Knowledge about District Council:

Knowledge about District Council	Total	%
Yes	47	83.93
No	9	16.07

83.93% of the female members in Resubelpara C&RD Block said they have knowledge about the District Council, whereas, 16.07% said they do not have knowledge about the District Council.

10 Knowledge about MDC of concerned constituency:

Knowledge about MDC of concerned constituency	Total	%
Yes	47	85.45
No	9	16.07

From the table it is clear that 85.45% of the female members in Resubelpara C&RD Block said they have knowledge about MDC of the concerned constituency, whereas, 16.07% said they do not have knowledge about MDC of concerned constituency.

11 Participation in Village Council Election:

Participation in Village Council Election	Total	%
Yes	40	71.43
No	17	30.36

As per the data given in the table, it is indicated that 71.33 % of the female members in Resubelpara C&RD Block said that they participate in Village Council election whereas, 30.36% said they do not participate in Village Council election.

12 Whether benefitted by MGNREGA:

Whether benefitted by MGNREGA	Total	%
Yes	46	82.14
No	10	17.86

82.14% of the female members in Resubelpara C& RD Block said that they have benefitted by MGNREGA whereas, 17.86% said they have not benefitted.

13 People benefitted by Government Schemes:

People benefitted by Government Schemes	Total	%
Yes	42	75
No	7	12.5
Don't know	7	12.5

As per the data given in the table, 75% of the female members in Resubelpara C&RD Block said that people have benefitted by Govt. Schemes whereas, 12.5% said not benefitted and 12.5% also said that they do not know about it.

If yes, the Persons who select the beneficiaries from the village:

The Persons who select the beneficiaries from the village	Total	%
Nokma		
Village Council	42	75
Don't know		

The data also clearly indicates that, 75% of the female members in Resubelpara C&RD Block said Village Council selects the beneficiaries from the village.

14 Existence of Village Employment Council:

Existence of Village Employment Council	Total	%
Yes	40	71.43
No	7	12.5
Don't Know	9	16.07

71.43% of the female members in Resubelpara C&RD Block said that there exist Village Employment Council whereas, 12.5% said do not exist and 16.07% said that they have no knowledge about it.

15 Knowledge about Panchayati Raj System:

Knowledge about Panchayati Raj System	Total	%
Yes	39	69.64
No	17	30.36

From the table given in the above we can find out that 69.64% of the female members in Resubelpara C&RD Block said they have knowledge about Panchayati Raj System whereas, 30.36% said they have no knowledge.

16 Have you heard village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states?

Have you heard village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states	Total	%
Yes	39	69.64
No	17	30.36

From the data given in the above table, we can identify that 69.64% of the female members in Resubelpara C&RD Block said 'Yes' which means they have heard about the village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states whereas, 30.36 % said they have not heard about it.

17 Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers:

Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers	Total	%
Yes	43	76.79
No	12	21.43
Don't know	1	1.79

76.79% of the female members in Resubelpara C&RD Block said Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers whereas, 21.43% said Panchayat is not a body elected by all villagers and 1.79% said they do not know.

18 Existence for Panchayat body for concerned villages:

Existence for Panchayat body for concerned villages	Total	%
Yes	24	42.86
No	18	32.14
Don't Know	14	25

As per the data given in the table, we can say that 42.86% of the female members in Resubelpara C&RD Block said there exist Panchayat body for concerned villages whereas, 32.14% said no existence of Panchayat body for concerned villages and 25% said they do not know.

SHEET – III**[Response Sheet from the Male Village Elders: Songsak Village]****1. Leader of the village:**

Leader of the village	Total	%
Sardar	69	92
Nokma	5	6.66

92% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that Sardar is the leader of the village whereas, 6.66% said that Nokma is the leader of the village.

2. Existence of Village Council:

Existence of Village Council	Total	%
Yes	72	96
No	2	2.66

96% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that there exists Village Council whereas, 2.66% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that there is no existence of Village Council.

3. Knowledge of Members of Village Council:

Knowledge of Members of Village Council	Total	%
Yes	67	89.33
No	7	9.33

89.33% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said they have knowledge about the members of the Village Council whereas, 9.33% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said they have no knowledge about the members of the Village Council.

4. Members of Village Council elected:

Members of Village Council elected.	Total	%
Yes	50	66.66
No	21	28
Don't know	3	4

66.66% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that members of the Village Council are elected whereas, 28% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said members of the Village Council are not elected and 4% said that they do not know about the matter.

5. Persons to approach during problems in the village:

Persons to approach during problems in the village	Total	%
Sardar	71	94.66
Nokma	4	5.33
Village Council	1	1.33

94.66% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that Sardar is the person whom to approach during the problems in the village whereas, 5.33% said Nokma and 1.33% also said Village Council.

6. Problems of the village taken care of by:

Problems of the village taken care of by	Total	%
Sardar	69	92
Nokma	5	6.66
Village Council	1	1.33

92% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that Sardar takes care of the problems in the village whereas, 6.66% said Nokma is the person who takes care of the problems of the village and 1.33% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block also said that Village Council takes care of the problems in the village.

7. Nokma of the concerned Village/A'king:

Nokma of the concerned village/A'king	Total	%
Yes	74	98.66
No	2	2.66

98.66% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that Nokma is the concerned village/A'king whereas 2.66% said Nokma is not the concerned village/A'king.

8. Working system of Nokma underwent change in the present times:

Working system of Nokma underwent change in the present times.	Total	%
Yes	55	73.33
No	14	18.66
Don't know	8	10.66

73.33% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that working system of Nokma underwent changes in the present times whereas, 18.66% said did not undergo

any change and 10.66% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block also said that they have no knowledge about it.

9. Knowledge about District Council:

Knowledge about District Council	Total	%
Yes	75	98.66
No		

98.66% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said they have knowledge about the District Council.

10. Knowledge about MDC of concerned constituency:

Knowledge about MDC of concerned constituency	Total	%
Yes	74	98.66
No	1	1.33

98.66% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that they have knowledge about MDC of the concerned constituency whereas 1.33% said they do not have any knowledge.

11. Participation in Village Council Election:

Participation in Village Council Election	Total	%
Yes	64	85.33
No	12	16

As per the data given in the table, 85.33% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that they participate in Village Council election whereas, 16% said they do not participate in Village Council election.

12. Whether benefitted by MGNREGA:

Whether benefitted by MGNREGA	Total	%
Yes	71	94.66
No	5	6.66

94.66% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that people have benefitted from MGNREGA whereas, 6.66% said that the people have not benefitted from MGNREGA.

13. People benefitted by Government Schemes:

People benefitted by Government Schemes	Total	%
Yes	58	77.33
No	16	21.33
Don't know	1	1.33

As per the data seen in the table, 77.33% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said people have benefitted by Government schemes whereas, 21.33% said people have not benefitted and 1.33 % also said that they do not know about it.

14. If yes, the Persons who select the beneficiaries from the village

the Persons who select the beneficiaries from the village	Total	%
Nokma		
Village Council	58	77.33
Don't know	1	1.33

The data from the table also reveal that 77.33% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said Village Council selects the beneficiaries from the village whereas, 1.33% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said they do not know about it.

15. Existence of Village Employment Council:

Existence of Village Employment Council	Total	%
Yes	66	88
No	6	8
Don't Know	3	4

88% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said there exist Village Employment Council whereas, 8% said there does exist Village Employment Council and 4% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that they do not know about the matter.

16. Knowledge about Panchayati Raj System:

Knowledge about Panchayati Raj System	Total	%
Yes	46	61.33
No	29	38.66

61.33% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that they have knowledge about the Panchayati Raj system whereas, 38.66% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said they have no knowledge about the Panchayati Raj System.

17. Have you heard village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states?

Have you heard village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states	Total	%
Yes	51	68
No	24	32

68% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that they have heard about the village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states whereas, 32% have not heard about the village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states.

18. Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers:

Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers	Total	%
Yes	44	58.66
No	26	34.66
Don't know	3	4

58.66% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers whereas 34.66% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that Panchayat is not a body elected by all villagers but 4% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block also said that they do not know about the matter.

19. Preferences for Panchayat body for concerned villages:

Existence of Village Employment Council	Total	%
Yes	26	34.66
No	26	34.66
Don't Know	23	30.66

As per the data given in the table, 34.66% of the male members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that they prefer Panchayat body for concerned villages whereas, 34.66% said they do not prefer and 30.66% also said they do not know about the matter.

SHEET – IV**[Response Sheet from the Female Village Elders: Songsak Village]****1. Leader of the village:**

Leader of the village	Total	%
Sardar	62	95.38
Nokma	3	4.61

From the table it is clear that 95.38% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said Sardar is the leader of the village whereas, 4.61% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said Nokma.

2. Existence of Village Council:

Existence of Village Council	Total	%
Yes	62	95.38
No	3	4.61

95.38% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said there exists Village Council whereas 4.61% said there is no existence of Village Council.

3. Knowledge of Members of Village Council:

Knowledge of Members of Village Council	Total	%
Yes	53	81.54
No	12	18.46

81.54% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that they have knowledge of members of village council whereas, 18.46% of Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said they have no knowledge about the members of Village Council

4. Members of Village Council elected:

Members of Village Council elected.	Total	%
Yes	42	64.61
No	15	23.08
Don't know	8	12.31

64.61% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that the members of Village Council is an elected body whereas, 23.08% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said it is not an elected body and 12.31% of Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that they have no knowledge about it.

5. Persons to approach during problems in the village:

Persons to approach during problems in the village	Total	%
Sardar	63	96.92
Nokma	1	1.54
Village Council		

96.92% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said Sardar is the person to approach during problems in the village whereas, 1.54% said Nokma.

6. Problems of the village taken care of by:

Problems of the village taken care by	Total	%
Sardar	58	89.23
Nokma	1	1.54
Village Council	5	7.69

As per the data given in the table, we can find out that 89.23% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said problems of the village are taken care by Sardar and 1.69% said Nokma whereas 7.89% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block also said Village Council takes care of the problems in the village.

7. Nokma of the concerned Village/A'king:

Nokma of the concerned Village/A'king	Total	%
Yes	64	98.46
No	1	1.54

As per the data in the table, it is clearly depicted that 98.46% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said Nokma is the concerned village/A'king whereas, 1.54% said Nokma is not the concerned village/A'king.

8. Working system of Nokma underwent change in the present times:

Working system of Nokma underwent change in the present times.	Total	%
Yes	42	64.61
No	11	19.92
Don't know	11	19.92

From the table we get to know that 64.61% of Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that working system of Nokma underwent changes in the present times whereas 19.92% of Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said Nokma did not undergo changes and 19.92% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block also said they do not have any knowledge about it.

9. Knowledge about District Council:

Knowledge about District Council	Total	%
Yes	59	90.77
No	5	7.69

90.77% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that they have knowledge about the district council whereas 7.89% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said they do not have any knowledge about the District Council.

10. Knowledge about MDC of concerned constituency:

Knowledge about MDC of concerned constituency	Total	%
Yes	63	96.92
No	2	3.07

96.92% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that they have knowledge about MDC of concerned constituency whereas, 3.07% said they have no knowledge about the MDC constituency.

11. Participation in Village Council Election:

Participation in Village Council Election	Total	%
Yes	44	67.69
No	20	30.77

67.69% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that they participate in the Village Council election whereas 30.77% said they do not participate in Village Council election.

12. Whether benefitted by MGNREGA:

Whether benefitted by MGNREGA	Total	%
Yes	56	86.15
No	9	13.85

86.15% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that people have benefitted from MGNREGA whereas, 13.85% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said the people have not benefitted from MGNREGA.

13. People benefitted by Government Schemes:

People benefitted by Government Schemes	Total	%
Yes	38	58.46
No	6	9.23
Don't know	21	32.31

58.46% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that people have benefitted by Government schemes and 9.23% said not benefitted and 32.31% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block also said that they do not have any knowledge about it.

14. If yes, the Persons who select the beneficiaries from the village:

the Persons who select the beneficiaries from the village	Total	%
Nokma		
Village Council	37	56.92
Don't know		

The data also reveals that 56.92% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said Village Council selects the beneficiaries from the village.

15. Existence of Village Employment Council:

Existence of Village Employment Council	Total	%
Yes	49	75.38
No	6	9.23
Don't Know	11	19.92

75.38% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that there exists Village Employment Council whereas, 9.23% said does not exist and 19.23% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block also said that they do not know about it.

16. Knowledge about Panchayati Raj System:

Knowledge about Panchayati Raj System	Total	%
Yes	28	43.08
No	37	56.92

43.08% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said they have knowledge about Panchayati Raj System whereas, 56.92% also said that they have no knowledge about the Panchayati Raj System.

17. Have you heard village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states?

Have you heard village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states	Total	%
Yes	28	43.08
No	37	56.92

43.08% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that they have heard village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states whereas, 56.92% said they have not heard about the village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states.

18. Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers:

Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers	Total	%
Yes	28	43.08
No	33	50.77
Don't know	4	6.15

43.08% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers whereas, 50.77% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said Panchayat is not a body elected by all villagers.

19. Preferences for Panchayat body for concerned villages:

Existence of Village Employment Council	Total	%
Yes	15	23.08
No	22	33.85
Don't Know	28	43.08

23.08% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block said that they prefer Panchayat body for concerned villages whereas 33.85% said they do not prefer Panchayat body but 43.08% of the Female members of the Songsak C&RD Block also said they do not know about the matter.

SHEET – V**[Response Sheet from the Male Village Elders: Samanda C & RD]****1. Leader of the village:**

Leader of the village	Total	%
Sardar	57	85.07
Nokma	10	14.92

85.07% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said that Sardar is the leader of the village whereas, 14.92% said Nokma is the leader of the village.

2. Existence of Village Council:

Existence of Village Council	Total	%
Yes	66	98.51
No	1	1.49

98.51% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said that there exists Village Council whereas, 1.49% said there is no existence of Village Council.

3. Knowledge of Members of Village Council:

Knowledge of Members of Village Council	Total	%
Yes	66	98.51
No		

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8.51% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said they have knowledge about members of Village Council.

4. Members of Village Council elected:

Members of Village council elected.	Total	%
Yes	40	59.70
No	21	31.34
Don't know	6	8.95

59.70% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said that members of the Village Council are elected, whereas, 31.34% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said not elected but 8.95% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said they have no knowledge about it.

5. Persons to approach during problems in the village:

Persons to approach during problems in the village	Total	%
Sardar	61	91.04
Nokma	6	8.95
Village Council	1	1.49

As per the given table it is clear that 91.04% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said that Sardar is the person to approach during the problems in the village whereas, 8.95% said Nokma and 1.49% said Village Council.

6. Problems of the village taken care of by:

Problems of the village taken care of by	Total	%
Sardar	60	89.55
Nokma	7	10.45
Village Council		

89.55% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said that Sardar is the person who takes care of the problems of the village whereas, 10.45% said Nokma takes care of the problems faced by the village.

7. Nokma of the concerned Village/A'king:

Nokma of the concerned village/A'king	Total	%
Yes	67	100
No		

100% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said that Nokma is the concerned village/A'king.

8. Working system of Nokma underwent change in the present times:

Working system of Nokma underwent change in the present times.	Total	%
Yes	47	70.15
No	9	13.43
Don't know	11	16.42

70.15% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said that working system of Nokma underwent changes in present times.

9. Knowledge about District Council:

Knowledge about District Council	Total	%
Yes	65	97.01
No	2	2.98

97.01% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said that they have knowledge about the District Council whereas, 2.98% said they do not have knowledge about the District Council.

10. Knowledge about MDC of concerned constituency:

Knowledge about MDC of concerned constituency	Total	%
Yes	66	98.51
No	1	1.49

As per the data given in the table it is clear that, 98.51% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said they have knowledge about the MDC of concerned constituency whereas, 1.49% said they have no knowledge.

11. Participation in Village Council Election:

Participation in Village Council Election	Total	%
Yes	30	44.77
No	37	55.22

44.77% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said they participate in Village Council election whereas, 55.22% male members of the Samanda C&RD Block do not participate in Village Council election.

12. Whether benefitted by MGNREGA:

Whether benefitted by MGNREGA	Total	%
Yes	54	80.59
No	13	19.40

80.59% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said that the people have benefitted by MGNREGA whereas, 19.40% of them said not benefitted from MGNREGA

13. People benefitted by Government Schemes:

People benefitted by Government Schemes	Total	%
Yes	39	58.21
No	21	38.81

58.21% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said that people have benefitted by Government schemes whereas, 38.81% of male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said that people have not benefitted from Government schemes.

14. If yes, the Persons who select the beneficiaries from the village:

The Persons who select the beneficiaries from the village	Total	%
Nokma	42	62.69
Village Council		
Don't know	3	4.48

The data from the table also reveal that 62.69% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said Nokma is the person who selects the beneficiaries from the village, whereas, 4.48% said they do not know who selects the beneficiaries of the village.

15. Existence of Village Employment Council:

Existence of Village Employment Council	Total	%
Yes	42	62.69
No	6	8.95
Don't Know	19	28.36

From the table it is seen that 62.69% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said that there exists village employment council whereas, 28.36% said they do not know it and atleast 8.95% said there is no existence of Village Employment Council.

16. Knowledge about Panchayati Raj System:

Knowledge about Panchayati Raj System	Total	%
Yes	46	68.66
No	21	31.34

68.66% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said that they have knowledge about Panchayati Raj System whereas, 31.34% said they have no knowledge about Panchayati Raj System.

17. Have you heard village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states?

Have you heard village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states	Total	%
Yes	46	68.60
No	21	31.45

From the table it is clear that 68.60% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said that they have heard village affairs are looked after by Panchayats in other states whereas, 31.45% of male members of the Samanda C&RD Block did not hear about it.

18. Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers:

Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers	Total	%
Yes	45	67.16
No	22	32.83

67.16% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said that Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers whereas, 32.83% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said that Panchayat is not a body elected by all villagers.

19. Preferences for Panchayat body for concerned villages:

Existence of Village Employment Council	Total	%
Yes	20	29.85
No	22	32.83
Don't Know	25	37.31

From the table it is seen that 29.85% of the male members of the Samanda C&RD Block said they prefer Panchayat body for concerned villages whereas, 32.83% of male members of the Samanda C&RD Block do not prefer Panchayat body for concerned villages.

SHEET – VI**[Response Sheet from the Female Village Elders: Samanda Village]****1. Leader of the village:**

Leader of the village	Total	%
Sardar	62	95.38
Nokma	3	4.62

From the table it is clear that 95.38% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said that Sardar is the leader of the village whereas 4.62% said Nokma.

2. Existence of Village Council:

Existence of Village Council	Total	%
Yes	64	98.46
No	1	1.54

98.46% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said there exists Village Council and 1.54% said there does not exist.

3. Knowledge of Members of Village Council:

Knowledge of Members of Village Council	Total	%
Yes	65	100
No		

100% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said that they have knowledge of members of Village Council.

4. Members of Village council elected:

Members of Village Council elected.	Total	%
Yes	44	67.69
No	23	35.38
Don't know	3	4.62

67.69% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said that members of Village Council are elected, whereas, 35.38% said they are not elected and 4.62 % said they do not know.

5. Persons to approach during problems in the village:

Persons to approach during problems in the village	Total	%
Sardar	64	98.46
Nokma	1	1.54
Village Council		

98.46% said that Sardars are the persons to approach during problems in the village whereas 1.54% said Nokma.

6. Problems of the village taken care of by:

Problems of the village taken care by	Total	%
Sardar	60	92.31
Nokma	5	7.69
Village Council		

92.31% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said that Problems of the village are taken care of by Sardar, whereas 7.69% said it is the Nokma.

7. Nokma of the concerned village/A'king:

Nokma of the concerned village/A'king	Total	%
Yes	65	100
No		

100% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said that Nokma is the concerned village/A'king

8. Working system of Nokma underwent change in the present times:

Working system of Nokma underwent change in the present times.	Total	%
Yes	40	61.54
No	2	3.08
Don't know	15	23.08

61.54% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said that there is working system of Nokma, 3.08% said did not change and 23.08% said they do not know about the situation of the Nokma.

9. Knowledge about District Council:

Knowledge about District Council	Total	%
Yes	63	96.92
No	2	3.08

From the table it is clear that 96.92% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said that they have knowledge about the District Council, whereas, 3.08% said they have no knowledge.

10. Knowledge about MDC of concerned constituency:

Knowledge about MDC of concerned constituency	Total	%
Yes	64	98.46
No		

98.46% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said they have knowledge about MDC of concerned constituency.

11. Participation in Village Council Election:

Participation in Village Council Election	Total	%
Yes	48	73.85
No	15	23.08

As per the data given in the table we can find out that 73.85% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said that they participate in Village Council elections whereas, 23.08% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said they do not participate in Village Council election.

12. Whether benefitted by MGNREGA:

Whether benefitted by MGNREGA	Total	%
Yes	54	83.08
No	9	13.85

From the table it is clear that 83.08% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said that the people have benefitted by MGNREGA whereas, 13.85% said they have not benefitted.

13. People benefitted by Government Schemes:

People benefitted by Government Schemes	Total	%
Yes	38	58.46
No	37	56.92

58.46% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said that people have benefitted by Government schemes whereas, 56.92% said people have not benefitted by Government schemes.

14. If yes, the Persons who select the beneficiaries from the village:

the Persons who select the beneficiaries from the village	Total	%
Nokma		
Village Council	38	58.46
Don't know		

The data as per the table reveal that 58.46% of female members of Samanda C&RD Block said that Village Council selects the beneficiaries from the village.

15. Existence of Village Employment Council:

Existence of Village Employment Council	Total	%
Yes	45	69.23
No		
Don't Know	16	24.62

69.23% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said that there exist Village Employment Council in the village whereas, 24.62% said there is no existence of Village Employment Council.

16. Knowledge about Panchayati Raj System:

Knowledge about Panchayati Raj System	Total	%
Yes	38	58.46
No	26	40

58.46% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said that they know about Panchayati Raj System in the village whereas, 40% said they have no knowledge about the Panchayati Raj System.

17. Have you heard village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states?

Have you heard village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states	Total	%
Yes	42	64.61
No	23	35.38

As per the data given in the table, we can find out that 64.61% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said they have heard village affairs looked after by Panchayats in other states whereas, 35.38% said they have not heard.

18. Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers:

Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers	Total	%
Yes	33	50.77
No	27	41.54

50.77% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said that Panchayat is a body elected by all villagers whereas, 41.54% said Panchayat is not a body elected by all villagers.

19. Preferences for Panchayat body for concerned villages:

Preferences for Panchayat body for concerned villages	Total	%
Yes	11	16.92
No	20	30.77
Don't Know	34	52.31

30.77% of female members of Samanda C&RD Block said they do not prefer Panchayat body for concerned villages whereas, 16.92% said they do prefer and 52.31% of the female members of Samanda C&RD Block said they do not have any knowledge about it.

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SHEET – VII

**[Response of the Village Elders with regard to the Questionair prepared to get
information on Nokmaship and Panchayati Raj System]**

1. No. of years as a Nokma:

Reign as a Nokma	Total	%
0-5	4	28.57
6-10	3	21.43
11-15 and above	7	50

From the table it is seen that 50% of the Nokmas said that they had reign 11 to 15 years in the Nokmaship. Whereas 28.57 said 0 to 5 years and 6 to 10 years have said whereas 21.40 % said 11 to 15 years and above.

2. Number of Sardars working Nokma:

Number of Sardars	Total	%
0-5	3	21.43
6-10	4	28.57
11-15 and above	7	50

From the table given in the above it is seen that 50% of the Nokmas said that 11 to 15 numbers of Sardars work with the Nokma, whereas 28.57% of Nokmas also said that 6 to 10 Sardars work under Nokmas and 21.43 % said that below less than 5 Sardars work with the Nokmas.

3. Functions of a Nokma according Nokma System:

Functions of Nokma	Total	%
Head of the clan	13	92.86
Land distribution	10	71.43
Judiciary only regarded	10	71.43
Land dispute	10	71.43
Appoint sardars	10	71.43
Facilitate governing	6	42.86
Issuing land documents	11	78.58
Land revenue		

The table above gives the functions of the Nokma system and it is very clear that functions as Head of the clan is the main function of the Nokma system in line with issuing land documents, land distribution, judiciary, land dispute, revenue, appointment of the Sardars and facilitating governance in the total system.

4. Working of Nokma system have undergone certain changes in present times:

Working of Nokma system	Total	%
Yes	3	21.43
No	8	57.15
Don't know	3	21.43

As per the data collection and the data recorded in the above table, it is indicated that 57.15% of the Nokmas said there is no change in the working of Nokma system in the present times inspite of the various developments and latest trends in the village.

5. Village Council under the Nokma system:

village council under you	Total	%
0-5	3	21.43
6-10		
11-15 and above		
Yes		
No	11	78.58

The data as per the table indicates that 78.58 % of the Nokmas said that there is no Village Council under Nokma system whereas 21.43% of the Nokmas said that there are 0 to 5 members in the Village Council.

6. Who elects/selects/appoints the members of the village council?

Who elects/selects/appoints the members of the Village Council	Total	%
Village elders	14	100

The table above shows that 100% of the Nokmas said Village elders selects the members of the Village Council in the Nokma system in the East Garo Hills District of Meghalaya.

7. Functions of the Village Council:

Functions of the village Council	Total	%
Administration	9	64.29
Judiciary (minor cases)	9	64.29
To look after the villagers	9	64.29
To see the welfare of the villagers	6	42.86

As per the analysis, it is clear from the table the various functions of Village Council such as, administration, judiciary, caretaker of the villagers and administer the welfare of the villagers.

8. Presence of Village Court in Nokma's Areas:

Village Court in your area	Total	%
Yes	12	85.72
No	2	14.29
Don't Know		

85.72% of the Nokmas said that there is the presence of the Village Court in the Nokma administered areas whereas 14.29 % said absence of Village Court in Nokma areas.

9. Functions of a Village Council in Nokma System:

Functions of a Village Council according to the Nokmas	Total	%
To take care villagers	13	92.86
Family disputes	10	71.43
Criminal cases	12	85.72
Selection of village headman	5	35.72
Any matters involving	10	71.43
Traditional practices	9	64.29
To control the indiscipline persons	5	35.72
To look after sanitation	2	14.29

The various functions of the village council according to the Nokmas are given below:-

- a) To take care villagers
- b) Family disputes
- c) Criminal cases

- d) Selection of village headman
- e) Any matters involving governance and management
- f) Traditional practices
- g) To control the indiscipline persons
- h) To look after sanitation

10. Sardars and members of the Village Council and the Village Court are part of Nokma system:

Sardars and members of Village Council and the Village Court are part of Nokma system	Total	%
Yes	13	92.86
No	1	7.15
Don't know		

Around 92.86% of the Nokmas said that Sardars and members of the Village Council and the Village Court are part of Nokma system whereas 7.15% of the Nokmas said it is not.

11. Heard of Panchayati Raj:

Have you heard of Panchayati Raj	Total	%
Yes	6	42.86
No	8	57.15
Don't know		

It is clearly seen that 57.15% of Nokmas have not heard of Panchayati Raj system under Nokma system whereas 42.86 % of Nokmas have heard of Panchayati Raj system.

12. Panchayati Raj system will be better for rural governance:

Panchayat system will be better for rural governance	Total	%
Yes	7	50
No	7	50
Don't know		

From the above table it is clear that 50% of Nokmas said that Panchayati Raj system will be better for rural governance whereas other 50% said that Panchayati Raj system will not be better for rural governance.

13. Panchayat system should be extended to your area also:

Panchayat system should be extended to your area also	Total	%
Yes	2	14.29
No	12	85.72
Don't know		

From the table it is seen that 85.72% of Nokmas said *No* regarding Panchayat system extending in their areas whereas 14.29 % said Yes.

14. Autonomous District Council:

Have you heard about Autonomous District Council	Total	%
Yes	14	100
No		
Don't know		

100% of the Nokmas yes that they have heard about Autonomous District Council in their districts.

15. Voted in any Election:

Have you voted in any Election?	Total	%
Yes	14	100
No		
Don't know		

100% of the Nokmas have voted in any Election.

16. Any Plan to contest in MDC election in the future:

Do you suppose to contest in MDC election in the future	Total	%
Yes	1	7.15
No	13	92.86
Don't know		

The table clearly depicts that there are no Nokmas to contest in MDC election in the future. And, at least one Nokma was going to contest in the MDC election in the future.

17. (a) Member of Political Party:

Are you a member of political party?	Total	%
Yes	3	21.43
No	6	42.86
Won't disclose	5	35.72

Around 42.86% of Nokmas said they are not a member in political party whereas, 21.43 Nokmas said they are members of political party and 35.72 % would not disclose their position.

(b) If yes, Which Party do you support?

Political Parties	Total	%
Congress (I)	1	7.15
NCP		
UDP		
GNC		

Only 7.15% of Nokmas disclosed that they belong to Congress (I) party.

18. Do you listen to Radio Programmes?

Listen to Radio programmes	Total	%
Yes	6	42.86
No	7	50
Don't know	1	7.15

Around 42.86 % of Nokmas said they listen to Radio programmes and 50% said they do not listen to Radio Programme as the table given above reveals.

If Yes, programmes in which you are interested

Radio Programmes Such as	Total	%
Garo News	4	28.57

28.57% of Nokmas said that they listen to Garo News.

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SHEET – VIII

**[Response Sheet of the Interview conducted with the people of Resubelpara
Village to ascertain the knowledge and information on the Nokmaship and the
Village Council]**

1. Village Council an elected Body:

Village Council an Elected Body	Total	%
Yes	11	18.34
No	42	70
Don't Know	6	10
Silent	1	1.67

From the table it is clear that 70% of the Village Council members from Resubelpara C&RD Block said *No* regarding the Village Council an selected body, whereas 18.34% of the members said *Yes* Village Council is an elected body.

2. Elected Village Council Member:

Elected Village Council Member	Total	%
Yes	9	15
No	31	51.67
Don't Know	19	31.67
Silent	1	1.67

As per given in the table 51.67% of the members of Village Council said *No* regarding elected village council members, 31.67% said *Don't know* and 15% said *Yes*.

3. Nokmaship should be an elected office:

Nokmaship should be an elected office	Total	%
Yes	19	31.67
No	17	28.34
Don't Know	23	38.34
Silent	1	1.67

As given in the table above it is clear that 31.67% of Council members said *Yes* that Nokmaship should be an elected office whereas, 28.34% said *No* and 38.34% of Village Council members said that they do not know.

4. Vote in MDC Election:

Vote in MDC Election	Total	%
Yes	55	91.67
No	4	6.67
Silent	1	1.67

It is seen from the table that 91.67% of the village council members vote in MDC election whereas 6.67% do not vote in the MDC election.

5. Working of Nokma System underwent changes in the present times.

Working of Nokma System underwent changes in the present times	Total	%
Yes		
No		
Don't Know		

From the above table it is seen that No attempt has been made to respond the following dimension regarding the working of Nokma System in the present times.

6. Canvas for any candidate in Last General Election 2013:

Canvas for any candidate in Last General Election 2013	Total	%
Yes	36	60
No	23	38.34
Silent	1	1.67

The table above indicates that 60% of the Village Council members have canvased for candidate in the General Election 2013, whereas 38.34 % did not canvas for any candidate.

7. Political leaders discuss with village council members regarding problems of the concerned area:

Political leaders discuss with village council members regarding problems	Total	%
Yes	20	33.34
No	37	61.67
Silent	3	5

As per the data from the table it is clear that 61.67% of Village Council members said that Political leaders do not discuss with the Village Council members regarding problems of the concerned areas but 33.34% do said yes and 5% remain silent or do not want to disclose the situations.

8. Any relative member in MLA/MP/Minister:

Any relative member in MLA/MP/Minister	Total	%
Yes	16	26.67
No	43	71.67
Silent	1	1.67

71.67% of the Village Council members said that there are no relatives in the MLA/MP/Minister, but 26.67% of them said *Yes* that there are MLA/MP/Minister.

9. Approach to Minister/Govt. officers for the solution of Village Problems:

Approach to Minister/Govt. officers for the solution of Village Problems	Total	%
Yes	29	48.34
No	30	50
Silent	1	1.67

From the above table it is seen that 50% of the Village Council members do not approach to minister/government officers for the solution of the problems whereas, 48.34% do approach for solution for the problems in their locality.

10. Villagers request Village Council members to approach Ministers or Govt. officers for solution of problems:

Villagers request Village Council members to approach Ministers or Govt. officers for solution of problems	Total	%
Yes	25	41.67
No	33	55
Silent	2	3.34

55% of the Village Council members said that no villagers request the Village Council members to approach Minister or Govt. officers for solution of the problems whereas, 41.67% of the Village Council members said that the villagers approach the Village Council members.

11. Ministers or high Govt. officers informed the Village Council members during the visit to the concerned village:

Ministers or high Govt. officers informed Village Council members during the visit to the concerned village	Total	%
Yes	15	25
No	44	73.34
Silent	1	1.67

73.34% of the Village Council members openly said that Ministers or high Govt. officers do not inform the Village Council members during the visit to the concerned village whereas 25% of the Village Council members said they do inform before the visit to any village.

12. Duration of members in the Village Council:

Duration of members in the Village Council	Total	%
0-5	16	26.67
6-10	6	10
11-15	38	63.34

From the table it is seen that 63.34% of the Village Council members said that the duration of the members in the Village Council is from 11-15 years, whereas 10% said 6-10 years and 26.67% said 0-5 years.

13. Contest for Assembly/MDC election in the past:

Contest for Assembly/MDC election in the past	Total	%
Yes	8	13.34
No	52	86.67
Silent	1	1.67

86.67% of the Village Council members openly said that they have not contested for Assembly/MDC election in the past, whereas, 13.34% said yes they have contested for Assembly/MDC election in the past.

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SHEET – IX

**[Response Sheet of the Interview conducted with the people of Songsak C&RD
Block to ascertain the knowledge and information on the Nokmaship and the
Village Council]**

1. Village Council an elected Body:

Village Council an Elected Body	Total	%
Yes	5	20.83
No	19	79.17
Don't Know		
Silent		

From the table it is seen that 79.17% of the Village Council members Songsak C&RD Block said that Village Council is not an elected body, whereas 20.83% said that Village Council is an elected body.

2. Elected Village Council Member:

Elected Village Council Member	Total	%
Yes	8	33.34
No	11	45.84
Don't Know	5	20.83
Silent		

As per the given table 45.84% of the Village Council members said that Village Council is not an elected council members, whereas, 33.34% of them said that village council is an elected council members and 20.83% of the Village Council members said they do not have any knowledge regarding this situation.

3. Nokmaship should be an elected office:

Nokmaship should be an elected office	Total	%
Yes	5	20.83
No	9	37.5
Don't Know	10	41.67
Silent		

37.5% of the Village Council members said that Nokmaship should not be an elected office in the village, whereas, 20.83% said that it should be an elected office and 41.67% of the Village Council members have no knowledge about the Nokmaship an elected office.

4. Vote in MDC Election:

Vote in MDC Election	Total	%
Yes	23	95.84
No	1	4.17
Silent		

As per the data from the table it is clearly indicated that 95.84% of the Village Council members said that they do vote in MDC election whereas, 4.17 % do not vote in MDC election.

5. Canvas for any candidate in Last General Election 2013:

Canvas for any candidate in Last General Election 2013	Total	%
Yes	13	54.17
No	11	45.84
Silent		

54.17% of the Village Council members do canvas for candidate in the last General Election 2013, whereas 45.84% of the village council members do not canvas for candidate in the last General Election 2013.

6. Political leaders discuss with Village Council members regarding problems of the concerned area:

Political leaders discuss with Village Council members regarding problems	Total	%
Yes	13	54.17
No	11	45.84
Silent		

54.17% of the Village Council members said that Political leaders discuss with Village Council members regarding problems of the concerned area whereas, 45.84% of the Village Council members said that Political leaders do not Village Council members regarding problems of the concerned area:

7. Any relative member in MLA/MP/Minister:

Any relative member in MLA/MP/Minister	Total	%
Yes	7	29.17
No	17	70.84
Silent		

As per the data from the table it is clear that 70.84% of the Village Council members have no relative members in MLA/MP/Minister, whereas 29.17% said they do have relative members in MLA/MP/Minister.

8. Approach to Minister/Govt officers for the solution of Village Problems:

Approach to Minister/Govt. officers for the solution of Village Problems	Total	%
Yes	13	54.17
No	11	45.84
Silent		

54.17% of the Village Council members said that they do approach minister/Govt. officers for the solution of the village problems, whereas, 45.84% of the Village Council members said that they do not approach Minister/Govt. officers for the solution of the problems.

9. Villagers request Village Council members to approach Ministers or Govt. officers for solution of problems:

Villagers request Village Council members to approach Ministers or Govt. officers for solution of problems	Total	%
Yes	10	41.67
No	14	58.34
Silent		

As per the table given in the above 58.34% of the Village Council members said that villagers do not request Village Council members to approach ministers or Govt. officers for solution of problems whereas, 41.67% of the Village Council members said that villagers do request Village Council members to approach Ministers or Govt. officers for solution of problems

10. Ministers or high Govt. officers informed Village Council members during the visit to the concerned village:

Ministers or high Govt. officers informed Village Council members during the visit to the concerned village	Total	%
Yes	7	29.17
No	17	70.84
Silent		

From the table it is clearly seen that 70.84% of the Village Council members said that Ministers or high Govt. officers inform Village Council members during the visit to the concerned villages, whereas 29.17% said the ministers or high Govt. officers do not inform Village Council members during the visit to the concerned village.

11. Duration of members in the Village Council:

Duration of members in the Village Council	Total	%
0-5	6	25
6-10	11	45.84
11-15	7	29.17

From the table it is clear that 45.84% of the Village Council members said that 6-10 years is the duration of members in the Village Council, 25% said 0-5 years and 29.17% of the Village Council members said 11-15 years.

12. Contest for Assembly/MDC election in the past

Contest for Assembly/MDC election in the past	Total	%
Yes	1	4.17
No	23	95.84
Silent		

95.84% of the Village Council members said that they do not contest for Assembly/MDC election in the past whereas 4.17% of the Village Council members said they do contest for Assembly/MDC election in the past.

**RESPONSE SHEET OF THE INTERVIEW CONDUCTED WITH THE
PEOPLE AND THE DATA COMPUTED IN PERCENTAGE**

SHEET – X

**[Response Sheet of the Interview conducted with the people of Samanda C& RD
Block to ascertain the knowledge and information on the Nokmaship and the
Village Council]**

1. Village Council an selected Body:

Village Council an Elected Body	Total	%
Yes	1	3.125
No	31	96.88
Don't Know		
Silent		

From the table it is clear that 96.88% of the Village Council members from Samanda C&RD Block said that Village Council is not selected body, whereas, 3.12% said Village Council selected body.

2. Elected Village Council Member:

Elected Village Council Member	Total	%
Yes	4	12.5
No	23	71.88
Don't Know	5	15.63
Silent		

71.88% of the Village Council members said that there is no elected Village Council members whereas, 12.5% of the Village Council members said yes and 15.63 % of the Village Council members said that they do not know.

3. Nokmaship should be an elected office:

Nokmaship should be an elected office	Total	%
Yes	6	18.75
No	13	40.63
Don't Know	13	40.63
Silent		

From the table above it is given that 40.63% of the Village Council members said that Nokmaship should not be an elected office whereas, 18.75% said it should be an elected office and 40.63% said that they do not have any knowledge about the situation.

4. Vote in MDC Election:

Vote in MDC Election	Total	%
Yes	32	100
No		
Silent		

From the Table it is seen that 100% of the Village Council members vote in MDC election.

5. Canvas for any candidate in Last General Election 2013:

Canvas for any candidate in Last General Election 2013	Total	%
Yes	13	40.63
No	19	59.38
Silent		

As per given in the table above 59.38% of the Village Council members said that they do not canvas for any candidate in the last General Election 2013 whereas, 40.63% said that they do canvas for candidate in last General election 2013.

6. Political leaders discuss with Village Council members regarding problems of the concerned area:

Political leaders discuss with Village Council members regarding problems	Total	%
Yes	11	34.38
No	21	65.63
Silent		

From the table it is seen that 65.63% of the Village Council members said that No Political leaders discuss with Village Council members regarding problems of the concerned area whereas, 34.38% of the Village Council members said the political leaders do discuss with the Village Council members regarding problems of the concerned areas.

7. Any relative member in MLA/MP/Minister:

Any relative member in MLA/MP/Minister	Total	%
Yes	15	46.88
No	17	53.13
Silent		

From the table it is seen that 53.13% of the Village Council members said that they do not have any relative members in the MLA/MP/Minister whereas, 46.88% of the Village Council members said they have relative members in MLA/MP/Minister.

8. Approach to Minister/Govt. officers for the solution of Village Problems:

Approach to Minister/Govt. officers for the solution of Village Problems	Total	%
Yes	11	34.38
No	21	65.63
Silent		

65.63% of the Village Council members said they never approach to Minister/Govt. officers for the solution of the village problems whereas, 34.38% of the Village Council members do approach for the solution of the problems.

9. Villagers request Village Council members to approach Ministers or Govt. officers for solution of problems:

Villagers request Village Council members to approach Ministers or Govt. officers for solution of problems	Total	%
Yes	11	34.38
No	21	65.63
Silent		

65.63% of the Village Council members said that no villagers request Village Council members to approach Ministers or Govt. officers for the solutions of village problems.

Whereas, 34.38 % said they villagers do request the Village Council members to approach ministers or Govt. officers for solution of problems.

10. Ministers or high Govt. officers informed Village Council members during the visit to the concerned village:

Ministers or high Govt. officers informed Village Council members during the visit to the concerned village	Total	%
Yes	5	15.63
No	27	84.38
Silent		

84.38% of the Village Council members said that Ministers or high Govt. officers never inform Village Council members during the visit to the concerned village, whereas 15.63% of the Village Council members said they do inform before any visit to the village.

11. Duration of members in the Village Council:

Duration of members in the Village Council	Total	%
0-5	15	46.88
6-10	2	6.25
11-15	15	46.88

From the above table it is clear that 46.88% of Village Council members said both 0-5 years and 11-15 years is the duration of the members in the Village Council, whereas, 6.25% said 6-10 years is the duration of the members in the Village Council.

12. Contest for Assembly/MDC election in the past:

Contest for Assembly/MDC election in the past	Total	%
Yes	1	3.13
No	31	48.88
Silent		

From the table it is clear that 48.88% of the Village Council members said that they do not contest for Assembly/MDC election in the past whereas, 3.13% said that they do contest Assembly/MDC election in the past.