

Phase 2

Bangladesh Baseline Community Questionnaire

SECTION 1: BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The first questions are about yourself. Please try and relax, there are no right or wrong answers. Remember that everything you answer will be kept secret.

NO.	QUESTIONS AND FILTERS	CODING CATEGORIES	SKIP
101.	Sex of the respondent.	Male 1 Female 2	
102.	Are you a group member of TP intervention?	Yes..... 1 No 2	
103.	What is your date of birth (day, month and year that you were born)?	Day..... [][] Day, can't tell 98 Month [][] Month, can't tell 98 Year [][][][] Don't know year 9998	
104.	How old were you on your last birthday? (more or less)	Age (Years) [][]	
105.	Can you read and write?	No 0 Can read only..... 1 Can write only 2 Can read and write..... 3	
106.	Have you ever attended school/madrasha?	Yes, school 1 Yes, madrasha 2 Yes, college/university 3 Yes, both..... 4 No 5 Other (specify) 6	→ 108 → 108
107.	What is the highest class you completed?	Class..... [][]	
108.	What is your marital status?	Currently married 1 Divorced..... 2 Widowed/widower 3 Separated 4 Never married 5	

109.	Do you have any adolescent daughter or son?	<u>Daughter</u> Yes..... 1 No 2 <u>Son</u> Yes..... 1 No 2	
119.	What is your religion?	Islam 1 Hindu..... 2 Buddhism..... 3 Christianity 4 Other (specify) 6	
111.	What kind of work do you mainly do?	Not working 01 Housewife 02 Student..... 03 Agricultural work 04 Handicraft..... 05 Garment worker 06 Domestic worker. 07 Govt. Service 08 Private service 09 Work in a Shop 10 Tailoring 11 Nurse 12 Day labour. 13 Earn money at home..... 14 Business 16 Other (specify) 96	

SECTION 2: GENDER NORMS AND ATTITUDES

In this community and elsewhere, people have different ideas about families and children and what is acceptable behaviour for men and women. There are no right or wrong answers – we are just interested in what you think.

Now, I'll read out some statements. Please say whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with each of the statements.

	Gender attitudes	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
201.	<u>Gender roles</u>				
A.	It's better to have more sons than daughters in a family.	1	2	3	4
B.	It is important that sons and daughters have equal education.	1	2	3	4
C.	Daughters should be sent to school only if they are not needed to help at home.	1	2	3	4
D.	If there is a limited amount of money to pay for tutoring, it should be spent on equally on daughters and sons.	1	2	3	4
E.	Women should equally engage in politics as men.	1	2	3	4
F.	A woman has to have a husband or sons or some other male kinsman to protect her.	1	2	3	4
G.	A good woman never questions her husband's opinions, even if she is not sure she agrees with them.	1	2	3	4
H.	It is important for a man to show his wife/partner who is the boss.	1	2	3	4
I.	If a man mistreats his wife, others outside of the family should intervene.	1	2	3	4
J.	A woman's role is taking care of her home and family.	1	2	3	4
K.	A man should have the final decisions about important household issues.	1	2	3	4
L.	A woman is the one who decides when to have sex with his wife.	1	2	3	4
202.	<u>Girls and Women's Roles</u>				
A.	Girls can do well in Math and Science.	1	2	3	4
B.	Only when a woman has a child is she a real woman.	1	2	3	4
C.	It is a woman's responsibility to avoid getting pregnant.	1	2	3	4

D.	Sports like football, cricket, and cycling are not for girls.	1	2	3	4
E.	It's not a girl's fault if someone sexually harasses her.	1	2	3	4
F.	A wife should always obey her husband.	1	2	3	4
G.	Sexual harassment against girls is perpetrated by strangers only.	1	2	3	4
H.	Since girls have to get married they should not be sent for higher education.	1	2	3	4
I.	A woman should tolerate violence in order to keep her family together.	1	2	3	4
J.	Women/girls should work outside.	1	2	3	4
K.	Girls like to be teased by boys.	1	2	3	4
L.	Girls with less clothes provoke boys.	1	2	3	4
203.	<u>Manhood and Masculinity</u>				
A.	Boys/men lose respect if they talk about their problems	1	2	3	4
B.	Boys/men need to be tough even if they are very young	1	2	3	4
C.	It is bothersome when boys/men behave like girls	1	2	3	4
D.	Boys should not do cooking or doing household chores.				
E.	There are times when a man needs to beat his wife	1	2	3	4
F.	Men remain faithful to their wives	1	2	3	4
	<u>Controlling Behavior</u>				
204.	A family member is justified in:				
	a) Telling her which friends she can or cannot talk to or see.	1	2	3	4
	b) Not allowing her to go outside alone	1	2	3	4
	c) Telling her what kind of dress she can or cannot wear.	1	2	3	4
	d) Telling her what to do all the time.	1	2	3	4

<u>Attitudes condoning violence against girls</u>					
205.	There are times when a girl deserves to be beaten. If yes, I'll read some statements. Please tell me if you agree or disagree that in each of these situations, a woman 'deserves' to be beaten.				
	a) when she talks to a boy	1	2	3	4
	b) when she goes out to play	1	2	3	4
	c) when she stays out late	1	2	3	4
	d) when she doesn't help in the household chores	1	2	3	4
	e) when she doesn't complete her homework	1	2	3	4
	f) when she doesn't obey elders	1	2	3	4
	g) when she fights with the others in class	1	2	3	4
	h) when she fights with brothers and sisters	1	2	3	4
	i) when she replies back when harassed by boys	1	2	3	4

SECTION 3: AWARENESS REGARDING LAWS/POLICIES REGARDING WOMEN'S AND CHILD'S RIGHTS

Now I will ask you few questions regarding laws and policies regarding women's and child's rights.

NO.	QUESTIONS & FILTERS	CODING CATEGORIES	SKIP
301.	What is the legal minimum age of marriage for girls in Bangladesh?	Age in years [][] Don't know 98	
302.	What is the legal minimum age of marriage for boys in Bangladesh?	Age in years [][] Don't know 98	
303.	Are there laws/policies in place regarding child rights?	Yes 1 No 2 Don't know 3	→ 305
304.	Could you please tell me the name of such law?	Name of law Don't know 8	
305.	Are there laws/policies in place to address violence against women?	Yes 1 No 2 Don't know 3	→ 307
306.	Could you please tell me the name of such law?	Name of law Don't know 8	
307.	Are there laws/policies in place regarding sexual harassment?	Yes 1 No 2 Don't know 3	→ 309
308.	Could you please tell me the name of such law?	Name of law Don't know 8	
309.	Do you think the laws regarding divorce favor men or women or both equally?	Men 1 Women 2 Both 3 Don't know 4	

SECTION 4: ATTITUDES ON ASRHR

Now I will read some more statements regarding the sexual and reproductive health of girls. Please say whether you 'strongly agree', 'agree', 'disagree' or 'strongly disagree' with each of the statements. There is no right or wrong answer. We are just interested to learn your opinion.

NO.	STATEMENTS	CODING CATEGORIES			
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
401.	Menstruation is a shameful and embarrassing situation for girls—do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree?	1	2	3	4
402.	One should not enter into the kitchen during menstruation because of unclean rituals—do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree?	1	2	3	4
403.	A mother can discuss menstruation with her daughter—do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree?	1	2	3	4
404.	A father can discuss menstruation with her daughter—do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree?	1	2	3	4
405.	Contraceptives should not be made available to unmarried girls and boys—do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree?	1	2	3	4

SECTION 5: SOCIAL NORMS

The next sets of questions are about life and experiences of villagers like you in your community and how villagers consider parents' behavior. There are no right or wrong answers. We are just interested to learn about your experiences.

Now I will read few statements. Thinking about the people of your village/community, please say whether they will approve, disapprove or will be neutral for each of the behaviours mentioned.

NO.	STATEMENTS	CODING CATEGORIES		
		Approve	Disapprove	Neutral
501.	Most people in my village will approve if a non-school going, unmarried girl works outside home to earn money.	1	2	3
502.	Most people in my village will approve if a married woman goes out of house to work.	1	2	3
503.	Most people in my village will not approve if a girl marries before she is 18.	1	2	3
504.	Most people in our village will approve of a girl under 18 getting married if her family honour is at risk.	1	2	3
505.	Most people in my village will approve if a girl expresses her opinion regarding her marriage to her parents.	1	2	3
506.	Most people in my village will approve if a girl had a love marriage.	1	2	3
507.	Most people in my village will not approve if a girl goes to the bazaar alone.	1	2	3
508.	Most of the people in my village will not approve if a boy regularly cooks food for his family.	1	2	3
509.	Most of the people in my village will not approve if a girl speaks openly about menstruation.	1	2	3
510.	Most of the people in my village will not approve if a girl advocates for girls' needs in the community.	1	2	3
511.	Most of the people in my village will not approve if a girl rides a bicycle for leisure (i.e. not to go to school)	1	2	3
512.	Most of the people in my village will not approve if a girl walks alone to visit her friend in her free time.	1	2	3
513.	Most people in my village will approve if parents allow their non-school going girls to work outside home.	1	2	3

514.	Most people in my village will approve if parents marry off their daughter before she is 18.	1	2	3
515.	Most people in my village will approve of parents' marrying off their under-18year old daughter if the family honour is at risk.	1	2	3
516.	Most people in my village will approve if parents allow their daughter to express her opinion regarding her marriage.	1	2	3
517.	Most people in my village will not approve if parents allow their daughter to go to the bazaar alone.	1	2	3
518.	Most of the people in my village will not approve if parents encourage their son to regularly cooks food for his family.	1	2	3
519.	Most of the people in my village will not approve parents allow their daughter to speak openly about menstruation.	1	2	3
520.	Most of the people in my village will not approve if parents allow their adolescent daughter to advocate for girls' needs in the community.	1	2	3
521.	Most of the people in my village will not approve if parents allow their adolescent daughter to ride a bicycle for leisure (i.e. not to go to school).	1	2	3
522.	Most of the people in my village will not approve if parents allow their adolescent daughter to play football or other outdoor sport.	1	2	3
523.	Most of the people in my village will not approve if parents allow their daughter to walk alone to visit her friend in her free time.	1	2	3

SECTION 6: COMPLETION OF INTERVIEW

601	We have now finished the interview. Do you have any comments, or is there anything else you would like to add?	
602	I have asked you about many difficult things. How has talking about these things made you feel?	Good/Better.....1 Bad/Worse2 Same/No difference3

FINISHING STATEMENT

I would like to thank you very much for helping us. I appreciate the time that you have taken. I realise that these questions may have been difficult for you to answer, but it is only by hearing from you we can really understand about social norms and expectations.

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