

Appendix 2

Attitude Scale

Instruction :

These days there is a lot of discussion going on about equality between men and women. Given below are several statements pertaining to equality between men and women. Against each statement are given five options. Please read each statement very carefully and mark _/ for the option which reflects how you feel about the statement. There is no right or wrong answer. Please be honest in expressing your response.

Statement	:Fully: :Agree:	:Agree: :	:Un- :decided:	:Dis- :agree:	:Fully :dis- :agree
1 The whole idea of gender equality is ridiculous because women are naturally inferior to men.	:	:	:	:	:
2 The Gender Equality Movement is a ploy of women to snatch power from men.	:	:	:	:	:
3 Gender equality is beneficial to both, men and women.	:	:	:	:	:
4 There should be clearcut and separate roles for men and women in society.	:	:	:	:	:
5 Gender equality in society would give better chance to individuals to pursue their interests, without social pressure.	:	:	:	:	:
6 There is no need to question the appropriateness of existing gender bias in our society.	:	:	:	:	:

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Statement	:Fully: :Agree:	:Agree: :	:Un- :decided:	:Dis- :agree:	:Fully :dis- :agree
7 Men are superior to women as can be seen in all religious texts.	:	:	:	:	:
8 Gender equality is a dangerous notion as it will lead to divorce and broken families.	:	:	:	:	:
9 If women want equality they: should forsake benefits: like maternity leave.	:	:	:	:	:
10 Government should design policies that would enhance: gender equality in our country.	:	:	:	:	:
11 Working towards gender equality is a sheer waste of time on a useless matter:	:	:	:	:	:
12 Men who support the gender equality movement are sissy:	:	:	:	:	:
13 If India wants to be a truly democratic country, efforts: for gender equality should be given priority.	:	:	:	:	:
14 Women who believe in gender: equality are man-haters.	:	:	:	:	:
15 No self-respecting man can consider a woman his equal.:	:	:	:	:	:
16 If an institution organises: an exhibition or a programme on gender equality, I would: like to participate as a volunteer.	:	:	:	:	:
17 Gender equality is risky as: it would make women aggressive and they will dominate over men.	:	:	:	:	:

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Statement	:Fully:	Agree:	Un-	:Dis-	:Fully
	:Agree:		:decided:	:agree:	:dis-
	:	:	:	:	:agree
18 Gender equality will help men strike a healthy balance between public and private life.	:	:	:	:	:
19 Gender equality will help women strike a healthy balance between public and private life.	:	:	:	:	:
20 The present patriarchal system is perfectly fine - no need to change it.	:	:	:	:	:
21 Gender equality is not feasible because men are naturally unjust and have a tendency to exploit.	:	:	:	:	:
22 If women want gender equality they should stop being sensitive and caring.	:	:	:	:	:
23 In a fund-raising campaign for gender equality, I would like to donate money.	:	:	:	:	:
24 One way to bring gender equality is to oppress men because they oppressed women in the past.	:	:	:	:	:
25 Media should give positive and wide coverage to gender equality.	:	:	:	:	:
26 Upbringing of children would be better in a family believing in gender equality.	:	:	:	:	:
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