

Interviewee Name: Somabhai

Interviewee gender: Male

Using Bhungroo Yes/No:

Q1. How old are you?

A1. 57

Q2. What work do you do?

A2. Farming

Q3. How much land do you have?

A3. 3 bigha (*4 bigha is 1 acre*)

Q4. How many family members?

A4. 2 daughter and myself and my wife.

Q5. Are the daughters educated?

A5. Yes, college graduate.

Q6. What are they doing after college? Are they working or not?

A6. No, they are not doing any job. They work in the farm.

Q7. How about your second daughter?

A7. Same, college graduate and works in the farm with her in-laws.

Q8. Are both your daughters married?

A8. Yes they are.

Q9. Who stays in the house?

A9. Me and my wife. We don't have a son. *[To this the interviewer replies that that's not an issue. Even I don't have a brother. It's just me and my sister.]*

Q10. In 3 bigha land, do you face any issues?

A10. Yes. Water scarcity. Not enough water.

Q11. What happens then?

A11. Without water it's tough to grow anything.

Q12. What do you grow?

A12. Cotton and Bajra (grain)

Q13. Only two things?

A13. Yes

Q14. Do you grow wheat?

A14. Yes

Q15. Do you grow cumin seeds?

A15. No

Q16. Do you do farming the whole year?

A16. Yes, but without water it's tough. During rainy season we only get one harvest and the returns we get are after Diwali (October- November)

Q17. What do you do for the other 6 months?

A17. We work for somebody else. If we don't get work, we have to starve.

Q18. When there was flood, what loss did you incur?

A18. We faced lot of loss. All the grains went bad. Everything was finished.

Q19. This year, the rains aren't any good. What did you grow?

A19. Nothing. Only black gram lentil but the crop failed due to lack of water. Due to the floods the land is uncultivated. We can only sow seeds after Diwali (October- November). Nothing before that.

Q20. If you sow seeds after diwali, when do you get the harvest?

A20. After 3- 4 months, (March)

Q21. Do you ever commute for work?

A21. No, we only work in the vicinity.

Q22. Any loans to repay?

A22. Yes

Q23. Government loans or private? (Sarkar or Sahukar)?

A23. 50% govt and 50% private.

Q24. The rate of interest by private money lender, is it high?

A24. No, not high. Monthly 3%, Yearly 36%

Q25. Wouldn't gov't loan / bank loan be cheaper?

A25. No, gov't loan is 4%

Q26. Any problems to your daughter?

A26. They have to do the fieldwork.

Q27. Any other problem? Did I miss anything? Our goal was to know about your living conditions. Is the harvest good?

A27. 50% of the times it is but the rest of the 6 months, not so much. We have to put in more but the returns are less.

Q28. Any animal/cattle?

A28. Yes a cow but that's for private use only not commercial.