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PREFACE

The Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Puducherry is conducting various Adhoc / Evaluation studies on important welfare schemes of the Government Departments to facilitate effective implementation of various welfare schemes for the well being of the common people and the reports of the surveys / findings are forwarded to the Departments concerned with suggestions / views for improvements in the schemes so that the benefits of the schemes reach the targeted population properly.

As per the request of the Elections Department, Puducherry, Endline Survey 2021 has been conducted after the General Assembly Elections by the Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Puducherry in the months of August and September 2021 to assess the measures taken by the Elections Department amidst Covid pandemic and the impact of SVEEP.

The Survey has been conducted by the Officers and Officials of this Directorate in the randomly selected 60 Polling Stations in 12 Assembly constituencies from all the four regions of the U.T. of Puducherry. I place on record my sincere thanks to the Chief Electoral Officer and the Additional Chief Electoral Officer, Elections Department, Puducherry for entrusting this Survey to this Directorate.

I also wish to express my gratitude to the Officers and Officials of the Directorate of Economics and Statistics for completing the survey in time. I hope this report will be useful to the Election Commission of India in designing various measures for the upcoming Elections.

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**ENDLINE SURVEY OF ASSEMBLY ELECTION 2021 ON
KNOWLEDGE, ATTITUDE AND PRACTICES (KAP) OF CITIZENS**

Introduction:

The Election Commission of India planned for the conduct of General Assembly election amidst Covid-19 front and initiated various Voter friendly measures and steps for conduct of General Elections for the Legislative Assembly of the Union Territory of Puducherry in a free and fair manner so that voters can exercise their franchise without any external pressure and also in a Covid safe manner. One such initiative is SVEEP (Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation) wherein various steps were taken by the Elections



Department of the U.T Government to educate the voters about various steps / arrangements taken by the Government for enrolling their names in the Electoral List and downloading their Voter's ID card online, the importance of the voting and also for selection of right candidate to

become the people's representative. Moreover, voters were also educated about various facilities provided by the Government at the Polling stations for the benefit of old aged, differently abled persons to enable them to cast their votes without any fear and difficulty. During the pandemic, the Election Commission of India has initiated Postal ballots for Old aged and Differently abled persons for ensuring Covid safe election.

The Election Commission of India, in order to get feedback from the people about the steps taken by the Elections Department during the recent Assembly election and also to get the suggestions for the improvement of the existing system for the challenging journey of conducting elections, decided to conduct Endline Survey on Knowledge, Attitude and Practices (KAP) of citizens.

As per the directions of Election Commission of India for conduct of 2nd generation of Surveys on General Assembly election, the Elections Department, Puducherry entrusted the task

of conducting the Endline Survey to the Directorate of Economics and Statistics with specific objectives and aims. Accordingly, the Endline Survey was taken up with the approval of the Secretary to Govt. (Economics and Statistics), Puducherry. Accordingly, one day training Programme for the Charge Officers, Supervisors and Enumerators was conducted on the 29th July, 2021. Field Survey in all the regions was carried out from 10th August 2021 to 12th September 2021 and Data entry was completed by 27th September 2021. Necessary Software was developed by in house.

Main Objectives of the Endline Survey are as follows:

- To measure the efficacy of various interventions undertaken by the ECI and CEO.
- To find the extent of difficulties found by the voters due to Covid-19.
- To find the extent of Awareness on Postal ballots for Old aged and PwDs.
- To find the extent of Awareness of postal ballots and other accessibility measures, among the people.
- To find the extent of unregistered voters, in the light of significant migration.
- To find voter turnout among the sample respondents and find reasons for not voting among eligible voters.
- To assess the awareness and knowledge of electoral process, their attitudes and belief about democracy and elections, their experiences of previous elections, perceptions and practice of voters.
- To assess the impact of SVEEP (Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation).
- To assess the facilities provided by the ECI for easy voting of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) and difficulties faced by the PwDs in the process of Registration and also in the process of Voting.



- To find out the background information of various types of voters like Educational Qualification, Occupation, Marital Status, Social Group and their Hobbies.

Methodology and Sample selection:

The following Multi Stage Random Sampling Methodology has been adopted for the present survey for the selection of Household to be surveyed:

First Stage	: Districts
Second Stage	: Assembly constituencies
Third Stage	: Polling Stations
Fourth Stage	: Households
Fifth Stage	: Respondents

- 12 Assembly Constituencies have been identified by the Elections Department, Puducherry – Eight in Puducherry region (four Urban and four Rural), Two in Karaikal region (one Urban and one Rural), one in both Mahe (Urban) and Yanam (Urban) Assembly constituencies.
- 60 Polling Stations (36 low turnout and 24 high turnout) based on the turnout in the General Elections to the Legislative Assembly Elections have been selected as frame.
- 20 Households from each Polling station were selected at random and one eligible voter from each of the selected Households was interviewed.
- Among the 20 respondents, 2 were from PwDs, 2 were from New voters, 2 were from Non voters and the remaining 14 were General voters.
- Hence, a total of 1200 eligible persons / voters spread over in the U.T of Puducherry were surveyed.

Name of the Constituencies and Polling Stations selected for this Survey based on the Voter Turnout in Assembly Elections 2021 (the First 3 Low turnout & the Last 2 High turnout in each AC)

Sl. No.	Assembly Constituency No. and Name	Rural / Urban	Selected Polling Station Nos.	Turnout %	
1	03. Oussudu	Rural	Low Turnout - 3	28	78.18
				30	80.65
				8	81.82
			High Turnout - 2	22	93.77
				17	94.66
2	05. Villianur	Rural	Low Turnout - 3	16	71.58
				3	71.73
				10	72.29
			High Turnout - 2	34	90.19
				18	90.83
3	09. Thattanchavady	Urban	Low Turnout - 3	14	58.66
				16	59.83
				10	64.70
			High Turnout - 2	17	83.73
				4	87.46
4	12. Kalapet	Urban	Low Turnout - 3	21	58.18
				23	68.31
				25	71.14
			High Turnout - 2	2	93.71
				4	94.50
5	14. Raj Bhavan	Urban	Low Turnout - 3	4	55.20
				2	59.88
				3	63.56
			High Turnout - 2	24	81.84
				9	87.61
6	15. Oupalam	Urban	Low Turnout - 3	2	69.11
				6	71.89
				4	72.30
			High Turnout - 2	15	89.53
				25	92.77
7	19. Ariankuppam	Rural	Low Turnout - 3	21	74.08
				24	76.69
				31	77.25
			High Turnout - 2	29	89.50
				18	90.59

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8	23. Bahour	Rural	Low Turnout - 3	13	81.18
				14	81.47
				11	83.64
			High Turnout - 2	22	93.33
				6	93.70
9	25. Thirunallar	Rural	Low Turnout - 3	12	75.21
				3	76.60
				5	77.13
			High Turnout - 2	24	90.64
				20	92.66
10	27. Karaikal (South)	Urban	Low Turnout - 3	31	65.76
				17	66.56
				24	66.80
			High Turnout - 2	28	84.61
				32	89.61
11	29. Mahe	Urban	Low Turnout - 3	15	64.88
				23	66.36
				9	66.55
			High Turnout - 2	2	80.78
				6	82.18
12	30. Yanam	Urban	Low Turnout - 3	13	81.18
				6	83.00
				14	85.26
			High Turnout - 2	18	97.91
				24	98.03

The U.T of Puducherry has two districts namely Puducherry and Karaikal. The District of Puducherry includes Puducherry, Mahe and Yanam regions which are geographically separated. Mahe is in the midst of Kerala State and Yanam is an enclave at East Godavari District of Andhra Pradesh and their lingual and other customs are different. Hence, to get representative samples from all over the U.T. of Puducherry, all the four regions were included in the sample frame. 20 Polling Stations from four Assembly constituencies in Urban area and 20 Polling stations from four Assembly constituencies in Rural area of Puducherry region have been identified. Similarly, 5 Polling stations from one Assembly constituency in Urban area and 5 Polling stations from one Assembly constituency in Rural area in Karaikal Region and 5 Polling stations each from Mahe and Yanam regions have been selected for the survey on the basis of three low turnout and two

high turnout during the General Elections for Legislative Assembly 2021 from each of the selected Assembly constituency for inclusion in the sample frame. 20 Households from each Polling station are selected and one eligible person from each of the selected Household has been interviewed. Among the 20 respondents, 2 were from PwDs, 2 were from New voters, 2 were from Non voters and 20 were General voters.

Hence, a total of 1200 eligible persons from 1200 Households spread over in the U.T of Puducherry were surveyed for Endline survey on KAP 2021.

Thus the total samples in the Frame for the present Survey is:

Region	Urban	Rural	Total
Puducherry	400	400	800
Karaikal	100	100	200
Mahe	100	0	100
Yanam	100	0	100
Grand Total	700	500	1200

Since this is Endline Survey, the methodology adopted for selection of sample from 1200 have been further sub divided as follows to get more accurate feedback and also to give representation to various section of voters.

- 70% (840 Nos.) as General voters from randomly selected Households.
- 10% among New Voters (120 Nos.) from General Elections for Legislative Assembly, 2021.
- 10% among PwDs (120 Nos.) from General Elections for Legislative Assembly, 2021.
- 10% among Non-voters (120 Nos.) from randomly selected Households.

Hence, out of 1200 persons, 840 persons were selected by Kishgrid from the Household randomly selected using the list of voters provided by the Elections Department, Puducherry i.e. out of 20 voters selected from each polling station, 16 voters are selected on random basis. The Election Department has furnished the lists of Non-voters and PwD voters. Respondents were selected within the list given by the Elections department. Two Non-voters were surveyed from the random list. The remaining 14 voters were taken as General voters.

The remaining 4 samples from the same polling station are as follows:

- 2 samples from list of New-voters
- 2 Samples from the list of Persons with Disabilities.

Manpower deployed

Statistical Inspectors of this Directorate were appointed as Enumerators. 8 Enumerators for Puducherry Region, 2 Enumerators for Karaikal region and 1 Enumerator each for Mahe and Yanam Regions were deployed (Total 12 Nos. – One Enumerator for one Assembly constituency).

For effective Supervision of the field Work, 6 Officers in the cadre of Statistical Officer of this Directorate were appointed as Supervisors and 4 Charge Officers in the Cadre of Joint Director / Deputy Director / Statistical Officer were appointed. The Overall In-charge of the Survey was the Director of Economics and Statistics, Puducherry.

For assuring the data quality during collection of data, Supervisors were asked to check at least 25% of the samples under their jurisdiction.

For Software Development, Validation and Generation of Tables, the services of Data Entry Operator of this Directorate were utilized. Single data entry was done by the Staff of DES.

The Schedule for the Endline Survey was designed and provided by the Elections Department, Puducherry.

The Schedule consists of 9 Sections namely:

- A Identification and quality control
- B Selection of Respondent
- C Voter Registration
- D Elections – Knowledge, Attitude, Behavior, Belief and Practices
- E Voter Awareness and attitudes
- F Exposure to SVEEP interventions
- G Back Ground Information
- H Only for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs)
- I Inducement.

TABLES AND WRITE UP

TABLE: 1 – RATE OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

#	Description	Aggregate	Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
1	Sample size proposed	1200	800	200	100	100
2	Sample size achieved	1200	800	200	100	100
4	Sample size non-compliance	0	0	0	0	0
3	Rate of non-compliance (in %)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

TABLE 2 - RESIDENCE OF RESPONDENTS:

Samples for Survey have been drawn from both Urban and Rural areas based on three low turnout booths and two high turnout booths.

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
1	Urban	700	58.33	50.0	50.0	100.0	100.0
2	Rural	500	41.67	50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0

It is seen from the above table that 58.3% of the respondents belong to Urban and 41.7% belong to Rural for the U.T while 50-50% of the samples interviewed belong to Urban and Rural for Puducherry and Karaikal and entire Mahe and Yanam regions are urban areas.

Gender Break-up:

Tables 3 and 4 give the details of Gender break-up of the respondents for all the four regions:

TABLE 3

It is seen that 48.75% constitutes Male while 51.25% are female for the U.T. 48.50% and 51.50% are male and female respectively in Puducherry, 50.50% are male and 49.50% are female in Karaikal, 44.00% are male and 56.00% are female in Mahe and in Yanam, the female percent is 48 and the male percentage is 52.

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Male	585	48.75	48.50	50.50	44.00	52.00
2	Female	615	51.25	51.50	49.50	56.00	48.00
3	Third Gender	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

TABLE 4

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Male	585	48.75	51.80	46.57
2	Female	615	51.25	48.20	53.43
3	Third Gender	0	0.00	0.00	0.00

In the U.T. of Puducherry, among Rural respondents 51.80% are male and 48.20% are female and among Urban respondents 46.57% are Male and 53.43% are Female.

AGE DISTRIBUTION OF THE RESPONDENTS:

For the present survey, the age of the respondents have been classified as follows:

18-25 years

26-35 years

36-45 years and

46 years and above.

TABLE 5 - B7: AGE DISTRIBUTION OF THE RESPONDENTS

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	18-25 years (in %)	231	19.25	18.88	19.50	16.00	25.00
2	26-35 years (in %)	201	16.75	17.00	21.00	10.00	13.00
3	36-45 years (in %)	238	19.83	19.00	23.00	24.00	16.00
4	46 years and above (in %)	530	44.17	45.13	36.50	50.00	46.00
Summary Statistics							
1	Mean age (in years)	43.5		43.7	41.4	46.2	43.0
2	Median age (in years)	43.0		43.0	40.0	45.5	44.0

Accordingly, from the Table, it is inferred that 19.25% of the respondents belong to the age group 18-25 years while 16.75% are in the age group 26-35 years. The respondents in the age group 36-45 years constitute 19.83%. The percentage of the age group 46 and above years (44.17%) in all the regions is more than that of other age groups followed by the age group 36-45 years.

The mean age for the U.T. is 43.5 while the median age is 43.0 years.

SOCIAL GROUP OF THE RESPONDENTS

TABLE 6 - G4: SOCIAL GROUP OF RESPONDENTS

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Scheduled caste	146	12.17	11.9	13.5	1.0	23.0
2	Scheduled tribe	0	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Other backward class	769	64.08	54.6	85.0	92.0	70.0
4	Others	285	23.75	33.5	1.5	7.0	7.0

Out of 1200 samples canvassed, Scheduled caste voters constitute 12.17% while Other Backward Class voter percentage was 64.08. The category “Others” constitutes 23.75%. In Puducherry region, OBC voters constitute 54.6% while SC voters constitute 11.9%. In Karaikal region, OBC voters constitute 85.0% and SC voters constitute 13.5%. In Yanam region, the Other Backward Class is 70.0% while the SC voter percent is 23.0 and in Mahe region, the Other Backward Class is 92.0% while the SC voters percent is 1.0.

TABLE 7

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
1	Scheduled caste	146	12.17	13.4	11.3
2	Scheduled tribe	0	0.00	0.0	0.0
3	Other backward class	769	64.08	49.8	74.3
4	Others	285	23.75	36.8	14.4

As far as Rural and Urban break up, it is observed that 49.8% of the respondents from Other Back ward classes in Rural areas while its percentage in Urban is 74.3. Similarly, SC respondents percentage in Rural area is 13.4 and it is 11.3 in Urban.

OCCUPATION OF THE RESPONDENTS

TABLE 8 - G2: OCCUPATION OF RESPONDENTS

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Student	140	11.67	11.6	12.5	10.0	12.0
2	Unemployed	211	17.58	21.3	1.0	36.0	3.0
3	Unemployed available for work	18	1.50	0.6	0.5	0.0	12.0
4	Government Service	69	5.75	5.8	3.5	8.0	8.0
5	Private Service	331	27.58	27.9	37.0	15.0	19.0
6	Own enterprise	72	6.00	5.4	3.5	13.0	9.0
7	Labourer/Cultivator/Agricultural and allied activities	105	8.75	10.1	6.5	5.0	6.0
8	Home maker	237	19.75	15.4	35.5	13.0	30.0
9	Others	17	1.42	2.0	0.0	0.0	1.0

Social Status of the Respondents has been classified into various categories such as Student, Government Service, Own Enterprise, Labourer, unemployed etc.

From Table 8, it is inferred that among the respondents, Private Service constitutes 27.58% followed by Home maker (19.75%). 17.58% were Unemployed while Students constituted 11.67%.

TABLE 9 - G2: OCCUPATION OF RESPONDENTS

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		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
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8	Home maker	237	19.75	13.8	24.0
9	Others	17	1.42	0.0	2.4

Table 9 gives the Occupation distribution of the respondents in Rural and Urban areas at a glance. The percentage of Home maker in Rural area is 13.8 while it is 24.0 in Urban area. Similarly, Private Service respondents' contribution in the Rural area is 30.4% and 25.6% in the Urban area.

TABLE 10 - TABLE(G2): OCCUPATION OF RESPONDENTS

#	Description	Aggregate		Scheduled Caste	Scheduled Tribe	Other backward class	Others
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		146	0.00	769	285
1	Student	140	11.67	6.8	0.0	12.1	13.0
2	Unemployed	211	17.58	10.3	0.0	16.9	23.2
3	Unemployed available for work	18	1.50	4.8	0.0	1.3	0.4
4	Government Service	69	5.75	6.8	0.0	5.6	5.6
5	Private Service	331	27.58	24.0	0.0	27.0	30.9
6	Own enterprise	72	6.00	4.1	0.0	7.0	4.2
7	Labourer/Cultivator/Agricultural and allied activities	105	8.75	20.5	0.0	4.9	13.0
8	Home maker	237	19.75	21.9	0.0	23.4	8.8
9	Others	17	1.42	0.7	0.0	1.7	1.1

Table 10 gives a glimpse of Occupation of the voters among different castes. 24.0% of the scheduled caste respondents surveyed are in Private service while 21.9% are Home makers. Similarly, 27.0% of the respondents who belong to Other Backward Classes are in Private service while 23.4% are Home makers. Among Other Castes, 30.9% are in Private services while 23.2% are Unemployed.

TABLE 11 - G2: OCCUPATION OF RESPONDENTS

#	Description	Aggregate		Illiterate	Primary school	High School	Higher Secondary	Diploma/Certificate	Graduate & above including professional /Technical courses
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		71	217	294	246	50	322
1	Student	140	11.67	0.0	0.0	0.0	39.4	28.0	9.0
2	Unemployed	211	17.58	39.4	25.8	22.1	9.8	8.0	10.6
3	Unemployed available for work	18	1.50	0.0	0.5	0.7	0.4	2.0	4.0
4	Government Service	69	5.75	0.0	0.9	4.1	3.3	6.0	13.7
5	Private Service	331	27.58	4.2	12.9	26.9	23.2	46.0	43.8
6	Own enterprise	72	6.00	2.8	5.5	9.9	6.1	0.0	4.3
7	Labourer/Cultivator/ Agricultural and allied activities	105	8.75	22.5	19.8	14.6	1.2	0.0	0.0
8	Home maker	237	19.75	26.8	34.1	19.7	16.7	10.0	12.4
9	Others	17	1.42	4.2	0.5	2.0	0.0	0.0	2.2

Table 11 compares the occupation of the respondents with their educational qualification. From the table it is seen that out of 71 Illiterates, 39.4% are unemployed while 26.8% are House wives / Home makers. Similarly, out of 322 Respondents who are graduates and above, 43.8% are in Private Service while the respondents in Government Service are 13.7% and the percentage of Students is 9.0%. 12.4% of the Graduates are Home makers.

TABLE 12 - EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION (REGION WISE)

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Illiterate	71	5.92	7.88	1.50	1.00	4.00
2	Primary school	217	18.08	15.88	26.00	11.00	27.00
3	High School	294	24.50	22.13	25.00	39.00	28.00
4	Higher Secondary	246	20.50	20.25	24.50	16.00	19.00
5	Diploma/Certificate	50	4.17	4.38	4.50	4.00	2.00
6	Graduate & above including professional/Technical courses	322	26.83	29.50	18.50	29.00	20.00

Table 12 gives description of educational qualification of respondents region wise.

It is seen from the table that out of 1200 citizens canvassed, 5.92% are illiterates, 18.08% completed Primary School , 26.45% are High school qualified, 20.50% completed Higher Secondary, 4.17% completed Diploma / Certificate courses and 26.83% are Graduates and above including professional qualifications.

The percentage of Illiterate is more in Puducherry (7.88%) than the other three regions. In Puducherry region, the percentage of Graduates and above is 29.50% while in Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam are 18.50%, 29.00% and 20.00% respectively.

TABLE 13 - EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION (AREA WISE):

This table gives description of Respondents' educational qualification (area wise).

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Illiterate	71	5.92	7.20	5.0
2	Primary school	217	18.08	21.20	15.9
3	High School	294	24.50	23.60	25.1
4	Higher Secondary	246	20.50	25.40	17.0
5	Diploma/Certificate	50	4.17	4.00	4.3
6	Graduate & above including professional/Technical courses	322	26.83	18.60	32.7

On comparison of Rural and Urban areas, 21.2% are possessing Primary School qualification in Rural area while it is 15.9% in Urban area. Voters possessing Graduation and above are in more numbers in Urban areas than the rural.

TABLE 14 - EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION (SOCIAL GROUP):

#	Description	Aggregate		Scheduled Caste	Scheduled Tribe	Other backward class	Others
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		146	0	769	285
1	Illiterate	71	5.92	7.53	0.00	4.03	10.18
2	Primary school	217	18.08	22.60	0.00	16.91	18.95
3	High School	294	24.50	26.71	0.00	25.10	21.75
4	Higher Secondary	246	20.50	20.55	0.00	21.46	17.89
5	Diploma/Certificate	50	4.17	4.11	0.00	4.29	3.86
6	Graduate & above including professional/ Technical courses	322	26.83	18.49	0.00	28.22	27.37

MARITAL STATUS

TABLE 15 - G3: MARITAL STATUS OF RESPONDENT

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Never married	289	24.08	24.00	24.50	21.00	27.00
2	Married, no gauna	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3	Married	832	69.33	68.25	70.00	78.00	68.00
4	Widowed	67	5.58	6.25	5.50	1.00	5.00
5	Separated/divorced	12	1.00	1.50	0.00	0.00	0.00

It is seen from Table 15 that out of 1200 respondents, 69.33% are Married while 24.08% are “Never Married”.

The percentage of Married in Puducherry, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam regions are 68.25, 70.00, 78.00 and 68.00 respectively.

TABLE 16 - G3: MARITAL STATUS OF RESPONDENT

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Never married	289	24.08	26.20	22.6
2	Married, no gauna	0	0.00	0.00	0.0
3	Married	832	69.33	67.60	70.6
4	Widowed	67	5.58	6.20	5.1
5	Separated/divorced	12	1.00	0.00	1.7

67.60% are Married Voters in Rural while it is 70.60% in Urban areas. The percentage of Widowed in Rural and Urban areas are 6.20% and 5.10% respectively.

VOTER REGISTRATION

TABLE 17 - C1: POSSESSION OF VOTER'S CARD

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Yes, possessed voter's card	1200	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2	No, not possessed voter's card	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0



Table 17 gives the details of the number of voters who possess EPIC cards. All the respondents have EPIC card.

TABLE 18 - C1: POSSESSION OF VOTER'S CARD

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Yes, possessed voter's card	1200	100.0	100.0	100.0
2	No, not possessed voter's card	0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TABLE 19 - C3: AWARENESS OF THE VOTER LIST

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Yes, having awareness of the voter's list	1200	100.00	100.00	100.0	100.0	100.0
2	No, don't having awareness	0	0.00	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Can't say/do not know	0	0.00	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0

From Tables 19 and 20, it is observed that all the respondents reported that they are aware of the voter's list.

TABLE 20 - C3: AWARENESS OF THE VOTER LIST

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Yes, having awareness of the voter's list	1200	100.00	100.00	100.0
2	No, don't having awareness	0	0.00	0.00	0.0
3	Can't say/do not know	0	0.00	0.00	0.0

TABLE 21**C4: VOTER NAME ENROLLED IN THE VOTER LIST IN CASE VOTER HAVING AWARENESS OF VOTER'S LIST**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents having awareness of Voter's list	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Name enrolled in the voter's list	1195	99.6	99.5	100.0	99.0	100.0
2	Not enrolled in the voter's list	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Can't say / do not know	5	0.4	0.5	0.0	1.0	0.0

Out of 1200 respondents who have awareness of Voter's list, 1195 respondents have checked whether their names are enrolled in the voter's list. 5 respondents didn't know.

TABLE 22**C4: VOTER NAME ENROLLED IN THE VOTER LIST IN CASE VOTER HAVING AWARENESS OF VOTER'S LIST**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents having awareness of Voter's list	1200		500	700
1	Name enrolled in the voter's list	1195	99.6	100.0	99.3
2	Not enrolled in the voter's list	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Can't say / do not know	5	0.4	0.0	0.7

In Rural area, all the respondents have verified their enrolment in the voter's list whereas it is 99.3% in Urban area.

TABLE 23**C6: SOURCE OF KNOWLEDGE OF THE ENROLLMENT IN THE VOTER'S LIST**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents ENROLLED in the Voter's list	1195		796	200	99	100
1	Friends / Relatives	600	50.2	49.6	47.5	65.7	45.0
2	Newspapers	47	3.9	1.4	10.0	2.0	14.0
3	Local Community leaders	75	6.3	9.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	BLO	445	37.2	37.3	39.0	32.3	38.0
5	TV	19	1.6	1.1	3.5	0.0	3.0
6	Can't say	9	0.8	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0

From Table 23, it is known that 50.2% of the Respondents reported that they acquired knowledge of enrollment in the Voter's list from the Friends / Relatives and 37.2% of the Respondents came to know from the Booth Level Officers. 3.9% of the respondents gathered the information from the Newspapers.

TABLE 24**C6: SOURCE OF KNOWLEDGE OF THE ENROLLMENT IN THE VOTER'S LIST**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents ENROLLED in the Voter's list	1195		500	695
1	Friends / Relatives	600	50.2	51.8	49.1
2	Newspapers	47	3.9	0.4	6.5
3	Local Community leaders	75	6.3	15.0	0.0
4	BLO	445	37.2	31.8	41.2
5	TV	19	1.6	1.0	2.0
6	Can't say	9	0.8	0.0	1.3

It is known from Table 24 that BLO's share in communicating the enrollment related matters is high in Urban area (41.2%) than in Rural area (31.8%).

TABLE - 25**C7:STATUS OF VOTER NAME CORRECTLY ENTERED IN THE VOTER'S LIST IF VOTER NAME ENROLLED**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents ENROLLED in the Voter's list	1195		796	200	99	100
1	Yes, correctly entered in the voter's list	1195	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2	No, NOT correctly entered in the voter's list	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Can't say / do not know	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TABLE 26**C7: STATUS OF VOTER NAME CORRECTLY ENTERED IN THE VOTER'S LIST IF VOTER NAME ENROLLED**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents ENROLLED in the Voter's list	1195		500	695
1	Yes, correctly entered in the voter's list	1195	100.0	100.0	100.0
2	No, NOT correctly entered in the voter's list	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Can't say / do not know	0	0.0	0.0	0.0

All the Respondents reported that their names are correctly enrolled in the voter's list.

TABLE 27**C8: VOTER ENROLLMENT OF OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY WHO ARE 18+ YEARS OF AGE**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	NOT registered in Voter's list	8	0.7	0.9	0.0	0.0	1.0
2	Registered in Voter's list	1192	99.3	99.1	100.0	100.0	99.0

TABLE 28**C8: NON ENROLLMENT OF OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY WHO ARE 18+ YEARS OF AGE IN THE VOTER'S LIST**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Yes, Not registered in Voter's list	8	0.7	0.0	1.1
2	No, registered in Voter's list	1192	99.3	100.0	98.9

TABLE 29**C9: REASON FOR OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY WHO ARE 18+ YEARS OF AGE ARE NOT ENTERED IN THE VOTER'S LIST**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents NOT registered their family members aged 18+ years in the voter's list	8		7	0	0	1
1	Lack of awareness	4	50.0	42.9	0.0	0.0	99.9
2	Lack of interest	1	12.5	14.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Lack of valid documents	1	12.5	14.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	Lengthy (difficult) procedure	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	Not permanent resident	2	25.0	28.6	0.0	0.0	0.0

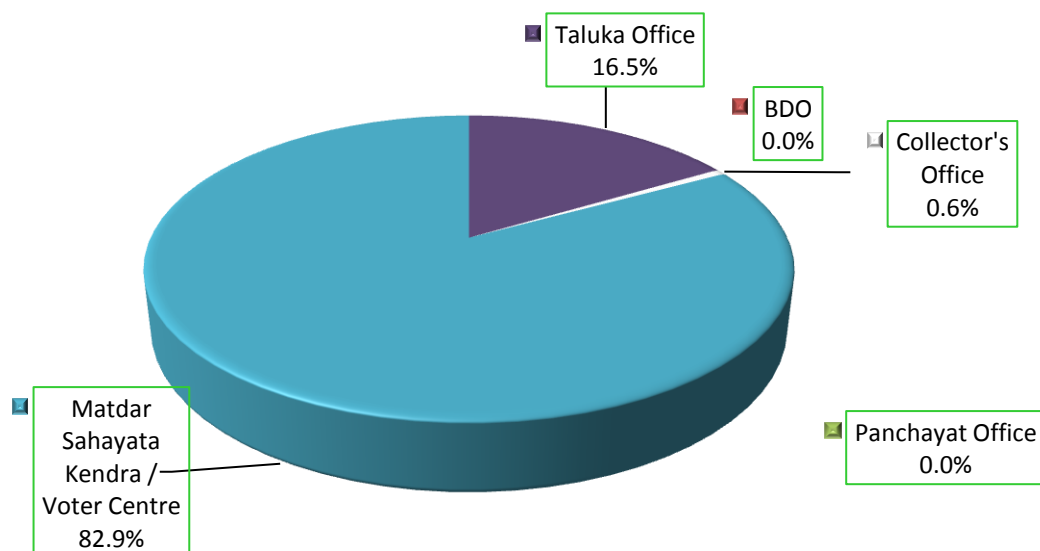
Eight respondents informed that one of their family members didn't register his/her name in the Voter's list for reasons that lake of awareness, not permanent resident, lack of interest and lack of valid documents.

TABLE 30**C9: REASON FOR OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY WHO ARE 18+ YEARS OF AGE ARE NOT ENTERED IN THE VOTER'S LIST**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents NOT registered their family members aged 18+ years in the voter's list	8		0	8
1	Lack of awareness	4	50.0	0.0	50.0
2	Lack of interest	1	12.5	0.0	12.5
3	Lack of valid documents	1	12.5	0.0	12.5
4	Lengthy (difficult) procedure	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	Not permanent resident	2	25.0	0.0	25.0

TABLE 31 - C10: KNOWLEDGE OF OFFICE WHERE TO ENROLL AS ELECTOR

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Taluka Office	198	16.5	20.6	7.0	9.0	10.0
2	BDO	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Panchayat Office	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	Collector's Office	7	0.6	0.6	0.0	2.0	0.0
5	Matdar Sahayata Kendra / Voter Centre	995	82.9	78.8	93.0	89.0	90.0

KNOWLEDGE OF OFFICE WHERE TO REGISTER AS ELECTOR

From Table 31, out of 1200 Respondents, 995 (82.9%) Respondents reported that registration of voters is held at Voter centre, 198 Respondents (16.5%) in Taluka office and 7 Respondents (0.6%) in Collector office.

TABLE 32**C10: KNOWLEDGE OF OFFICE WHERE TO REGISTER AS ELECTOR**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Taluka Office	198	16.5	28.8	7.7
2	BDO	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Panchayat Office	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	Collector's Office	7	0.6	0.4	0.7
5	Matdar Sahayata Kendra / Voter Centre	995	82.9	70.8	91.6

In Rural area, 70.8% of the Respondents reported that of voter registration is held at Voter centre, 28.8% of the Respondents in Taluka office and 0.4% of the Respondents in Collector office.

In Urban area, 91.6% of the Respondents reported that of voter registration is held at Voter centre, 7.7% of the Respondents in Taluka office and 0.7% of the Respondents in Collector office.

TABLE 33**C11: AWARENESS OF THE EPIC [ELECTION CARD]**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Yes	1200	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2	No	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Can't say	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TABLE 34**C11: AWARENESS OF THE EPIC [ELECTION CARD]**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Yes	1200	100.0	100.0	100.0
2	No	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Can't say	0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TABLE 35**C12: POSSESSION OF THE EPIC (ELECTION CARD)**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Yes	1200	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2	No	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Can't say	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TABLE 36**C12: POSSESSION OF THE EPIC (ELECTION CARD)**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Yes	1200	100.0	100.0	100.0
2	No	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Can't say	0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TABLE 37**C13: PERIOD OF EPIC CARD OBTAINED BY THE VOTER**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who possess EPIC	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Before last assembly elections	916	76.3	73.9	92.0	99.0	42.0
2	After last assembly elections	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Don't remember	284	23.7	26.1	8.0	1.0	58.0

TABLE 38**C13: PERIOD OF EPIC CARD OBTAINED BY THE VOTER**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who possess EPIC	1200		500	700
1	Before last assembly elections	916	76.3	77.0	75.9
2	After last assembly elections	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Don't remember	284	23.7	23.0	24.1

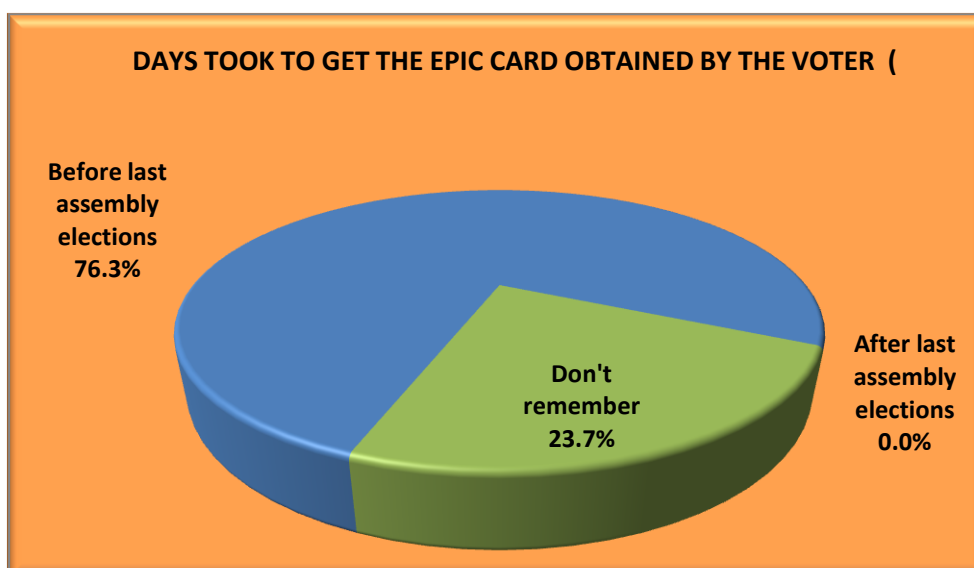


TABLE 39

C14: DAYS TOOK TO GET THE EPIC CARD BY THE VOTER

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who possess EPIC	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Within 15 days	243	20.3	21.3	6.0	28.0	33.0
2	Within 1 month	462	38.5	30.4	82.5	36.0	18.0
3	Within six months	227	18.9	21.6	0.0	20.0	34.0
4	Don't know	268	22.3	26.8	11.5	16.0	15.0

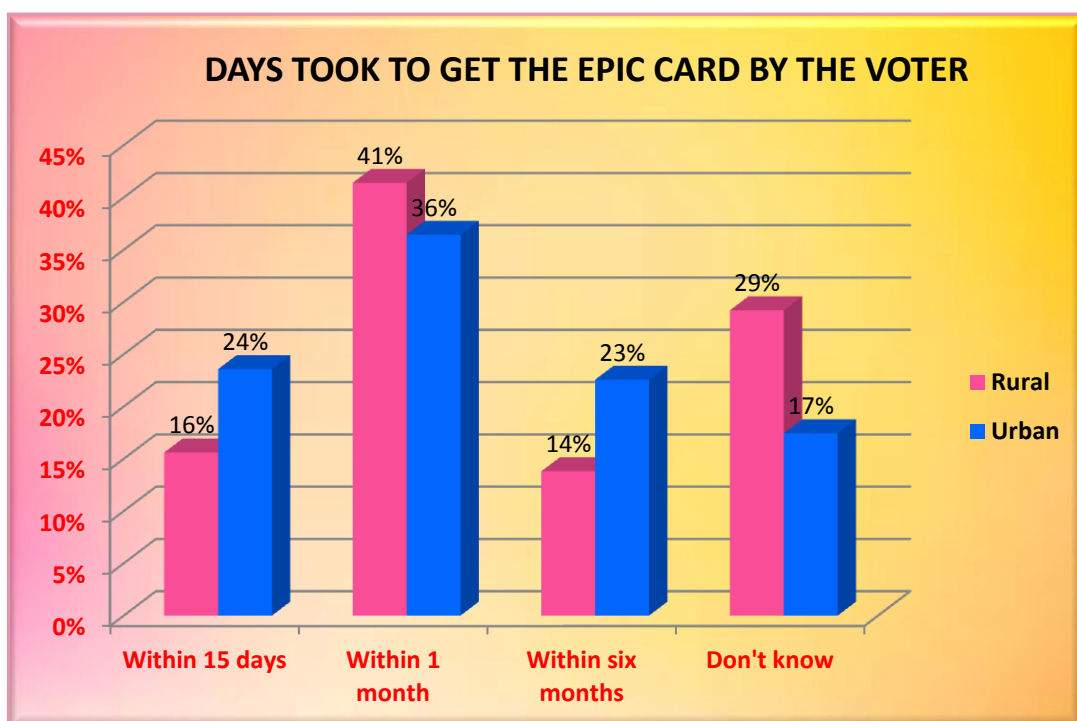


TABLE 40

C14: DAYS TOOK TO GET THE EPIC CARD BY THE VOTER

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who possess EPIC	1200		500	700
1	Within 15 days	243	20.3	15.6	23.6
2	Within 1 month	462	38.5	41.4	36.4
3	Within six months	227	18.9	13.8	22.6
4	Don't know	268	22.3	29.2	17.4

On a question, 38.5% of the Respondents replied they received EPIC card within one month. 20.3% replied that they obtained the EPIC card within 15 days. 22.3% of the Respondents could not recall how many days it was taken.

TABLE 41

C15: DIFFICULTYNESS TO GET THE EPIC CARD BY THE VOTER

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who possess EPIC	1200		800	200	100	100
1	It is easy	1094	91.2	87.1	99.0	100.0	99.0
2	It is not easy	3	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Can't say / don't remember	103	8.6	12.5	1.0	0.0	1.0

It is seen from Table 41 that above 90% of the Respondents agreed that the process of getting EPIC card is easy. Only a few Respondents expressed that the process is not easy.

PROCESS TO GET THE EPIC CARD BY THE VOTER (in %)

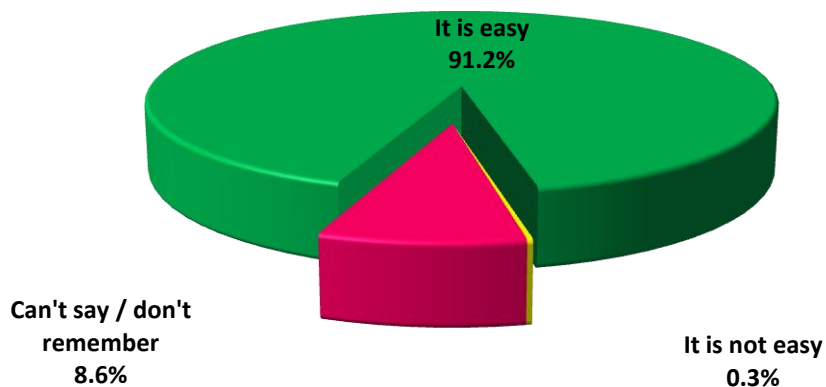
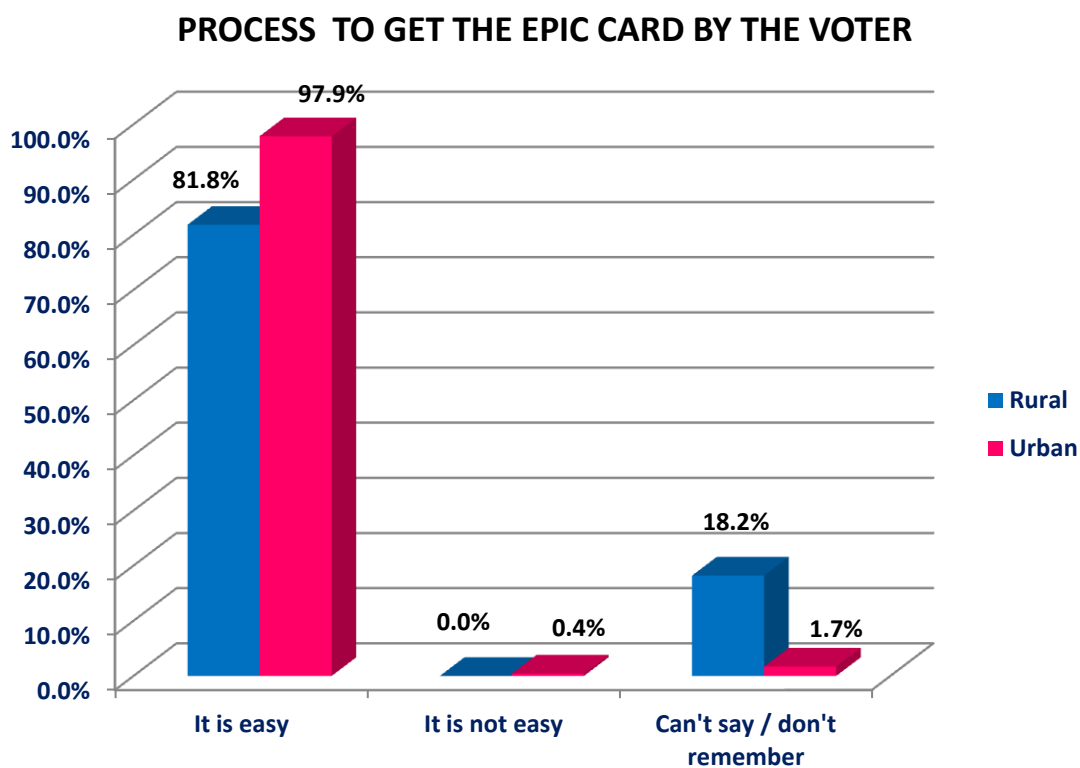


TABLE 42

C15: PROCESS TO GET THE EPIC CARD BY THE VOTER

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who possess EPIC	1200		500	700
1	It is easy	1094	91.2	81.8	97.9
2	It is not easy	3	0.3	0.0	0.4
3	Can't say / don't remember	103	8.6	18.2	1.7



Out of 1200 Respondents, 3 Respondents witnessed problems while getting EPIC. 2 Respondents experienced that there was long procedure and 1 Respondent can't access the concerned office.

TABLE 43**C16: MAIN PROBLEMS WITNESSED TO GET THE EPIC CARD BY THE VOTER**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who found difficulty to get EPIC	3		3	0	0	0
1	Long procedure	2	66.7	66.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	Unfriendly officials	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Can't say	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	Inaccessibility of the concerned office	1	33.3	33.3	0.0	0.0	0.0

TABLE 44**C16: MAIN PROBLEMS WITNESSED TO GET THE EPIC CARD BY THE VOTER**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who found difficulty to get EPIC	3		0	3
1	Long procedure	2	66.7	0.0	66.7
2	Unfriendly officials	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Can't say	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	Inaccessibility of the concerned office	1	33.3	0.0	33.3

TABLE 45**C18: VOTER'S KNOWLEDGE ABOUT APPOINTMENT OF LOCAL PERSONS BY GOVT. / ELECTION OFFICE TO HELP FOR ENROLMENT OF VOTERS(in %)**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Yes, Known about local persons appointed by Election Office to help for enrolment of voters	1043	86.9	84.6	96.5	98.0	75.0
2	No, not Known	157	13.1	15.4	3.5	2.0	25.0

TABLE 46**C18: VOTER'S KNOWLEDGE ABOUT APPOINTMENT OF LOCAL PERSONS BY GOVT. / ELECTION OFFICE TO HELP FOR ENROLMENT OF VOTERS**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Yes, Known about local persons appointed by Election Office to help for enrolment of voters	1043	86.9	85.8	87.7
2	No, not Known	157	13.1	14.2	12.3

In Urban area, 87.7% of the Respondents informed that the Election office has appointed the known local persons to help for enrolment of voters. In Rural area, it is 85.8%.

TABLE 47 - C19: VOTER'S KNOWLEDGE ABOUT LOCAL PERSONS APPOINTED BY GOVT./ ELECTION OFFICE TO HELP FOR ENROLMENT

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who known about the local persons are appointed by Election office	1043		677	193	98	75
1	Booth level Officer	978	93.8	92.5	100.0	100.0	81.3
2	Identification Officer	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Election Agent	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	Don't know	65	6.2	7.5	0.0	0.0	18.7

From Table 47, it is evident that majority of the Respondents knew the Booth Level Officers appointed by the Election office.

TABLE 48 - C19: VOTER'S KNOWLEDGE ABOUT LOCAL PERSONS APPOINTED BY GOVT./ ELECTION OFFICE TO HELP FOR ENROLMENT

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who known about the local persons are appointed by Election office	1043		429	614
1	Booth level Officer	978	93.8	95.8	92.3
2	Identification Officer	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Election Agent	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	Don't know	65	6.2	4.2	7.7

In Rural area, 4.2% of the Respondents informed that they don't know about the persons appointed by the Election office to help for enrolment. Similarly, 7.7% of the Respondents in Urban area don't know about the persons appointed by the Election office.

TABLE 49**C20: VOTER'S KNOWLEDGE ABOUT CONTACT OF LOCAL PERSONS APPOINTED BY GOVT./ ELECTION OFFICE TO HELP ENROLMENT**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who known about the local persons are appointed by Election office	1043		677	193	98	75
1	Yes, Visited the voter's house/office	860	82.5	77.7	83.4	100.0	100.0
2	No, Not visited	183	17.5	22.3	16.6	0.0	0.0
3	Can't say	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

It is known that in Aggregate, 82.5% of the Respondents informed that the persons appointed by the Election office have visited their house. In Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam regions, it is 83.4%, 100.0% and 98.0% respectively. In Puducherry region, it is 77.7%.

CONTACT OF LOCAL PERSONS APPOINTED BY GOVT./ ELECTION OFFICE TO HELP ENROLMENT

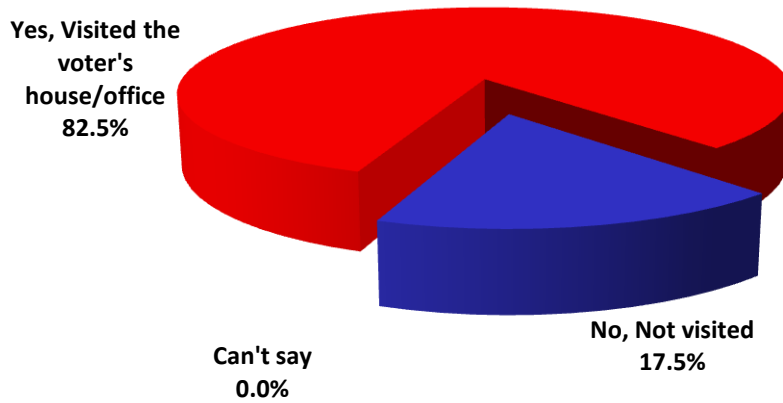


TABLE 50

C20: VOTER'S KNOWLEDGE ABOUT CONTACT OF LOCAL PERSONS APPOINTED BY GOVT./ ELECTION OFFICE TO HELP ENROLMENT

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who knew about the local persons appointed by Election office	1043		429	614
1	Yes, Visited the voter's house/office	860	82.5	69.0	91.9
2	No, Not visited	183	17.5	31.0	8.1
3	Can't say	0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TABLE 51**C21: VOTER'S KNOWLEDGE ABOUT VOTER CENTRES (MATADATA SAHAYATA KENDRA)**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Yes, known about Voter Centres	994	82.8	78.6	93.0	89.0	90.0
2	No, not Known	197	16.4	20.3	7.0	11.0	10.0
3	Can't say	9	0.8	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0

In aggregate, 82.8% of the Respondents knew about the voter centres.

TABLE 52**C21: VOTER'S KNOWLEDGE ABOUT VOTER CENTRES (MATADATA SAHAYATA KENDRA)**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Yes, known about Voter Centres	994	82.8	80.0	84.9
2	No, not Known	197	16.4	20.0	13.9
3	Can't say	9	0.8	0.0	1.3

About 20% of the Respondents in Rural areas didn't know about the voter centres. The Elections Department may popularize the voter centres in Rural areas.

TABLE 53**C22: VOTER'S KNOWLEDGE ABOUT VOTERS CENTRES PROVIDE VARIOUS SERVICE RELATING TO THE ELECTOR ROLL**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Yes, known VCs provide various services relating to the elector roll	955	79.6	78.8	77.5	90.0	80.0
2	No, not Known	245	20.4	21.3	22.5	10.0	20.0

From Table 53, it can be observed that 79.6% of the Respondents knew that Voter centres provide various services relating to the Electoral roll.

TABLE 54**C22: VOTER'S KNOWLEDGE ABOUT VOTERS CENTRES PROVIDE VARIOUS SERVICE RELATING TO THE ELECTOR ROLL**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents		1200	500	700
1	Yes, known VCs provide various services relating to the elector roll	955	79.6	80.0	79.3
2	No, not Known	245	20.4	20.0	20.7

TABLE 55**C23: VOTER'S VISIT TO VOTERS CENTRES**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Yes, visited to Voter Centre	830	69.2	68.4	74.0	65.0	70.0
2	No, not visited	370	30.8	31.6	26.0	35.0	30.0

TABLE 56**C23: VOTER'S VISIT TO VOTERS CENTRES**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Yes, visited to Voter Centre	830	69.2	80.0	61.4
2	No, not visited	370	30.8	20.0	38.6

From Tables 55 and 56, it is known that 30.8% of the Respondents had not visited the Voter centres and it is evident that visit to the voter centre does not arise to 1/3 of the voters.

TABLE 57**C24: VOTER'S SATIFICATION OF THE SERVICES PROVIDED AT VOTERS CENTRES**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who visited the Voters Centre	830		547	148	65	70
1	Yes, satisfied the services provided at Voters Centre	821	98.9	99.3	100.0	100.0	92.9
2	No, not satisfied	9	1.1	0.7	0.0	0.0	7.1

From Table 57, it is known that mostly all the Respondents who visited the Voter centres had satisfied the services provided at the Voter centres.

TABLE 58**C24: VOTER'S SATIFICATION OF THE SERVICES PROVIDED AT VOTERS CENTRES**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who visited the Voters Centre	830		400	430
1	Yes, satisfied the services provided at Voters Centre	821	98.9	100.0	97.9
2	No, not satisfied	9	1.1	0.0	2.1

TABLE 59**C25: VOTER'S KNOWLEDGE ON THE LOCATION OF THEIR POLLING BOOTH**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Yes, known the location of the Polling booth	1200	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2	No, not known	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

All the Respondents informed that they knew the location of the Polling Station.

TABLE 60**C25: VOTER'S KNOWLEDGE ON THE LOCATION OF THEIR POLLING BOOTH**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Yes, known the location of the Polling booth	1200	100.0	100.0	100.0
2	No, not known	0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TABLE 61**C26: WHEATHER VOTER DOWNLOADED e-EPIC**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Yes, downloaded e-EPIC	39	3.3	2.9	3.5	7.0	2.0
2	No, not downloaded	1161	96.8	97.1	96.5	93.0	98.0

TABLE 62**C26: e-EPIC DOWNLOADED BY THE VOTERS**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Yes, downloaded e-EPIC	39	3.3	1.4	4.6
2	No, not downloaded	1161	96.8	98.6	95.4



From Tables 61 and 62, it evident that most of the Respondents reported not utilised the Online voter portal. (98.6% in Rural areas and is 95.4% in Urban areas)

SECTION D: ELECTIONS – KNOWLEDGE, ATTITUDE, BEHAVIOUR, BELIEF AND PRACTICE

TABLE 63

D1: VOTER PARTICIPATION IN 2021 ASSEMBLY ELECTION

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Yes, Voted in 2021 assembly Election	1126	93.8	96.3	88.5	90.0	89.0
2	No, not voted	74	6.2	3.8	11.5	10.0	11.0

TABLE 64

D1: VOTER PARTICIPATION IN 2021 ASSEMBLY ELECTION

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Yes, Voted in 2021 assembly Election	1126	93.8%	94.2%	93.6%
2	No, not voted	74	6.2%	5.8%	6.4%



From Tables 63 and 64, it is seen that 93.8% of the Respondents voted in the last General Assembly Election. In Urban area, 93.6% of the Respondents had voted in the last General Assembly Election and in Rural area, it is 94.2%.

TABLE 65**D2: VOTER PARTICIPATION IN THE LAST PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Yes, Voted in 2019 parliamentary Election	1059	88.3	88.0	88.5	89.0	89.0
2	No, not voted	141	11.8	12.0	11.5	11.0	11.0

TABLE 66**D2: VOTER PARTICIPATION IN THE LAST PARLIAMENT ELECTION**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Yes, Voted in 2019 parliamentary Election	1059	88.3	88.0	88.4
2	No, not voted	141	11.8	12.0	11.6

From Tables 65 and 66, it is known that 88.3% of the Respondents voted in the last Parliamentary Election. In Urban areas, 88.4% of the Respondents had voted in the last Parliamentary Election and in Rural areas, it was reported as 88.0%.

TABLE 67**D3: REASONS FOR NOT VOTING IN EITHER IN ASSEMBLY ELECTION 2021 OR PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION 2019**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : Respondents who NOT voted in either last Assembly election or Parliamentary election	141		96		23		11		11	
1	I did not have electoral photo ID Card	-	0.00	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
2	I did not know my polling station	-	0.00	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
3	Polling station was at distance (I had transportation logistic problem)	-	0.00	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
4	Long queue and I did not have time	2	1.42	2	2.1	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
5	No faith in political system (or electoral democracy)	5	3.55	5	5.2	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
6	Did not vote as community or religious leader said so	-	0.00	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
7	Head of family said not to vote	1	0.71	1	1.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
8	Voting is not essential for maintenance of democracy	-	0.00	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
9	There was no good candidate	7	4.96	7	7.3	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
10	Candidate was not of my choice or community	2	1.42	2	2.1	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
11	I just did not want to vote as nothing will change	1	0.71	-	0.0	-	0.0	1	9.1	-	0.0
12	I was not in my constituency	22	15.60	14	14.6	-	0.0	5	45.5	3	27.3
13	I was afraid/felt insecure to go to the polling station	-	0.00	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
14	My name was not on electoral roll	75	53.19	64	66.7	-	0.0	3	27.3	8	72.7
15	Others	26	18.44	1	1.0	23	100.0	2	18.2	-	0.0

It is evident that some Respondents had not voted either in the last Assembly election or in the last Parliamentary election for the reason that they were not in the constituency during the election. 75 nos. of new voters, who have not voted in the last election, are not registered in the voter list as their age not completed 18 years at the date of election.

REASONS FOR NOT VOTING IN PAST ELECTIONS (in Nos.)

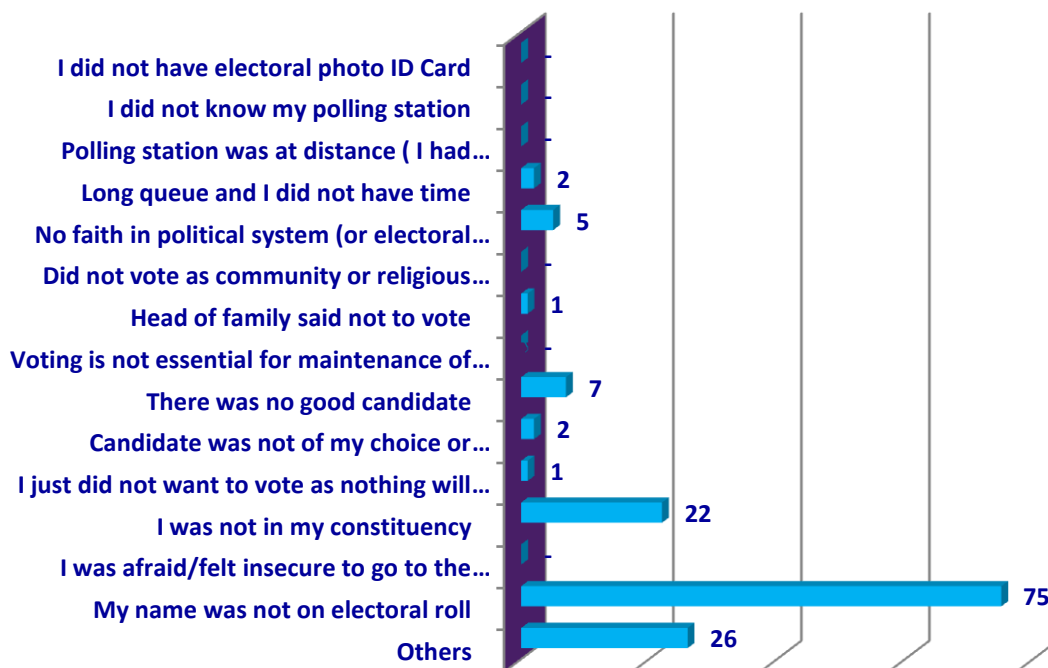


TABLE 68**D4: REASONS FOR VOTING IN EITHER IN THE LAST ASSEMBLY ELECTION 2021 OR PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION 2019**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : Respondents who voted in either last Assembly election or Parliamentary election	1,126		770		177		90		89	
1	I am political party sympathizer	6	0.53	5	0.6	-	0.0	1	1.1	-	0.0
2	Casted vote due to threat or coercion	-	0.00	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
3	Head of family said to vote	559	49.64	381	49.5	21	11.9	68	75.6	89	100.0
4	Influenced by friends	146	12.97	104	13.5	21	11.9	21	23.3	-	0.0
5	Wanted to defeat a particular candidate and/or a political party	8	0.71	8	1.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
6	It was my duty/right	958	85.08	659	85.6	156	88.1	66	73.3	77	86.5
7	Because of repeated appeal and advertisement by Election Commission	35	3.11	18	2.3	17	9.6	-	0.0	-	0.0
8	Because of enabling environment (free and Fair) created by Election Commission	517	45.91	394	51.2	-	0.0	62	68.9	61	68.5

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
9	I got registered in electoral roll	282	25.04	137	17.8	31	17.5	33	36.7	81	91.0
10	Candidate was good	666	59.15	424	55.1	96	54.2	65	72.2	81	91.0
11	Candidate was of my choice and from community and religion	3	0.27	2	0.3	-	0.0	1	1.1	-	0.0
12	Candidate visited me personally	13	1.15	1	0.1	12	6.8	-	0.0	-	0.0
13	Money / Liquor was offered	-	0.00	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
14	Others	-	0.00	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0

From Table 68, it is observed that 85.08% of the Respondents are of the opinion that voting is their right, 59.15% of the respondents voted because the candidate was good, 49.64% of the Respondents casted their votes because Head of family said to vote and 45.91% of the respondents voted because of enabling environment (free and fair) created by Election commission.

REASONS FOR VOTING IN PAST ELECTIONS (in %)

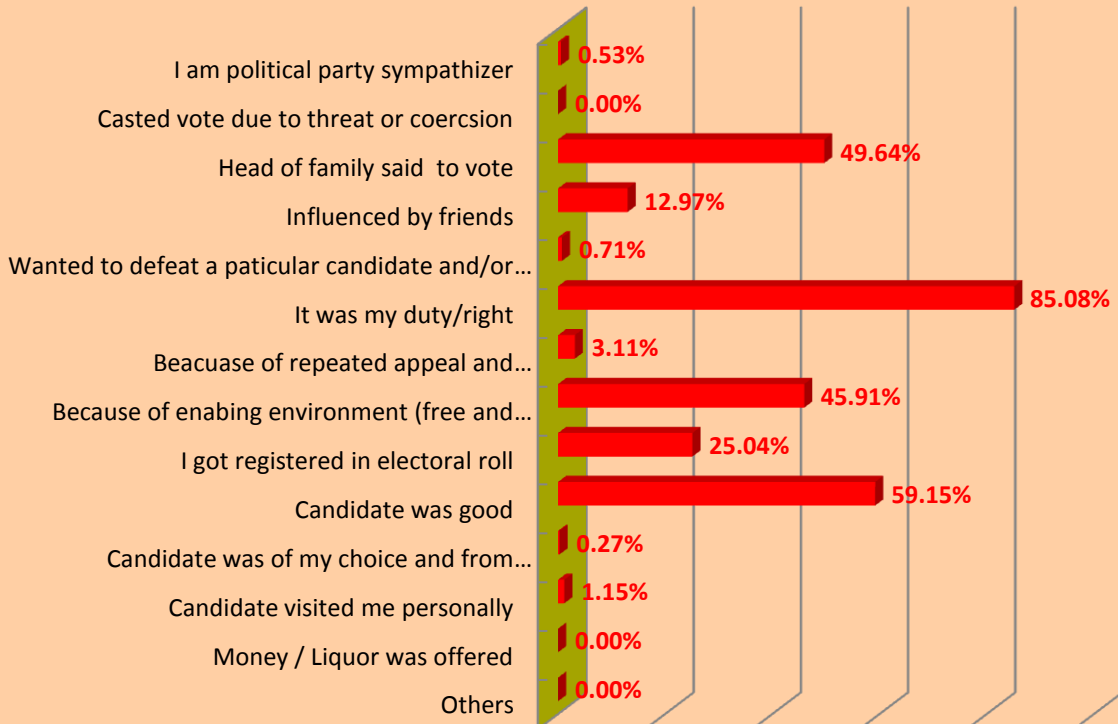


TABLE 69**D5: VOTER'S ELECTORAL EXPERIENCE DURING LAST VOTING**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		770	177	90	89
1	Convenient	1,118	99.3	99.5	100.0	98.9	96.6
2	Inconvenient	4	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	3.4
3	Taxing	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	Can't remember	4	0.4	0.4	0.0	1.1	0.0

99.3% of the Respondents felt that voting was convenient during the last election even in the Covid situation. Only a few Respondents experienced inconvenience.

TABLE 70**D5: VOTER'S ELECTORAL EXPERIENCE DURING LAST VOTING**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		471	655
1	Convenient	1,118	99.3	100.0	98.8
2	Inconvenient	4	0.4	0.0	0.6
3	Taxing	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	Can't remember	4	0.4	0.0	0.6

All the respondents in Rural area felt that voting was convenient during the last Assembly election.

TABLE 71**D6: MOTIVATION FOR CHOICE OF THE CANDIDATE DURING LAST ELECTIONS**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		770	177	90	89
1	Personally known	95	8.4	7.5	0.0	1.1	40.4
2	Experience	294	26.1	28.2	31.1	0.0	24.7
3	Honesty	674	59.9	59.0	56.5	98.9	34.8
4	Commitment	16	1.4	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	Others	47	4.2	3.2	12.4	0.0	0.0

TABLE 72**D6: MOTIVATION FOR CHOICE OF THE CANDIDATE DURING LAST ELECTIONS**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		471	655
1	Personally known	95	8.4	5.9	10.2
2	Experience	294	26.1	36.3	18.8
3	Honesty	674	59.9	52.9	64.9
4	Commitment	16	1.4	1.1	1.7
5	Others	47	4.2%	3.8%	4.4%

From Tables 71 and 72, it is seen that 59.9% of the Respondents casted their votes to Honest candidates. 26.1% of the Respondents casted their votes to experienced candidates. 8.4% of the Respondents reported casted their votes to the personally known candidates.

TABLE 73**D7: FAMILY MEMBERS OF THE VOTER WHO HAD ELIGIBILITY FOR VOTING WERE NOT VOTED**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Have not voted	51	4.3	3.5	6.5	5.0	5.0
2	Have voted	1,149	95.8	96.5	93.5	95.0	95.0

TABLE 74**D7: FAMILY MEMBERS OF THE VOTER WHO HAD ELIGIBILITY FOR VOTING WERE NOT VOTED**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Have not voted	51	4.3	0.4	7.0
2	Have voted	1,149	95.8	99.6	93.0

TABLE 75 - D8: POSSIBLE REASONS FOR FAMILY MEMBERS OF THE VOTER WHO HAD ELIGIBILITY FOR VOTING WERE NOT VOTED

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents of eligible family members who have NOT voted in the past elections	51		28	13	5	5
1	S/he did not have electoral photo ID Card	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	S/he did not know my polling station	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Polling station was at distance (S/he had transportation logistic problem)	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	Long queue and S/he did not have time	5	9.8	10.7	0.0	0.0	40.0
5	No faith in political system (or electoral democracy)	6	11.8	17.9	0.0	0.0	20.0
6	Did not vote as community or religious leader said so	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	Head of family said not to vote	3	5.9	10.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	Voting is not essential for maintenance of democracy	1	2.0	3.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	There was no good candidate	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	Candidate was not of her/him choice or community	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	S/he just did not want to vote as nothing will change	3	5.9	0.0	0.0	60.0	0.0
12	S/he was not in his/her constituency	24	47.1	53.6	53.8	0.0	40.0
13	S/he did not get voter slip even on polling day at the booth	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14	I was afraid/felt insecure to go to the polling station	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	His/her name was not on electoral roll	7	13.7	3.6	46.2	0.0	0.0
16	Others	2	3.9%	0.0	0.0	40.0	0.0

TABLE 76 - D8: POSSIBLE REASONS FOR FAMILY MEMBERS OF THE VOTER WHO HAD ELIGIBILITY FOR VOTING WERE NOT VOTED

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents of eligible family members who have NOT voted in the past elections	51		2	49
1	S/he did not have electoral photo ID Card	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	S/he did not know my polling station	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Polling station was at distance (S/he had transportation logistic problem)	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	Long queue and S/he did not have time	5	9.8	50.0	8.2
5	No faith in political system (or electoral democracy)	6	11.8	0.0	12.2
6	Did not vote as community or religious leader said so	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	Head of family said not to vote	3	5.9	0.0	6.1
8	Voting is not essential for maintenance of democracy	1	2.0	0.0	2.0
9	There was no good candidate	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10	Candidate was not of her/him choice or community	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	S/he just did not want to vote as nothing will change	3	5.9	0.0	6.1
11	S/he was not in his/her constituency	24	47.1	50.0	46.9
12	S/he did not get voter slip even on polling day at the booth	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13	I was afraid/felt insecure to go to the polling station	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15	His/her name was not on electoral roll	7	13.7	0.0	14.3
16	Others	2	3.9	0.0	4.1

Out of 51 eligible family members who have not voted in the past elections, 24 voters reported that they were not in their constituency on the polling day.

TABLE 77-D9: MOST INFLUENCING FACTOR THAT AFFECTS VOTER'S VOTING PREFERENCE

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		770	177	90	89
1	Family	408	36.2	32.3	16.9	46.7	97.8
2	Caste	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Religion	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	Candidate	689	61.2	66.1	80.8	38.9	2.2
5	Any Other	29	2.6	1.6	2.3	14.4	0.0

TABLE 78 - D9: MOST INFLUENCING FACTOR THAT AFFECTS VOTER'S VOTING PREFERENCE

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		471	655
1	Family	408	36.2	35.2	36.9
2	Caste	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Religion	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	Candidate	689	61.2	64.5	58.8
5	Any Other	29	2.6	0.2	4.3

From Tables 77 and 78, it is known that Candidate is the most influencing matter (61.2%) that affects voters' voting preference followed by family which is 36.2%.

TABLE 79 - D10: FACTOR INFLUENCING HIGH VOTER TURNOUT

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		770	177	90	89
1	Money Power	16	1.4	1.4	0.0	0.0	5.6
2	Muscle Power	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Both	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	Good Candidate	1,075	95.5	94.9	100.0	92.2	94.4
5	Any Other	35	3.1	3.6	0.0	7.8	0.0

TABLE 80 - D10: FACTOR INFLUENCING HIGH VOTER TURNOUT

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		471	655
1	Money Power	16	1.4	0.0	2.4
2	Muscle Power	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Both	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	Good Candidate	1,075	95.5	96.0	95.1
5	Any Other	35	3.1	4.0	2.4

From Tables 79 and 80, it is noticed that 'Good candidate' is the factor which is influencing high voter turnout.

TABLE 81**D11: VOTER'S EXPERIENCE IN THE LAST ELECTIONS**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		770	177	90	89
1	Very Good	845	75.0	67.9	83.1	100.0	95.5
2	Good	274	24.3	31.4	16.9	0.0	2.2
3	Not so perfect	6	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0	2.2
4	Imperfect	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	Can't say / Don't Know	1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0

TABLE 82**D11: VOTER'S EXPERIENCE IN THE LAST ELECTIONS**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		471	655
1	Very Good	845	75.0	73.2	76.3
2	Good	274	24.3	26.5	22.7
3	Not so perfect	6	0.5	0.2	0.8
4	Imperfect	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	Can't say / Don't Know	1	0.1	0.0	0.2

75.0% of the Respondents acquired very good experience during the last elections.
24.3% of the Respondents received good experience.

TABLE 83- D12:VOTER'S FEELING ABOUT SECURITY THREAT DURING ELECTIONS AT ANY POINT

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		770	177	90	89
1	Very much	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	Somewhat	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Not at all	1,107	98.3	97.8	100.0	100.0	97.8
4	Can't say	19	1.7	2.2	0.0	0.0	2.2

As per Table 83, 98.3% of the Respondents informed that there was no security threat during the elections at any point.

TABLE 84-D12: VOTER'S FEELING ABOUT SECURITY THREAT DURING ELECTIONS AT ANY POINT

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		471	655
1	Very much	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	Somewhat	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3	Not at all	1,107	98.3	97.2	99.1
4	Can't say	19	1.7	2.8	0.9

TABLE 85-D13: SUFFICINECY IN DEPLOYMENT OF POLICE FORCE DURING LAST ELECTIONS AS PER VOTERS VIEW

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		770	177	90	89
1	Very much	968	86.0	80.9	94.9	100.0	97.8
2	Somewhat	137	12.2	16.5	4.5	0.0	2.2
3	Not at all	3	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.0	0.0
4	Can't say	18	1.6	2.3	0.0	0.0	0.0

As per Table 85, 86.0% of the Respondents had viewed that deployment of Police force was very much during last Elections and satisfied on the security arrangements.

TABLE 86 - D13: SUFFICINECY IN DEPLOYMENT OF POLICE FORCE DURING THE LAST ELECTIONS AS PER VOTERS VIEW

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		471	655
1	Very much	968	86.0	89.6	83.4
2	Somewhat	137	12.2	7.2	15.7
3	Not at all	3	0.3	0.2	0.3
4	Can't say	18	1.6	3.0	0.6

TABLE 87 - D14: VOTER'S EXPERIENCE AT THE POLLING BOOTH DURING ELECTIONS

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		770	177	90	89
1	Very Good	778	69.1	56.5	98.9	100.0	87.6
2	Good	342	30.4	42.9	1.1	0.0	11.2
3	Not so good	5	0.4	0.5	0.0	0.0	1.1
4	Not at all good	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	Can't say	1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0

69.1% of the Respondents reported that their experience in the Polling booth was very good during last Elections and 30.4% of the Respondents reported that their experience was good in the Polling booth.

TABLE 88 - D14: VOTER'S EXPERIENCE AT THE POLLING BOOTH DURING ELECTIONS

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		471	655
1	Very Good	778	69.1	63.5	73.1
2	Good	342	30.4	36.5	26.0
3	Not so good	5	0.4	0.0	0.8
4	Not at all good	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	Can't say	1	0.1	0.0	0.2

TABLE 89**D15: POLLING STAFF'S CO-ORDINATION DURING THE ELECTION PROCESS**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		770	177	90	89
1	Very Cooperative	784	69.6	58.1	97.2	100.0	84.3
2	Cooperative	339	30.1	41.6	2.8	0.0	15.7
3	Not so cooperative	2	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
4	Not at all cooperative	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	Can't say	1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0

It is evident that the staff were very cooperative during the Election process. 69.6% of the Respondents reported that the staff appointed by the Elections Department were very cooperative. 30.1% of the Respondents reported that the staff were cooperative. Two reported as the staff were not so cooperative.

TABLE 90**D15: POLLING STAFF'S CO-ORDINATION DURING THE ELECTION PROCESS**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		471	655
1	Very Cooperative	784	69.6	64.3	73.4
2	Cooperative	339	30.1	35.7	26.1
3	Not so cooperative	2	0.2	0.0	0.3
4	Not at all cooperative	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5	Can't say	1	0.1	0.0	0.2

TABLE 91**D16: DIFFICULTIES FACED BY VOTER IN VOTING**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		770	177	90	89
1	Yes, faced difficulties	19	1.7	1.3	4.0	0.0	2.2
2	No, didn't face difficulties	1,107	98.3	98.7	96.0	100.0	97.8

TABLE 92**D16: DIFFICULTIES FACED BY VOTER IN VOTING**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election	1126		471	655
1	Yes, faced difficulties	19	1.7	1.5	1.8
2	No, didn't face difficulties	1,107	98.3	98.5	98.2

It is seen that 98.3% of the Respondents reported that they didn't face difficulties in voting either in the last Assembly Election or last Parliamentary Election. A few Respondents (1.7%) have reported they faced difficulties in the last election especially due to long queue.

TABLE 93**D17: DIFFICULTIES FACED BY THE VOTER IN VOTING**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : Voters who faced difficulties in voting	19		10		7		0		2	
1	Long queue	11	57.89	7	70.0	3	42.9	-	0.0	1	50.0
2	No separate queue for senior citizen	2	10.53	1	10.0	1	14.3	-	0.0	-	0.0
3	Lack of facilities including drinking water toilet and ramp	5	26.32	1	10.0	3	42.9	-	0.0	1	50.0
4	Coercion/threat by political party booth operators	-	0.00	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
5	Difficulties in locating my polling station	-	0.00	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
6	Difficulties in getting my voter slip at facilitation centre	-	0.00	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
7	No guidance from polling personnel	-	0.00	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
8	Any other	1	5.26	1	10.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0

VOTER'S MEDIA EXPOSURE AND SOURCE OF MEDIA FOR ELECTION NEWS

Tables 94 to 96 analyze the sources on which the voters rely most to get election / politics related news:

- News paper
- Television
- Radio
- Internet
- Mobile phone
- Family & Friends

TABLE 94

G6: SOURCE OF MEDIA RELY MOST TO GET NEWS ON ELECTIONS AND POLITICS

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Newspaper/ magazine	213	17.75	22.38	8.00	10.00	8.00
2	Television	850	70.83	68.88	71.50	77.00	79.00
3	Radio	7	0.58	0.63	1.00	0.00	0.00
4	Internet	33	2.75	2.00	5.50	2.00	4.00
5	Mobile phone	53	4.42	4.13	8.00	1.00	3.00
6	Family/relatives/friends	43	3.58	1.88	6.00	10.00	6.00
7	Others	1	0.08	0.13	0.00	0.00	0.00

It is learnt that most of the respondents (70.83%) relied Television. Out of 1200 persons interviewed, 17.75% of them said that they relied News paper / magazines to get election / politics related news while 4.42% relied Mobile phone. 3.58% of the respondents depend on Family/relatives/friends while 2.75% relied on Social media like Internet/Facebook/whatsapp to get the news.

It is interesting to observe that Television occupied the attention of most of the voters in all the four regions.

It is seen from the Tables that Internet users are more in Karaikal region than in other regions. Mobile phone usage is also more in Karaikal region than in other regions. In Puducherry, more percentage of respondents relied Newspaper / Magazine than in other regions. Yanam respondents relied Television more than those in other regions. Mahe respondents depend on Family/relatives/friends more than other regions.

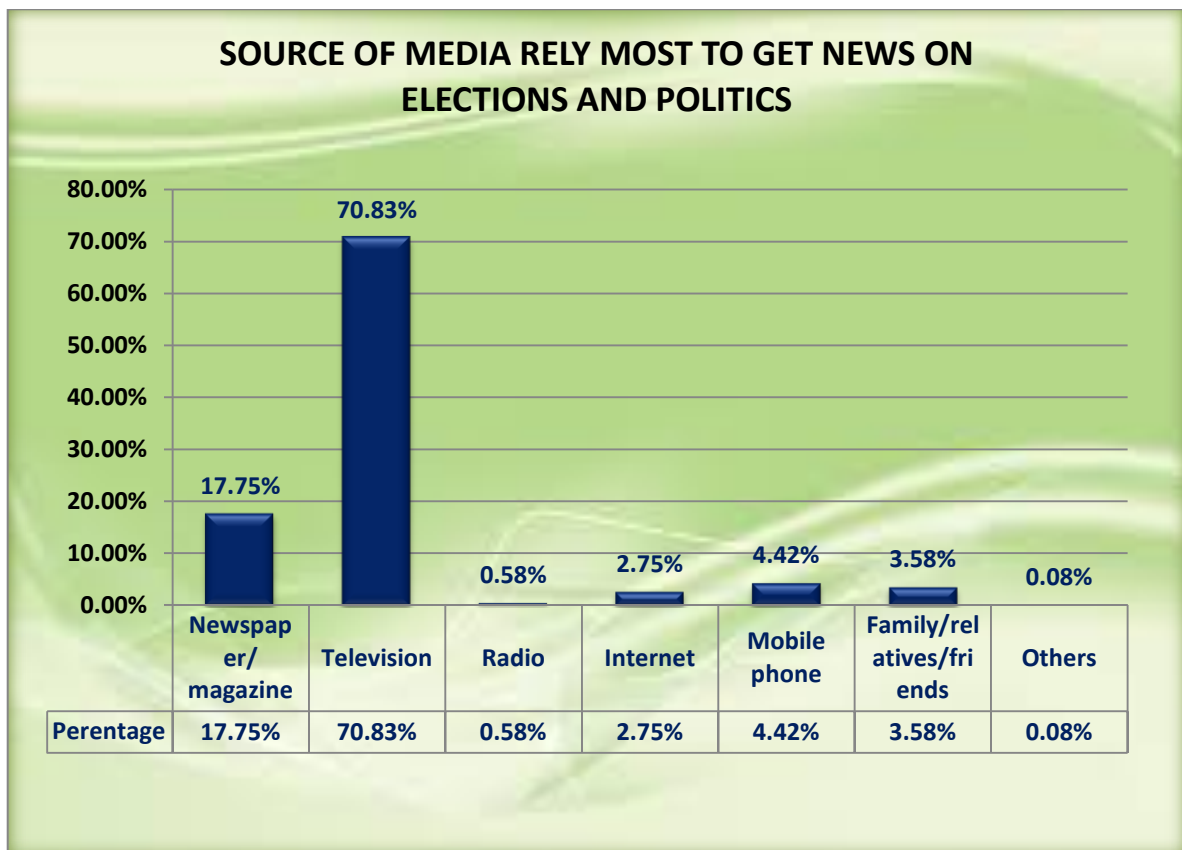


TABLE 95 - TABLE(G6):SOURCE OF MEDIA RELY MOST TO GET NEWS ON ELECTIONS AND POLITICS

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Newspaper/magazine	213	17.75	20.80	15.57
2	Television	850	70.83	69.60	71.71
3	Radio	7	0.58	0.60	0.57
4	Internet	33	2.75	1.40	3.71
5	Mobile phone	53	4.42	5.80	3.43
6	Family/relatives/friends	43	3.58	1.80	4.86
7	Others	1	0.08	0.00	0.14

TABLE 96 - TABLE(G6):SOURCE OF MEDIA RELY MOST TO GET NEWS ON ELECTIONS AND POLITICS

#	Description	Aggregate		Illiterate	Primary school	High School	Higher Secondary	Diploma/Certificate	Graduate & above including professional/Technical courses
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		71	217	294	246	50	322
1	Newspaper/magazine	213	17.8	0.0	6.9	16.0	22.0	20.0	27.0
2	Television	850	70.8	85.9	85.3	77.6	59.8	72.0	59.9
3	Radio	7	0.6	1.4	0.5	0.3	1.2	0.0	0.3
4	Internet	33	2.8	0.0	0.0	1.7	4.9	4.0	4.3
5	Mobile phone	53	4.4	0.0	0.0	2.0	9.8	2.0	6.8
6	Family/relatives/friends	43	3.6	11.3	7.4	2.4	2.4	2.0	1.6
7	Others	1	0.1	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

It is seen from Table 96 that Illiterates relied most Family/relatives/friends than the literates.. Mobile phone usage is higher among Graduates and Higher Secondary School level.

G5: EXPOSURE TO MEDIA AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK

To analyze the background information of the voters and their exposure to media, questions were asked on the following lines:

- How often do you read a news paper/magazine
- Listen to Radio
- Watch Television
- Internet / Social media

TABLE 97:

TABLE(G5): EXPOSURE TO MEDIA AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK

#	Description	Almost every day	At least once a week	Less than once a week	Not at all
	Base : All respondents	1200	1200	1200	1200
1	Read newspaper/magazine	50.8%	17.6%	2.5%	29.2%
2	Listen to radio	34.2%	17.7%	9.9%	38.3%
3	Watch television	90.4%	3.8%	2.8%	3.0%
4	Internet (Facebook,Whatsapp etc)	48.8%	8.6%	4.2%	38.5%

The following inferences were drawn from the respondents from the survey:

50.8% of the respondents said that they read newspaper / magazines almost every day while 17.6% informed that they read at least once a week, 2.5% informed that they read less than once a week while 29.2% said that they didn't read at all.

Similarly, regarding Listen to Radio, 34.2% said that they listen to Radio almost every day while 38.3% of the respondents said that they didn't listen at all.

Watching Television every day is the choice of almost 90.4% of the respondents while 3.8% confessed that they watch the television at least once a week, 2.8% less than once a week. 3.0% said that they didn't watch television.

Social media like Internet, Facebook, Whatsapp etc. are being seen by 48.8% of the respondents almost every day while 38.5% didn't see at all.

VOTERS' AWARENESS AND ATTITUDES (SECTION E)

Regarding a question on "Minimum age of registration to be a voter", 94.9% of the respondents replied the correct. Similarly, for the question "Date for determining qualifying age for getting registered on the Electoral Roll", 45.3% of the respondents gave the correct answer. 71.0% of the respondents are not aware of "National Voters' Day".

TABLE 98

TABLE(E1, E2 & E3): VOTER AWARENESS AND ATTITUDES

#	Description	Incorrect Date	Correct Date	Don't Know
	Base : All respondents	1200	1200	1200
1	Awareness of Minimum age of registration to be a voter	1.8%	94.9%	3.3%
2	Date for determining qualifying age for getting registered on the electoral roll/ voting	24.5%	45.3%	30.2%
3	Awareness of National Voters' Day	10.8%	18.2%	71.0%

TABLE 99**TABLE(E4): VOTER AWARENESS AND ATTITUDES**

#	Description	Yes, saw it when I cast my vote	Yes, have seen one in electoral literacy programme	Yes, have heard/read about it	No
	Base : All respondents	1200			
1	Awareness of option of NOTA	33.8%	1.3%	50.9%	13.9%
2	Awareness of names of candidates available in Braille on the EVM	15.3%	1.2%	17.2%	66.3%
3	Voters knowledge of VVPAT to verify vote casted	91.9%	2.5%	2.6%	3.0%

From Table 99, it is observed that 33.8% of the Respondents had seen the option of NOTA when they cast their votes. 66.3% of the Respondents reported that they had not seen the Braille on the EVM.

97.0% of the Respondents reported that they have verified the vote casted in the VVPAT.

TABLE 100**TABLE(E4): AWARENESS OF OPTION OF NOTA**

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Yes, saw it when I cast my vote	406	33.8	16.0	46.6
2	Yes, have seen one in electoral literacy programme	16	1.3	0.6	1.9
3	Yes, have heard/read about it	611	50.9	77.0	32.3
4	No	167	13.9	6.4	19.3

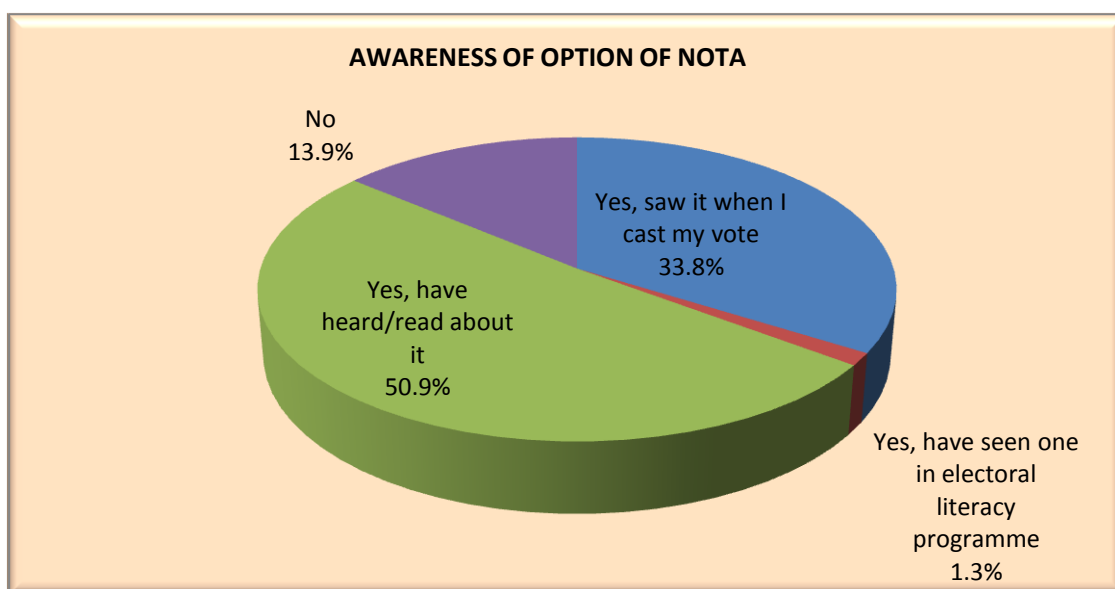


TABLE 101

TABLE(E4): AWARENESS OF OPTION OF VVPAT SLIP WHILE CASTING VOTE

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural	Urban
		Nos.	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500	700
1	Yes, saw it when I cast my vote	1103	91.9	93.8	90.6
2	Yes, have seen one in electoral literacy programme	30	2.5	0.8	3.7
3	Yes, have heard/read about it	31	2.6	2.8	2.4
4	No, I have not known/heard	36	3.0	2.6	3.3

Both Urban and Rural respondents have similar awareness on VVPAT slip.

TABLE 102 - TABLE(E5): VOTER AWARENESS AND ATTITUDES

#	Description	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
	Base : All respondents	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200
1	Every vote counts	0.2%	0.1%	9.3%	46.8%	43.7%
2	Voting should be made compulsory	0.3%	3.3%	9.0%	61.6%	25.8%
3	Voting is a cumbersome chore	18.8%	53.4%	6.6%	3.6%	17.6%
4	Elections are conducted freely and fairly in India	0.3%	0.5%	4.5%	44.0%	50.7%
5	EVMs provide accurate results	0.1%	0.8%	11.1%	73.8%	14.2%
6	Women should consult male members or elders before voting in elections	25.7%	58.6%	5.8%	9.7%	0.3%
7	The influence of money and muscle is increasing in elections	7.6%	43.2%	26.8%	22.1%	0.4%
8	I do not intend to vote in the upcoming election	29.5%	64.7%	3.9%	0.5%	1.4%

It is known from Table 102 that 43.7% of the Respondents strongly agreed that 'Every vote counts' and 46.8% agreed. 61.6% of the Respondents agreed that voting should be made compulsory and 25.8% of the Respondents strongly agreed. 50.7% of the Respondents strongly agreed that Elections are conducted freely and fairly in India and 44.0% agreed. 73.8% of the Respondents agreed that EVMs provide accurate results and 14.2% of the Respondents strongly agreed. A few Respondents disagreed on the results of EVMs (0.8%). Nearly 72.2% (18.8%+53.4%) of the Respondents disagreed that voting is cumbersome chore and nearly 84.3% (25.7%+58.6%) of the Respondents disagreed that women should consult male members or elders before voting in elections. 22.5% of the Respondents agreed that influence of money and muscle is increasing in election to election.

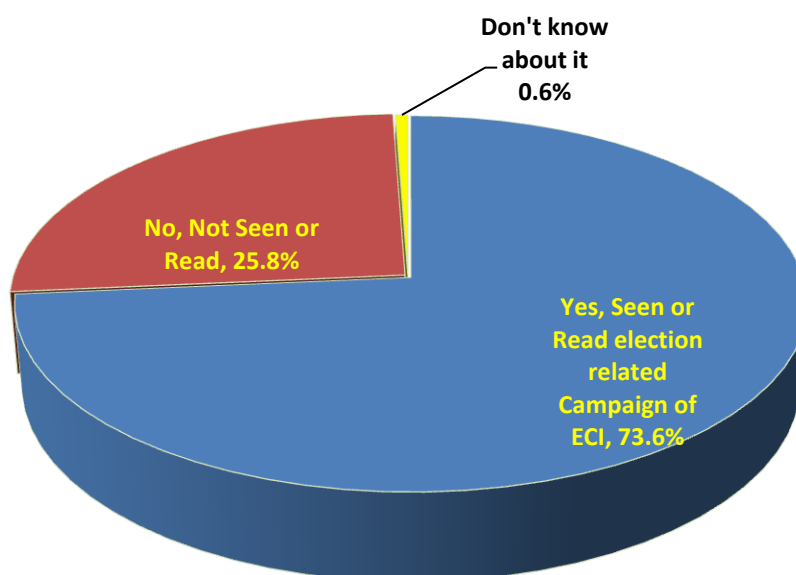
EXPOSURE TO SVEEP INTERVENTIONS

TABLE 103

F1: SEEING OR READING ANY VOTER/ELECTION RELATED CAMPAIGN OF ECI

#	Description		Aggregate	Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
	Base : All respondents(Multiple Coding)	1200		800	200	100	100
1	Yes, Seen or Read election related Campaign of ECI	Nos.	883	593	151	69	70
		%	73.6	74.1	75.5	69.0	70.0
2	No, Not Seen or Read	Nos.	310	200	49	31	30
		%	25.8	25.0	24.5	31.0	30.0
3	Don't know about it	Nos.	7	7	-	-	-
		%	0.	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0

SVEEP :SEEING OR READING ANY VOTER/ELECTION RELATED CAMPAIGN OF ECI



In aggregate 73.6% of Respondents had seen or read election related campaign. In Karaikal region, 75.5% of the Respondents had seen or read the election related campaign.

TABLE 104**F1: SEEING OR READING ANY VOTER/ELECTION RELATED CAMPAIGN OF ECI**

#	Description		Aggregate	Rural	Urban
	Base : All respondents(Multiple Coding)	1200		500	700
1	Yes, Seen or Read election related Campaign of ECI	Nos.	883	335	548
		%	73.6	67.0	78.3
2	No, Not Seen or Read	Nos.	310	165	145
		%	25.8	33.0	20.7
3	Don't know about it	Nos.	7	-	7
		%	0.6	0.0	1.0

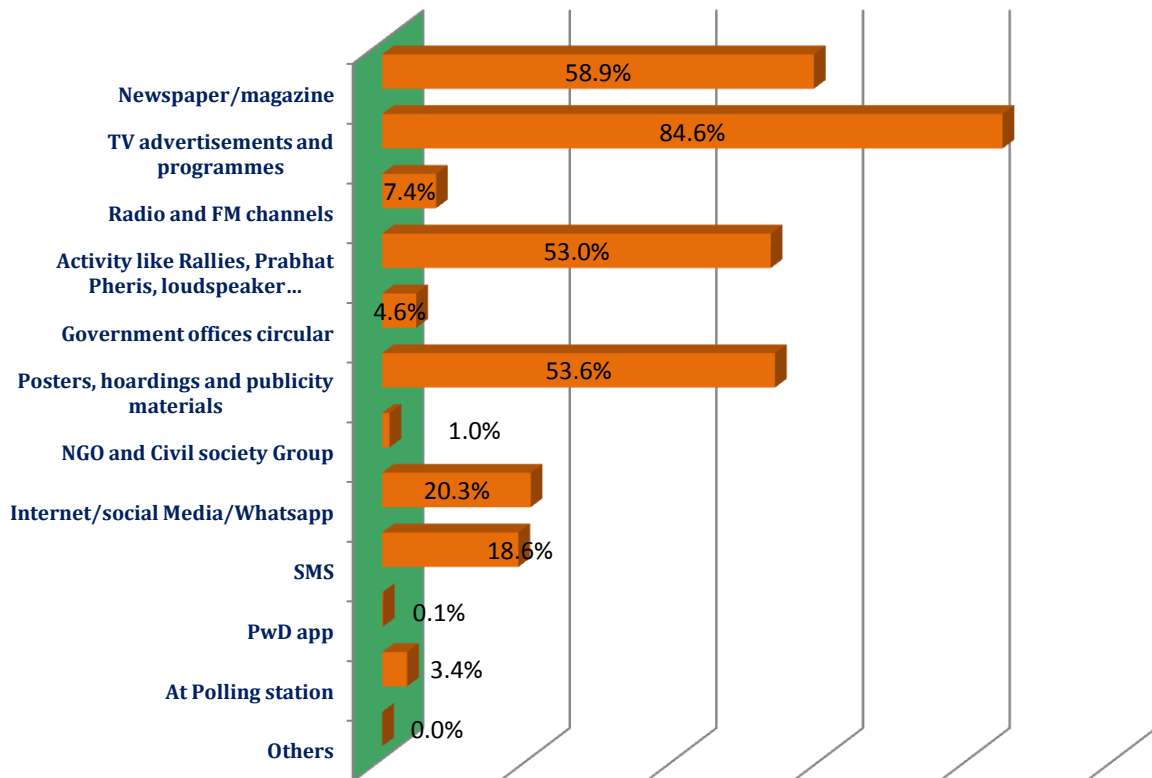
In Urban area, 78.3% of the Respondents had seen or read the election related campaign and in Rural area, 67.0% of the Respondents had seen or read the election related campaign.



TABLE 105**F2: SOURCE OF ELECTION RELATED INFORMATION SEEN OR READ BY RESPONDENTS**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : Respondents seen or read campaign of ECI (Multiple Coding opted)	883		593		151		69		70	
1	Newspaper/ magazine	520	58.9	279	47.0	123	81.5	54	78.3	64	91.4
2	TV advertisements and programmes	747	84.6	482	81.3	147	97.4	54	78.3	64	91.4
3	Radio and FM channels	65	7.4	38	6.4	12	7.9	10	14.5	5	7.1
4	Activity like Rallies, Prabhat Pheris, loudspeaker announcement	468	53.0	331	55.8	76	50.3	49	71.0	12	17.1
5	Government offices circular	41	4.6	29	4.9	2	1.3	10	14.5	-	0.0
6	Posters, hoardings and publicity materials	473	53.6	389	65.6	43	28.5	41	59.4	-	0.0
7	NGO and Civil society Group	9	1.0	6	1.0	-	0.0	3	4.3	-	0.0
8	Internet/social Media/Whatsapp	179	20.3	75	12.6	92	60.9	12	17.4	-	0.0
9	SMS	164	18.6	116	19.6	47	31.1	1	1.4	-	0.0
10	PwD app	1	0.1	-	0.0	1	0.7	-	0.0	-	0.0
11	At Polling station	30	3.4	16	2.7	14	9.3	-	0.0	-	0.0
12	Others	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0

SOURCE OF ELECTION RELATED INFORMATION SEEN OR READ BY RESPONDENTS



The Electors were asked about their knowledge on the source of election related information. Some of them are:

- Newspapers / Magazines
- TV advertisements and programmes
- Radio and FM channels
- Advertisements in cinemas
- Activities like Rallies and Loudspeaker announcement
- Cultural programmes
- Posters, hoardings and publicity materials
- Internet / Social media / Whatsapp
- SMS
- Pledge letters etc.

TABLE 106 - F2: SOURCE OF ELECTION RELATED INFORMATION

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural		Urban	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : Respondents seen or read campaign of ECI	883		335		548	
1	Newspaper/magazine	520	58.9	217	64.8	303	55.3
2	TV advertisements and programmes	747	84.6	331	98.8	416	75.9
3	Radio and FM channels	65	7.4	16	4.8	49	8.9
4	Activity like Rallies, Prabhat Pheris, loudspeaker announcement	468	53.0	193	57.6	275	50.2
5	Government offices circular	41	4.6	8	2.4	33	6.0
6	Posters, hoardings and publicity materials	473	53.6	215	64.2	258	47.1
7	NGO and Civil society Group	9	1.0	5	1.5	4	0.7
8	Internet/social Media/Whatsapp	179	20.3	96	28.7	83	15.1
9	SMS	164	18.6	126	37.6	38	6.9
10	PwD app	1	0.1	-	0.0	1	0.2
11	At Polling station	30	3.4	9	2.7	21	3.8
12	Others	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0

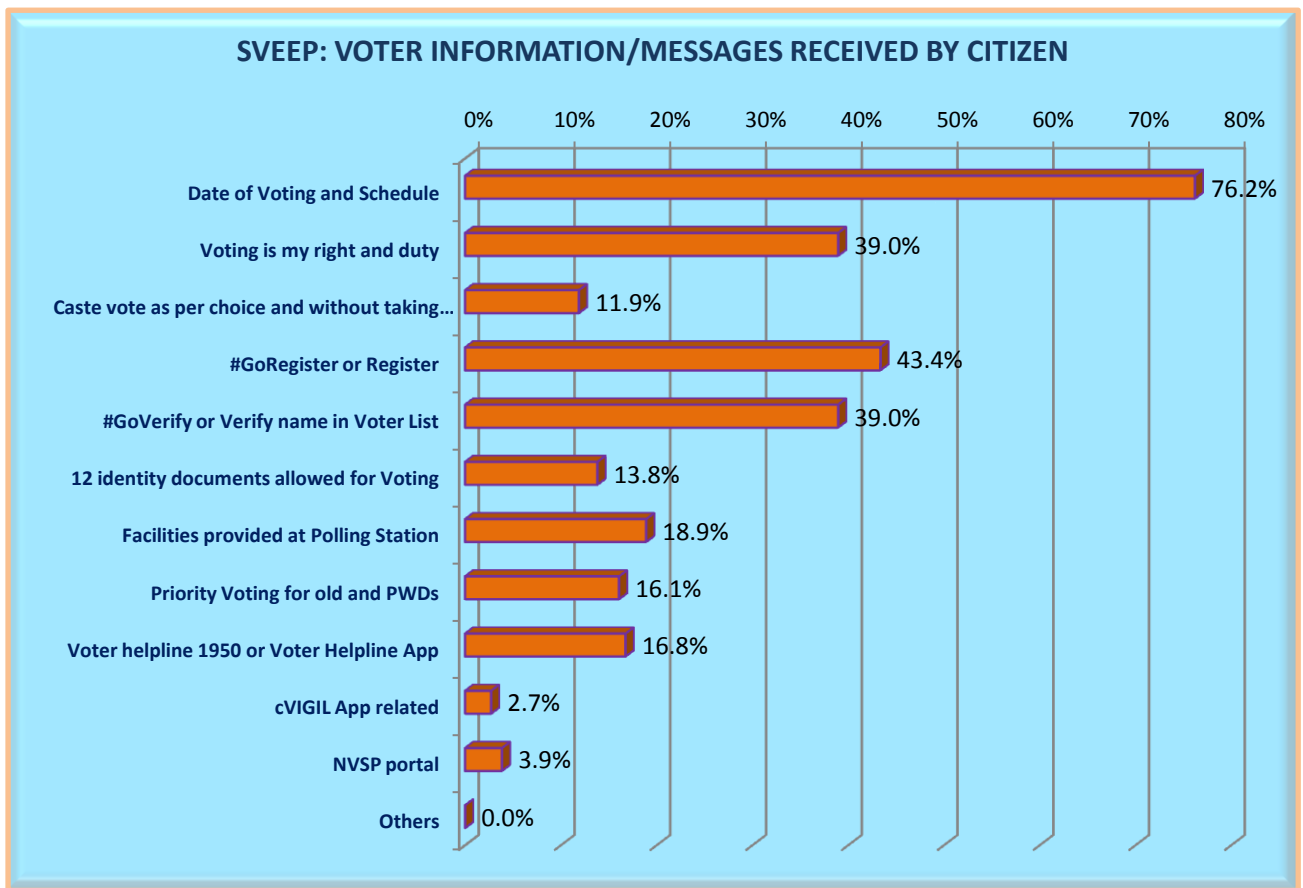


Out of 1200 respondents, 883 persons informed that they had either seen or read voter / election related materials. Out of 883 respondents, 58.9% informed that they received the information through News Papers, 84.6% through TV Advertisements and programmes, 7.4% through Radio and FM channels. 53.0% through Activities like Rallies and Loudspeaker announcement, 4.6% received the information through Government offices circular, 53.6% through Posters, hoardings and Publicity materials, 1.0% through NGO and Civil society group, 20.3% through Internet / Social media. 18.6% of the respondents informed that they received such information through SMS. 3.4% of the Respondents received the information at Polling station.

In Puducherry region, out of 593 respondents who received election related information, 81.3% said that they received through TV advertisements and programmes while 6.4% received the same through Radio / FM channels. 47.0% received the information through Newspaper/ magazine. 55.8% of the respondents said that Rallies / Loudspeaker announcements helped them to receive such information, 65.6% by Posters, hoardings and publicity materials, 12.6% via Internet / social media and 6.8% received the information at Polling station.

TABLE 107**F3: VOTER INFORMATION/MESSAGES RECEIVED BY CITIZEN**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : Respondents seen or read campaign of ECI	883		593		151		69		70	
1	Date of Voting and Schedule	673	76.2	426	71.8	118	78.1	61	88.4	68	97.1
2	Voting is my right and duty	344	39.0	269	45.4	50	33.1	23	33.3	2	2.9
3	Caste vote as per choice and without taking any inducement	105	11.9	97	16.4	0	0.0	8	11.6	0	0.0
4	#GoRegister or Register	383	43.4	316	53.3	39	25.8	19	27.5	9	12.9
5	#GoVerify or Verify name in Voter List	344	39.0	220	37.1	77	51.0	43	62.3	4	5.7
6	12 identity documents allowed for Voting	122	13.8	29	4.9	69	45.7	4	5.8	20	28.6
7	Facilities provided at Polling Station	167	18.9	107	18.0	31	20.5	29	42.0	0	0.0
8	Priority Voting for old and PWDs	142	16.1	97	16.4	4	2.6	38	55.1	3	4.3
9	Voter helpline 1950 or Voter Helpline App	148	16.8	98	16.5	0	0.0	20	29.0	30	42.9
10	cVIGIL App related	24	2.7	18	3.0	0	0.0	2	2.9	4	5.7
11	NVSP portal	34	3.9	26	4.4	8	5.3	0	0.0	0	0.0
12	Others	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0



It is noticed that the responses of the respondents on “Date of voting and schedule”, “Voting is my right and duty”, “#GoRegister or Register” and “#GoVerify or Verify name in Voter List” are



high. Responses on NVSP portal is very low.

It is observed from Table 107 that among 883 Respondents reported, more percentage of respondents received the information such as “Date of Voting and Schedule” (76.2%), “Voting is my right and duty” (39.0%), “#GoRegister or Register” (43.4%), “#GoVerify or Verify name in Voter list” (39.0%), “12 identity documents allowed for voting” reached 13.8% of the Respondents and “Facilities provided at Polling Station” reached 18.9% of the Respondents. It is evident that SVEEP reached more voters.

TABLE 108 - F3: VOTER INFORMATION/MESSAGES RECEIVED BY CITIZEN

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural		Urban	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : Respondents seen or read campaign of ECI	883		335		548	
1	Date of Voting and Schedule	673	76.2	238	71.0	435	79.4
2	Voting is my right and duty	344	39.0	176	52.5	168	30.7
3	Caste vote as per choice and without taking any inducement	105	11.9	41	12.2	64	11.7
4	#GoRegister or Register	383	43.4	140	41.8	243	44.3
5	#GoVerify or Verify name in Voter List	344	39.0	165	49.3	179	32.7
6	12 identity documents allowed for Voting	122	13.8	44	13.1	78	14.2
7	Facilities provided at Polling Station	167	18.9	96	28.7	71	13.0
8	Priority Voting for old and PWDs	142	16.1	77	23.0	65	11.9
9	Voter helpline 1950 or Voter Helpline App	148	16.8	39	11.6	109	19.9
10	cVIGIL App related	24	2.7	14	4.2	10	1.8
11	NVSP portal	34	3.9	29	8.7	5	0.9
12	Others	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

TABLE 109**F4: TAGLINE OF THE CAMPAIGN DURING THE ELECTION**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : Respondents seen or read campaign of ECI(Multiple Coding)	883		593		151		69		70	
1	Sahaj, Sugam, Surakshit matdaan	0	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
2	Chalo kare matdaan	0	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
3	#GoRegister,#GoVerify #GoVote	383	43.4	316	53.3	39	25.8	19	27.5	9	12.9



It is observed from Table 109 that out of 883 Respondents who had seen or read campaign of ECI, 383 Respondents had seen the Taglines. All of them had seen the Tagline “#GoRegister, #GoVerify, #GoVote” only.

TABLE 110**F5: MOST APPEALING/MOTIVATING ICON/STAR**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : Respondents seen or read campaign of ECI	883	-	593	-	151	-	69	-	70	-
1	M.S.Dhoni	110	12.5	57	9.6	28	18.5	14	20.3	11	15.7
2	Mary Kom	13	1.5	11	1.9	-	0.0	2	2.9	-	0.0
3	Saina Nehwal	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
4	Aamir Khan	28	3.2	15	2.5	-	0.0	4	5.8	9	12.9

It is seen at the Table 110 that Cricketer M.S. Dhoni has been reported to be the most appealing Star followed by Actor Aamir Khan and Mary Gom in the SVEEP interventions carried out by the Elections Department during the last General elections.



12.5% of the Respondents reported that M.S. Dhoni was the most appealing star. 3.2% of the Respondents were impressed by the Acton Aamir Khan and 1.5% of the Respondents were impressed by the Sports person Mary Kom.

SEEING ANY ADVERTISEMENT / CAMPAIGN WITH ICONS / STARS

TABLE 111

TABLE(F6) : RESPONDENTS ACCESSED THE WEBSITE OF ECI WWW.NVSP.IN

#	Description	Aggregate		Rural		Urban	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : All respondents	1200		500		700	
1	Yes, accessed www.nvsp.in at least one time	168	14.0	60	12	108	15
2	No, Not accessed the website	982	81.8	411	82	571	82
3	Don't know about the portal	50	4.2	29	6	21	3

It has come to the notice that NVSP portal has not been utilised by the Voters for Registering vote and other related activities. 86.0% of the Respondents reported that they had not accessed the portal.

TABLE 112 - F7: PURPOSES FOR THE ACCESS OF WEBSITE

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : Respondents accessed the Website of ECI/CEO of State (Multiple Coding opted)	168		98		55		11		4	
1	To search name and other details on the Electoral Roll	119	71.0	52	53.1	54	98.0	9	82.0	4	100.0
2	To register/make modifications online	28	17.0	21	21.4	3	5.0	-	0.0	4	100.0
3	To download registration forms	16	10.0	14	14.3	-	0.0	2	18.0	-	0.0
4	To know polling station details	70	42.0	52	53.1	18	33.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
5	Others	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0

Among 168 Respondents who accessed the website of ECI/CEO of the State, 119 (71%) accessed the website to search name and other details on the electoral roll, 70 (42%) accessed the website to know polling station details.

PURPOSES FOR THE ACCESS OF WEBSITE

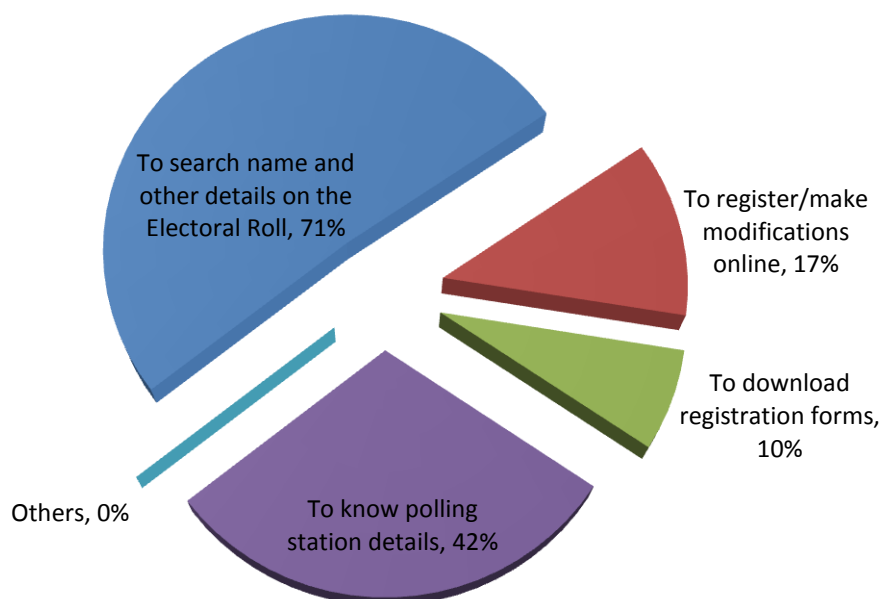


TABLE 113**F9:RESPONDENTS HAVE EVER CALLED ON THE VOTER HELPLINE NO.1950 OR USED THE VOTER HELPLINE APP**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : All respondents	1,200		800		200		100		100	
1	Never Called on the Voter Helpline No.1950 or used the Voter Helpline APP	1,137	94.8	768	96.0	176	88.0	97	97.0	96	96.0
2	Yes, Called on the Voter Helpline No.1950	32	2.7	23	2.9	3	1.5	2	2.0	4	4.0
3	Yes, Used the Voter Helpline APP	31	2.6	9	1.1	21	10.5	1	1.0	-	0.0
4	Yes, Called on the Voter Helpline No.1950 and used the Voter Helpline APP [Both]	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0

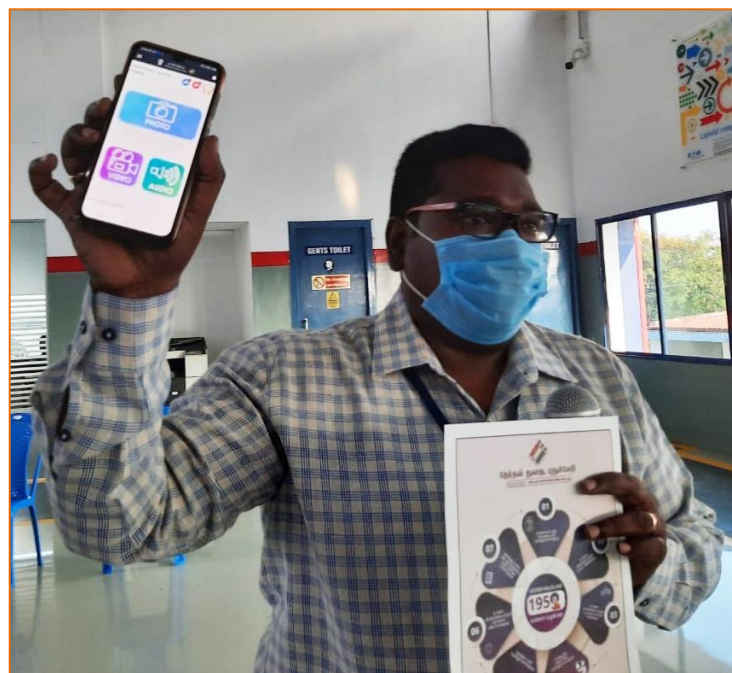


TABLE 114 - F10 : PURPOSES FOR CALLED ON THE VOTER HELPLINE NO.1950 OR USED THE VOTER HELPLINE APP

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : All respondents	63		32		24		3		4	
1	To know about registration or voting process	34	54.0	20	62.5	8	33.3	2	66.7	4	100.0
2	To verify name on voter list	25	39.7	8	25.0	16	66.7	1	33.3	-	0.0
3	To know my polling station	2	3.2	2	6.3	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
4	To know details of my BLO	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
5	To register a complaint	4	6.3	4	12.5	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
6	Others	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0

TABLE 115

TABLE(F8 and F11) : RESPONDENTS SATISFACTORY LEVEL OF WEBSITE AND HELPLINE NUMBER AND APP

#	Description	Satisfactory level - access of website for various reasons		Satisfactory level - problem addressed over Helpline No.1950 or Helpline App	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : Respondents called on helpline or accessed www.nvsp.in	168		63	
1	No	29	17	3	5
2	Somewhat	5	3	14	22
3	Yes	134	80	46	73

From Table 113 to 115, it can be inferred that out of 1200 persons interviewed, only 168 respondents accessed the website of ECI/CEO. 63 Respondents used the Helpline facility.

Out of 168 Respondents who accessed the website of ECI/CEO, 83% of them satisfied with the performance of the website. Out of 63 respondents who used Helpline facility, 95% satisfied with the facility.

COVID-19 IMPACT

TABLE 116 - G7: DID YOU RETURN BACK HOME DUE TO IMPACT OF COVID-19

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents		1200	800	200	100	100
1	Yes, returned back home due to impact of COVID-19	25	2.1	2.5	2.5	0.0	0.0
2	No	1,175	97.9	97.5	97.5	100.0	100.0

Among 1200 Respondents, twenty five (2.1%) respondents returned back home due to impact of COVID-19.

TABLE 117

G8: VOTING STATUS IN THE LAST ASSEMBLY ELECTION

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
		Nos.	%	%	%	%	%
	Base : All respondents		25	20	5	0	0
1	Yes, Voted in the last assembly election	19	76.0	80.0	60.0	0.0	0.0
2	No	6	24.0	20.0	40.0	0.0	0.0

TABLE 118 - G9 : FACILITIES PROVIDED TO THE VOTER AT POLLING BOOTH ON THE DAY OF VOTING RELATED TO PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES ASSOCIATED WITH COVID-19

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : All respondents	1,200		800		200		100		100	
1	Markings on ground to know where to stand in the queue	902	75.2	627	78.4	122	61.0	77	77.0	76	76.0
2	Availability of soap and water	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
3	Availability of sanitizers	1,113	92.8	735	91.9	193	96.5	100	100.0	85	85.0
4	Availability of masks	839	69.9	638	79.8	13	6.5	100	100.0	88	88.0
5	Thermal screening at the at the polling station	969	80.8	595	74.4	186	93.0	100	100.0	88	88.0
6	Any others	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0



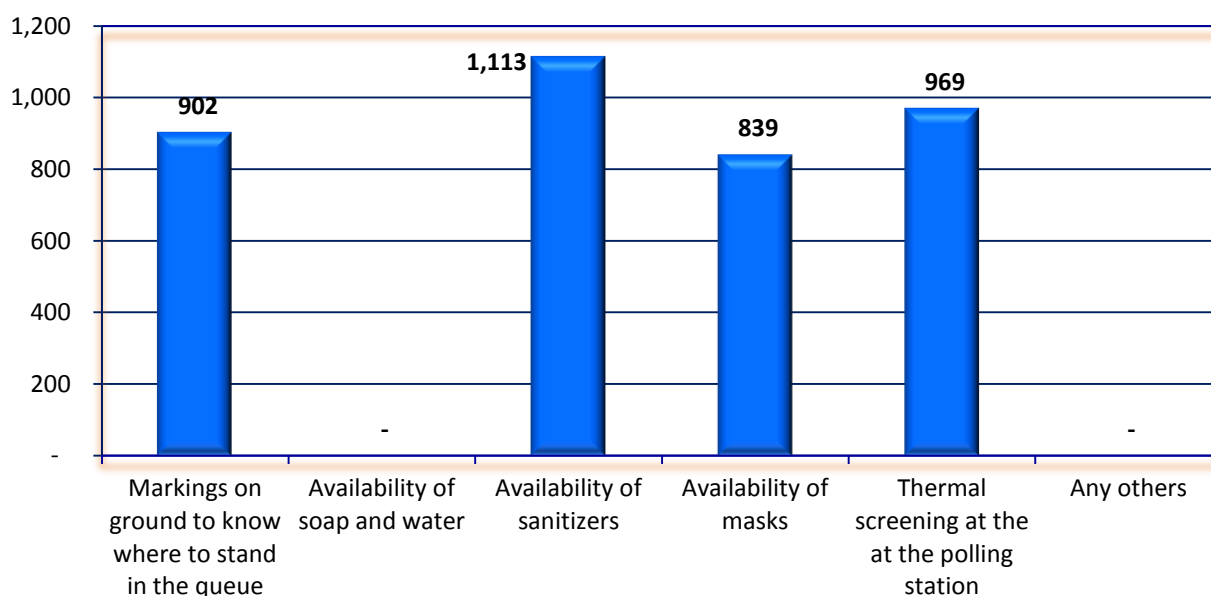
TABLE 119 - G10 : SATISFACTORY LEVEL OF COVID SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AT POLLING BOOTH ON THE DAY OF VOTING

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : All respondents	1,200		800		200		100		100	
1	Yes, satisfied with Covid Safety precautions at polling booth	1,155	96.3	789	98.6	184	92.0	92	92.0	90	90.0
2	No, not satisfied	45	3.8	11	1.4	16	8.0	8	8.0	10	10.0

From Table 119, it is observed that among 1200 Respondents, 1155 Respondents (96.3%) satisfied with the Covid safety precautions provided at polling booth on the day of voting.



FACILITIES PROVIDED RELATED TO PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES ASSOCIATED WITH COVID-19 (Multiple options)



PERSONS WITH DISABILITES

TABLE 120 - B8: PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : All PWD respondents	120		80		20		10		10	
1	In Seeing	18	15	15	19	-	0	3	30	-	0
2	In speech	14	12	8	10	4	20	1	10	1	10
3	In hearing	14	12	9	11	-	0	-	0	5	50
4	In movement	74	62	48	60	16	80	6	60	4	40
	Total disables	120	100	80	100	20	100	10	100	10	100

Out of 1200 persons interviewed, 120 were Persons with Disabilities. Among the 120 PwD Respondents, 74 (62%) were Disabled in Movement, 18 (15%) were Disabled in Seeing, 14 (12%) were Disabled in Hearing and another 14 (12%) were Disabled in Speech.

TABLE 121 - TABLE(H1): MATERIAL AIMED AT PARTICIPATION OF PwDS

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : All PWD respondents	120		80		20		10		10	
1	Yes , Respondent voters came across any publicity/ voter edutainment material aimed at participation of PwDS	11	9.2	11	13.8	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
2	No , Respondent voters have not came across any publicity/ voter edutainment material aimed at participation of PwDS	109	90.8	69	86.3	20	100.0	10	100.0	10	100.0

It is known from Table 121 that edutainment materials had not reached most of the PwD voters. 90.8% of PwD Respondents reported that they have not come across any publicity / voter edutainment material aimed at participation of PwDs. The BLOs in future may be utilised to personally inform.

MATERIAL AIMED AT PARTICIPATION OF PWDS

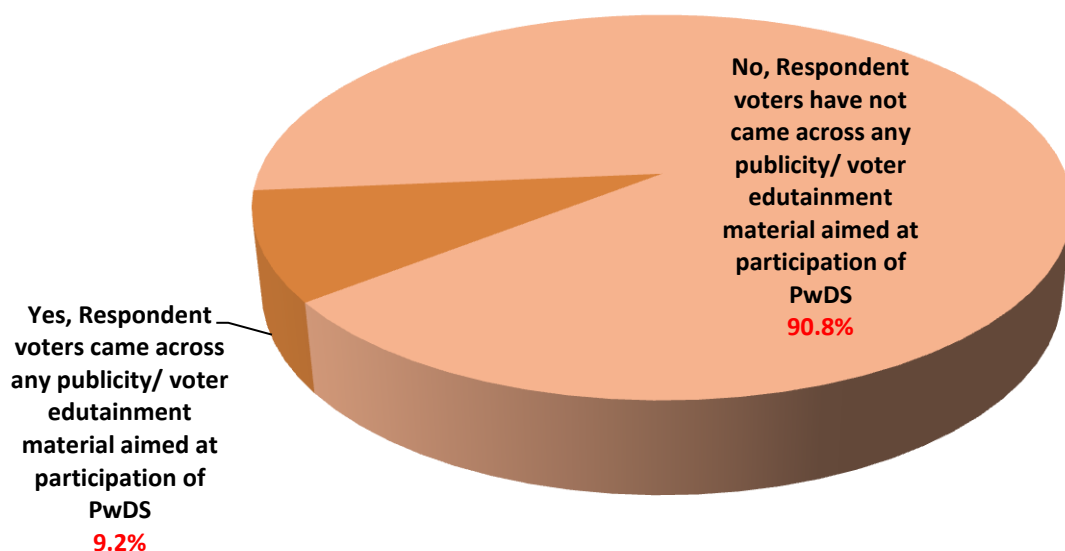


TABLE 122 - H2: CONTACT OF BLO WITH VOTERS

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : All PWD respondents	120		80		20		10		10	
1	Yes , BLO has contacted the voters	115	95.8	75	93.8	20	100.0	10	100.0	10	100.0
2	No , BLO has not contacted the voters	5	4.2	5	6.3	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0

It is seen at Table 122 that among 120 PwD respondents, 115 (95.8%) reported that BLOs had contacted them but the BLOs have to inform the updates of ECI/CEO to these voters.

TABLE 123**H3 : PwD's RATING ON THE PROCESS OF REGISTRATION**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : All PwD respondents	120		80		20		10		10	
1	Easy	118	98.3	78	97.5	20	100.0	10	100.0	10	100.0
2	Neither easy nor difficult	2	1.7	2	2.5	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
3	Difficult	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0

It is inferred from Table 123 that PwD voters are feeling easy in the Election process and Elections and it is hassle free. Among 120 PwD respondents, 118 respondents (98.3%) reported that the process of registration was easy. 2 respondents (1.7%) reported that the process of registration was neither easy nor difficult. None has reported as the process is difficult.

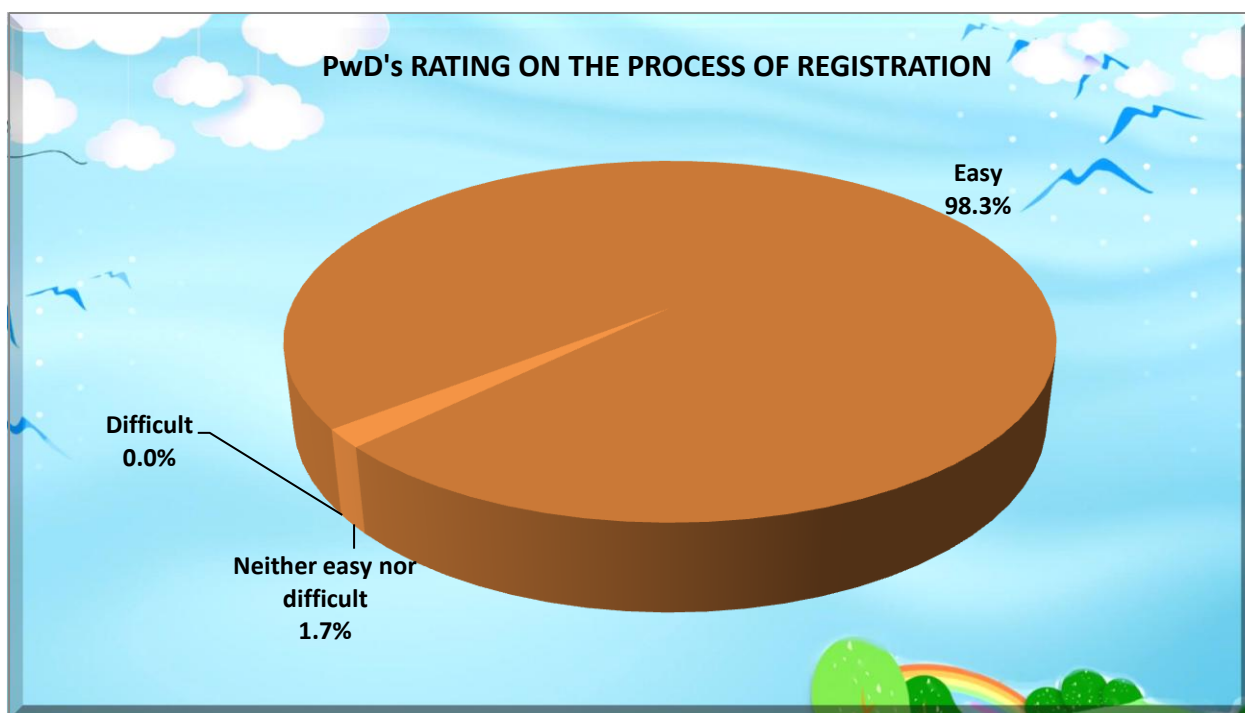


TABLE 124**H4 : DIFFICULTIES FACED IN THE PROCESS OF VOTING BY PwDs**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : All PWD respondents	120		80		20		10		10	
1	Long queue	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
2	No separate queue for senior citizen	3	2.5	3	3.8	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
3	Lack of facilities including drinking water toilet and ramp	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
4	Coercion / threat by political party booth operators	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
5	Difficulties in locating my polling station	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
6	Difficulties in getting my voter slip at facilitation centre	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
7	No guidance from polling personnel	1	0.8	1	1.3	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
8	Any other	1	0.8	1	1.3	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0

Out of 120 PwD Respondents, 5 Respondents reported that they had faced difficulties in the process of voting. 3 Respondents (2.5%) reported that there was no separate queue for senior citizens. 1 Respondent (0.8%) reported that there was no guidance from polling personnel and 1 respondent faced difficulty on other reason.

TABLE 125**H5 : AWARENESS ABOUT THE FACILITY OF POSTAL BALLOTS IS EXTENDED TO PwDs**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : All PWD respondents	120		80		20		10		10	
1	Yes , aware of the facility of postal ballots is extended to PwDs	115	95.8	75	93.8	20	100.0	10	100.0	10	100.0
2	No , not aware	5	4.2	5	6.3	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0



It is pertinent to say that most of the PwDs are aware of postal ballots extended to them during the General Assembly Election. Among 120 PwD Respondents, 115 Respondents are aware of facility of Postal ballots extended to them. Only 5 PwD respondents are not aware of facility of postal ballots. BLOs have to inform these voters about this facility.

TABLE 126 - I1 - ANY INDUCEMENT FROM ANY GROUPS TO INFLUENCE VOTING

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : All respondents	1,200		800		200		100		100	
1	Yes , inducement from some groups for voting	3	0.3	3	0.4	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
2	No	1,197	99.7	797	99.6	200	100.0	100	100.0	100	100.0

The Respondents were asked if there was any inducement from any group to influence voting. 99.8% of the Respondents replied that there was no inducement from any group for influence voting. Very meager No. of Respondents (0.3%) replied that there was inducement for influence voting in the last General election.

TABLE 127 - I2 - USE OF MONEY POWER / MUSCLE POWER BY CANDIDATES / POLITICAL PARTIES TO INFLUENCE VOTER DURING THE LAST ELECTIONS

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : All respondents	1,200		800		200		100		100	
1	Yes , there was use of money power / muscle power by candidates / political parties to influence voters during the last elections	2	0.2	2	0.3	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
2	No	1,198	99.8	798	99.7	200	100.0	100	100.0	100	100.0

The Respondents were asked whether there was use of money power / muscle power by candidates / political parties to influence voting during last elections. 99.8% of the Respondents replied that there was no money power / muscle power by candidates / political parties to influence voting during the last elections. A few Respondents (2 nos.) replied that there was use of money power / muscle power by candidates / political parties to influence voting during last elections.

TABLE 128**13 - VOTER'S PARTICIPATION IN RALLIES ORGANIZED BY POLITICAL PARTIES / CANDIDATES**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : All respondents	1,200		800		200		100		100	
1	Yes , participate in rallies organized by political parties / candidates	14	1.2	14	1.8	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
2	No	1,186	98.8	786	98.3	200	100.0	100	100.0	100	100.0

TABLE 129**14 - EXPENDITURE INCURRED ON PARTICIPATING IN RALLIES ORGANIZED BY POLITICAL PARTIES / CANDIDATES**

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : Respondents who participate in rallies	14		14		0		0		0	
1	Expenses incurred by Voters	10	71.4	10	71.4	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
2	Expenses incurred by Political Parties / Candidates	3	21.4	3	21.4	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0

On a question, whether the Respondents had participated in rallies organized by political parties / candidates, 98.8% of the Respondents replied that they had not participated in rallies organized by political parties / candidates during last General Elections. Only 14 Respondents agreed that they participated in rallies, of which 10 persons participated in their own expense.

TABLE 130 - 15 : INDUCEMENTS USED TO LURE VOTER DURING THE LAST ELECTIONS

#	Description	Aggregate		Puducherry		Karaikal		Mahe		Yanam	
		Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%	Nos.	%
	Base : All respondents		1,200		800		200		100		100
1	Distributing cash among women through self help groups	35	2.9	35	4.4	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
2	Funding of local club to organize cricket / football matches	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
3	Distributing TV, Radio, Projector etc. for small groups / communities / schools	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
4	Distributing Purse, Bangales, Vanity Case among women	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
5	Distributing liquor	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
6	Distributing food packets	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
7	Distributing coupons for free Diesel, Petrol, LPG, Kerosene	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
8	Distributing cash for construction of toilets, hand pumps and buying of mobile phones and laptops	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0
9	Any other	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0

A question was asked to the Respondents to know whether inducements were used to lure the voters during the last elections.

Out of 1200 Respondents, 35 Respondents (1.8%) replied that distribution of cash among women through self groups was done especially in Puducherry region.

COMPARISON OF BASELINE SURVEY 2021 TO ENDLINE SURVEY 2021

TABLE 131-C4: VOTER NAME ENROLLED IN THE VOTER LIST IN CASE VOTER HAVING AWARENESS OF VOTER'S LIST

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021
	Base : Respondents having awareness of Voter's list	1186	1200
1	Name enrolled in the voter's list	98.4%	99.6%
2	Not enrolled in the voter's list	0.0%	0.0%
3	Can't say / do not know	1.6%	0.4%

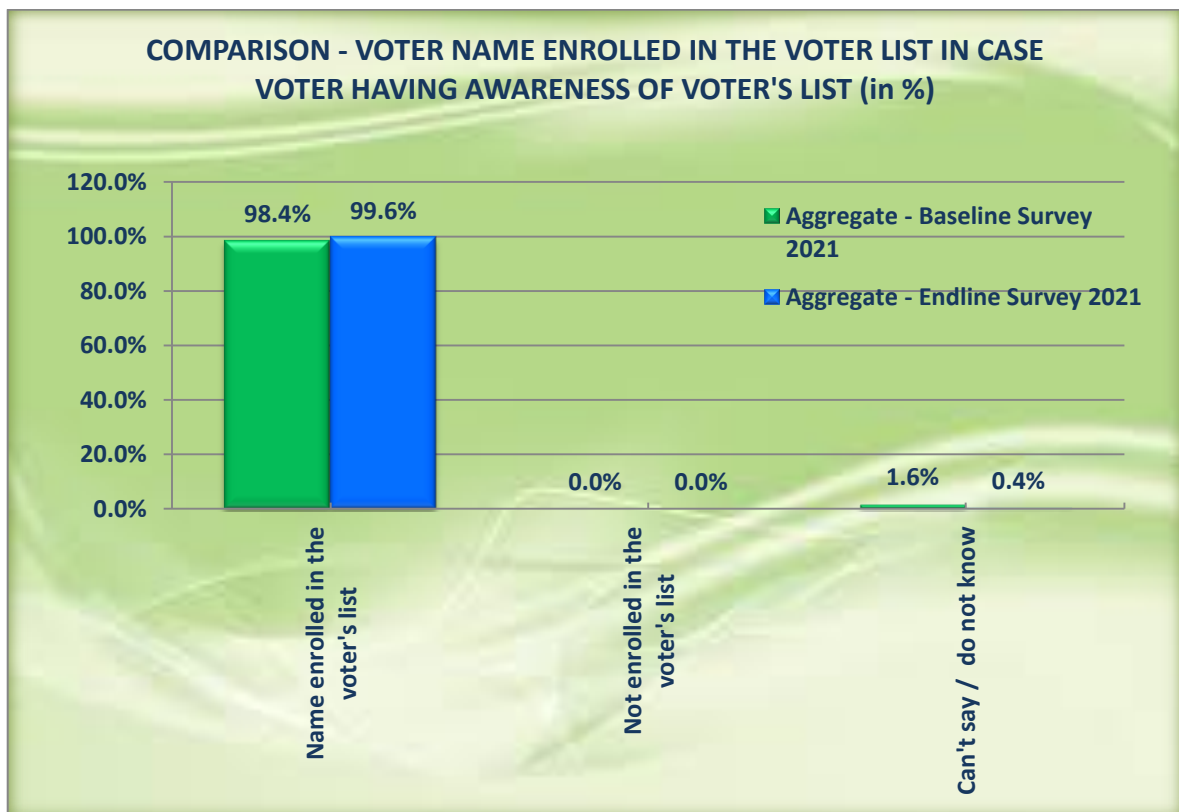


TABLE 132 - C7: STATUS OF VOTER NAME CORRECTLY ENTERED IN THE VOTER'S LIST IF VOTER NAME ENROLLED

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021
	Base : Respondents ENROLLED in the Voter's list	1167	1195
1	Yes, correctly entered in the voter's list	99.5%	100.0%
2	No, NOT correctly entered in the voter's list	0.0%	0.0%
3	Can't say / do not know	0.5%	0.0%

It is seen from the Table 132 that 100 percent voters are entered correctly in the voters list, when compare to 99.5% in Baseline survey 2021.

TABLE 133 - C10: KNOWLEDGE OF OFFICE WHERE TO ENROLL AS ELECTOR

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021
	Base : All respondents	1199	1200
1	Taluka Office	53.3%	16.5%
2	BDO	1.8%	0.0%
3	Panchayat Office	0.6%	0.0%
4	Collector's Office	2.7%	0.6%
5	Matdar Sahayata Kendra / Voter Centre	41.6%	82.9%

82.9% of the respondents had the knowledge that they have to enroll as elector in the voter centre. 16.5% respondents replied that Taluk Office is the office to enroll as voter.

COMPARISON - KNOWLEDGE OF OFFICE WHERE TO ENROLL AS ELECTOR (in %)

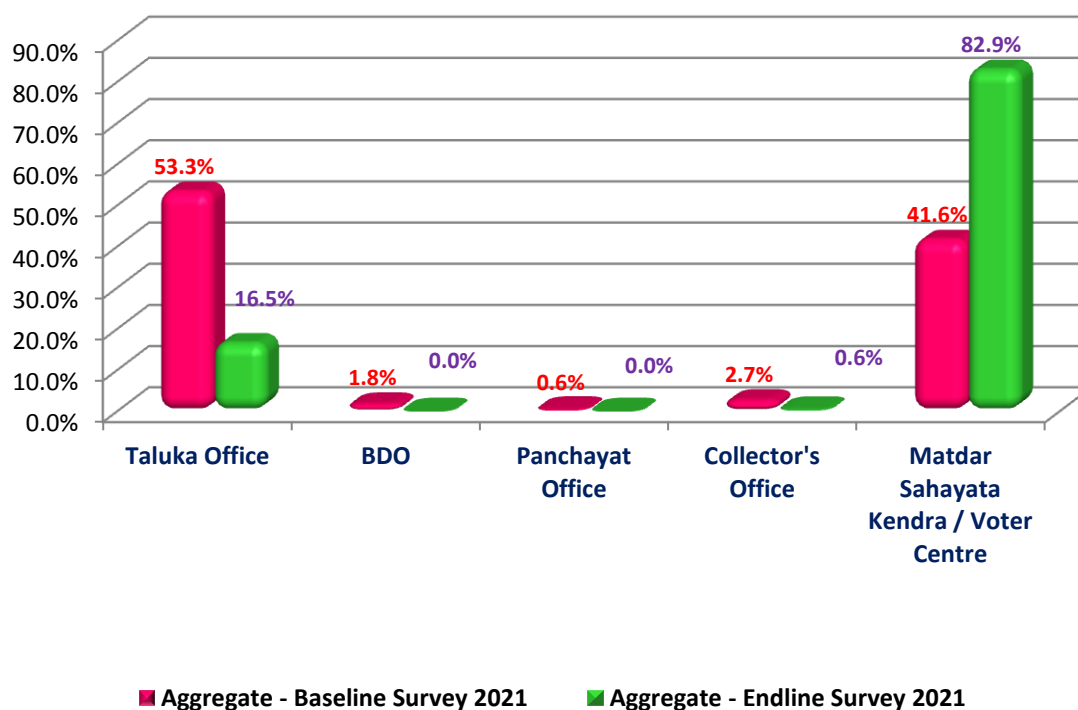


TABLE 134- C12: POSSESSION OF THE EPIC (ELECTION CARD)

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021
	Base : All respondents	1199	1200
1	Yes	99.9%	100.0%
2	No	0.1%	0.0%

Different from previous surveys, it is noticed that all the respondents were of the possession of EPIC card.

TABLE 135-C13: PERIOD OF EPIC CARD OBTAINED BY THE VOTER

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021
	Base : Respondents who possess EPIC	1196	1200
1	Before last assembly elections	70.4%	76.3%
2	After last assembly elections/ parliament elections	9.8%	0.0%
3	Don't remember	19.8%	23.7%

It is noticed that all the respondents were of the possession of the EPIC card before last Election which is 90.2% in the Baseline survey.

COMPARISON - PERIOD OF EPIC CARD OBTAINED BY THE VOTER (in %)

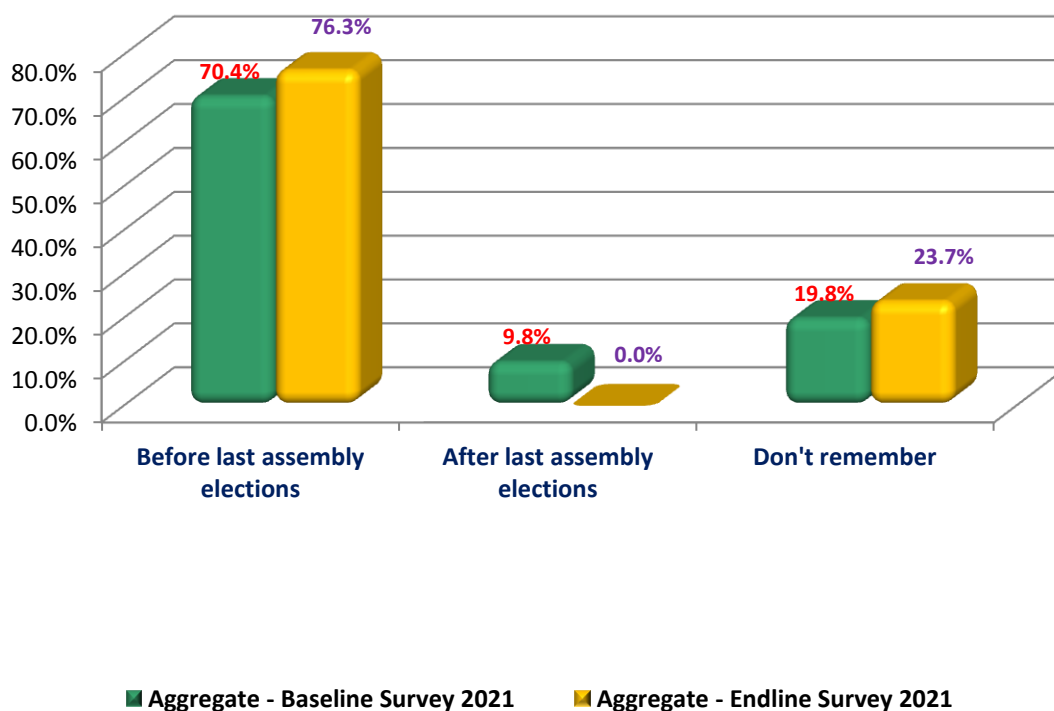


TABLE 136- C15: DIFFICULTYNESS TO GET THE EPIC CARD BY THE VOTER

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021
	Base : Respondents who possess EPIC	1196	1200
1	It is easy	89.1%	91.2%
2	It is not easy	1.8%	0.3%
3	Can't say / don't remember	9.1%	8.6%

From Table 136, it is observed that only a few respondents (0.3%) reported in the Endline survey as getting EPIC card was not easy. It was 1.8% in the Baseline survey.

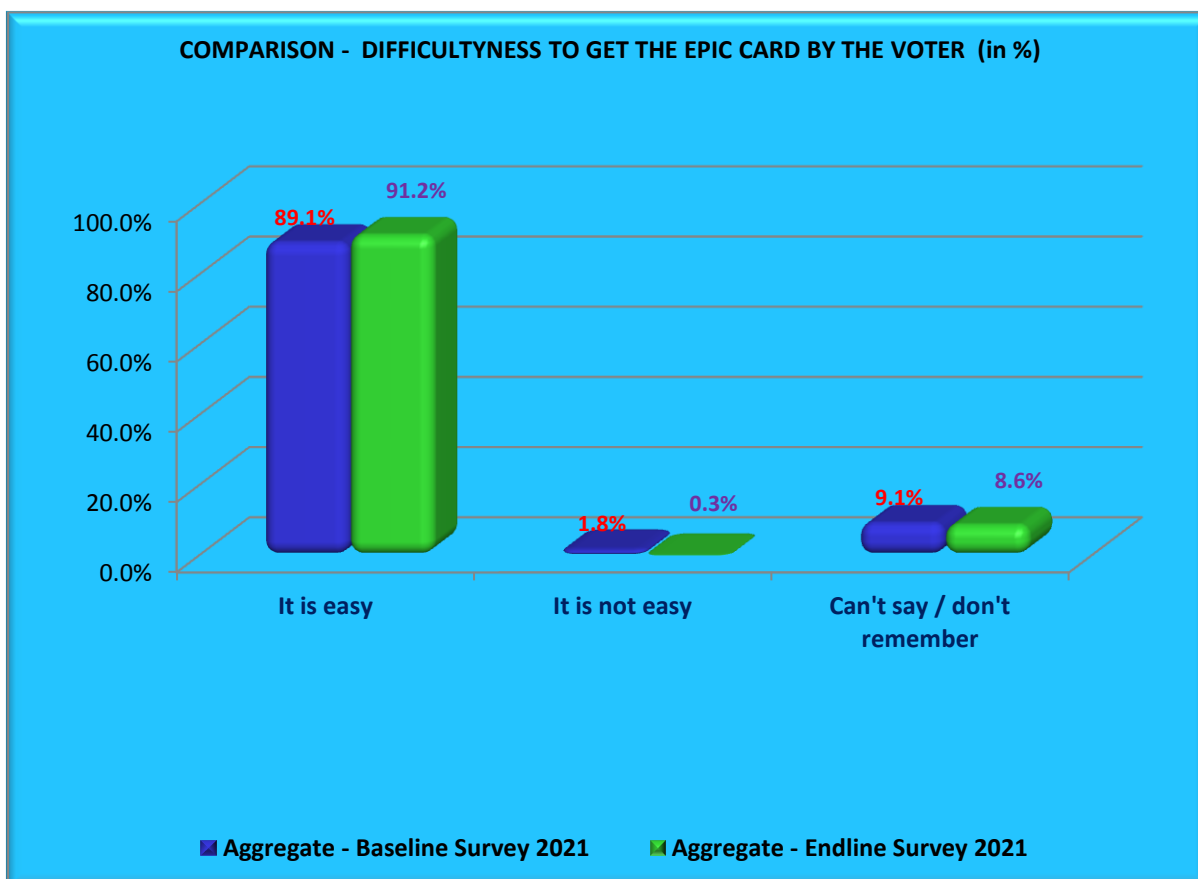


TABLE 137- D3: REASONS FOR NOT VOTING IN EITHER IN 2021 ASSEMBLY ELECTION OR 2019 PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021
	Base : Respondents who NOT voted in either last Assembly election or Parliamentary election	236	141
1	I did not have electoral photo ID Card	1.27%	0.00%
2	I did not know my polling station	0.00%	0.00%
3	Polling station was at distance (I had transportation logistic problem)	0.00%	0.00%
4	Long queue and I did not have time	1.69%	1.42%
5	No faith in political system (or electoral democracy)	0.85%	3.55%
6	Did not vote as community or religious leader said so	0.00%	0.00%
7	Head of family said not to vote	3.81%	0.71%
8	Voting is not essential for maintenance of democracy	0.00%	0.00%
9	There was no good candidate	2.54%	4.96%
10	Candidate was not of my choice or community	0.00%	1.42%
11	I just did not want to vote as nothing will change	0.00%	0.71%
12	I was not in my constituency	34.32%	15.60%
13	I was afraid/felt insecure to go to the polling station	0.00%	0.00%
14	My name was not on electoral roll	21.61%	53.19%
15	Others	7.63%	18.44%

COMPARISON - REASONS FOR NOT VOTING IN EITHER IN 2021 ASSEMBLY ELECTION OR 2019 PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION

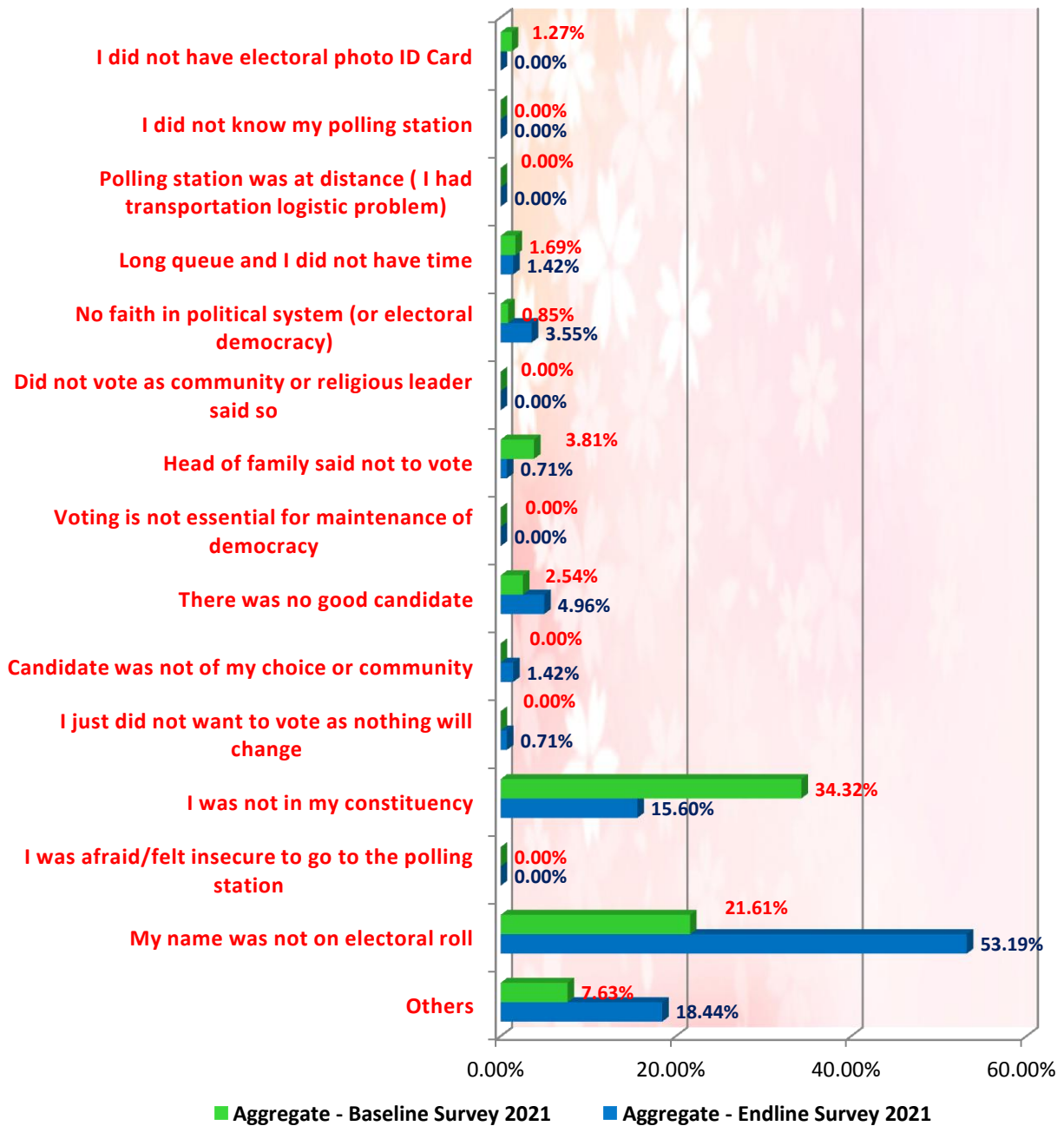


TABLE 138- D4: REASONS FOR VOTING IN EITHER IN THE LAST ASSEMBLY ELECTION OR PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021
	Base : Respondents who voted in either last Assembly election or Parliamentary election	1116	1126
1	I am political party sympathizer	2.4%	0.5%
2	Casted vote due to threat or coercion	0.0%	0.0%
3	Head of family said to vote	17.0%	49.6%
4	Influenced by friends	11.6%	13.0%
5	Wanted to defeat a particular candidate and/or a political party	4.5%	0.7%
6	It was my duty/right	95.8%	85.1%
7	Because of repeated appeal and advertisement by Election Commission	9.7%	3.1%
8	Because of enabling environment (free and fair) created by Election Commission	36.8%	45.9%
9	I got registered in electoral roll	26.6%	25.0%
10	Candidate was good	50.8%	59.1%
11	Candidate was of my choice and from community and religion	0.1%	0.3%
12	Candidate visited me personally	1.7%	1.2%
13	Money / Liquor was offered	0.1%	0.0%
14	Others	0.0%	0.0%

COMPARISON - REASONS FOR VOTING IN EITHER IN THE LAST ASSEMBLY ELECTION OR PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION

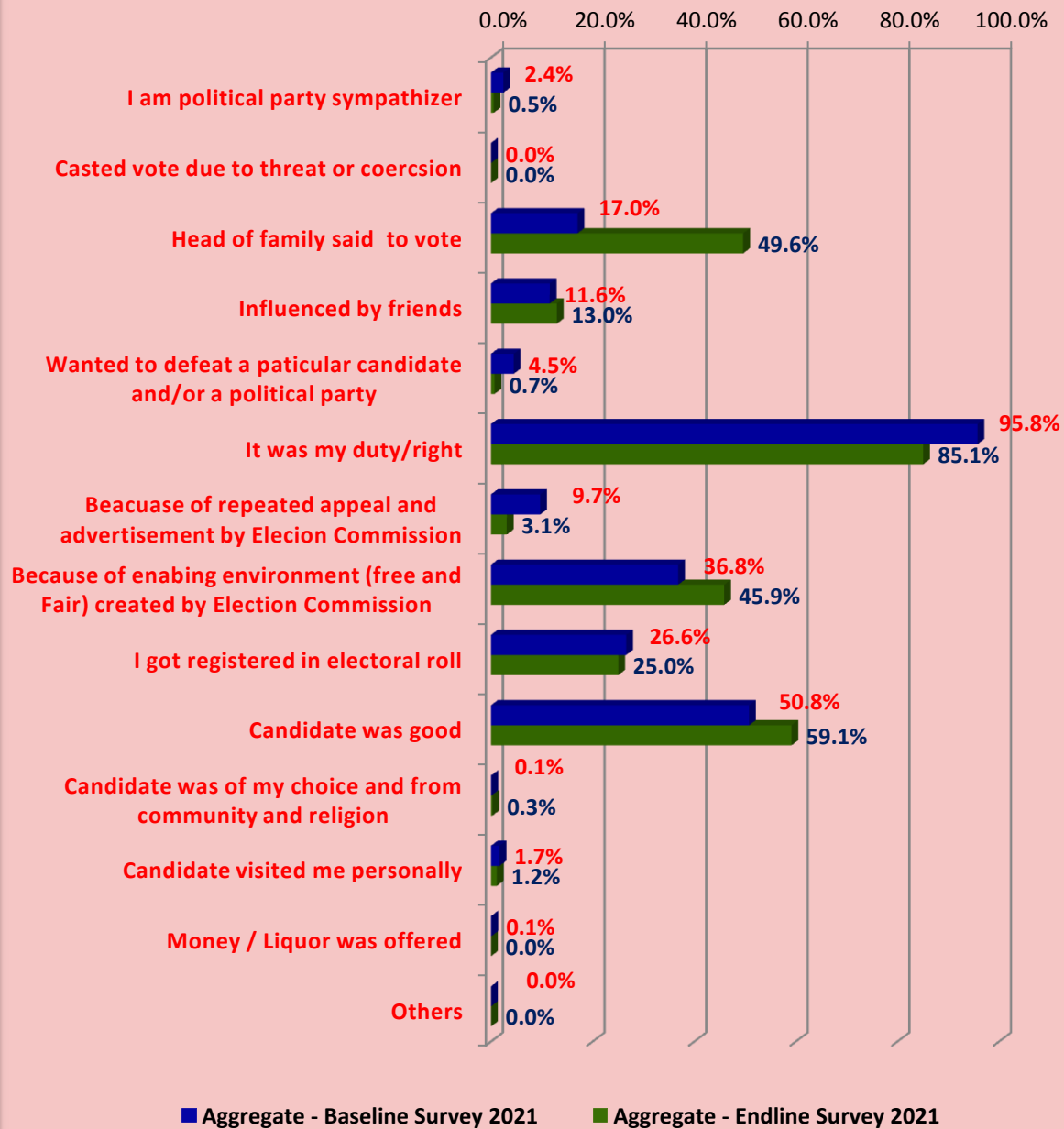


TABLE 139- D16: DIFFICULTIES FACED IN VOTING IN THE ELECTION

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021
	Base : Respondents who have voted either in last Assembly Election or last Parliament Election	1116	1126
1	Yes, faced difficulties	1.9%	1.7%
2	No, didn't face difficulties	98.1%	98.3%

Percentage of respondents who faced difficulties in voting decreased from 1.9% to 1.7% when comparing the Baseline survey and Endline Survey

TABLE 140- D17: DIFFICULTIES FACED BY THE VOTER IN VOTING IN ANY ELECTION

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021
	Base : Voters who faced difficulties in voting (Multiple Coding opted)	21	19
1	Long queue	95.24%	57.9%
2	No separate queue for senior citizen	9.52%	10.5%
3	Lack of facilities including drinking water toilet and ramp	0.00%	26.3%
4	Coercion/threat by political party booth operators	0.00%	0.0%
5	Difficulties in locating my polling station	0.00%	0.0%
6	Difficulties in getting my voter slip at facilitation centre	0.00%	0.0%
7	No guidance from polling personnel	0.00%	0.0%
8	Any other	0.00%	5.3%

Among the voters who faced the difficulties in voting, 95.24% reported the reason of long queue in the Baseline survey which is improved to 57.9% in the Endline survey. Reason for the decrease in difficulty may be the split of polling stations.

TABLE 141- F2: SOURCE OF ELECTION RELATED INFORMATION SEEN OR READ BY RESPONDENTS

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021
	Base : Respondents seen or read campaign of ECI(Multiple Coding)	785	883
1	Newspaper/magazine	58.2%	58.9%
2	TV advertisements and programmes	93.8%	84.6%
3	Radio and FM channels	32.0%	7.4%
4	Activity like Rallies, Prabhat Pheris, loudspeaker announcement	22.5%	53.0%
5	Government offices circular	0.8%	4.6%
6	Posters, hoardings and publicity materials	47.3%	53.6%
7	NGO and Civil society Group	1.3%	1.0%
8	Internet/social Media/Whatsapp	12.5%	20.3%
9	SMS	15.9%	18.6%
10	PwD app	N.A.	0.1%
11	At Polling station	6.0%	3.4%
12	Others	0.0%	0.0%

TABLE 142- F3: VOTER INFORMATION/MESSAGES RECEIVED BY CITIZEN

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021
	Base : Respondents seen or read campaign of ECI(Multiple Coding)	785	883
1	Date of Voting and Schedule	63.7%	76.2%
2	Voting is my right and duty	71.0%	39.0%
3	Caste vote as per choice and without taking any inducement	5.4%	11.9%
4	#GoRegister or Register	61.7%	43.4%
5	#GoVerify or Verify name in Voter List	65.1%	39.0%
6	12 identity documents allowed for Voting	20.1%	13.8%
7	Facilities provided at Polling Station	9.4%	18.9%
8	Priority Voting for old and PWDs	4.5%	16.1%
9	Voter helpline 1950 or Voter Helpline App	4.2%	16.8%
10	cVIGIL App related	0.8%	2.7%
11	NVSP portal	1.5%	3.9%
12	Others	0.3%	0.0%

COMPARISON - VOTER INFORMATION/MESSAGES RECEIVED BY CITIZEN (in %)

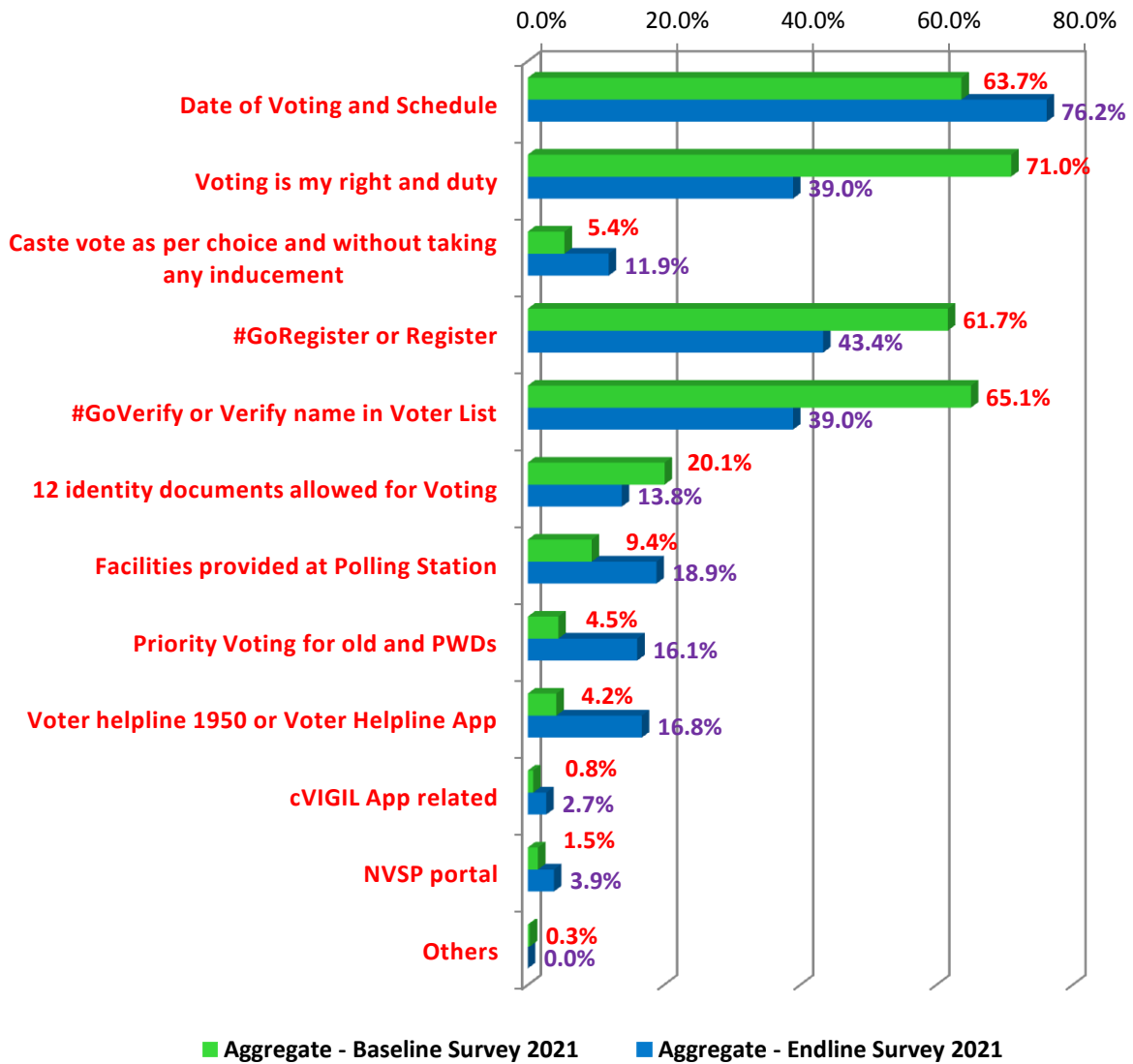


TABLE 143- F6 : RESPONDENTS ACCESSED THE WEBSITE OF ECI WWW.NVSP.IN

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021
	Base : All respondents	1199	1200
1	Yes, accessed www.nvsp.in at least one time	6.8%	14.0%
2	No, Not accessed the website	92.9%	81.8%
3	Don't know about the portal	0.3%	4.2%

Comparing the Baseline survey and Endline survey, it is observed that Percentage of the respondents accessed the ECI website increased from 6.8% to 14.0%.

TABLE 144- G6: SOURCE OF MEDIA RELY MOST TO GET NEWS ON ELECTIONS AND POLITICS

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021
	Base : All respondents	1199	1200
1	Newspaper/ magazine	5.00%	17.8%
2	Television	75.15%	70.8%
3	Radio	1.91%	0.6%
4	Internet	5.34%	2.8%
5	Mobile phone	9.26%	4.4%
6	Family/relatives/friends	3.34%	3.6%
7	Others	0.00%	0.1%

Comparing the Baseline survey and Endline survey, it is noticed that percentage of respondents relied Newspaper/ magazine is increased from 5.00% to 17.8%. Television is decreased from 75.15% to 70.8% and the Mobile phone is decreased from 9.26% to 4.40%.

SOURCE OF MEDIA RELY MOST TO GET NEWS ON ELECTIONS AND POLITICS

■ Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021
 ■ Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021

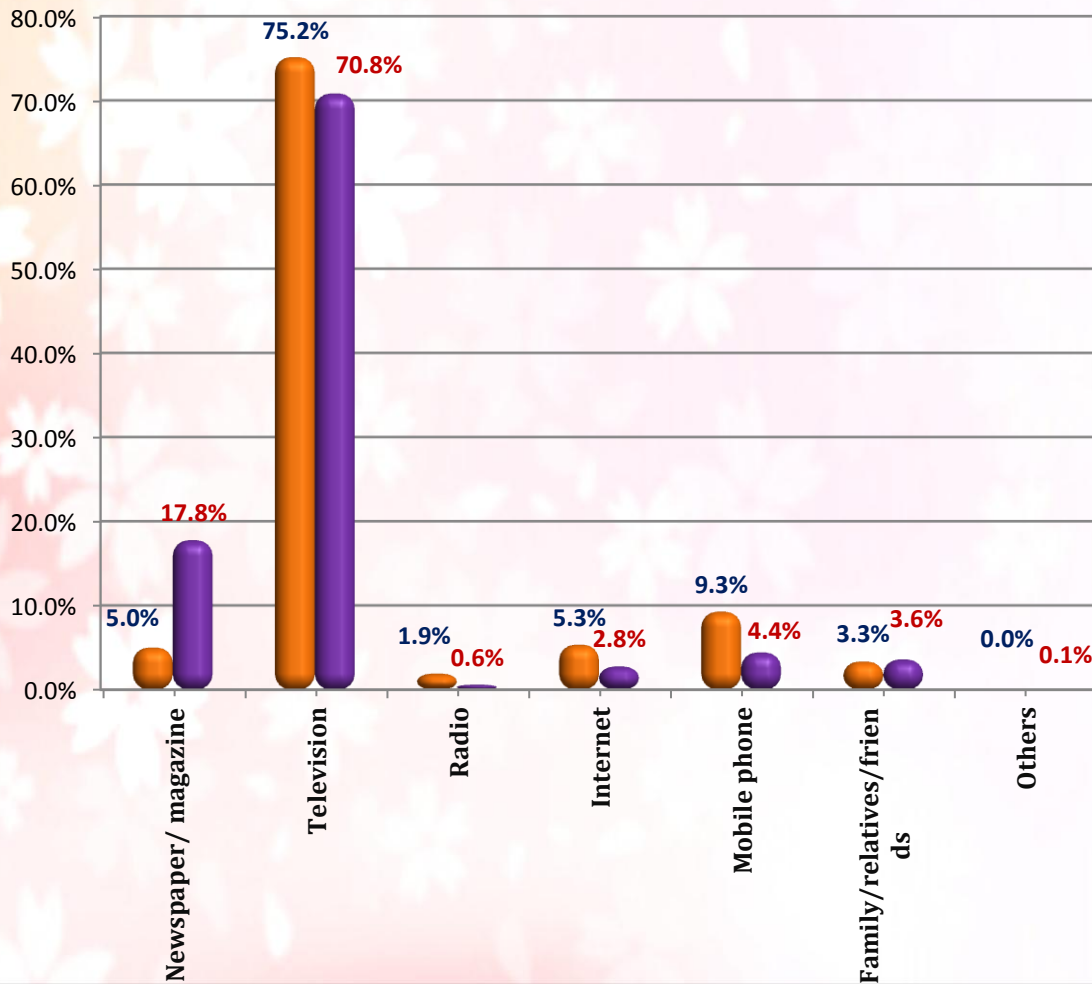


TABLE 145- G9 : FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED/PROVIDED TO THE VOTER ON THE POLLING BOOTH ON THE DAY OF VOTING RELATED TO PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES ASSOCIATED WITH COVID-19

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021- FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021 - FACILITIES PROVIDED
	Base : All respondents (Multiple Options opted)	1,199	1,200
1	Markings on ground to know where to stand in the queue	67.7%	75.2%
2	Availability of soap and water	45.4%	0.0%
3	Availability of sanitizers	96.6%	92.8%
4	Availability of masks	89.0%	69.9%
5	Thermal screening at the at the polling station	47.3%	80.8%
6	Any others	0.6%	0.0%

COMPARISON - FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED/PROVIDED TO THE VOTER ON THE POLLING BOOTH ON THE DAY OF VOTING RELATED TO PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES ASSOCIATED WITH COVID-19

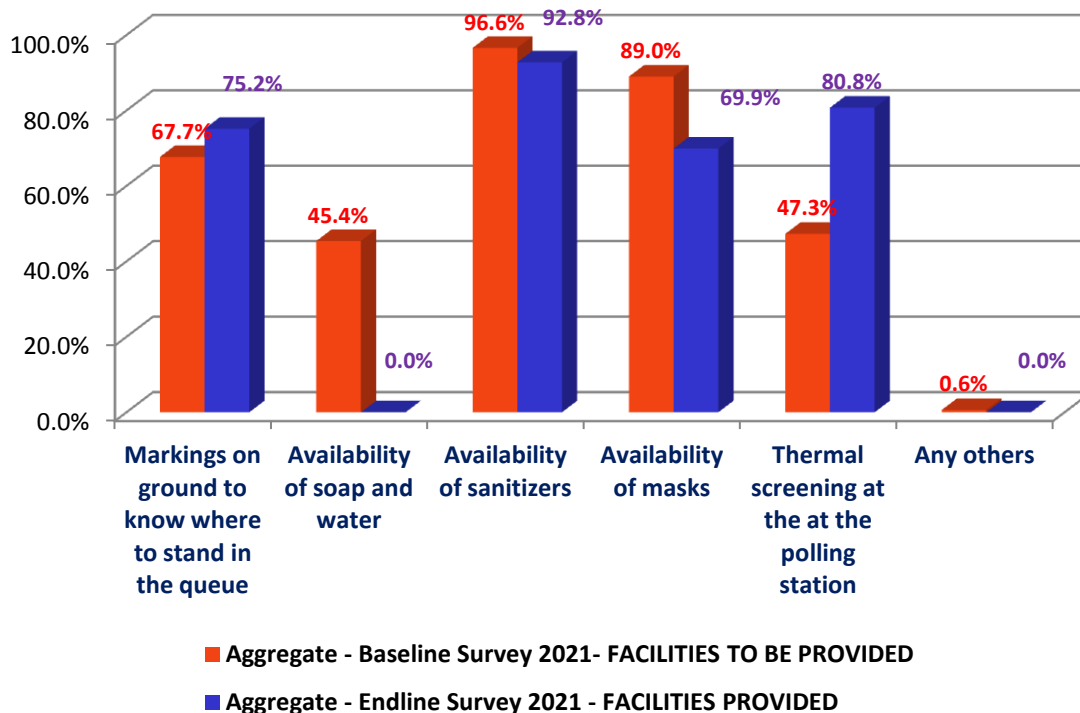


TABLE 146- H2: CONTACT OF BLO WITH PwD VOTERS

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021
	Base : All PwD respondents	117	120
1	Yes , BLO has contacted the voters	81.2%	95.8%
2	No , BLO has not contacted the voters	18.8%	4.2%

In the Baseline survey, 18.8% of the Pwd respondents reported that BLO has not contacted them. It is improved in the Endline survey. Only 4.2% of the PwD respondents have reported as BLO has not contacted.

TABLE 147- H3 : PwD's RATING ON THE PROCESS OF REGISTRATION

#	Description	Aggregate - Baseline Survey 2021	Aggregate - Endline Survey 2021
	Base : All PwD respondents	117	120
1	Easy	83.7%	98.3%
2	Neither easy nor difficult	15.4%	1.7%
3	Difficult	0.9%	0.0%

In the Endline survey, none of the PwD respondent reported as process of registration is difficult. In the Baseline survey, few respondents felt it difficult.

IMPORTANT FINDINGS / INFERENCES OF THE SURVEY

❖ Since the last General Assembly Election was conducted amidst Covid pandemic, majority of the Respondents expected the provision of Sanitizers, Soap and water, masks, Thermal screening and Markings on ground to know where to stand in the queue in the Polling stations during the Basline Survey. Mostly, all the respondents in the Endline survey expressed their satisfaction on the arrangements made by the Elections Department in Covid safe manner.

❖ During the previous surveys, it was noticed that few registered voters didn't have EPIC cards. In this survey, all the Respondents reported that they had EPIC card. All the Respondents obtained EPIC before the last General Assembly election.

❖ About 58.8% [within 15 days (20.3%)+within 1 month (38.5%)] respondents obtained EPIC card within a period of 1 month.

❖ 86.9% of the Respondents reported that the Election Department appointed the known local persons to help for enrolment of voters.

❖ Among above 86.9% of the respondents, 93.8% of the Respondents informed that the Elections Department appointed the known local person as Booth Level Officer.

❖ 82.5% of the Respondents expressed that the person appointed by the Election office visited the voter's house / office.

❖ 82.8% of the Respondents knew about the voter centres.

❖ More or less, all Respondents (98.9%) satisfied with the services provided at voter centre.

❖ All the Respondents knew the location of the Polling station.

❖ 85.08% of the Respondents casted their votes during the last Elections with the thought of Voting is their duty / right. 59.15% of the Respondents had casted their votes during last Elections because Candidate was good. 45.91% of the Respondents casted their vote because of enabling environment (free and fair) created by Election commission.

- ❖ 99.3% of the Respondents reported that they had felt convenient during the Elections.
- ❖ 59.9% of the Respondents were motivated by honesty of the candidates. 26.1% of the Respondents reported that they casted their vote to experienced candidates.
- ❖ It is observed that Good candidate was the factor (95.5% reported) influenced High voter turnout during the last elections.
- ❖ 75.0% of the respondents informed that they had very good experience in the Polling station during the last Elections. 24.3% of the respondents reported that the experience was good.
- ❖ 98.3% of the Respondents reported that there was no security threat during elections at any point.
- ❖ 98.2% of the respondents appreciated the Elections department for deployment of sufficient Police force during last elections.
- ❖ 99.7% [Very Cooperative (69.6%) + Cooperative(30.1%)] of the Respondents expressed their delight that the polling staff were cooperative.
- ❖ 98.3 Percentage of Respondents reported that they did not faced any difficulty in Polling station.
- ❖ 70.83% of the Respondents relied Television for Election news.
- ❖ As far as exposure is concerned, 90.4% of the respondents watched Television programmes almost every day for election related news while 50.8% read Newspapers / magazines. It is 34.2% in respect of listening to Radio (FM Channels).
- ❖ 90.5% [Agree (46.8%) + Strongly Agree (43.7%)] of the Respondents agreed that every vote is counted.
- ❖ 94.7% [Agree (44.0%) + Strongly Agree (50.7%)] of the respondents believed that Elections are conducted freely and fairly in our country.
- ❖ 88.0% [Agree (73.8%) + Strongly Agree (14.2%)] of the Respondents agreed that EVMs provide accurate results.

- ❖ 25.8% of the Respondents reported that they had not seen Election related campaign.
- ❖ 84.6% of the Respondents had seen or read Election related information in TV advertisements and programmes.
- ❖ The message “Voting is my right and duty” reached 39.0% of the Respondents. “#GoVerify or Verify name in voter list” reached 39.0% of the Respondents. “#GoRegister or Register” reached 43.4% of the Respondents. “Date of Voting and Schedule” reached 76.2% of the Respondents.
- ❖ 43.4% of the Respondents had seen the Tagline “#GoRegister, #GoVerify, #GoVote” during the Election campaign.
- ❖ The cricketer M.S. Dhoni was the most appealing Star during ECI advertisement or campaign.
- ❖ 86 percent [Not accessed the website (81.8%) + Don’t know about the portal (4.2%)] of the Respondents reported that they have not visited the online voter portal.
- ❖ Out of the 14.0% of the Respondents who accessed the website of ECI / CEO, majority of them (71.0%) accessed just to search the name and other details on the electoral roll while 42.0% accessed to know the polling station details.
- ❖ 95.8% of the PwD Respondents were aware of the facility of Postal ballots is extended to them by Election Commission during the last assembly election.
- ❖ 99.7% of the Respondents reported that there was no inducement from any group to influence voting.
- ❖ It is interesting to note that only 0.3% of the Respondents informed that there were Inducements (Distribution of cash among women through self help group only) during the General Assembly Election 2021.
- ❖ 99.8% of the Respondents reported that there was no money used by candidates / political parties to influence voting.

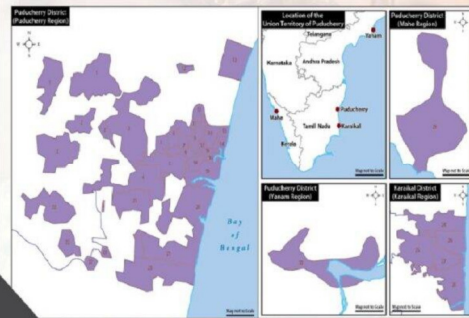
❖ 98.8% of the Respondents informed that they had not participated in rallies organized by political parties / candidates.

SUGGESTIONS / CONCLUSION / WAY FORWARD

- ✓ The split of polling stations has reduced the difficulties of the voters due to long queue. The Procedure may be followed in future also.
- ✓ Most of the voters appreciated the Elections Department for the steps taken to curb the distribution of cash / kind for voting. However, in some areas, the respondents reported that “Influence of money” still exists. Hence, majority of the respondents suggested that more Flying squads / corrective measures need to be deployed / taken to prevent distribution of cash / kind for voting.
- ✓ Most of the voters appreciated the Elections Department for the conduct of General Assembly Elections in Covid safe manner.
- ✓ *Further, it is suggested that in future stringent measures have to be taken to curb the influence of money in the elections by imposing heavy punishments to the defaulters.*
- ✓ It is also suggested that more awareness programmes / camps may be carried out under “SVEEP” especially among new / young voters to vote ethically, not only during the election time but also during non-election period. They may also be made aware about the evils of allowing the influence of money power in elections.
- ✓ The percentage of registration by using ECI / CEO Website for registration as voter in the electoral roll or for any purpose is very low. Registration through ECI portal was felt cumbersome by many respondents.
- ✓ Some of the PwDs informed that the BLO’s had not contacted them. Steps may be taken in future for ensuring 100% voting of the PwDs / Old age voters. Introduction of Postal ballots was reported as very helpful by PwDs and Old age voters.
- ✓ Elections Department has made all possible arrangements at the Polling stations amidst Covid front for easy exercising of the franchise of the voters is evident from the fact that 98.3% of the respondents said that they did not face any difficulty in voting.

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

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