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Network, Employment, dEbt, Mobility and Skills in South India Survey



WHAT IS IT?

Quantitative longitudinal data collection in rural Tamil Nadu.

Data collected aims at:

- Understanding how household financial practices, the formation of skills and social networks at the community and individual levels, influence observed inequalities in individuals' trajectories in terms of social status (class, caste, gender, ethnicity, religion), employment and migration.
- Investigating various forces at play, from the role of social structures (norms and institutions), the development and use of social networks, to the formation and use of cognitive skills.

QUESTIONNAIRES AND MODULES

Household questionnaire

- Socio-economic information
- Geolocation
- Education
- Labour (self-employment and salaried jobs)
- Migration
- Remittances
- Financial practices (loans, guarantee, chit fund, savings, gold, insurance, mobile finance, etc.)
- Agriculture (land, labourers, crops, livestock, equipment)
- Consumption and assets (amount, decision)
- Marriage (cost, gift, decision)
- Housing and facilities
- Schemes (MNREGA, ration cards, free house schemes, etc.)

Individual "Ego" questionnaire

- Employment episodes (first job, main occupation, aspirations, satisfaction at work, working conditions, and discrimination)
- Social networks through "name generators" (formal and informal ties, size, resources, perception)
- Cognition (Big-Five personality traits, locus of control, numeracy, literacy, and Raven matrices)



Migrant tracking questionnaire

- Household questionnaire (education, labour, financial practices, agriculture, consumption and assets, housing and facilities, schemes)
- Individual questionnaire (employment, social networks, cognition)
- Migration questionnaire (help, decision, cost, working conditions)

SAMPLE

NEEMsis-1 wave (2016-17)

- 492 households
- 2696 individuals
- Including 953 "Egos"
- In more than 10 villages
- 78 migrants over the Tamil Nadu

NEEMsis-2 wave (2020-21)

- 632 households
- 3647 individuals
- Including 1693 "Egos"
- 485 households in panel setting
- In more than 10 villages
- 63 migrants over the Tamil Nadu



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