

## Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA)

The process for conducting a Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA), the basic tool for any rural development programme is given below.

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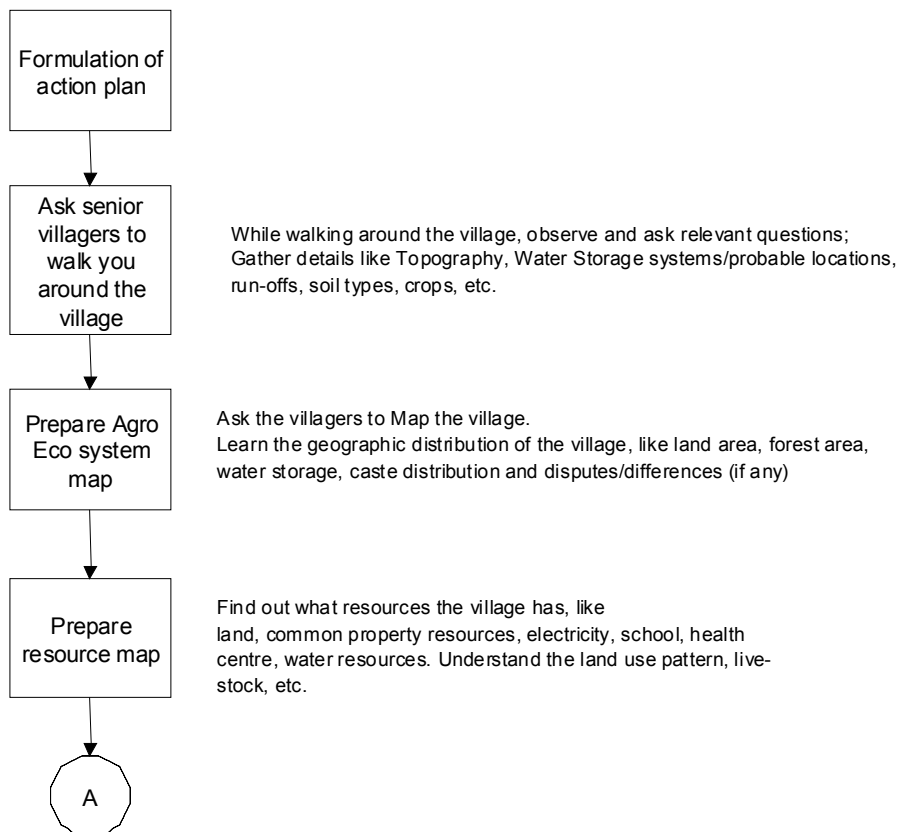
Since independence, rural development schemes were discussed and formulated at the District, State and National level without the participation of rural people. This ignored core local issues and the requirements of the particular area. As a result, these cost-intensive rural development schemes were unable to achieve their objectives.

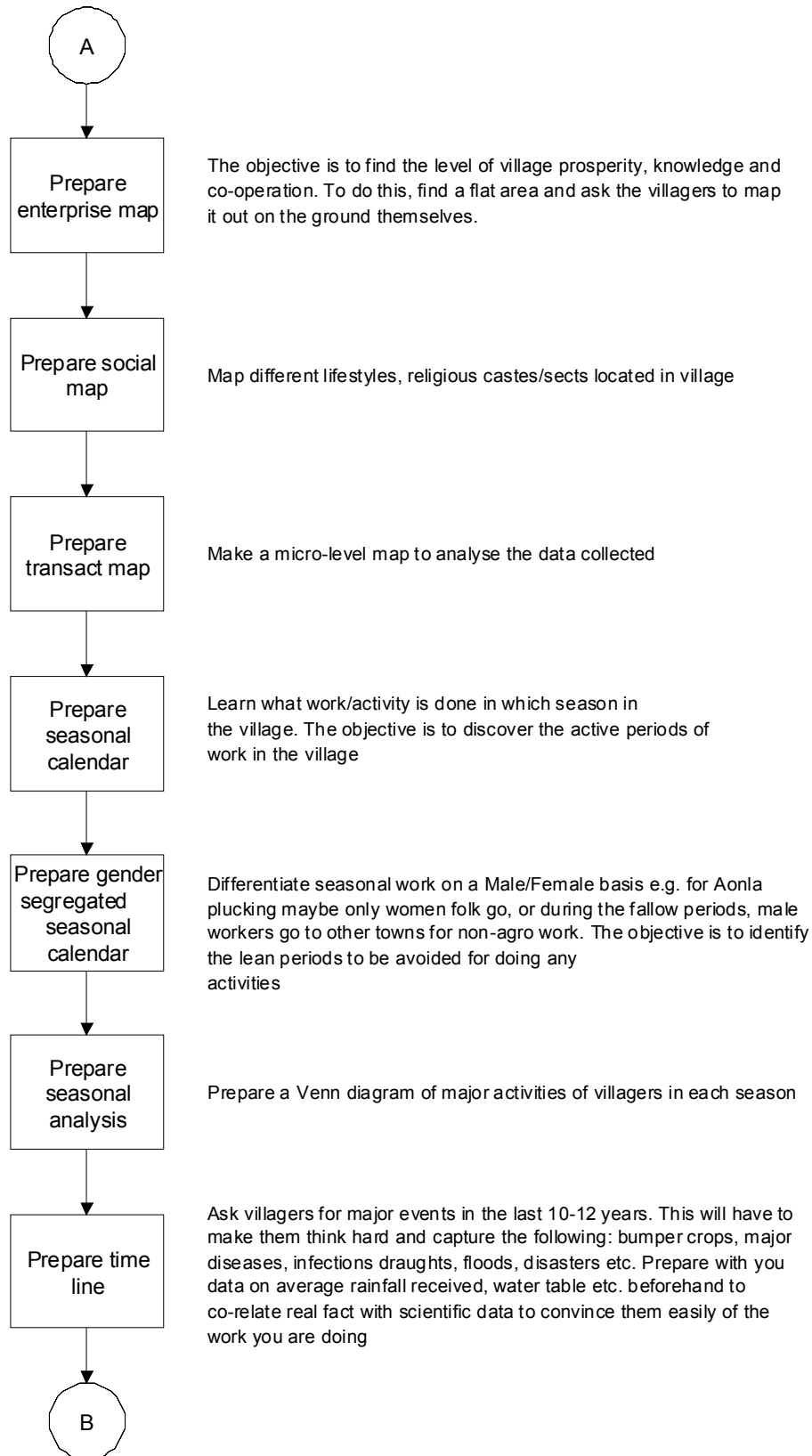
After planners and policy makers realized the shortcomings of this type of planning, they resolved to compulsorily enlist the participation of the people involved in the developmental schemes being carried out in their villages through a Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA). This procedure, which has now become the key document for any rural developmental work, ensures the people's understanding of their problems and helps in devising solutions that can be implemented by them. People's participation in rural projects increases their scope, stability and success rate.

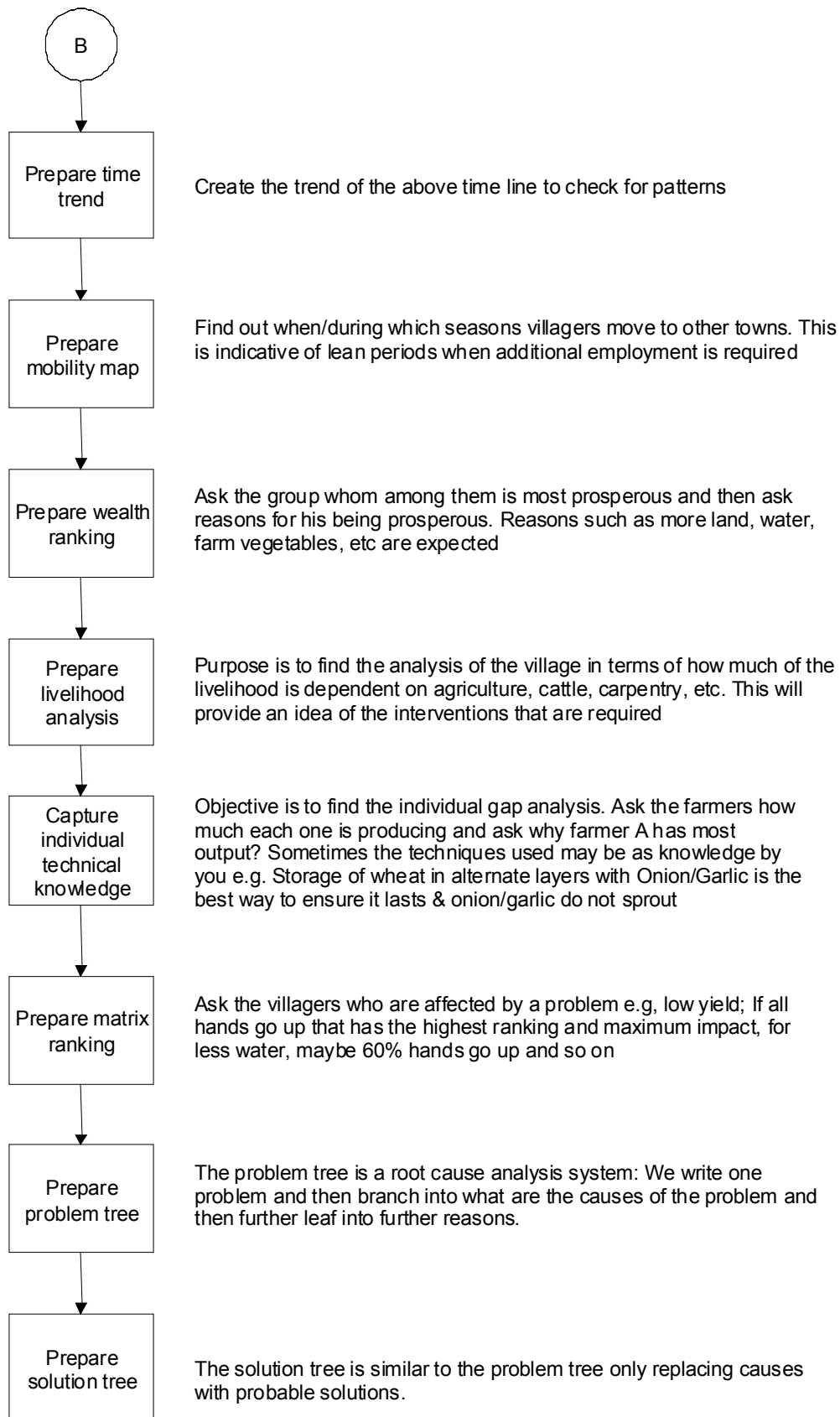
Such rural participatory programs succeed in bringing all sections of society including women and landless labourers, to a common meeting ground, where villagers are apprised of their problems; educated about the rural development project, and their need for the project to alleviate their problems. This further ensures a surge of voluntary participation by them.

The objective of the PRA is to gain the confidence of the villagers, who will then divulge basic information regarding local conditions relating to farming, schools, wells, ponds, flora & fauna, roads, forests, and a variety of other data that can help in devising solutions to their problems.

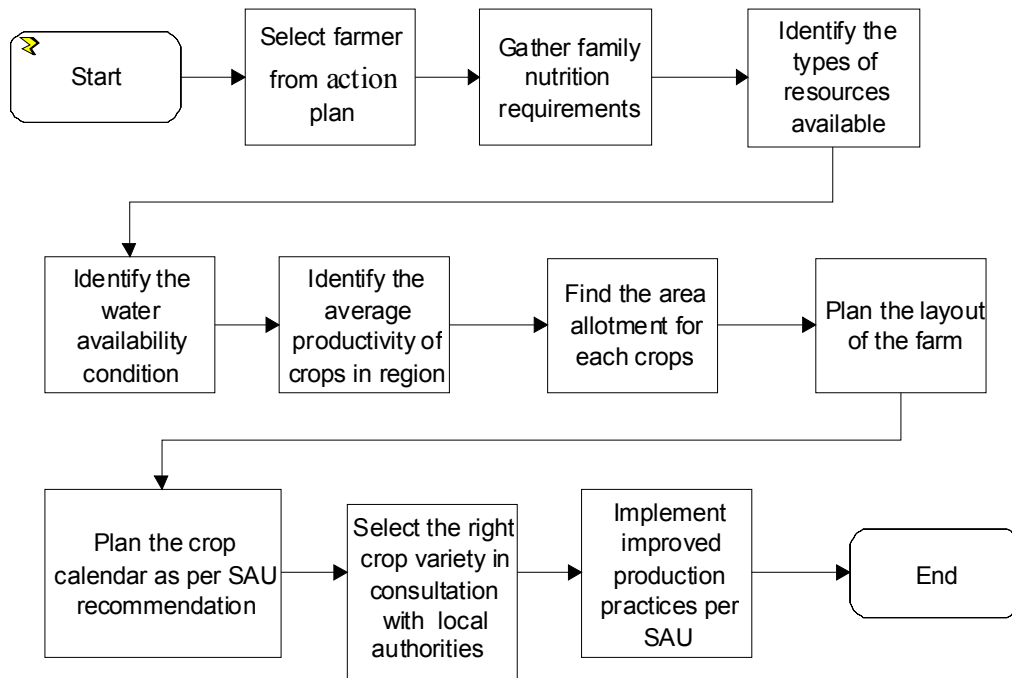
#### Process to conduct PRA







## Sample Process



## Questionnaire for Village Survey

Survey Done On (Date):

**1 Name of village**

- a Block
- b Panchayat
- c Tehsil
- d District
- e State

**2 Population**

- (i) Total Family
- (ii) Total Members
  - a Man
  - b Woman
  - c ~~Child~~ Male
  - d Female Child
  - e S.C.
  - f S.T.
  - g O.B.C.
  - h General
  - i Religion
    - (i) Hindu
    - (ii) Muslim
    - (iii) Christian
    - (iv) Other

**3 No. of Farm Families**

- a Big (Landholding > 5 Hectare)
- b Small (Landholding 1-5 Hectare)
- c Marginal (Upto 1 Hectare)
- d Landless

**4 No. of Families Possessing**

- a Huts
- b Kacha (Earthen House)
- c Pakka (Brick House)
- d Kacha/Pakka

**5 Availability of Approach Roads and Internal Lanes and Condition**

Approach Roads	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	
No. of Approach Roads					
Condition of Approach Roads	Good		Bad		Remarks
Internal Lanes	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	
No. of Internal Lanes					
Condition of Internal Lanes	Good		Bad		Remarks

**6 Availability of Infrastructure**

a School

(i) Primary School (Upto 5th Standard) Yes  No   
Distance From Village km.(ii) Junior School (6th to 8th Standard) Yes  No   
Distance From Village km.(iii) High School (9th to 10th Standard) Yes  No   
Distance From Village km.(iv) Intermediate School (10+2) Yes  No   
Distance From Village km.

(v) Other (like Anganwadi, Shiksha Guarantee Scheme, etc.)

b No. of Students

(i) Boys

(ii) Girls

c Playground Yes  No  Remarksd Panchayat Bhavan Yes  No  Remarkse Sharda Kendra (Place of Worship) Yes  No  kmf Post Office Yes  No  kmg Health Facility (General Practitioners) Yes  No  kmh Primary Health Centre Yes  No i Bank Yes  No  kmj Electrical Connection Yes  No k Source of Drinking Water Yes  No 

(i) No. of Wells

(ii) No. of Ponds

(iii) No. of Hand Pumps

(iv) No. of Tube Wells

**7 Other educational facilities and type (like anganwadi, shiksha guarantee, etc.)**

a No. of Anganwadi

b No. of Shiksha Guarantee

**8 Type of drainage system**

a Earthen Drain

b Masonry Drain

c No. of Soak Pits

**9 Average Crop Productivity**

Sr. No	Crops	Area Under Crops (acre)	Production (Quintal/acre)
1	Sorghum		
2	Pea	Pigeon	
3		Paddy	
4		Wheat	

**10 No. of BPL (Below Poverty Line) Families (Income Less Than Rs. 1,500 per Month)**

**11 No. of Traditional Occupations**

- a Barber
- b Pottery
- c Shoe Maker
- d Carpentry
- e Folklore Medicine (Traditional Medicine)

**12 No. of Boys and Girls (5 to 14 years) Who Do Not Go To School**

- a Boys
- b Girls

**13 No. of Orchards/Plants**

**14 No. of Nutritional Kitchen Gardens**

**15 Irrigation Facilities Available**

- a Canal
- b Tube Well/Bore Well
- c Ponds
- d River
- e Well

**16 No. of animals**

Sr. No.	Animals	Number		Breed	
1	Cattle				
2	Buffalo				
3	Goat				
4	Sheep				
5	Pig				
6	Poultry				
7	Bullocks				
8	Fisheries				
9	Other				

**17 Transportation facility**

- a Tractor
- b Car/Jeep
- c Motorcycle/Scooter
- d Cycle
- e Bullock Cart
- f Truck

**18 Availability of panchavati** Yes No If yes, how many

**Trees**

- a Pipal
- b Banyan
- c Mango
- d Aonla
- e Bel

**19 No. of Families Using Organic Manure**

- a Fully (Area in Acres)
- b Partially (Area in Acres)

**20 No. of Seed Clubs**

**21 No. of Families Using Agricultural Technology**

- a Traditional (Indigenous Technical Knowledge)
- b Improved Technology

**22 Availability of Improved Agricultural Implements**

- a Tractor
- b Duster
- c Sprayer
- d Thresher
- e Seed Drill
- f Diesel pump

**23 Availability of Signboards, Information Boards and Wall-writing**

- a Signboards
- b Information Boards
- c Wall-writing

**24 No. of Unemployed Rural People (16 yrs. and Above)**

**25 No. of Disputes**

- a Revenue (Property Related)
- b Faujdari (Criminal)

**26 Data on Social Consciousness**

Sr. No.	Indicator	No. of instances	Details
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			
9			



- 27 Social Map**
- a Topography & Hydrology
  - b Enterprise Map
  - c Village

**Questionnaire for Family Survey**

Survey Done On (Date):

**1 Village Name**

- a Panchayat
- b Block
- c Tehsil
- d District
- e Postal Address
- f Pin Code

**3 Land Holding (In Acres)**

- a Irrigated Area
- b Cultivable Area
- c Orchard/No. of Plants & Type

**4 Irrigation Facilities**

- a Canal
- b Tube Well
- c Ponds
- d
- e
- f

**5 Crop Productivity & Its Area**

Sr. No.	Crop	Area in Acres	Productivity (Quintal per Acre)	Total Production	Quantity Consumed	Quantity Sold (Quintal and Rs.)
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
11						



**6 No. of Animals**

Sr. No	Animal	No. of Animals	Breed	Production per Animal	Quantity Sold
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					

**7 Agricultural Equipment**

Tractor                    Yes     No   
 Thresher                 Yes     No   
 Seed Drill                Yes     No   
 Sprayer                  Yes     No   
 Duster                    Yes     No   
 Diesel engine            Yes     No   
 Any other                Yes     No

If yes, specify

**8 Entertainment Facilities**

Television                Yes     No   
 Radio                      Yes     No   
 Tape Recorder            Yes     No   
 Games                    Yes     No   
 Any other                Yes     No

If yes, specify

**9 Transport Facilities**

Car/Jeep                 Yes     No   
 Motorcycle/Scooter      Yes     No   
 Cycle                     Yes     No   
 Bullock cart              Yes     No

**10 Source of Drinking Water and Its Distance From House**

a Hand Pumps            Distance  
 b Well                     Distance  
 c Tubewell                Distance  
 d Piped Water            Distance  
 e Any Other               Distance

**11 Methods of Medical Treatment**

- a Allopathic
  - b Ayurvedic
  - c Traditional
  - d Jhad Phook
  - e Other
- Preference
- 1
  - 2
  - 3
  - 4
  - 5
  - 6

12 Dispute					
Type of Dispute	Yes	No	Registered	Not Registered	Period of Dispute
Family Disputes					
Revenue Disputes					
Foujdari (Criminal)					
Any Other - Describe					

**13 Condition of Houses**

- a Katcha
- b Pakka
- c Katcha/Pakka
- d Hut

**14 Facilities Available in the House**

- a Toilet Yes  No
- b Drainage Yes  No
- c Soak Pit Yes  No
- d Cattle Shed Yes  No
- e Compost Pit Yes  No
- f NADEP Yes  No
- g LPG Gas Yes  No
- h Biogas Yes  No
- i Solar (Cooking System) Yes  No
- j Telephone Yes  No
- k Electric Connection Yes  No

**15 Nutritional Kitchen Garden**

- a Available Yes  No

**16 Name of Person in Family Suffering From Serious Diseases**

Sr. No.	Name	Age	Sex	Name of Diseases	Suffering Since	Treatment Taken From

**17 Knowledge About folklore Medicine (Family Member's Name)**

Name of the Person	Name of the Plant		Uses of the Plant
	Local	Botanical	

**18 Health Programme Implemented**

- a Vaccination During Pregnancy Yes  No
- b Child Vaccination Yes  No   
 If yes, Schedule of Vaccination
- i Completed
- ii Not Completed
- c Awareness About Family Planning Yes  No   
 If yes, Contraceptive Method Applied or Not
- i Applied
- ii Not Applied

**19 Children's Data**

No. of Births During the Last 3 Years	No. of Deaths of Infants During the Last 3 years	No. of Malnourished Children and Adults

**20 Malnutrition Data of Children/Adults**

Sr. No.	Name	Sex	Age	Height (feet)	Weight (kg)	Cause/ Disease

**21 Availability of Guduchi & Tulsi Plants**

- a Tulsi Yes  No   
b Guduchi Yes  No

**22 No. of Family Members Who Do Not Have Proper Clothes or Bedding**

- a Clothing Yes  No   
b Bedding Yes  No

**23 No. of Family Members Who Are Not Getting 2 Meals a Day**

**24 No. of Family Member Who Have Migrated For Employment**

- a Permanent  
b Seasonal  
c According to Need

**25 Training Taken**

Sr. No.	Family Member's Name	Type of Training/Skill	Training Institute	Year of Passing