Interview Guide

UNDERSTANDING WORK MOTIVATION AND INCENTIVE PREFERENCES TO IMPROVE RURAL RETENTION AMONG SPECIALIST PHYSICIANS IN RAJASTHAN, INDIA: A DISCRETE CHOICE EXPERIMENT

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Themes	Researcher's Questions	Interviewer questions	Probes
Personal work situation & Experience	 Opening rapport building questions about the participants to know their educational & professional history. Details about their family background Sociodemographic details. Professional goals Current & previous work experience in rural /urban location if any. 	 Please tell me about yourself, your background & your objective of joining the medical profession. I would like to know about your experience & journey as a medical professional so far. 	 City of origin Married or single No. of years married, do you have children (If yes, how many) Is your spouse also in the medical profession? Did parental ambitions, childhood experience influence your reason for entering the medical profession or was it about your idea of service & contribution to the society? Personal background is rural or urban? Is your family also established in the same background? (urban set up or rural set up) Years of service in the current profession, Monthly household income (optional)

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Personal preferences for joining community health centres/semi-rural regions of Rajasthan	What are the intrinsic factors of work motivation for joining community health centres/semi-rural regions of Rajasthan?	Is there anything in you as a person, which inclines you towards this kind of profession?	 Personal values of service Personal fulfillment Familial values Disinclination for private practice Geographical affinities (upbringing, community & culture) Rural upbringing Familiarity with village life
professionals?	medical professionals to work at one of the control		omparison to male medical
Also, a story, where you felt unh	appy & demotivated as a doctor.		

Thank You!!