Field Check Table for LASI, India – Wave 1

Variable	Data Type	Expected Range	Field Check Description	Action if Error
Age (age)	Numeric	60 to 100+	Ensure that the respondent's age falls within the expected range (i.e., respondents should be 60 or older).	Correct if below 60 or unreasonably high values. Verify with survey team.
Gender (gender)	Categorical	1=Male, 2=Female, 3=Other	Check for valid responses (1, 2, or 3). No missing data allowed.	If invalid or missing, clarify with respondent or review interviewer notes.
Marital Status (marital_status)	Categorical	1=Married, 2=Widowed, 3=Divorced, 4=Never Married, 5=Separated	Ensure that responses are valid and consistent with social context (e.g., widowed should not indicate "Married").	Follow-up with the respondent for clarification if response is inconsistent.
Education Level (education)	Categorical	1=No formal education, 2=Some schooling, 3=Primary, 4=Secondary, 5=Higher education	Check that the education level corresponds logically with the respondent's age and region (e.g., older respondents should not report very high levels of education).	Investigate and clarify if response is inconsistent with respondent's background.
Self-Rated Health (health_status)	Categorical	1=Very Poor, 2=Poor, 3=Fair, 4=Good, 5=Very	Ensure valid responses (1 to 6). If "Very Poor" or	Check if response matches interviewee's

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		Good, 6=Excellent	"Excellent" is reported, ask follow-up questions.	health context. If unsure, follow up for clarification.
Physical Activity (phys_activity)	Categorical	0=No, 1=Yes	Check if the response is either 0 or 1. Verify if inconsistencies arise with other health-related variables (e.g., health status).	Follow-up with respondent to check consistency of responses.
Chronic Disease (chronic_disease)	Categorical	1=Yes, 0=No	Verify responses against other health variables (e.g., if reporting chronic disease, ask for specifics).	Check for missing or invalid responses. If chronic disease is reported, further follow-up on type of disease may be needed.
Household Size (hh_size)	Numeric	1 to 20	Ensure the household size is a reasonable number (typically 1-20 for this population).	If the number is too low or too high, verify with the respondent and adjust if necessary.
Income (income)	Numeric	0 to 1,000,000+	Ensure income values are within plausible range (0 to 1,000,000 INR or more for larger households).	Verify if income seems unusually low or high based on the respondent's background and occupation.

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Employment Status (employment)	Categorical	1=Employed, 2=Unemployed, 3=Retired, 4=Other	Cross-check with age, health status, and other socio-demographic data to ensure logical consistency.	Clarify with respondent if any inconsistencies are noted between reported employment and age/health status.
Living Arrangement (living_arrangement)	Categorical	1=Alone, 2=With spouse, 3=With children, 4=With relatives, 5=Other	Check for consistency with marital status and household size.	If inconsistent, verify with the respondent or review the responses for accuracy.
Disability (disability)	Categorical	1=Yes, 0=No	Check if disability status aligns with self-reported health status and chronic diseases.	Verify with respondent if discrepancy exists, especially if both disability and good health are reported.
Sleep Hours (sleep_hours)	Numeric	0 to 24	Ensure that the reported sleep hours are within a plausible range (0-24 hours).	If sleep hours are reported as unusually low or high, follow up with the respondent for clarification.
Tobacco Use (tobacco_use)	Categorical	1=Yes, 0=No	Ensure that tobacco use is reported correctly and cross-check with other health-related questions.	If discrepancies or inconsistencies are found, verify with the respondent.

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Alcohol Consumption (alcohol_use)	Categorical	1=Yes, 0=No	Cross-check for inconsistencies with health and chronic disease variables.	Follow up for additional details if alcohol use is reported in conjunction with certain health conditions.
Hearing Issues (hearing_issues)	Categorical	1=Yes, 0=No	Check if responses match expected patterns (older individuals are more likely to report hearing issues).	Clarify if there is any ambiguity in the response or if the respondent has trouble understanding the question.