Q1: Before you went to vote, did you know that electronic voting machines (EVM) were to be used?

	N	(%)
1: No	412	23.0
2: Yes	**1381**	**77.0**
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

Q2: In your opinion, was this method better, worse, or no different to the earlier method of stamping a ballot paper?

	N	(%)
1: No difference	77	4.3
2: EVM worse	108	6.0
3: EVM better	1480	82.5
8: Can't say/Don't know	128	7.1
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

Q3: While talking to people about the just concluded assembly elections, we found that some people were able to vote and some were not able to vote. How about you? Were you able to vote or not?

	N	(%)
1: No	99	5.5
2: Yes	1694	94.5
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

a: (**If not voted**) What was the main reason that you could not vote in this election?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Did not know I was a voter	1	.1	1.0
	2: Out of Station	9	.5	9.1
	3: Not well/too weak to go	20	1.1	20.2
	4: Have no interest/did not feel like voting	5	.3	5.1
	5: Prevented by some people from voting	1	.1	1.0
	6: Somebody had already voted before I went to vote	16	.9	16.2
	7: Fear of violence at polling station	3	.2	3.0

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
	8: Others	44	2.5	44.4
	Total	**99**	**5.5**	**100.0**
Missing	9: Not Applicable	1694	94.5	
Total		**1793**	**100.0**	

b: (**If voted**) When did you finally make up your mind about who to vote for, on the polling day, after campaign started or much before the campaign begin?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: On polling day	145	8.1	8.5
	2: After the candidates were announced	229	12.8	13.5
	3: Before campaign began	1170	65.3	69.1
	8: Can't say	150	8.4	8.8
	Total	**1694**	**94.5**	**100.0**
Missing	9: Not applicable	99	5.5	
Total		**1793**	**100.0**	

c: (**If voted**) Who did you vote for?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	01: Congress	131	7.3	7.7
	02: BJP	82	4.6	4.8
	03: JD(united)	4	.2	.2
	04: CPI	5	.3	.3
	05: CPI(M)	504	28.1	29.8
	08: Independent	56	3.1	3.3
	09: Others	18	1.0	1.1
	10: DMK and allies	1	.1	.1
	13: LDF-Independent	1	.1	.1
	15: Trinamul Cong.	390	21.8	23.0
	17: PDS	18	1.0	1.1
	18: TMC	1	.1	.1
	28: INL	3	.1	.2
	30: Trinamul Congress and allies	101	5.6	6.0
	40: Left Front	91	5.1	5.4
	41: RSP	74	4.2	4.4

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
	44: FBL	100	5.6	5.9
	98: Don't know	112	6.2	6.6
	Total	**1694**	**94.5**	**100.0**
Missing	99: Blank/Refuse	99	5.5	
Total		**1793**	**100.0**	

Q4:   Now I will talk about the 1999 Lok Sabha elections. Were you able to vote or not?

	N	(%)
1: No	69	3.9
2: Yes	1690	94.3
8: Don't remember	16	.9
9: Not a voter	17	1.0
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

a: (**If Yes**) Who did you vote for?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	01: Congress	229	12.8	13.5
	02: BJP	104	5.8	6.1
	03: JD(united)	2	.1	.1
	04: CPI	21	1.2	1.3
	05: CPI(M)	622	34.7	36.8
	08: Independent	6	.3	.3
	09: Others	17	1.0	1.0
	11: Kerala Cong (B)	1	.1	.1
	15: Trinamul Cong.	377	21.0	22.3
	18: TMC	2	.1	.1
	20: AIADMK and allies	2	.1	.1
	30: Trinamul Congress and allies	53	3.0	3.1
	33: SP	1	.1	.1
	40: Left Front	77	4.3	4.6
	41: RSP	50	2.8	2.9
	44: FBL	19	1.1	1.1
	70: Congress and allies	1	.1	.1
	78: MGR Kazhagam	1	.1	.1

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
	81: DMK	1	.1	.1
	88: Kerala Cong. (Josheph)	1	.1	.1
	98: Don't know	103	5.7	6.1
	Total	**1690**	**94.3**	**100.0**
Missing	99: Blank/Refuse	103	5.7	
Total		**1793**	**100.0**	

Q5: Did you attend any election meeting during the recent election campaign?

	N	(%)
1: No	1351	75.4
2: Yes	442	24.6
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

Q6: Did you participate in any campaign activity like canvassing, organize meeting, joining procession, collecting money etc.?

	N	(%)
1: No	1401	78.1
2: Yes	392	21.9
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

Q7: Did any candidate, party worker or canvasser come to your house during the campaign to ask you for your vote?

	N	(%)
1: No	414	23.1
2: Yes	1315	73.4
8: Can't say/Don't know	64	3.6
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

Q8: What is your assessment of the work done by the LF government in West Bengal during the last five years? Are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, or not at all satisfied?

	N	(%)
1: Not at all	487	27.2
2: Somewhat Satisfied	592	33.0

	N	(%)
3: Very Satisfied	446	24.9
8: Can't say/Don't know	267	14.9
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

Q9:   Who would you prefer as the next Chief Minister of West Bengal?

	N	(%)
0: Don't know	325	18.1
1: Jyoti Basu	156	8.7
2: Mamata Banerjee	634	35.4
3: Budhadeb Bhattacharya	497	27.7
4: Pranab Mukharjee	25	1.4
5: Ajit Kumar Panja	16	.9
6: Tapan Sikdar	27	1.5
7: Any one from Left front	41	2.3
8: Any one from Congress	26	1.5
9: Others	46	2.6
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

Q10:   Now I would read some statement about performance of the Left government during last 25 years. Tell us whether you agree or disagree?

a: The poor have gained greater dignity

	N	(%)
1: Disagree	548	30.6
2: Agree	986	55.0
8: Can't say/Don't know	259	14.4
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

b: The party interferes in every aspect of people's life

	N	(%)
1: Disagree	778	43.4
2: Agree	695	38.8
8: Can't say/Don't know	320	17.9
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

c: Flood relief was prompt and efficient

	N	(%)
1: Disagree	639	35.6
2: Agree	554	30.9
8: Can't say/Don't know	600	33.5
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

d: North Bengal region has been neglected

	N	(%)
1: Disagree	326	18.2
2: Agree	406	22.6
8: Can't say/Don't know	1061	59.2
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

Q11:   After this election, which party or alliance would you like to form the next government in West Bengal?

	N	(%)
01: Congress	34	1.9
02: BJP	48	2.7
03: JD(united)	1	.1
04: CPI	1	.1
05: CPI(M)	195	10.9
09: Others	10	.6
10: DMK and allies	1	.1
11: Kerala Cong (B)	1	.1
13: LDF-Independent	1	.1
14: PDP Mathani	2	.1
15: Trinamul Cong.	153	8.5
28: INL	1	.1
30: Trinamul Congress and allies	483	26.9
33: SP	1	.1
40: Left Front	564	31.4
41: RSP	1	.1
44: FBL	2	.1
50: UDF	2	.1

	N	(%)
60: AGP-BJP allies	3	.1
70: Congress and allies	41	2.3
75: PT	1	.1
80: MGR-ADMK	5	.3
82: AIADMK	1	.1
83: MDMK	1	.1
84: PMK	1	.1
88: Kerala Cong. (Josheph)	3	.1
98: Don't know	157	8.8
99: Blank/Refuse	81	4.5
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

Q12: What is your assessment of the work done by the Vajpayee government at the Centre in the last one-and-half-years? Are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, or not at all satisfied?

	N	(%)
1: Not at all	527	29.4
2: Somewhat Satisfied	577	32.2
3: Very Satisfied	245	13.7
8: Can't say/Don't know	444	24.8
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

Q13: Now I would like to know your opinion about the coalition government. Some people believe that there is no harm in coalition govt. Others believe that in special circumstances there is no alternative to it. While, for others coalition governments are not good for the state in any case. What is your opinion in this regard?

	N	(%)
1: There is no harm	507	28.3
2: Acceptable in special circumstances	393	21.9
3: Not good in any case	329	18.4
8: Can't say/Don't know	564	31.4
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

Q14: How do you rate the present government of West Bengal in terms of corruption. Is it very corrupt, somewhat corrupt, or not corrupt at all?

	N	(%)
1: Very Corrupt	507	28.3
2: Somewhat Corrupt	559	31.2
3: Not corrupt at all	365	20.3
8: Can't say/Don't know	363	20.2
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

Q15:   Have you heard about Jyoti Basu's retirement?

	N	(%)
1: No	358	20.0
2: Yes	1435	80.0
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

a: (**If Yes**) Who replaced him as the Chief Minister?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Incorrect	113	6.3	7.9
	2: Correct	1158	64.6	80.7
	8: Can't say/Don't know	164	9.1	11.4
	Total	**1435**	**80.0**	**100.0**
Missing	9: N.A.	358	20.0	
Total		**1793**	**100.0**	

b: (**If Yes in Q15**) Did you change your mind about who to vote for after hearing this news?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: No	1069	59.6	74.5
	2: Yes	169	9.4	11.8
	8: Can't say/Don't know	196	10.9	13.7
	Total	**1435**	**80.0**	**100.0**
Missing	9: N.A.	358	20.0	
Total		**1793**	**100.0**	

c: (**If Yes in Q15b**) How did it influence your voting decision?

	N	(%)	Valid (%)

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: In favour of Left Front	52	2.9	30.6
	2: Against the Left Front	81	4.5	48.0
	3: Others	9	.5	5.1
	8: Can't say/Don't know	28	1.5	16.4
	Total	**169**	**9.4**	**100.0**
Missing	9: N.A.	1624	90.6	
Total		**1793**	**100.0**	

Q16:   How would you rate the Jyoti Basu's performance as the Chief Minister?

	N	(%)
1: Very Bad	162	9.0
2: Bad	313	17.5
3: Good	705	39.3
4: Very Good	374	20.8
8: Can't say/Don't know	239	13.3
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

Q17:   How would you rate Buddhadeb Bhattacharya as the Chief Minister?

	N	(%)
1: Very Bad	88	4.9
2: Bad	307	17.1
3: Good	662	36.9
4: Very Good	248	13.8
8: Can't say/Don't know	488	27.2
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

Q18:   How would you expect Mamatat Banerjee to perform if she becomes Chief Minister?

	N	(%)
1: Very Bad	131	7.3
2: Bad	291	16.2
3: Good	509	28.4
4: Very Good	441	24.6
8: Can't say/Don't know	421	23.5

	N	(%)
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

Q19:   Here are some statements about Mamata Banerjee. What is your opinion on these, do you agree or disagree?

a: Only Mamata Banerjee can fight the Left Front

	N	(%)
1: Disagree	412	23.0
2: Agree	1009	56.3
8: No opinion	372	20.7
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

b: She may be good at agitation and theatrics, but not at governance

	N	(%)
1: Disagree	667	37.2
2: Agree	599	33.4
8: No opinion	527	29.4
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

c: She is not tainted by corruption

	N	(%)
1: Disagree	389	21.7
2: Agree	910	50.7
8: No opinion	494	27.5
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

d: She ditched the Vajpayee government

	N	(%)
1: Disagree	488	27.2
2: Agree	550	30.7
8: No opinion	755	42.1
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

e: It was better for her to align with BJP rather than Congress

	N	(%)
1: Disagree	475	26.5
2: Agree	519	29.0
8: No opinion	799	44.5
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

Q20: Thinking of how you (or your family, in the case of first time voters) have voted in previous elections, how would you describe yourself? Were you Left Front supporter, Anti-left or not committed to any side?

	N	(%)
1: Left Front supporter	668	37.2
2: Anti-Left Supporter	601	33.5
3: Not committed to any side	137	7.7
8: Can't say/Don't know	387	21.6
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

B1: What is your age?

	N	(%)
1: Up to 25 years	245	13.7
2: 26 to 35 years	575	32.0
3: 36 to 45 years	443	24.7
4: 46 to 55 years	242	13.5
5: 56 years and above	288	16.1
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

B2: Gender

	N	(%)
1: Male	963	53.7
2: Female	831	46.3
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

B3: What is your highest level of Education?

	N	(%)
0: Non literate	458	25.5
1: Below primary	202	11.3
2: Primary pass/Middle fail	321	17.9
3: Middle pass/Matric fail	280	15.6
4: Matric	215	12.0
5: Intermediate	140	7.8
6: Graduate or equivalent	142	7.9
7: Post Graduate	25	1.4
8: Professional degree	7	.4
9: N.A.	3	.2
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

B4:   What is your exact Caste/Jati-Biradari/Tribe?

	N	(%)
01: Brahmin	114	6.4
04: Kayasthas	185	10.3
05: Vaishya	49	2.7
09: Other Upper Caste	196	10.9
19: Other PP	17	.9
21: Yadav	81	4.5
29: Other Peasant OBCs	100	5.6
30: Bunkar	8	.4
34: Badhai	5	.3
36: Lohar	6	.4
37: Sunar	6	.3
39: Other Craftsmen OBCs	19	1.1
41: Dhobi	16	.9
42: Nai	21	1.2
43: Teli	49	2.7
49: Other Service OBC	17	.9
50: Jatav	27	1.5
53: Rajbanshis	63	3.5
54: Namasudras	134	7.5
59: Other Scheduled Caste	216	12.0
69: Other Scheduled Tribe	50	2.8

	N	(%)
70: Ashraf	7	.4
71: Mughals	1	.1
78: Muslim no caste	301	16.8
85: Upper Christian	5	.3
87: Dalit Christians	1	.1
95: Hindu no caste	70	3.9
99: N.A.	29	1.6
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

a: What is your Caste Group?

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Scheduled Caste	444	24.8	25.0
	2: Scheduled Tribe	62	3.4	3.5
	3: Other Backward Caste (OBC)	317	17.7	17.8
	4: General/Others	955	53.2	53.7
	Total	**1778**	**99.1**	**100.0**
Missing	9: N.A.	15	.9	
Total		**1793**	**100.0**	

B5:   Which religion do you follow?

	N	(%)
1: Hindu	1436	80.1
2: Muslim	326	18.2
3: Christian	7	.4
4: Sikh	12	.6
5: Buddhist	2	.1
6: Jain	2	.1
7: Parsi	3	.2
8: Others	4	.2
9: N.A.	2	.1
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

B6:   Area/Locality

	N	(%)
1: Village	1188	66.3
2: Town	452	25.2
3: City (500,000+)	152	8.5
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

a: (**If Town/City**) Type of house where R lives

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: House/Flat/Bunglow (5+Bedrooms)	29	1.6	4.7
	2: House/Flat (3 or 4 Bedrooms)	106	5.9	17.5
	3: House/Flat with 2 bedrooms	170	9.5	28.2
	4: House/Flat with 2 Pucca rooms	100	5.6	16.6
	5: House with 1 pucca room	139	7.7	23.0
	6: Mainly Kutcha house	39	2.2	6.4
	7: Slum/Jhuggi Jhopri	19	1.1	3.1
	8: Others	3	.2	.5
	Total	**604**	**33.7**	**100.0**
Missing	0: N.A.	1189	66.3	
Total		**1793**	**100.0**	

b: (**If Village**) Type of house where R lives

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Valid	1: Pucca with 5 or more dwelling rooms (both wall and roof made of pucca material)	30	1.7	2.5
	2: Pucca with 3-4 dwelling rooms (both wall and roof made of pucca material)	57	3.2	4.8
	3: Pucca with 1-2 dwelling rooms (both wall and roof made of pucca material)	79	4.4	6.7
	4: Pucca-Kutcha 5 or more dwelling rooms	52	2.9	4.4
	5: Pucca-Kutcha 3-4 dwelling rooms	78	4.4	6.7
	6: Pucca-Kutcha 1-2 dwelling rooms	138	7.7	11.7
	7: Kutcha with 3 or more rooms	224	12.5	19.0
	8: Kutcha with 1-2 rooms	389	21.7	33.1
	9: Hut (both wall and roof made from grass, leaves, mud, un-burnt brick or bamboo)	131	7.3	11.1
	Total	**1178**	**65.7**	**100.0**

		N	(%)	Valid (%)
Missing	0: N.A.	615	34.3	
Total		**1793**	**100.0**	

B7: What is the main occupation of the main earner of the family?

	N	(%)
02: Engineers	6	.3
03: Doctors	5	.3
04: Lawyers	4	.2
05: Accountants	8	.5
06: College/University Teachers	9	.5
07: Writers	5	.3
09: Other Higher Professional	4	.2
10: Science Technician	1	.1
11: Computer Operator	8	.4
12: Alternative Doctors	2	.1
13: Medical Technician	8	.4
14: School Teachers	25	1.4
15: Nursery Teachers	11	.6
16: Folk & Commercial Artist	6	.3
18: Priests	8	.4
19: Other Lowers Professional	8	.5
20: Elected Official (Central)	2	.1
21: Elected Official (District)	1	.1
22: Managers	7	.4
23: Officer Class-I	15	.8
24: Officer Class-II	17	.9
25: Class-III Employee	55	3.1
26: Superintendents	9	.5
27: Traditional Clerks	11	.6
28: Class-IV Employee	19	1.1
29: Other Administrative employee	21	1.2
30: Big Businessmen	6	.3
31: Medium Businessmen	35	1.9
Small Businessmen	121	6.7

	N	(%)
Petty Businessmen	50	2.8
34: Hawkers	18	1.0
35: Sales Executive	11	.6
36: Salespersons	8	.4
37: Shop Assistants	22	1.2
38: Rentier	4	.2
39: Other Businessmen	41	2.3
40: Waiters	6	.3
41: Dhobi	6	.3
42: Barbers	8	.5
43: Ayahs, Maids	7	.4
44: Chowkidars	12	.6
45: Sweepers	6	.3
49: Other Sevice Workers	52	2.9
50: Mechanics	41	2.3
51: Electricians	22	1.2
52: Jewelers	12	.7
53: Tailors	19	1.1
54: Weavers	13	.8
55: Shoemakers	5	.3
56: Blacksmiths	6	.3
57: Carpenters	24	1.3
59: Other Skilled Workers	14	.8
60: Miners	1	.1
61: Measons	10	.5
62: Potters	6	.3
63: Stone-Cutter	1	.1
64: Furniture	5	.3
65: Rickshaw-Pullers	30	1.7
66: Unskilled Labours	21	1.1
69: Other Semi-Skilled Workers	24	1.3
70: Cultivators 20+ Acres	4	.2
71: Cultivators 10-20 Acres	30	1.7
72: Cultivators 5-10 Acres	19	1.1
73: Cultivators 1-5 Acres	90	5.0
74: Cultivators 0-1 Acre	65	3.6

	N	(%)
75: Tenant-5+ Acres	23	1.3
76: Tenant-0-5 Acres	104	5.8
77: Plantation	18	1.0
78: Agricultural Lab	279	15.6
79: Other Agricultural Workers	43	2.4
81: Dairy Firming	8	.5
82: Poultry Firming	1	.1
86: Fishermen	19	1.1
89: Other Breeders	3	.2
90: House-Wife/Husbands	97	5.4
91: Students	7	.4
92: Employment Seekers	5	.3
93: Unemployed	16	.9
95: Others Occupation	10	.6
96: Political Activist	1	.1
98: Unidentifiable	3	.2
99: N.A.	14	.8
Total	1793	100.0

B8:   Do you or your family own the following

a: Car/Jeep/Tractor

	N	(%)
1: No	1726	96.2
2: Yes	67	3.8
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

a: Pumping Set

	N	(%)
1: No	1564	87.2
2: Yes	229	12.8
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

c: Colour TV

	N	(%)
1: No	1454	81.1
2: Yes	339	18.9
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

d: Scooter/Motor Cycle

	N	(%)
1: No	1593	88.8
2: Yes	200	11.2
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

e: Telephone

	N	(%)
1: No	1543	86.1
2: Yes	250	13.9
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

f: Electric fan/Cooler

	N	(%)
1: No	923	51.5
2: Yes	870	48.5
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

g: Bicycle

	N	(%)
1: No	485	27.1
2: Yes	1308	72.9
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

B8h: Transistor/Radio

	N	(%)
1: No	500	27.9
2: Yes	1293	72.1
Total	**1793**	**100.0**

   i: Wrist watch/clock

	N	(%)
1: No	344	19.2
2: Yes	1449	80.8
Total	**1793**	**100.0**