



Profile Survey: Questions - The First Tibetan-Canadians

This is a PDF document compiling the questions of the Profile Survey. The survey, available on the Chyseem Project website, is intended for Tibetan Canadians who arrived in the early 1970s in order to help us build a profile of the first Tibetans who arrived in Canada. Relatives of individuals who are unable to complete the form are encouraged to do so on their relative's behalf to the best of their knowledge. The survey should only take 5-10 minutes to complete.

PART 1: GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Name of person completing this survey

2. If you are completing this survey on behalf of someone else, please indicate the nature of your relationship (i.e. son, daughter, grandchild, family friend, etc.)

3. Name of person being surveyed (First and last name of the individual who arrived in 1970-1971)

4. Which province did you arrive in?
 - Alberta
 - Manitoba
 - Ontario
 - Quebec
 - Saskatchewan
 - Other (please specify)

5. If Alberta was the province you arrived in which city did you settle in?
 - Calgary
 - Taber



Other (please specify)

6. If Manitoba was the province you arrived in which city did you settle in?

Winnipeg

Other (please specify)

7. If Ontario was the province you arrived in which city did you settle in?

Belleville

Cobourg

Lindsay

Peterborough

Toronto

Other (please specify)

8. If Quebec was the province you arrived in which city did you settle in?

Drummondville

Farnham

Granby

Longueuil

Montreal

Ste-Hyacinthe

Other (please specify)

9. If Saskatchewan was the province you arrived in which city did you settle in?

Saskatoon

Other (please specify)

10. What is the exact date of your arrival? (If you cannot recall, please indicate the approximate month and year)



11. What is your gender?

Female

Male

Gender-queer/Non-Binary

Prefer not to disclose

12. How old were you when you arrived in Canada?

Child (0-12)

Teenager (13-19)

Young adult (20-35)

Adult (36-45)

Adult (46-65)

Senior (65+)

13. What was your marital status?

Single

Married

Nun/Monk

14. Where were you born?

Tibet

India

Nepal

Other (please specify)

15. Do you know how to write in Tibetan?

Yes

No



16. Do you know how to read in Tibetan?

Yes

No

17. Upon your arrival, what languages did you speak other than Tibetan?

English

Hindi

Nepali

Mandarin

Only Tibetan

Other (please specify)

Part 1: New Life in Canada

This section addresses life following resettlement in Canada.

18. What was your occupation in India prior to coming to Canada? i.e merchant, student, wife/husband, teacher, civil servant...

Road worker

Entrepreneur

Teacher

Tibetan Civil servant (i.e. Central Tibetan Administration)

Monastery

Homemaker

Food Industry

Merchant

Other (please specify)

19. Upon your arrival, did you speak English or french?

Yes - English

Yes - French



Neither English nor French

20. Are you or have your owned a home?

Yes

No

21. What was your first job in Canada?

Agricultural Sector

Manufacturing Sector

Healthcare

Food Industry

Retail

Other (please specify)

Part 2: Refugee Life in India or Nepal

This section regards refugee life in India or Nepal after having left Tibet.

22. When you left Tibet, where did you first arrive in India or Nepal?

Kalimpong (W. Bengal)

Misamari (Assam)

Entered from Nepal: Kathmandu

Entered from Nepal: Pokhara

Other (please specify)

23. If you were born in India or Nepal, where were you born?

Darjeeling

Dehra Dun

Dharamshala

Mussoorie

Kathmandu



Rajpur

Delhi

Other (please specify)

24. Did you have relatives in India prior to your arrival?

Yes

No

25. Where did you go after your initial place of arrival? (i.e. Dharamsala, Darjeeling...)

Dharamshala

Darjeeling

Mussoorie

Dehra dun

Delhi

Kalimpong

Sikkim

Other (please specify)

26. What was your first paid job in India?

Road worker

Entrepreneur

Teacher

Monastery

Homemaker

Food Industry

Merchant

Other (please specify, if baby identify here)

PART 3: LIFE IN TIBET



27. If born in Tibet, what is your province of origin?

U-tsang

Amdo

Kham

Other (please specify)

28. When did you leave Tibet?

Before 1958

1958 -1959

1960-1966

After 1966

29. Did you wish to leave Tibet?

Yes

No

30. Did you leave Tibet out of fear for your life?

Yes

No

31. How did you travel from Tibet to India?

By foot

By horse-yak

Vehicle

Other (please specify)

32. How many years went by before you returned to Tibet for the first time?

5-10 years

11-15 years

16-20 years



20+ years

I have never returned

33. How many years of schooling did you receive in Tibet?

I received no schooling

Equivalent of Grade 1 -6

Equivalent of Grade 7-12

Attended University

I received Monastic Education

34. Has anyone in your family passed away as a result of the Chinese occupation?

35. What was your job in Tibet?

City Dweller

Merchant

Farmer

Nomad

Semi-nomadic

Monastic

Child

Other (please specify)

36. Do you consent to having this data used for statistical purposes without individual attribution (i.e. you will not be named)?

Yes

No

37. Do you wish to have your personal story included in the e-book?

Yes

No



Send me more information

38. If you are interested in participating in the e-book please provide your contact information.

Name

Address

City/Town

Province

Postal Code

Email Address

Phone Number