LIST OF APPENDICES

APPENDIX A: Samples of processed data

I am broad minded person and very much straight forward ,friends say that i have got good sense of humor. I am seeking for a partner with a broad outlook and a dynamic personality who can strike a balance between modern living and respect for out culture...he should be well educated would be a better [*city 1*], [*city 2*], [*city 3*],, or else abroad not a problem. Thanks for visiting my profile All the best for your partner search

I am only the daughter ,dad into business....mom is homemaker,i hvae four elder brothers who is the first son to our family got married and settled in native itself, we belive in family values &tradition.

(Sample from a female in age group 20 - 29)

I am [*name*]. We are living in [*city*] and our native is near [*place*].We are expecting guy to be the same subcaste of [*caste*] from I have completed B.E and M.B.A and working in a Private concern.I have one brother (unmarried) working for [*workplace*] @ [*city*]. If your are interested you can contact. Nuclear familyand looking for same caste (other excuse) from [*city 1*]/ [*city 2*]/[*city 3*]/[*city 4*]/. we are looking from same community. Dad's native is [*place*] and Mom's native is near to [*place*]. So we are expecting from those area. Others please excuse.

(Sample from a female in age group 20 - 29)

I am fair, belongs to [*community*] family with liberal religious views.father with engineering organisation and mother is a housewife. graduation and mba from [*city*] and now post-graduation from [*city*]. i have been working as hr executive in mnc. i am elegant, adorable, understanding and friendly person. My father is with engineering consultancy organisation and my mother is a housewife. my unmarried-brother is for higher education with us in [*city*]. presently settled in [*city*]. my father owned a appartment in [*city*]. (Sample from a female in age group 20 - 29)

My name is [*name*] and living in [*state*]. I am senior material planner. I am the eldest of 3 in my family. I love to read magazines, watch movies and go walking enjoying the quiet nature. I am looking for soul mate who can share a journey of a life time filled with love, happiness and positive values. He should also

love my family as his as how I will care for his. I am simple person and I believe that marriage is a union of 2 souls understanding each others positive and negative traits. Marriage is also a union of 2 families. Not particular on physical appearance but must be from a good family with genuine intention for marriage.

(Sample from a female in age group 30 - 39)

An optimist, sincere and extrovert girl, I believe in living life to the fullest by being responsible, affectionate and caring to people around me. I was born in [*city*] but spent most of my growing up years in [*city*]. I am honest, straightforward person who values sincerity and flexibility as my strengths. Career: I am currently working with an IT company in [*city*] as a Manager. My Expectations: I am looking for a well educated, ambitious, sensitive and broad minded supportive partner. On a serious note, I believe that honesty, mutual respect and loyalty are crucial to a long-term relationship. Qualifications: I have done my MBA from Symbiosis, [*city*] in Marketing & Systems. (2 year, full time programme)

(Sample from a female in age group 30 - 39)

I have to tell about my family. My dad [*religion*] and mom [*religion*]. But we follow [*religion*]. So, I prefer to marry a [*religion*] partner. About my self, I am honest, loving, cheerful, very fast mix wth ppl and caring person. I finishd m Diploma in Accountancy at [*college*] and Degree in BBA(Finance) at [*university*]. Now I am working as an Audit Asst at 1 of the Chartered Acc. Firm at [*city*]. I love my carrier and enjoy it. I am one of the twins and youngerst in my family. After my wedding, I love to stay with my parents in law than stay separate. If can....

(Sample from a female in age group 30 - 39)

I am a very simple woman living with my parents and my 8 years old son. I am looking for a well settled.understanding loving and carying nature person who will ready to accept of child. Who will give him love of father. I want to marry to a person who is a good human being because i thought that when a person is good human being he is good in all relations as father brother,husband ,friend. If already have childrens i am ready to accept them. I want a committed partner.who will love me and with whom i can spend my whole life happily.

(Sample from a female in age group 40 - 49)

I am looking for a partner who is well educated. I am a mixture of East and West; My partner should enjoy cultural activities such as museums, movies, and music. He should be physically fit and loves to laugh with a good sense of humor. It doesn't matter whether he is Unmarried, divorced, or widowed with or without children and it doesn't matter whether he is a [*religions*] as long as he has a good heart. My partner should be an [*country*] citizen and have his photo attached to his profile. My father is a semi retired surgeon; my mother is a retired nurse and a homemaker. We have been in the [*country*] since 1968. I come from a large family with 2 brothers and 2 sisters, all of whom are in various professions and in various cities. I am looking for a partner who is well educated and who has a sense of humor and loves to laugh.

(Sample from a female in age group 40 - 49)

I am looking for someone who understand women as a lady, wife and mother. I would like to be accepted with full hearted by his parent and vice versa. Furthermore, I am looking for a [*citizenship*].

(Sample from a female in age group 40 - 49)

Cool, Frank and Practical to Life, Live the Life At Its Fullest with Love and Happiness. I'm Working in a Reputed Mnc, [*city*], Father - Central Govt Retd., Mother - Home Maker, Elder Brother - Major [*workplace*]).

(Sample from a male in age group 20 - 29)

I am not diplomatic or matured in Presenting myself, but I do interact in straight reducing the Confusion and Assumption Rate in your mind regarding me. I have Earned my secured life.

Family values Liberal. Family Type - Nuclear Family. Family Status - Upper Middle Class. Native – [*state*]. Father [*name*] [[*designation*]]. Presently running a Training Institute for Defence Service Officers. Owns a house and a car. Mother – [*name*], Housewife. Sibling Details : Brother : [*name*], B.Arch [[*occupation*]] and serving in [*state*]. Sis-in-Law = [name], M.Arch. [*occupation*]] and serving in [*state*].

(Sample from a male in age group 20 - 29)

I"m a simple, ambitious guy...do love humor and enjoy each and every moment of my life...positive energy and passion to explore new things keep my days fun-filled.. my interests include listening music,watching criket and good movies, reading books, we are four menbers in my family and having only one elder brother, he is working as teacher in government high school.

My native is [*place*] and its comes under [*district*]. My family is living in my native itself. I am working in [*workplace*] as a senior software engineer for last 2 years.(deputation from [*workplace*]) and got a permanent resident in [*country*].

(Sample from a male in age group 20 - 29)

I am currently working as an associate at one of the top tier investment banks in the [*workplace*] area, after completing my PhD. I am honest and frank to interact with. I like to work hard and associate with people who are interested in constructive activities... be it trying out new dishes in the kitchen or taking up dance lessons or anything fun! I am simple minded in many ways... yet I like to have a fun filled and meaningful life :-) We trace our ancestry to a village called [*place*] near [*place*] in [*district*]. Parents are currently working as professors in [*city*] after a long govt. service. I have one elder sister - both she and my bro-in-law are doctors from [*workplace*], settled in [*country*].

Someone with a positive attitude.

(Sample from a male in age group 30 - 39)

I have one Elder sister she is unmarried, She is working MANAGER in [*workplace*], MY Father was Farmer and mother was house wife. Land 15 acres in my village My native is [*place*] near small village. I am Msc Graduated.I am working in software company in [*city*].

In my family 4 member parents and me and sister.Father is farmer mother is homemaker

(Sample from a male in age group 30 - 39)

I am a technology project lead based out of [*state*]. I grew up in [*state*]. I did my engineering in [*state*], and since then work has taken me to a few places around the World. Currently, I work with an investment bank in their front-office trading technology team. I consider myself liberal and easy going with a good appreciation of my roots and traditions. I like to search for new stimulating ideas - in gadgets, books, movies or shows. Besides, I have a serious hobby in photography. I do not have parameters to judge compatibility, I am looking for someone with the right fit and chemistry, though an independent person with a liberal outlook and a good sense of humor will be a great start. Preferably someone that lives in the [*country*]

(Sample from a male in age group 30 - 39)

I am a good blend of East and West. ...I am looking for someone who would be a great companion throughout my life.....Looking for a well educated, career-minded, articulate, down-to-earth person who values [religion] tradition and also flexible to adapt to the demands of the modern world. The best way to reach me is through email. Alternatively you could leave me a voice message to call you back. BACK IN [city] AT LAST;-)

Fun loving career minded girl who respects [*religion*] values and traditions at the same time flexible and adaptive to modern way of life. Should be able to speak [*language*].

(Sample from a male in age group 40 - 49)

I was born and brought up in [*city*]. I studied in [*college*] before I completed my graduation i got a job in gov. i am looking forward to a employed bride with a pleasing personality. we are a no demands family. a person who is willing to build a cozy nest will be highly welcome.bye for now.

(Sample from a male in age group 40 - 49)

Fair Good Looking 48 Year Old [*caste*] Working for a Mnc Company in [*city*], Divorcee, Believe in Traditional Values, Understanding, Looking for An Understanding, [*caste*] Same Caste Match. I have a Pleasant Personality. I am Honest, Truthful, Confident, Loving, Believing in Family Values, Culture, Tradition, and Institution of Marriage. Enjoy Company of Simple and Jovial People with Similar Outlook. I like Reading Books and Computers. also I like Travelling and Music. also I Believe in Life with Values and Progress.

(Sample from a male in age group 40 - 49)

Male candidates			Female candidates		
20 - 29	30 - 39	40 - 49	20 - 29	30 - 39	40 - 49
years old	years old	years old	years old	years old	years old
well care	Simple	soft	nice	Liberal	medium
friendly	clean	caring	caring	open-minded	intelligent
good looking	positive	loving	lovable	emotional	well-educated
fair	good looking	tropical	curious	spiritual	employed
educated	understandable	married	kind-hearted	communicative	adjusting
homely	decent	supportive	trustworthy	passionate	confident
frank	traditional	suitable clever	understanding cool	encouraging flexible	smart talented
good traditional	caring vegetarian	well-educated	broadminded	supportive	lovely
calm	reputed	career-minded	straightforward	friendly	warm
cool	god-fearing	articulate	broad	warm	sensible
cute	educated	down-to-earth	dynamic	affectionate	well-settled
adjacent	suitable	flexible	well-educated	modern	good
smart	active	modern	simple	traditional	elegant
understanding	energetic	fun-loving	fun-loving	healthy	well-mannered
soft-natured	extroverted	vegetarian	down-to-earth	well-educated	independent
sensible	broad-minded	divorced	confident	good	young
kind .	fun-loving	broadminded	smart	modern	positive
easy going	compatible	good	lively	kind	generous
practical	adventurous	intelligent	cheerful	generous	educated
articulate	independent	motivated	independent	simple	sensitive
confident supportive	good typical	widowed unmarried	practical well-placed	noble god-fearing	married smart
jovial	straight-forward	healthy	supportive	respectable	soft-spoken
self-developing	kind	friendly	outspoken	well-qualified	god-fearing
self-confident	lovely	compassionate	career-oriented	well-settled	understanding
well cultured	well-educated	athletic	self-motivated	unmarried	reasoning
adjustable	well-cultured	smart	dedicated	good looking	clean
normal	simple-minded	outgoing	good looking	intelligent	friendly
kind	fun-filled	self-effacing	responsible	clean	soft-natured
short	meaningful	non-introverted	amiable	adjustable	slim
sweet	positive	western	outgoing	encouraging	retired
kind-hearted	liberal	non-intense	well-balanced	positive	cooperative
cool	sharp brief	pulpy well-settled	passionate	outgoing	articulate
soft lovable	hard-working	handsome	positive goal-oriented	caring confident	simple engaging
caring	loving	open-minded	kind	fun-loving	like-minded
broad-minded	compassionate	optimistic	supportive	ambitious	fantastic
loving	successful	attractive	good	matured	extended
nice	easy-going	outspoken	sufficient	focused	close-knit
simple	optimistic	strong	small	outgoing	honest
ambitious	patient	meaningful	matured	down-to-earth	trustworthy
flexible	loyal	orthodox	exciting	straightforward	sincere
meaningful	out-spoken	pious	decent	talkative	unorthodox
polite	god-loving	presentable	educated	expressive	scientific
optimistic	orthodox	god-fearing	ambitious	bubbly	traditional
down-to-earth	traditional	religious	independent	understanding	unbiased broadminded
respecting working	strong supportive	rational honest	hard-working passionate	supportive negative	broadminded artistic
helpful	understanding	extrovert	dedicated	genuine	cultured
slim	well-qualified	worthwhile	confident	humble	vegetarian
fun-loving	modern	normal	optimistic	honest	spiritual
warm	well-employed	retired	generous	wise	happy
affectionate	home-loving	moderate	intellectual	matured	successful
well-groomed	religious	dull	average	sincere	well-placed
out-spoken	lively	boring	great	professional	fun-loving
hard-working	warm	serious	easy-going	educated	well-settled
soft-spoken	bubbly	sensible	well-cultured	confident	great
Matured	Smart	well-established	well-settled	kind	loyal
humorous	fun-loving	artistic	married	enthusiastic	down-to-earth
cheerful	serious	sophisticated	beautiful	knowledgeable	humorous
liberal	chatty	refined	sensitive	loving	empathetic
modern	affable	eternal	clever	easy-going	well-established

Appendix B: List of descriptive adjectives found in the discourse

Appendix B, continued

Male candidates			Female candidates			
20 - 29	30 - 39	40 - 49	20 - 29	30-39	40 - 49	
vears old	years old	years old	years old	years old	years old	
unmarried	well-read	cool	positive-	committed	warm-hearted	
independent	pleasant	introvert	thinking	superstitious	grounded	
thoughtful	outgoing	intense	god-believing	jovial	responsible	
clever	open-minded	rebellious	attractive	serious	compatible	
adaptable	healthy	mannered	religious	quiet	committed	
well-behaved	short	fanatic	practical	sensitive	nice	
focused	well-groomed	gallant	liberal	excited	charitable	
well-known	average	sincere	calm	faithful	humble	
honest	pleasing	warm	happy-go-lucky	well-disciplined	helpful	
energetic	confident	self-respecting	honest	independent	long-term	
emotional	responsible	independent	frank	loyal	bright	
fun	nice	responsible	sincere	witty	faithful	
talkative	happy-go-lucky	entrepreneurial	open-minded	transparent	opinionated	
mischievous	humorous	classy	emotional	reserved	flexible	
reputed	cooperative	poetic	spiritual	tall	accommodating	
self-employed	self-going	creative	decent	fair	romantic	
motivated	fair	competent	well-cultured	attractive	positive	
hopeless	attractive	right-brained	kind-hearted	shy	passionate	
diplomatic	lovable	loyal	soft-spoken	introvert	family-oriented	
courageous	well-rounded	employed	god-fearing	studious	vivacious	
sincere	modest	adjustable	suitable	open-minded	rich	
knowledgeable	qualified	cultured	well-mannered	smart	perfect	
proud	well-mannered	fair	spiritual	emotional	dashing	
lovely	creative	truthful	family-centered	innocent	active	
positive	big	gentle		well-versed	good-natured	
witty	tall	sober		extrovert	fair	
valuable	dark	intimate		responsible	cooperative	
active	handsome passionate	peace-loving relaxed		affectionate	balanced emotional	
joyful devotional	romantic	emotional		straightforward stupid	frank	
excellent	fashionable	maternal		charming	sincere	
humble	ethical	spiritual		beautiful	cheerful	
interesting	presentable	presentable		close-knit	peaceful	
young	bright	jovial		empathetic	moderate	
dynamic	cosy	sociable		non-judgmental	forward-looking	
social	comfortable	light-hearted		adjusting	well-versed	
homely	innocent	zestful		cultural	ambitious	
home-bound	well-settled	gentle		liberal	genuine	
	wacky	adaptable		athletic	gentle	
	mild-mannered	educated		westernised	focused	
	mischievous	intellectual		kind-hearted	progressive	
	medium	oriented		soft-spoken	jovial	
	intelligen	peaceful		unmarried	delicious	
	0	soft-natured		fruitful	organised	
				career-minded	adjustable	
				family-oriented	sensible	
				useless	beautiful	
				silly	hard-working	
				patient	jolly	
				frank	cool	
				suitable	pretty	
				decent	western	
				nice	average	
				self-reliant	outgoing	
					impressive	
					dynamic	
					respectable	

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home-loving	
good fit for my family	
religious-minded	
appreciation of my roots and tradition	
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strong sense of family	
healthy appreciation for our culture	
still retains traditional values	
respect family values	
devotees	
marriage is an institution	
respect elders	
who would not put her career before family	
not looking for a daughter-in-law for a daughter	
yet traditional	
insist to find a [<i>religion</i>] bride	

Appendix C: List of culture-bound words (and phrases) found in the discourse

Appendix C, continued

Male candidates	Female candidates
who respects values and traditions	
can provide my horoscope	
very close-knit family	
[religion] girl	
values family relationship	
like classical	
also spiritual and into meditation	
orthodox family	
pious	
god-fearing, culture-followed	
religious family	
god bless you	
cultured woman	
believe in the importance of family	
believing in family values, culture, tradition and	
institution of marriage	
good family background and valuing traditions	
and culture	