Developing a Socially Sensitive Research Approach to Higher Education Aspirations

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child has expressed interest in participating in a research project exploring the hopes and aspirations of British Sixth Form students of Pakistani and Bangladeshi heritage. This study is being conducted by the Department of Education at the University of Oxford.

> **About the Survey**
> This is a low-risk, anonymous survey designed to understand how students feel about their future, including school or college, support from family or community, and education or work plans.

Participants will be asked to rate a set of statements from “never” to “almost always” and answer a few background questions.

There are no right or wrong answers. We are interested in honest views. Responses are confidential and will be used only for research in a way that does not identify any individual.

Important: IP Address Logging
This survey automatically logs IP addresses for the following purposes:

- To prevent duplicate or fraudulent responses
- To verify that responses are coming from the UK (as required by our study criteria)
- For participants under 16, to help verify that parental consent emails are accessed from different devices, increasing the authenticity of consent

  Your IP address will be stored separately from your survey responses and will be deleted once data collection is complete. It will not be used to identify you or link to your answers.

Voluntary Participation

Taking part is voluntary, and participants can choose to stop at any point.

Your Right to Withdraw

If you want to withdraw, you will receive a unique participation code at the end of the survey. You can use this code to withdraw your child's responses within two weeks by contacting the research team.

Parental Consent Required

Since your child is below 16 years old, we need your consent as their guardian for them to participate. If you consent to their participation, please provide them with the code below. They will need to enter this code to access the survey; this serves as proof of parental consent.

CONSENT CODE: ${e://Field/participant_code}

If you or your child ever feels the need to opt out from the study, please tell us this code. It will be used to identify, select, and delete their data from our records. We will not be able to delete your data if you can not provide the code.

Go to Survey

Thank you again for your time. Your answers will help us better understand students’ experiences and improve support.

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For more information about this project, please visit the Project Page.