

Supplementary Materials

Questionnaire on Women in Turkey

Participation and Non-Participation in the Gezi Park Protests

My name is Nora Stein, I am a master student at the University of Hamburg, Germany. I am conducting interviews as part of my research for my master thesis about women in Turkey and their reasons to participate or not to participate in the Gezi Park protests 2013. I would appreciate it greatly if you would help me by answering a couple of questions. It will take around 15 minutes to fill out the questionnaire survey. Please answer honestly and accurately.

Before proceeding with the questions, I would like to state a few points. **There are no right or wrong answers.** The most valuable answer is the one that truly reflects your views. **You are not asked to mention your name and your answers will not be sent anywhere or to anybody.** Therefore, nobody will know what your answers to these questions were. Your anonymity is thereby guaranteed at all times.

Thank you a lot for your participation!

Some advice for filling out the questionnaire

Please answer every question - except you are asked to jump ahead to another question:

Example:

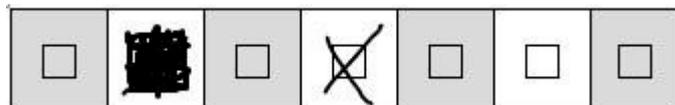
Question 44: How involved have you been in the Gezi Park protests?

Very strongly

Somewhat strongly

Please choose one answer only unless you are explicitly asked to choose more! If

you need to correct an answer, please do it like this:



1. What is your age? _____

Δ Domestic work

2. What is your gender?

Δ Unemployed

Δ Male

Δ Unable to work

Δ Female

Δ Other

Δ Other

3. What is your religious denomination?

Δ Single

Δ In a relationship

Δ Married

Δ Divorced

Δ Widowed

4. What kind of education did you acquire?

Δ No formal education

7. How many children do you have?

Δ Primary School

Δ Middle School

Δ High School

8. What is your living situation?

Δ College

Δ Alone

Δ With partner

5. What is your employment status?

Δ Student

Δ With children

Δ Employed full-time

Δ Shared living

Δ Employed part-time

Δ With parents

9. I see myself as someone who...

	Strongly agree	To some extent	Slightly disagree	Strongly disagree
... is rather reserved and quiet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... is rather lazy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... trusts other people easily and believes in people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... is rather calm and not easily stressed out	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... is rather uncreative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

... is extraverted and enthusiastic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... tends to be critical towards others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... is rather self-disciplined	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... is rather anxious and easily upset	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... is rather creative and open to new experiences	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... is rather sympathetic and warm	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

10. Generally in life, I think:

	Strongly agree	To some extent	Slightly disagree	Strongly disagree
If a person is lucky and successful essentially depends on his or her own attitude and behavior.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
My life is determined my own decisions.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
How successful a person is depends on the conditions that are provided within a state and a society.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Economic and political conditions strongly determine the course of a person's life.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Life is mostly determined by other people.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If a person can achieve his or her dreams is mainly determined by others.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Individuals and their actions have no impact on a society.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Every individual is part of the society and therefore is able to actively shape and frame it.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

There are multiple opportunities to influence a society.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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11. How interested are you in politics?

- Δ Strongly Interested
- Δ Interested
- Δ Slightly interested
- Δ Not interested

- Δ Very satisfied
- Δ Somewhat satisfied
- Δ Slightly dissatisfied
- Δ Strongly dissatisfied

12. To what extent are you affiliated with any kind of political group?

- Δ Very actively affiliated
- Δ Actively affiliated
- Δ Passively affiliated
- Δ Not at all affiliated

14. To what extent do you trust your current government?

- Δ Very strongly
- Δ Somewhat strongly
- Δ Not very strongly
- Δ Not strongly at all

13. In general, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the present status of the democratic system in Turkey

- Δ Very strongly
- Δ Somewhat strongly
- Δ Not very strongly
- Δ Not strongly at all

15. To what extent do you feel disappointed by your current government?

16. In your opinion, what are the most pressing social and societal issues in Turkey?

	Strongly agree	To some extent	Slightly disagree	Strongly disagree
Corruption	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Social inequality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gender inequality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Economy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unemployment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Violence against women	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Religion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

17. To what extent do you think that the politics of the current government are in line with your interests as a woman?

- △ Very strongly
- △ Somewhat strongly
- △ Not very strongly
- △ Not strongly at all

20. To what extent do you consider the equality of men and women necessary in a democracy?

- △ Very much
- △ To some extent
- △ Very little
- △ Not at all

18. The current government is strongly restricting my lifestyle.

- △ I strongly agree
- △ I agree to some extent
- △ I slightly disagree
- △ I strongly disagree

21. Women and men are mostly equal in Turkey.

- △ I strongly agree
- △ I agree to some extent
- △ I don't agree
- △ I don't agree at all

19. How sufficiently do you think gender-related issues such as equal pay or violence against women are dealt with in Turkish politics?

- △ Very sufficiently
- △ Somewhat sufficiently
- △ Not very sufficiently
- △ Not sufficiently at all

22. It is not appropriate for a woman to become involved in politics.

- △ I strongly agree
- △ I agree to some extent
- △ I don't agree
- △ I don't agree at all

23. To what extent do you agree that women and men have the same opportunities in Turkey?

	Strongly agree	To some extent	Slightly disagree	Strongly disagree
... in the workplace	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... in the family	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
... in politics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

... in society	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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24. Religious norms and values are threatening the current lifestyle of women in Turkey.

- Δ I strongly agree
- Δ I agree to some extent
- Δ I slightly disagree
- Δ I do not agree at all

29. To what extent do you think women are being discriminated against in Turkish politics?

- Δ Very much
- Δ To some extent
- Δ Very little
- Δ Not at all

25. How strongly do you agree that Turkey is currently taking steps backwards in terms of gender equality?

- Δ Very much
- Δ To some extent
- Δ Very little
- Δ Not at all

30. To what extent do you think that women are being discriminated against in Turkish media?

- Δ Very much
- Δ To some extent
- Δ Very little
- Δ Not at all

26. Women in Turkey are facing more challenges today than they did 5 years ago.

- Δ I strongly agree
- Δ I agree somewhat
- Δ I disagree
- Δ I strongly disagree

31. To what extent do you think women in Turkey are exposed to sexual and domestic violence?

- Δ Very much
- Δ To some extent
- Δ Very little
- Δ Not at all

27. Discrimination against women is very common in Turkey.

- Δ I strongly agree
- Δ I agree to some extent
- Δ I don't agree strongly
- Δ I don't agree at all

28. To what extent do you think women are being discriminated against in Turkish family law?

- Δ Very much
- Δ To some extent
- Δ Very little
- Δ Not at all

32. In the last 12 months, how often have you been worried that any of the following might physically attack or hurt you?

	Very of- ten	Often	Sometimes	Never
Someone you don't know	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Someone from work/your studies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Another acquaintance or friend	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A relative of family member	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Your current partner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Your previous partner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

33. In the last 12 months, how often have you experienced any of the following situations?

	Very of- ten	Often	Sometimes	Never
Inappropriate starrng that made you feel intimidated	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unwelcome touching, hugging, kissing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sexual suggestive comments or jokes that made you feel offended	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Somebody indecently exposing themselves to you	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Inappropriate invitations to go out on dates	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unwanted sexually explicit emails, messages, SMS that offended you	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

34. How often do you hear about women who have been targeted by any form of domestic violence?

- △ Very often
- △ Somewhat often
- △ Sometimes
- △ Not very often

35. The state should provide stronger support for women on the matter of domestic violence.

- △ I strongly agree
- △ I agree to some extent
- △ I slightly disagree
- △ I strongly disagree

36. What does gender equality mean to you?

	Strongly agree	To some extent	Slightly disagree	Strongly disagree
Women and men have the same rights and obligations in a society	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Women and men have the same rights but different obligations due to their specific role in a society	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Women need to be positively discriminated for now, as they have been suffering from male dominance for centuries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I don't believe in the equality of women and men as they are different in both their rights and obligations and should be treated as such	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

37. Men's preference should be earning money while women's should be to stay at home and take care of household and children.

- △ I strongly agree
- △ I agree to some extent
- △ I slightly disagree
- △ I strongly disagree

39. To what extent would you agree that the problem of inequality for women has not been eliminated yet?

- △ Very much
- △ To some extent
- △ Very little
- △ Not at all

38. To what extent do you think women should work before their youngest child is at school?

- △ Very much
- △ To some extent
- △ Not very much
- △ Not at all

40. To what extent have you been involved in any kind of women's organization in the last 12 months?

- △ Very much
- △ To some extent
- △ Very little
- △ Not at all

41. How would you describe your engagement with the organization?

- Δ Very active
- Δ Somewhat active
- Δ Not very active
- Δ Not at all

42. What do you think about feminism?

- Δ It is needed and I strongly support it
- Δ It is needed but I don't support it
- Δ It is not needed and I don't support it
- Δ It is not needed and I strongly oppose it

43. To what extent would you consider yourself a feminist?

- Δ Very strongly
- Δ To some extent
- Δ Very little
- Δ Not at all

44. How often, if ever, have you felt you were treated unfairly because of your gender?

- Δ Very often
- Δ Sometimes
- Δ Not very often
- Δ Never

45. How involved have you been in the Gezi Park protests?

- Δ Very strongly
- Δ Somewhat strongly
- Δ Not very strongly
- Δ Not at all (→ *Go to Question 52*)

46. Did you come to the protest?

- Δ With partner
- Δ With family members
- Δ With friends
- Δ With colleagues/fellow students
- Δ With fellow organization members
- Δ Alone
- Δ Other

47. How frequently did you participate in the protests?

- Δ Very frequently
- Δ Somewhat frequently
- Δ Slightly frequently
- Δ Not frequently

48. What forms did your protest take?

	Very of- ten	Often	Sometimes	Never
Displaying signs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sit-ins	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disguise	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Social Networking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Human chains	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shouting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Throwing stones	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Providing medical assistance to wounded participants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Providing food and drinks, etc.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Participated in protest march	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spray-paint protest slogans on walls	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

49. To what extent do you identify with other people present at the demonstrations?

- △ Very much
- △ To some extent
- △ Very little
- △ Not at all

50. During the protests I strongly identified myself with other protest participants of my gender.

- △ I strongly agree
- △ I agree to some extent
- △ I slightly disagree
- △ I do not agree at all

51. I participated primarily to demonstrate my solidarity with other female protestors.

- Δ I completely agree
- Δ I partly agree
- Δ I disagree
- Δ I completely disagree

52. To what extent have you been involved in any kind of feminist activity during the protests?

- Δ Very much
- Δ To some extent
- Δ Very little
- Δ Not at all

53. How frequently have gender-related issues been addressed during the Gezi protests?

- Δ Very frequently
- Δ Somewhat frequently
- Δ Not very frequently
- Δ Not at all

54. When you decided not to participate in the protests, what were the major reasons?

	Strongly agree	To some extent	Slightly disagree	Strongly disagree
I did not agree with the aims of the protest	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I did not demonstrate in order to show my loyalty to the government	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I was scared to participate because I don't trust the protestors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I was scared to participate because I don't trust the police	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
My family did not want me to participate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
My husband did not want me to participate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I was scared to lose my job	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I was scared to get my family in trouble	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I was scared to get arrested	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I was scared to participate because I am a woman	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I did not participate because I am a woman	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I did not participate because I was not interested in the protests	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I did not participate because I did not have time	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

55. How important do you think was the role that women played during the protests?

- △ Very important
- △ Somewhat important
- △ Marginally important
- △ Not important

56. How important do you think was the issue of gender equality during the Gezi protests?

- △ Very important
- △ Somewhat important
- △ Marginally important
- △ Not important

57. Those issues that have been addressed by feminist action during the protests are important for a majority of women in Turkey?

- △ I strongly agree
- △ I agree to some extent
- △ I slightly disagree
- △ I do not agree at all

58. Looking back, to what extent do you think that women should have played a bigger role in the protests?

- Δ Very much
- Δ To some extent
- Δ Very little
- Δ Not at all

59. Looking ahead, what would you personally wish for to happen for women in the next five years in Turkey. (If possible, please answer in English)
