TOPIC GUIDE

• What is an older person?

• What are the roles of older people in the community?

• What are the main challenges that the community broadly faces?

• Are there any challenges/problems that specifically older people in the community face?

• Are there any particular opportunities / strengths/ support resources that older people in the community have (which younger people do not have?)

• Are there some older people in the community who are not able to cope with the challenges? If yes, how can you tell? Who are they? What do they do/not do? Why are they not coping?

• And those who are coping? Who are they? How can you tell if an older person is coping?

• What things are important in helping older people cope?
  – Meaning of rural-urban links? (what is home?)
  – Family relationships? Neighbours?
  – Living arrangements?
  – Health/function?

• Community feedback/dissemination -who do we need to engage? How?