

6.9.2 Backward Communities

In the backward communities, there are some variations in address forms. Except the school and college educated middle age group informants, all others address their father's mother as a:ya:. The school going younger generation addresses as a:tta:. The change in address term is because of the feeling among speakers that this term is a stigmatised one. And also, the term a:ya: used by the older generation has been changed as a:tta:.

Similarly, in addressing father's father, the term ayyan has been replaced with the word ta:tta: by school and college educated younger generation of this area.

6.9.3 Scheduled Communities

In the scheduled communities father's mother is addressed as a:ya:. However, in addressing father's father variation is found to occur in various social groups among the scheduled communities. The school and college educated people address their father's father as ta:tta: whereas primary educated agricultural labourers and old age group informants address as appa:ru.