6.4.3 Scheduled Communities

In the scheduled castes father is addressed by using the terms appa:. anna:, and ayya:. The lower income group middle age informants address father as ayya:.

6.5 Elder Brother

communities. As the term anna: is used to address one's father in the backward and scheduled communities, the terms cinnanna: 'junior elder brother' and appan 'father' are used to address elder brothers. Colloquially appan means father. As the term anna: is used to refer to father, the term cinnanna: is used to refer to elder brother. Brother is referred to as annan in forward and scheduled communities and as cinnannan, appan in backward communities. It has to be noted here that the scheduled caste people address their elder brother as anna; and not as in the case of backward communities.