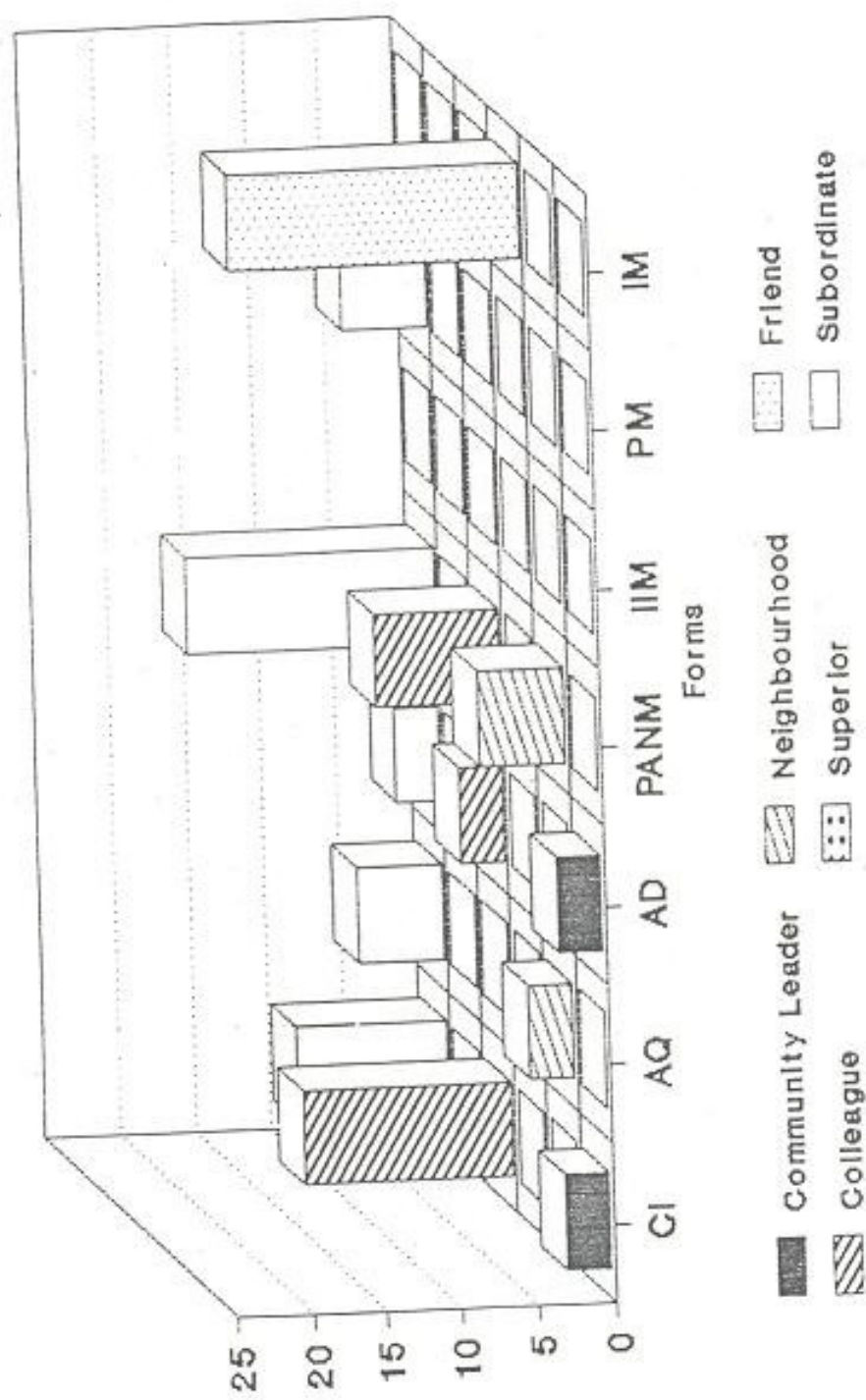
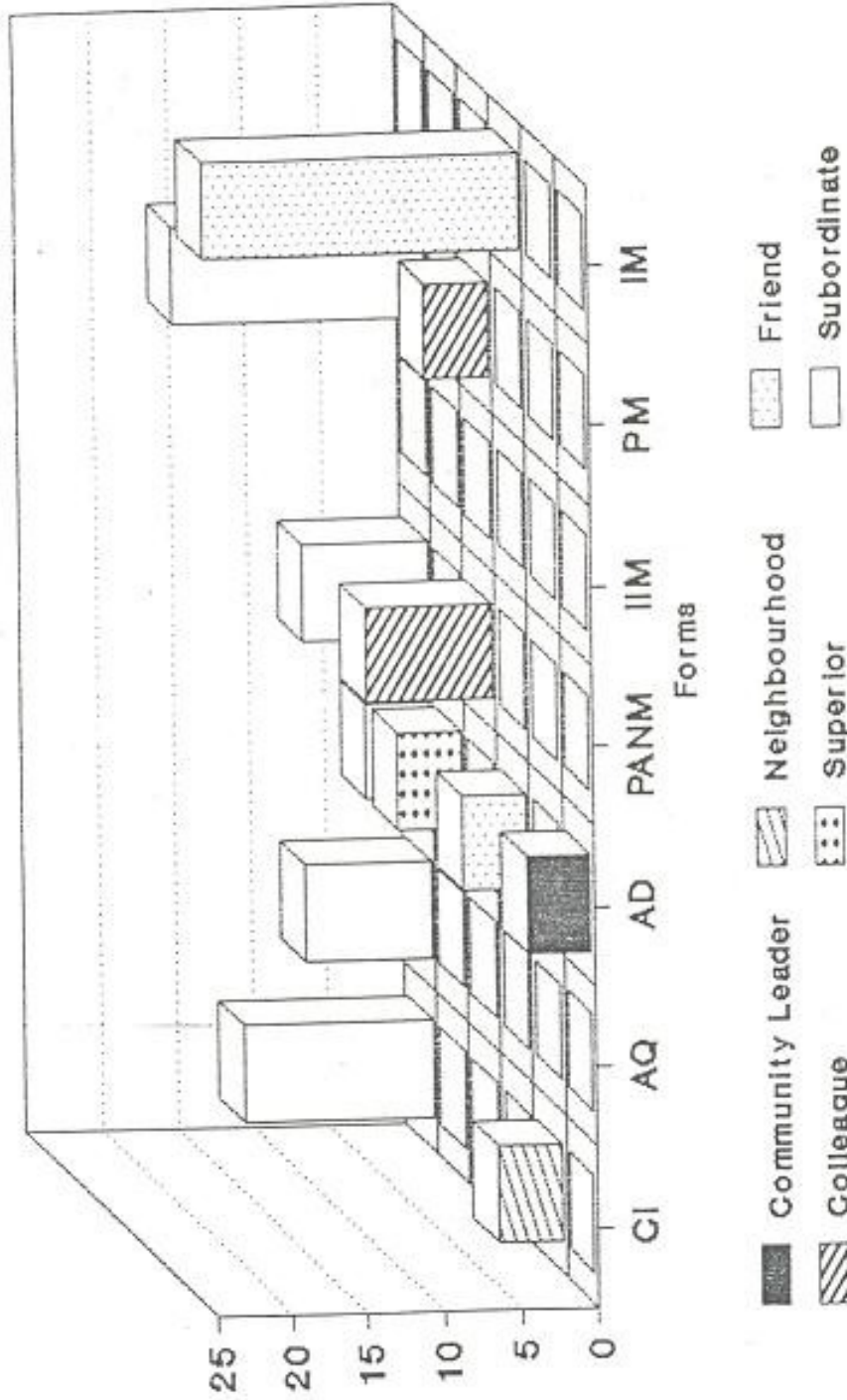


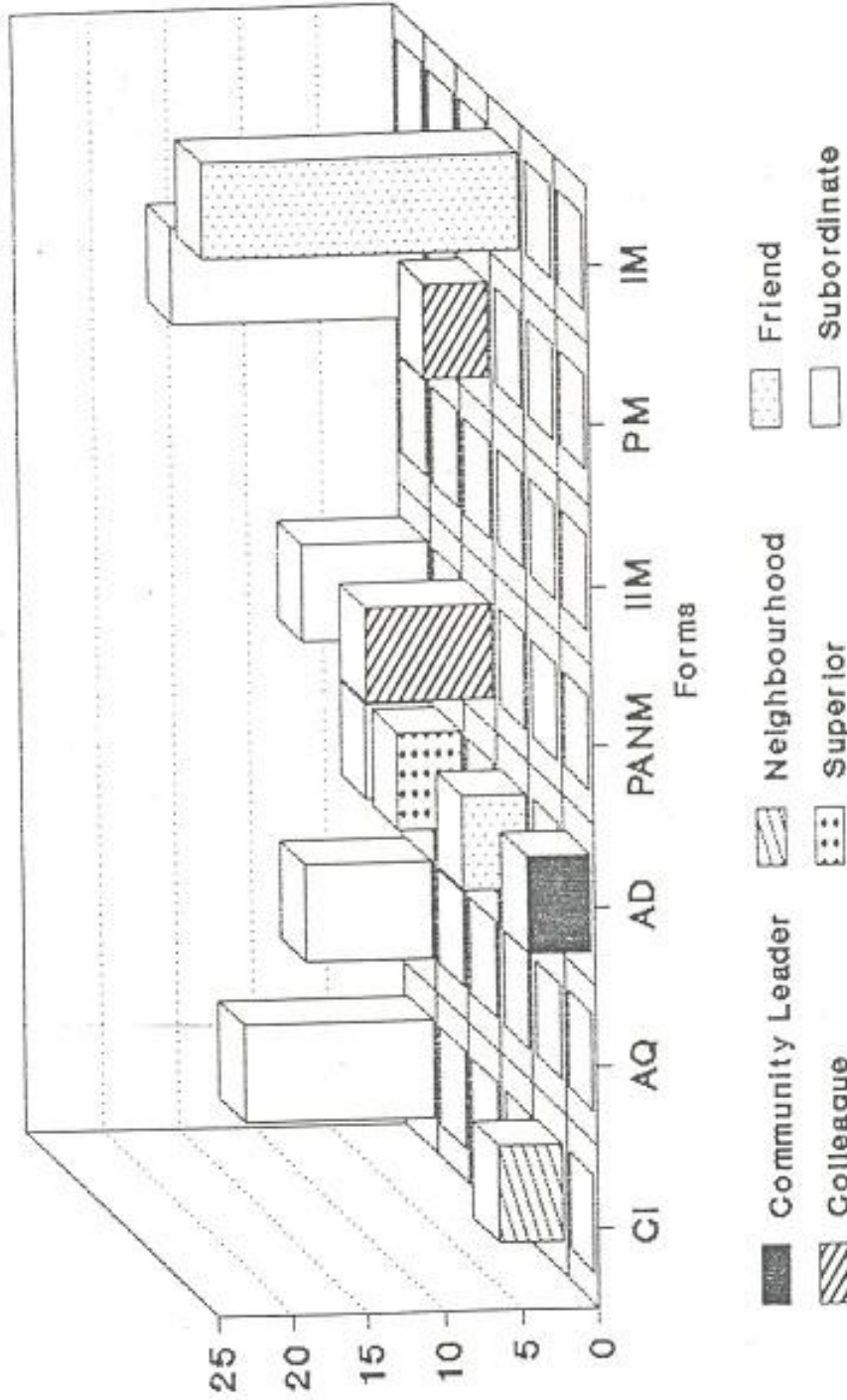
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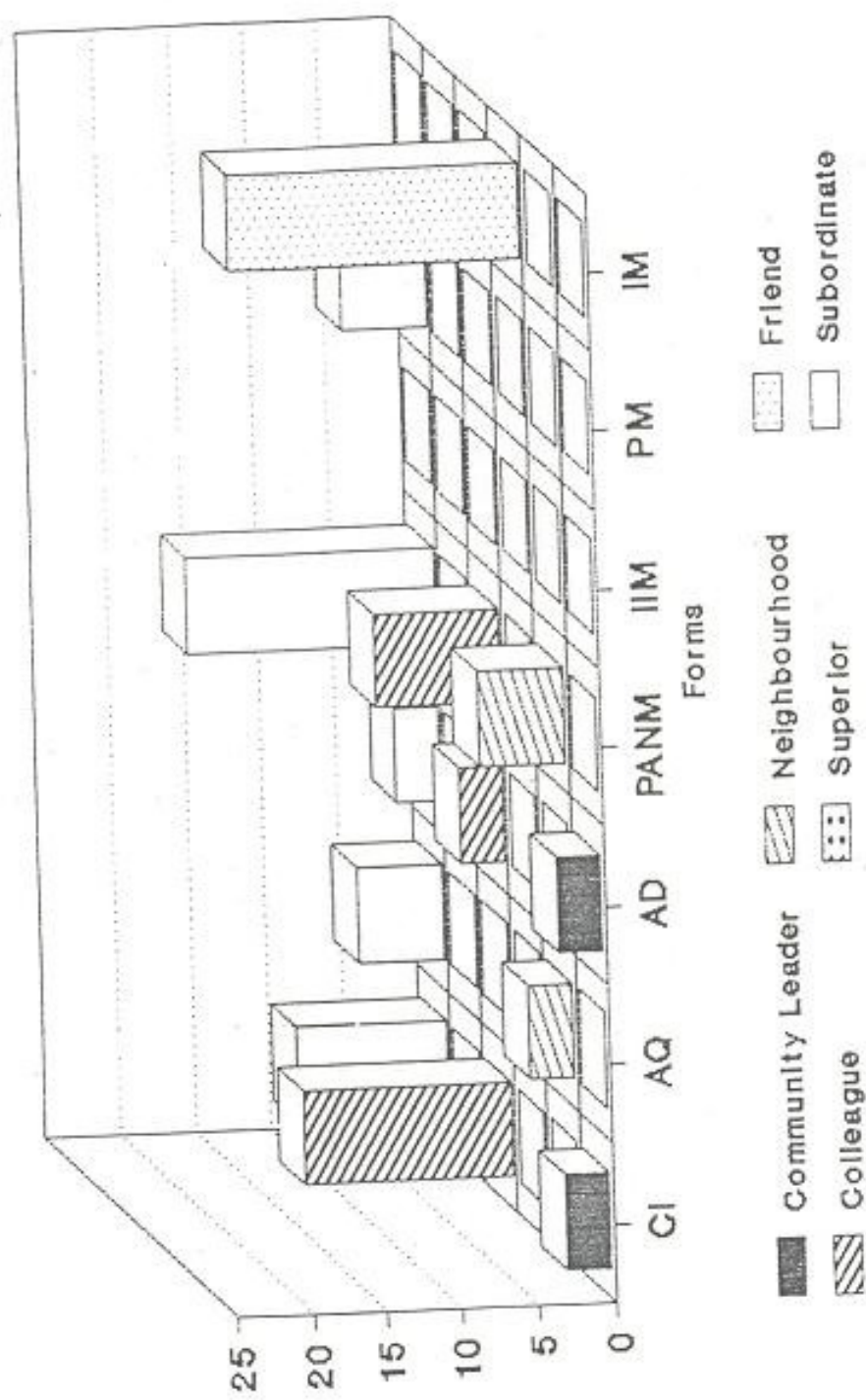
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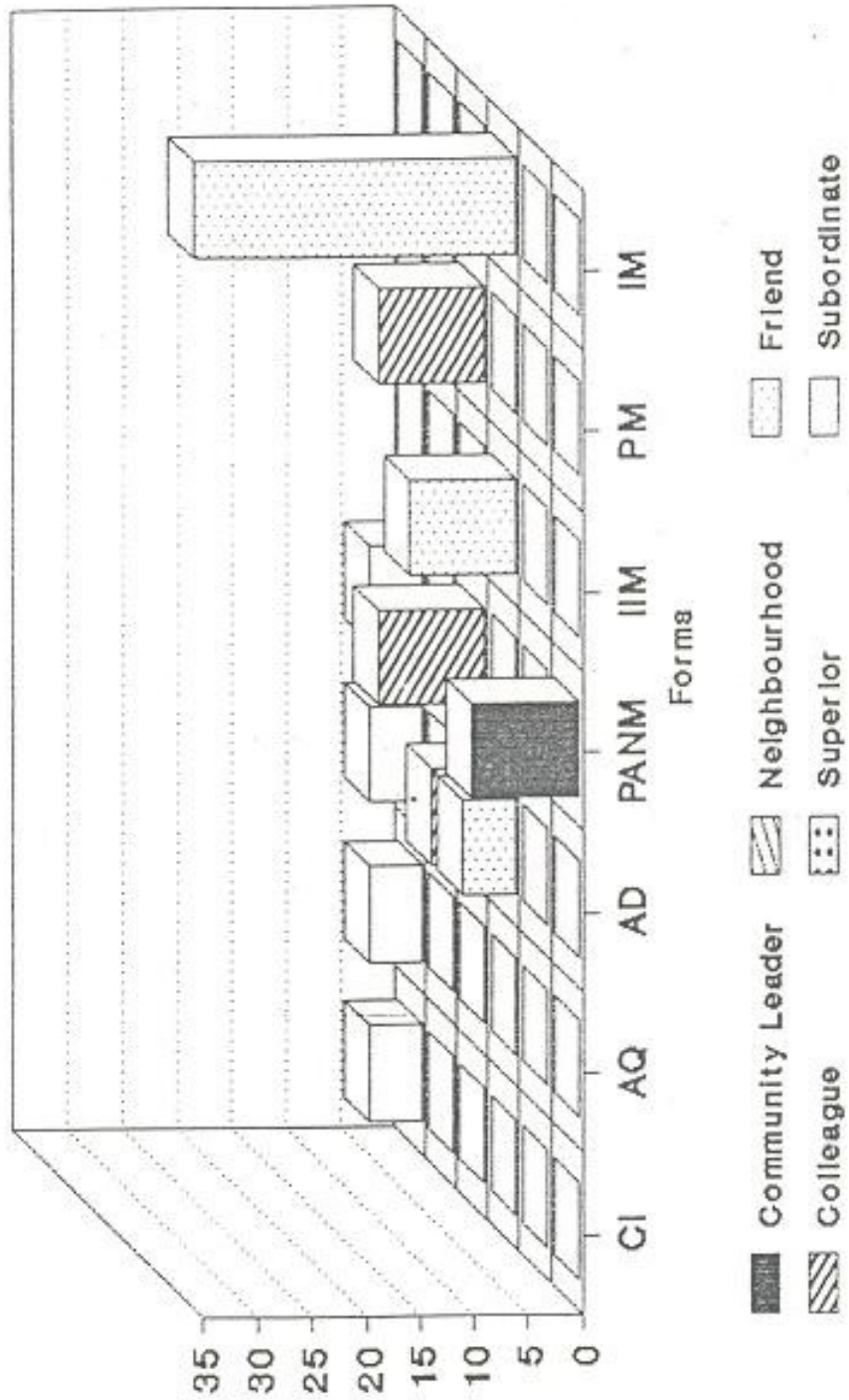
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SCHEDULED COMMUNITY : AUTHORITATIVE FEATURES

Forms	Community Leader	Neighbour	Friend	Colleague	Superior	Subordinate
Command and Instruc- tive	-	-	-	-	-	5
Action Questio- ned	-	-	-	-	-	5
Action Deployed	-	-	5	5	-	5
PANM	10	-	-	10	-	5
IIM	-	-	10	-	-	-
PM	-	-	-	10	-	-
IM	-	-	30	-	-	-

Scheduled Community Authoritative Features (In Percentage)



As far as the use of authoritative features to the community leaders is concerned, we find only low frequency of occurrence. In the forward communities the strategy of deploring the action is the only feature attested in the interaction with their community leader whereas in the backward communities apart from the strategy of deploring the action, commanding features are also attached strikingly. Among the scheduled caste informants only the power avoidance neutral marker is used in this context. Thus, this trend shows the nature of the role played by community leaders in their respective societies.

Among the scheduled caste members, no instance of using authoritative features either to their neighbour or to their superior is attested. However, among the backward and forward communities the technique of deploring the action and using power avoidance neutral markers are attested.

In all cases, authoritative features have been used while interacting with the subordinates. However, we find certain differences in the frequency distribution of different techniques expressing authority. Among forward community informants use of power markers is prevalent while among the backward community informants it is the use of power avoidance neutral markers quite often and among the scheduled community informants we find the use of four techniques, namely, (1) commanding (2) questioning (3) deploring the action and (4) using power avoidance neutral marker are equally distributed.