

University of Ibadan and Southern Illinois University
A Questionnaire Survey of Place Names

SECTION A - SETTLEMENT NAME AND IMPORTANCE

1. Name of Settlement: Ebiger LGA: Akoko-Edo
2. Language Spoken in the Settlement: Ikpeshi Ethnic Group: Ikpeshi
2. Name Parts: 1. ✓ Meaning: musical stick
 2. _____ Meaning: _____
3. What is the meaning of the settlement's name? fence + musical stick
4. What aspect of your culture is this place noted for? Traditional Marriage by initiation
5. What other things make this village important in this entire area? Children belong to the mother side (Ikpeshi group). Outside the clan, children belong to father
6. Are there any other villages bearing the same name as this village? ✓ Yes _____ No
 If Yes, Please list them: Egbigere 1 & 2

SECTION B - SPATIAL RELATIONS

7. How many quarters are there in this settlement? 3
 List all the quarters beginning with the oldest quarter: Oteku, Ogharebo, Ikushoke
8. Does this settlement have an old site? ✓ Yes _____ No. If yes, what is the name of the old site(s)? Egbigere
9. Name all the villages you have some form of relationship with in this area and indicate the type of relationship.

Related Villages	Type of Relationship
<u>Atte</u>	<u>Language</u>
<u>Enwan</u>	<u>Language</u>
<u>Egbigere</u>	

10. Name all the villages founded by people from this settlement? Eyuku → Efareshe (underneath the rock) Kpeshi, Leprosy village
11. What is the name of the major shrine of this village called? Isami shrine (water-bad)
12. Which part of the village is the major shrine located? Ikpeshi

SECTION C – ORIGIN AND SOCIO-CULTURAL CONSIDERATIONS

13. Founders of this settlement came from where? Ikona
14. Why did the founders of this settlement choose this place? _____
15. Rank the following environmental factors in terms of their roles in influencing the choice of this site for settlement by its founders:

Reasons for Selection	Rank
Nearness to a river or a stream	
Rock shelter	①
Availability of farm land	
Ancestral homeland	
Rock shelter adjacent to ample farm land	
Accessibility and centrality	
Protection offered by nearby big kingdoms	

16. What do you call the head of this village? Dawude (village head)
- Is the village head answerable to another head outside this village? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- If yes, please give the name of this other head: Zaiki g Ikpeshi His Location: Ikpeshi
- and why? Ikpeshi
17. How does your culture explain how rivers are formed? _____
18. How does your culture explain how the huge rock outcrops and hills around here formed? _____
19. List all other things you think make this place special to your people: _____

SECTION D – FOOD HABITS AND ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS

20. What are the three most important crops planted in farms owned by members of this settlement (village)?

1. Yam
2. Cassava
3. plantain ~~Coconut~~

21. Are the crops planted by the first farmers who founded this settlement the same as those planted in farms today?

Yes No

If no, please name those crops planted by your ancestors:

1. Yam
2. ~~Cassava~~ Corn

22. Why are those crops planted by your ancestors not planted today?

1. Gari / Bandle
2. _____
3. _____

23. What is the main food this village is known for?

Sambo

24. Has the main food remained the same over the years? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, what was the main food and why has it changed?
