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Subject: Language of interview and mother tongue

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Dear DHS team,

I'm Daniel, PhD student in development economics doing research on education in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

I want to know how correlated is the language of interview to the mother tongue, or whether it's approximately the same. I understand that interviewers are sent to areas where their language is spoken and that this could not be the respondent's mother tongue but rather a language that both the interviewer and respondent can comfortably communicate in. However, in practical terms, do you know to what extent are both correlated?

Thanks in advance,

Daniel.

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