APPENDIX

Appendix 1: POINT-OF-SALE OBSERVATION FORM CHINA

Before entering the store:

- 1. Observer ID
- Text box

Instructions: Enter your assigned unique observer ID

- 1.1 City
- 1-Shanghai
- 2-Beijing
- 3-Guangzhou
- 4-Chongqing
- 5-Shenyang
- 6-Jinan
- 7-Kunming
- 8-Guilin
- 9-Kaifeng
- 10-Baiyin
- 2. Date
- mm/dd/yyyy

Instructions: Enter the date in day/month/year format, October 15, 2020 would be entered as 10/15/2020.

- 3. Time of observation
- hh:mm am/pm
- This should be automatically recorded by the device.

But if the time shown on the device is incorrect, enter the time that you entered the venue in hh:mm am/pm format. Allowed input is from 00:00-12:00 am/pm.

- 4. School Name
- Text Box
- 4.1 School ID (5-digit)

Text Box

Instructions: Enter the school ID obtained from project coordinator.

- 4.2 School type
- 1-Junior high school
- 2-Senior high school
- 3-Vocational senior high school
- 4.3 Area of the school
- 1-Urban (district)

- 2-Rural (county)
- 5. Geo-coordinates
- School

App will capture the geo-coordinates for the venue automatically.

6. Retailer located within 100 or 250 meters from the front entrance of the school [determined from Baidu maps]

- A 100 meters distance
- A 101-250 meters distance
- No retailer
- 7. Retailer Name (if available)
- Text Box

Instructions: Enter retailer name, if name of the venue cannot be found, please enter "NF".

- 8. Retailer Street Address (if available)
- Text Box

Instructions: Enter street and No. of the venue as that from the venue lists. If the address of the venue cannot be found, please enter "NF".

- 9. Geo-coordinates
- Retailer

App will capture the geo-coordinates for the venue automatically.

- 10. Retailer Type
- 1-Supermarket
- 2-Hypermarket
- 3-Tobacco and Alcohol Specialty Store
- 4-Vape Shop
- 5-Convenience Store/Mini Mart
- 6-Independent Small Grocer
- 7-Shopping Mall (please specify the type of store in the mall)
- 8-Other: text box

Definitions:

Supermarket: Large store offering a large range of food and grocery products. Supermarkets are found in one building, not part of a larger mall.

Hypermarket: Large store offering multiple types of goods, including groceries, electronics, and home appliances. Hypermarkets are included in shopping malls.

Tobacco and Alcohol Specialty Store: Stores exclusively selling tobacco and alcoholic products. Vape Shop: Stores exclusively selling e-cigarette products.

Convenience Store/Mini Mart: A chain store that stocks household items, including food and beverages.

Independent Small Grocer: Independently owned retailer selling only food products in a traditional market (in a stall). A traditional market is a large market selling produce, meat, fish, and spices and is in either an open-air setting or large building.

Shopping Mall: A large building or series of connected buildings containing a variety of retail stores and typically also restaurants.

BEFORE ENTER THE STORE/RETAILER

Outside the store: Product Advertisements

11. From the outside – looking at the retailer, are there cigarette products being advertised (select all that apply)?

- 1-Print signage (posters, banners, flyers, etc.), apart from a product display
- 2-Backlit or illuminated tobacco product advertisements
- 3-Three-dimensional signage
- 4-Others-text option
- 5-No cigarette products being advertised

Instructions: Record the tobacco company branding in the text box under "4- Others-text option".

12. From the outside-looking at the retailer, are any cigarette products on display?

- 1-Yes
- 2-No

13. From the outside – looking at the retailer, are there e-cigarette products being advertised (select all that apply)?

- 1-Print signage (posters, banners, flyers, etc.), apart from a product display
- 2-Backlit or illuminated tobacco product advertisements
- 3-Three-dimensional signage
- 4-Others-text option
- 5-No e-cigarette products being advertised
- 14. From the outside-looking at the retailer, are any e-cigarette products on display?
- 1-Yes
- 2-No

Instructions: Observe if there are signs that ban the sale of tobacco products.

- 15. Are there any signs banning cigarette sale visible from the street?
- 1-Yes
- 2-No
- 16. Are there any signs banning e-cigarette sale visible from the street?
- 1-Yes
- 2-No

ENTER THE STORE/RETAILER

Inside the store: Product Promotions & Advertisements

- 17. What types of tobacco products does the retailer sell? (select all that apply)
- 1-Cigarettes only
- 2-E-cigarettes only
- 3-Tobacco products sold besides cigarettes, e-cigarettes-text option
- 4-No tobacco products sold (go to Q 44)

Include examples of additional tobacco products sold or anecdotal comments: Text box

- 18. Are advertisements for cigarettes present?
- 1-Yes
- 2-No
- 19. Are advertisements for e-cigarettes present?
- 1-Yes
- 2-No

Advertising refers to branded print or digital/electronic signage such as posters, banners, flyers, or shelf liners.

(If select "Yes" in Q18, Q20 and Q21 will show on the form.)

- 20. How are the cigarettes advertised (select all that apply)?
- 1-Print signage (posters, banners, flyers, shelf liners, etc.), apart from a product display
- 2-Print signage inside/as part of a product display (backgrounds, shelf liners)
- 3-Electronically illuminated tobacco product advertisements
- 4-Three-dimensional signage
- 5-Other: text option

Instructions: Record the tobacco company branding in the text box under "5- Others-text option".

- 21. Do any cigarette advertisements use cartoon characters?
- 1-Yes
- 2-No

(If select "Yes" in Q19, Q22 and Q23 will be displayed on the form.)

- 22. How are the e-cigarettes advertised (select all that apply)?
- 1-Print signage (posters, banners, flyers, shelf liners, etc.), apart from a product display
- 2-Print signage inside/as part of a product display (backgrounds, shelf liners)
- 3-Electronically illuminated tobacco product advertisements
- 4-Three-dimensional signage
- 5-Other: text option
- 23. Do any e-cigarette advertisements use cartoon characters?
- 1-Yes
- 2-No
- 24. Are cigarettes promoted using in any of the following ways (select all that apply)?
- 1-Price discounts (e.g. sales, coupons, limited time offer, multi pack discounts)
- 2-Free tobacco products
- 3-Gifts other than the product (free or with purchase)
- 4-A sponsored event, activity, or cause
- 5-Contests or competitions
- 6-Loyalty/rewards scheme
- 7-Mention of social media channel on a sign
- 8-Other: text box

- 9-None
- 25. Are e-cigarettes promoted using in any of the following ways (select all that apply)?
- 1-Price discounts (e.g. sales, coupons, limited time offer, multi pack discounts)
- 2-Free tobacco products
- 3-Gifts other than the product (free or with purchase)
- 4-A sponsored event, activity, or cause
- 5-Contests or competitions
- 6-Loyalty/rewards scheme
- 7-Mention of social media channel on a sign
- 8-Other: text box
- 9-None

Promotion refers to special or limited time offer that are intended to result in the purchase of a tobacco product

26. What type of social media channels are being used to promote cigarettes (select all that apply)?

- 1-QQ
- 2-WeChat
- 3-Weibo
- 4-Tiktok
- 5-Xiaohongshu
- 6-Lvzhou
- 7-Kuaishou
- 8-Other: text box
- 9-None

27. What type of social media channels are being used to promote e-cigarettes (select all that apply)?

- 1-QQ
- 2-WeChat
- 3-Weibo
- 4-Tiktok
- 5-Xiaohongshu
- 6-Lvzhou
- 7-Kuaishou
- 8-Other: text box
- 9-None

28. Do you see cigarette brands on non-tobacco products in the store like clocks, hats, tshirts, mirrors, carry bags, cigarette lighters, in the areas displaying cigarette packs? [do not include items owned by customers in the store]

- 1-Yes
- 2-No

29. Do you see e-cigarette brands on non-tobacco products in the store like clocks, hats, t-shirts, mirrors, carry bags, cigarette lighters, in the areas displaying e-cigarette packs? [do not include items owned by customers in the store]

- 1-Yes
- 2-No

30. Are there any celebrity endorsements on a cigarette advertising sign at this retailer?

- 1-Yes
- 2-No

31. Are there any celebrity endorsements on a e-cigarettes advertising sign at this retailer?

- 1-Yes
- 2-No

Celebrity endorsements may include people from entertainment industry (film, TV, radio personalities), sports figures, social media influencers

Product Placement/Display

- 32. Any display of cigarette packs?
- 1-Yes
- 2-No
- 33. Any display of e-cigarettes?
- 1-Yes
- 2-No

Product display refers to the prominent exhibition of a tobacco product(s) that is visible to customers or potential customers

(If select "1-Yes" in Q32, Q34, Q36 and Q38 will be displayed on the form; if select "1-Yes" in Q33, Q35, Q37 and Q39 will be displayed on the form.)

34. Are cigarette packs displayed in the cashier zone excluding the power wall?

- 1-Yes
- 2-No

Cashier Zone refers to the area surrounding the cash register (on the counter, in front of the counter, immediately to the left or right of the cash register)

- 35. Are e-cigarettes displayed in the cashier zone excluding the power wall?
- 1-Yes
- 2-No
- 36. Are cigarette packs displayed on a power wall?
- 1-Yes
- 2-No
- 37. Are e-cigarettes displayed on a power wall?
- 1-Yes
- 2-No

Power wall refers to a display of tobacco products with multiple shelves and multiple packs

38. Are cigarette packs displayed within 30 cm (estimate using your leg or body) of candy, beverages or snacks?

- 1-Yes
- 2-No

39. Are e-cigarettes displayed within 30 cm (estimate using your leg or body) of candy, beverages or snacks?

- 1-Yes
- 2-No

Flavors

- 40. What types of flavors are available for cigarette packs at the store?
- 1-Menthol/mint flavor
- 2-Other flavors -Include examples or anecdotal comments: Text box
- 3-No flavored cigarette packs at the store
- 4-No cigarette sale •
- 41. What types of flavors are available for e-cigarettes at the store? Yes/No
- 1-Fruit flavored:
- 2-Candy flavored: Yes/No
- 3-Food or beverage flavored: Yes/No
- 4-Mint or menthol Yes/No
- 5-Other flavors-Include examples or anecdotal comments: Text box
- 6-No e-cigarette sale

Examples

Fruit flavored: mango, orange, banana

Candy: chocolate, bubblegum

Food/beverage flavor: cookie, chips, yogurt, green tea

Other: tobacco flavor

Signage

- 42. Is there a sign that says the cigarettes can only be sold to adults (select all that apply)?
- 1-Yes: a sign saying "sales are prohibited to youth under 18"
- 2-Yes: a sign saying "sales are prohibited to youth" (no specific age indicated)
- 3-No
- 43. Is there a sign that says the e-cigarettes can only be sold to adults (select all that apply)?
- 1-Yes: a sign saying "sales are prohibited to youth under 18"
- 2-Yes: a sign saying "sales are prohibited to youth" (no specific age indicated)
- 3-No

Completion of Observation

- Result of observation 44.
- 1-Observation completed

- 2-Observation not completed
- 45. If observation not completed, why?
- 1-Data collector not allowed to enter venue
- 2-Retailer out of business
- 3-Other: text box