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ABSTRACT

This thesis entitled Impact Evaluation of Co-operative on Rural Development: With Special Reference to Sangalo Saving and Credit Co-operative, Kanakasundari VDC, Jumla simply tries to find out the Impact of Co-operative on Rural Development with taking Sangalo Saving and Credit Co-operative as a co-operative and its member and community as rural area. Basically increasing trends of saving culture and investment in productive sector, plays the vital role in the human socio economic life. Similarly cooperative is the mean to collect the scattered small scaled capital in rural area and to divert to collected fund towards productive sector, causes to develop the rural lives.

Descriptive and analytical approaches was use to evaluate the financial performance of co-operative and its impact on rural community. Comparative trend analysis is used as main analytical tools to analyze the impact of co-operative on rural area. The studies attempt to obtained relationship between the progress in financial position of people and their active involvement in co-operative. It is concerned with the people's involvement in co-operative and their changing life style. Trends of people's saving culture and obtaining new business idea have become basic contribution of co-operative.

Among total number of population (101 member), 30 member have been taken as sample. They are selected by purposive sampling and sampling and stratified method. Data collection is based on the primary and secondary source of data. The secondary data is collected from the published and unpublished documents, article, report and book. The data were collected with the help of structured and unstructured questionnaire were related to co-operative and impact of activities on rural community. Data collection from in depth interview with people, directly and indirectly involved in co-operative as well as field observation are treated as primary source of data. This study revealed that how co-operative helps to improve the people's daily lives.

Almost all member are successful to save more amount than previous time. Out of 30 respondents, 25 have found as economically benefited and socially satisfied too. Most of them have changed their occupation, leaving their traditional agriculture and adopting some how new business idea, like cash crops, goat farming, tailoring,

computer institute etc. AS a member of co-operative, people have to save certain amount of money for their regular saving, it stops the unnecessary spendings and avails the fund for the investment in productive sector. Taking loan from co-operative and use of loan to produce somehow rural consumable product is become the key idea to earn money and improve the income level. It founds that people are able to increase their income level by using money taken from co-operative loan. Some of them were feeling peace and social dignity as achievement from the proper use of money availed from co-operative.

From the study it come to know that, infrastructure development is pre requisite condition of every sector of development. Similarly, the rural people of Jumla (selected area) are also facing from low level of development like road access, transportation, market access, irrigation, drinking water, electricity etc. if they could have such availability of facilities, they could gain lots of benefit than they have achieved.

He major findings of the study are that, the co-operatives plays the highly positive role in socio-economy of rural community. These are improvement in income level, generation of new business idea, improved social dignity, employment, peace and harmony is society.

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ABBREVIATIONS/ACRONOMY

Amt.	: Amount
GDP.	: Gross Domestic Product
FINGOs	: Financial Intermediaries Non-Governmental Organizations
FY.	: Fiscal Year
Govt.	: Government
HMG.	: His Majesty Government
ICA.	: International Cooperative Alliance
INGO.	: International Non-Governmental Organization
MCPW.	: Microcredit Project for Women
MFDB .	: Microfinance Development Bank
MFIs.	: Microfinance Institutions
NGO.	: Non-Governmental Organization
NPC.	: National Planning Commission
NRB.	: Nepal Rastra Bank
SSCC.	:Sangalo Saving and Credit Cooperative
RD.	: Rural Development
UNFCO.	: United Nation Field Coordination Office
VDC	: Village Development Committee