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ABSTRACT

The study is based on the primary data, collected from Dhimilikuwa VDC, ward no. 1 and 2. The study is conducted among 170 females.

The objective of the study is to access the knowledge and awareness of Domestic Violence Against Women (DVAW) and the socio-economic impact on domestic violence women. Further the research has aimed to study the situations of behavior on reporting the incidence of domestic violence and to access the knowledge about legal provision for Domestic Violence Against Women.

The majority of respondents are living in nuclear family (58.8%) and the highest percentage (62.9%) have agriculture as occupation. Similarly, majority of respondents are from the age group 25-29 and 30-34. Only 47.1 percent respondents are illiterate that means majority (52.9%) of respondents are literate.

The level of knowledge about the domestic violence against women is better in the study area. Radio/Television is the most effective source of information (53.8%). Most of the respondents have an experience of at least any forms of DVAW. An overwhelming majority (88.2%) have experienced of Domestic Violence Against Women at least once in their life time. About two-third have knowledge about any legal provision of DVAW. Only 23.5 percent respondents were of land. The majority of respondents followed Hindu religion (64.7%). Which is followed by Buddha (35.3%).

Women in Dhamilikuwa VDC (Village Development Committee) of Lamjung are far from the media which provide the new information about the word. Most of them depended with their husband or male persons of the family. There is any responsible organizations to listen voices of victim women and others. Some respondents are fully deprived from Information, Communication and Education (ICE).

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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

| | | |
|--------|---|--|
| AIDS | : | Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome |
| AIMS | : | Amnesty International Media Briefing |
| BS | : | Bikram Sambat (Also Lunar Calendar) |
| CBS | : | Central Bureau of Statistics |
| CDPS | : | Central Department of Population Studies |
| CEDAW | : | Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women |
| CREPHA | : | Centre for Research on Environment and Population Activities |
| DVAW | : | Domestic Violence Against Women |
| HDR | : | Human Development Report |
| HIV | : | Human Immune Deficiency Virus |
| ICPD | : | International Conference on Population and Development |
| IEC | : | Information, Education and Communication |
| INGO | : | International no Governmental Organization |
| LACC | : | Legal Aid and Consultancy Center |
| NGO | : | Non Government Organization |
| SVM | : | Sexual Violence with in Marriage |
| UN | : | United Nations |
| UNFPA | : | United Nation Fund for Population Activities |
| UNICEF | : | United Nation Children's Fund |
| VDC | : | Village Development Committee |
| WHO | : | World Health Organization |