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#### **ABSTRACT**

This research entitled "Co-operative Learning: Perceptions of Bachelor Level Students" was carried out to explore the views of bachelor level students on co-operative learning in ELT class. I selected three campuses situated in Bajura district using purposive non-random sampling procedure. In the same way, 40 students from those selected campuses were selected using the same sampling procedure. For eliciting data, the structured questionnaire with open -ended and close-ended questions was used. The data collected from questionnaire were analyzed and interpreted using descriptive as well as statistical tools. The overall findings of the study showed that a considerable number of the students were familiar with the co-operative learning premises, components, principles and so on. They were found more theoretical than practical for implementing this method. Some of the students were still in confusion about co-operative learning and its appropriateness in ELT class.

This thesis has been divided into five different chapters. The first chapter, Introduction' includes the background of the study, statement of the problem, objectives, research questions, significance, delimitations and operational definitions of key terms of the study. Similarly, chapter second deals with the review of related theoretical literature, empirical literature, implication of the review for the study and conceptual framework. The third chapter deals with the methodology employed to conduct the study. It gives information about the design of the study, population and sample, sampling strategies, study area, data collection tools, data collection procedure and data analysis and interpretation procedure. Collected data were presented, analyzed and interpreted applying statistical tools like frequency and percentage in the fourth chapter. It also includes summary of the findings. Accordingly, the fifth chapter includes the conclusions and recommendations. Some recommendations for policy level, practice level and further research level are presented in this section. This chapter is followed by references and appendices.

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#### LIST OF THE ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

% Percentage

B. Ed Bachelor in Education

CL Cooperative Learning

CLS Cooperative Learning Strategies

CPU Cambridge University Press

Dr. Doctor

e.g. For Example

Eds. Editors

EFL English as Foreign Language
ELT English Language Teaching

ESL English as Second Language

etc Etcetera Fig. Figure

GL Group Learning

i.e. That is

M. Ed Master in EducationMoE Ministry of Education

Mr. Mister
Mrs. Mistress
Ms. Miss

NCED National Centre for Educational Development
NELTA Nepal English Language Teacher' Association

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NSs Negotiation Strategies

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SLA Second Language Acquisition

T.U Tribhuvan University

TL Target language

Viz Namely Vol. Volume