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ABSTRACT OF THE STUDY

F-SKILL Employment & Training Pvt Ltd (here after referred as F-SKILL) is originally, a Swiss Development and Cooperation (SDC) project initiated in the year 2002. Now, it is a Nepalese Pvt. Company implementing employment and training programmes supported by different donors like SDC, Helvetas Swiss Intercooperation Nepal, US-AID, UN Habitat, DFID etc. whose training target group is out of school young girls and boys of age 16 to 35 years and who are socially discriminated, economically disadvantaged and have low educational attainment (below SLC), occupational caste groups, landless, internally displaced, dalits, indigenous etc. The program aims at imparting occupational skill training, life skill training, and business skill/enterprising skill training to these minority groups and assists them to enter into gainful employment.

The present research is carried out to study about the overall impact of F-SKILL training programmes. F-SKILL is successful to grant skill to 397 disadvantaged youths in Chitwan District through its trainings programmes (December, 2005 to December, 2010).

The research was conducted from November, 2010 to June, 2010. Out of 397 graduates 100 graduates were taken as a respondent to study about Trainees' Views on F-SKILL training programmes, where as 14 Local Partner Organizations (here after referred as LPOs) and PFs were also met and interviewed to study about PFs/LPOs' views regarding F-SKILL training programmes. Most importantly, 23 local customers of F-SKILL graduates were also interviewed to know the clear vision about F-SKILL graduates' work performance and services. Other informal talks to local people, trainers and trainees' family member were also done to make the research more authentic, reliable and relevant.

Some of Recommendations and Suggestions were collected from trainee graduates, LPOs/PFs and Local Clients, trainers during research period. I am therefore, hopeful; F-SKILL will not underestimate these recommendations and suggestions in the future days.

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Acronyms

L.H. Morgan	Lewis Henery Morgan
F-SKILL	Franchising Skill and Know how Imparted at Local Level
TEVT	Technical Education and Vocational Training
KSA	Knowledge, Skill and Attitude
LDC	Least Developed Country
NLFS	Nepal Labor Force Survey
MVT	Mobile Vocational Training
NGO	Non Government Organization
СВО	Community Based Organization
TTP	Technical Training Providers
ESP	Employment Service Providers
T&E Providers	Training and Employment Providers
GoN	Government of Nepal
CTEVT	Council for Technical Education and Vocational Training
VDC	Village Development Committee
MP	Municipality
NPC	National Planning Commission
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
US	United States
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
ILO	International Labor Organization
CBS	Central Bureau of Statistics
WB	World Bank
HRD	Human Resource Development
USA	United States of America
OJT	On-the-job Training
TITI	Technical Institute for Technical Instructor
VET	Vocational Education and Training
SLC	School Leaving Certificate
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
TSLC	Technical School Leaving Certificate

HELVETAS Nepal	Swiss INGO
INGO	International Non Government Organization
SDC	Swiss Agency for Development & Cooperation
GTZ	German Technical and Cooperation Agency
DFID	Department for International Development
CARE NEPAL	INGO working at Nepal
TfE Project	Training for Employment Project
PAF	Poverty Alleviation Fund
SEP	Skill for Employment Project
EF	Employment Fund
EFS	Employment Fund Secretariat
FGD	Focus Group Discussion
SWOT	Strength, Weakness, Opportunities and Threat
MOST	Market Oriented Skill Training
TNA	Training Need Assessment
SFACL	Small Farmers' Agricultural Cooperative Limited
TV	Television