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#### **ABSTRACT**

The study is about the 'Problem faced by secondary level mathematics teachers and students in geometry'. The main objectives of the study were to identify the causes of problems behind poor mathematics achievement in school level. By hearing the negative response of students towards geometry while teaching in secondary class and observing poor result in geometry the researcher decided to take a research work carrying to this topic. By taking interview with experts, teachers, guardians, home visit, class observation, and achievement test among about 200 candidates the data were collected. Participants were selected by purposive sampling method.

The data were analyzed by survey design. Responses obtained from class observation and achievement test were analyzed by three point Lickert scale with the help of mean weightage, contents of text books, old documents, teachers, and guardians' responses, physical availability etc. were analyzed by factual description.

From all the above efforts reliable causes of possible problems were noticed. School administration, parents, teachers, publications, students and academic policy of nation all are responsible for the problem. Also regular school observation by RP, standardized government policy, honest administration, motivational evaluation of teachers and students and constructive encouragement etc. can be the possible remedial measures to decrease the problems.

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### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AAUW Association of American University for Women

B. A. Bachelor's in Art

B. Ed. Bachelor's in Education

M. A. Master's in Art

M. Ed. Master's in Education

NESP National Education System Plan

OALD Oxford Advanced Learner's Dictionary

TU Tribhuvan University

USA United States of America

UNRISD United Nations Research Institute of Social development

CDC Curriculum Development Center

MDG Millennium Development Goal

INGO International Government Office

DEO District Education Office

RP Resource Person