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#### **ABSTRACT**

This study being a part of partial fulfillment of the requirements for the Degree of Master of Arts in Sociology has revealed the job satisfaction status and the problems faced by women labourers in Machhapuchchhre Brick Factory, TANAHUN.

The overall objective of this study was to find out the state of women labourers in Machhapuchchhre Brick Factory, TANAHUN. A descriptive research design was used in the study. The data were collected from the total women labourers (66) who were working in Machhapuchchhre Brick Factory, TANAHUN. The data were collected through the direct personal interview with interview schedule, observation and case study. The collected data were coded, recoded, scrutinized and entered into the computer using Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS) software and the qualitative data were manually processed. The data have been presented and analyzed with the help of descriptive and inferential statistical tools.

It was found that the female worker were from different socio-cultural background. Majority of the females were working to support their families. Married working women revealed that they had to work because the occupations of their husbands were less prestigious and semi-skilled. So they had to work for the education of their children and to support the family. The family size and types show that they were aware and willing to make small and happy family. However their status of job satisfaction was not satisfactory. It was because they faced the problems of being inferiority, overloaded, exploited, and discriminated while working in the brick factory. They faced the problem of untimely pay of the salary, interruption of owner in the work and unequal wages.

Most of the working women in Machhapuchchhre Brick Factory were educated, though the level of education was low. It indicates that the trend has changed and educated women want to work outside to share the economic burden of the family. Taking into account all the facts it can be concluded that the attitude of the people towards working women was changing. The males wanted that the females get education and do jobs outside the home. Thus a good employment opportunity has been provided by the factory. However, there is a need to provide proper education and vocational skills to engage them in productive employment. This will help to reduce poverty and improve family status.

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#### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ADB : Asian Development Bank

CBS : Central Bureau of Statistics

CEDA : Centre for Economic Development and Administration

CEDAW : Convention on Elimination of all forms of Discrimination

against Women

DDC : District Development Committee

FNCCI : Federation of Nepalese Chambers of Commerce and Industry

GAD : Gender and Development

GDP : Gross Domestic Product

GEFONT : General Federation of Nepalese Trade Unions

ILO : International Labour Organization

MDGs : Millennium Development Goals

MGEP : Mainstreaming Gender Equality Programme

MoF : Ministry of Finance

MWSW : Ministry of Women and Social Welfare

NDHS : Nepal Demographic Health Survey

NGO : Non Governmental Organization

NLFS : National Labour Force Survey

NLSS : Nepal Living Standard Survey

NPC : National Planning Commission

SPSS : Statistical Package for Social Science

TGF : Textile, Garment and Footwear

VDC : Village Development Committee

UN : United Nation

UNDP : United Nation Development Program

UNFPA : United Nations Population Fund

UNIDO : United Nations Industrial Development Organization

UNICEF: United Nations Children's Fund

WAD : Women and Development