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ABTRACT

This study, entitled Critical Discourse Analysis of My Literacy Book Series From Gender Perspective aimed to investigate how My Literacy Book series portray male and female according to their status, social roles, representation and inclusiveness and examine to what extent equality exist between genders in the textbook. This study is based on qualitative method and data has been collected and analyzed through multimodal analysis of critical discourse analysis where social roles of men and women, representation of men and women linguistically, economically, culturally, status of men and women and inclusiveness in diversity. The major findings of this study were that participation of the female in literacy class is more than male. This shows that the condition of female is weak and depending on male. Most of the persuasive strategy including story and poem was used to aware women about the ill practices of society. These books tried to aware women about the health care education and financial empowerment. No equal participation of male and female characters has been found. Gender stereotype has been established, where particular role was given to female and males.

This thesis consists of five chapters altogether. The first chapter is about introductory part which deals with background of the study, statement of the problem, objective of the study, research question, significance of the study, delimitations of the study and operational definitions of the key words. The second chapter deals with review of related literature, review of related empirical literature and conceptual framework. Similarly, the third chapter deals with method and procedure of the study. Likewise, the fourth chapter deals with analysis and interpretation of the study. Finally, the fifth is about findings, conclusions and recommendation.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

CDA: Critical Discourse Analysis

MCDS: Multimodal Critical Discourse Studies

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