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#### **ABSTRACT**

The present research study entitled Contextual Analysis of Cultural **Terms in Translation: A Case of** *Bruised Evening* is an attempt to analyze the translation of cultural terms contextually. The main purpose of the study was to analyze the cultural terms used in translation and the contextual analysis of these terms in the case of *Bruised Evening*. It aimed to explore the causes of loss of meaning in translation. Only the secondary sources of data were used in the study. Qualitative data were used with descriptive and analytical study. The study made the contextual analysis of cultural terms used in the drama Bruised Evening and tried to find out whether or notthe terms were translated contextually using the equivalent cultural terms or not. The thirty cultural terms were categorized in five catogories, such as: Ecological cultural, Material cultural, Social cultural, Religious cultural and Coceptual cultural terms. In the translating of some cultural terms the translator has used the another words instead of the equavalent words without any context. For example: dharti has been used to indicate to Bhaktapur and has been changed into *land*.

This thesis is divided into four chapters. Chapter one introduces the general background, review of the related literature, objectives of the study and significance of the study. The second chapter deals with the methodology adopted for the study. It encompasses sources of data, process of data collection and limitations of the study. Chapter three presents an analysis and interpretation of the data. In this chapter, data have been analyzed and interpreted descriptively. Chapter four presents the findings from the analysis of data. On the basis of the findings, some suggestions have been made for pedagogical implication.

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#### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

Dr. = Doctor

E.g. = For Example

etc. = Etecetera

i.e. = That is

LT = Literal Translation

M.Ed. = Master's in Education

No. = Number

Prof = Professor

SLR = Source Language Reader

SLT = Source Language Text

T.U. = Tribhuvan University

TLR = Target Language Reader

TLT = Target Language Text

Vs = Versus

SL = Source Language

TL = Target Language