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ABSTRACT

The present study entitled "Teachers' Perception on Immediate Feedback" is an attempt to identify and find out secondary level English teachers' perception on immediate feedback who are teaching in Kathmandu district and suggest some pedagogical implications. In order to collect the data, the primary and secondary sources were used. Forty English teachers teaching at secondary level in Kathmandu district were involved as informants in this study. I purposively selected some secondary schools and teachers. The required information was collected following purposive non-random sampling. The main tool for data collection was the questionnaire. The participants were requested to help me by responding to the questionnaire. The raw data obtained from them were analyzed and interpreted descriptively as well as using simple statistical tools. After analysis and interpretation of the data it was found that immediate feedback is very crucial in teaching learning process. It activates both the students and the teachers, negotiates meaning and accelerates learning.

The present study consists of five chapters. The first chapter deals with general background, statement of the problem, rationale of the study, objectives, research questions, significance of the study, delimitations and operational definition of the key terms. Chapter two deals with the review of the related literature, implications of the review for the study theoretical framework and conceptual framework. Similarly, chapter three includes design of the study, population and sample, sampling procedure, data collection tools, data collection procedure and data analysis and interpretation procedure. Chapter four consists of result and discussion. Finally, chapter five deals with summary, conclusion and implications.

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