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ABSTRACT

Nepal is one of the poorest country in terms of economical condition but very rich in terms of caste, language, culture, traditional and bio-diversity. The development of ethnic diversity is very important for the development of a society as well as country. In Nepal from the very beginning we are very familiar to ethnic diversity and its importance for the development. But the ethnic groups of Nepal to some extent are very backward position. Due to lack of knowledge and academic qualification. They are living their lifestyle in their own way. They are not know about importance of time, and education. The spent major sources of earning on the feast and drinking Jad, Raksi and Tobacco. Family size is very large due to the lack of education about family planning. They have less excess in development activities and political status so it is necessary to motivate to take part in local level. Most of the Tharu people are living in rural area so Tharu people lies in poverty class.

The specific objectives of study is to find out To identify women`s role in agriculture, To find out the amount of work, between male and female. To find out problems faced by Tharu women .

Out of the 44 households were surveyed both primary and secondary sources were used for the purpose of data collection. Questionnaire schedule, focus group discussion and observation were used for primary data.

'Tharus' identified as one of the largest groups of people living in Terai. They recognized themselves as one of the oldest groups to inhabitant of study area. Tradition and culture is the most of identification of the any particular culture groups. This study is focused to find out the participation of Tharu women in agriculture of . Some specified problems are recognized. Other social culture, overall of the study shows that Tharu society of LaxipurKodraha is socially and economically deprives. So, the government should provide different program, allocation of special seats for Tharu in education, health and jobs for these indigenious. Government should provides regular classes for special education to change their traditional mind, it should be facility of low interest of

loan for seeds and fertilizer. They are not still getting sufficient hand to mouth in their daily life.

It is hoped that this study participation of Tharu women in agriculture can be an important work. Thus, attempt will serve as a valuable document now and in future to formulate policies, strategies, development programmer and projects for empliment of the status of Tharu to achieve the objectives of equality and development. This thesis discuss status of Tharu people of LaxipurKodraha VDC, Ward No. 6, Sarlahi District, JanakpurZone, Nepal.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

B.S.	-	BikramSambat
C.B.O.	-	Community Based Organization
C.B.S .	-	Central Bureau of Statistics
D.A.D.O.	-	District Agriculture Development Office
D.D.C.	-	District Development Committee
D.F.O.	-	District Forest Office
D.I.O.	-	District Irrigation Office
D.V.O.	-	District Veterinary Office
G.O.	-	Government Office
H.S.S.	-	Household Survey Schedule
H.H.	-	Household
I.N.G.O.	-	International Non-Government Organization
K.I.S.	-	Key Informants Survey
K.M.	-	Kilometer
N.G.O.	-	Non-Government Organization
U.N.D.P.	-	United Nations Development Program
V.D.C.	-	Village Development Committee
W.D.O.	-	Women Development Office
W.D.T.C.	-	Women Development Training Center