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ABSTRACT

The study "Socio -Economic Status of Rural Women" analysis. The status of rural women particularly in Dhamja VDC of Baglung District. The VDC comprised of 9 Wards. Ward 5 comprises of Magar community and 8 of Bhandari cast, community only. In this VDC majority of Brahmin/ Chhetri and Magar. Dhamja VDC is 25 km from Baglung. It is surrounded by baglung municipality at east, Bhimapokhara VDC at west, Ammarbhumi and at north and Myagdi district and Tangram VDC at south. The study area Dhamja VDC Ward No. 7. there is 125 household in among these households 40 are taken as a sample to collect the required information.

The main objective of this research is to study and analyze decision of making of households women. Resource procurement, their use socio-economic and political condition of rural women of Dhamja V.D.C. are:

- To find out the factors affecting decision making of household women.
- To examine the role of women in household resources procurement and their use.
- To explore the study of women in term of their socio-economic and political conditions.

Basically, the study is based on descriptive as well as exploratory. Descriptive research is design is used together information exploratory research. Research design is use for collecting information with respondents' views and ideas.

The research is based on both primary and secondary data which are collected from field survey, observation and interview. Primary data has been directly obtained from field survey. Secondary data collect from VDC, AamaSamuha, VDC Profile, Unpublished documents and office records related magazine

The field survey find that literate women is less than men, illiterate 20%, literate 12%, under SLC 30%, SLC 17.5%, Intermediate 15% and above 5%. It is not sufficient for

the education most of the women can read only. Now women wants send their daughter because they will give them good future.

In this study find that women have lack of freedom, opportunity, low education, lack communication, knowledge, awareness, traditional beliefs, custom value and system. Women have mostly burden of work. Most of them are engaged substance agriculture and very few are engaged in small scale, wages, tea shop, small shop, tailor etc. Few women are participation in political parties.

In each and every sector the women status is low, therefore to improve their status, it is necessary to bring them in mainstream of development. Policy and programmed should focus on the gender issues and such policy and programmed should be implemented strictly with from commitment.

Here, for the overall development of country. Women participation is a fundamental factor in all sector of the country. Gender equality is essential factor for the development of all sectors where women can participate fully for the development of economy. There must be suitable environment for the women and gender equality where government and non-government organization fully participate.

Equal participation of male and female should be considered as development issue so, government has to formulate equal participation policy in each level and implement it effectively.

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ACRONYMS

C.B.S	Central Bureau of Statistic
CEDA	Center for Education and Development Association
CEDAW	Convention on the Elimination of all form of Discrimination Against Women
DDC	District Development Committee
GAD	Gender And Development
GO	Government Organization
FP	Family Planning
ILO	International Labor Organization
ICIMOD	International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development
ICPD	International Conference on Population and Development
INGO	International Non- Government Organization
IPU	International Parliamentary Union
NEFAS	Nepal Foundation of Advance Studies
NEPAN	Nepal Participatory Action Network
NGO	Non-Government Organization
NPC	National Planning Commission
UN	United Nation
UNDP	United Nation Development Program
UNICF	United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund
UNIFEM	United Nation Development Fund for Women
VDC	Village District Committee
WID	Women in Development