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## ABBREVIATION

<b>CBS</b>	<b>Central Bureau of Statistics</b>
<b>CEAMP</b>	<b>Community Environmental Awareness and Management Programme</b>
<b>CEDA</b>	<b>Center for Economic Development Acedemy</b>
<b>GAD</b>	<b>Gender and Development</b>
<b>HHs</b>	<b>Households</b>
<b>HMG</b>	<b>His Majesty Government</b>
<b>IPM</b>	<b>Integrated Pest Management</b>
<b>NGO</b>	<b>Non Government Organization</b>
<b>PPS</b>	<b>Probability Proportion to Size</b>
<b>TU</b>	<b>Tribhuvan University</b>
<b>UNDP</b>	<b>United Nations Development Programme</b>
<b>UNICEF</b>	<b>United Nations Children's Fund</b>
<b>USA</b>	<b>United State of America</b>
<b>VDC</b>	<b>Village Development Committee</b>
<b>WAD</b>	<b>Women and Development</b>
<b>WDRPC</b>	<b>Warrington and District Rifle and Pistol Club</b>
<b>WID</b>	<b>Women in Development</b>

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In this study 60 percent (30 out of 50) respondents were said that consultation about their involvement in job was made while 40 percent (20 out of 50) consultation were made with their husband. In the final decision of women involvement in job, only 20 percent (10 out of 50) respondents were said that they were decide about their involvement in job , 40 percent (20 out of 50) HHs Head and 40 percent (20 out of 50) husband were decided about their involvement in job.

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Nepal is a developing country. Most of population living in rural area are illiterates .About woman involvement in family education, the study shows that high women consultation scores about 37 percent while men including HHs head and husband scores 22 and 28 percent respectively. But in final decision women scores only about 8percent while men including HHs head and husband scores 48 and 43 percent respectively.

There are many items that should be purchased for household needs such as food, clothes, daily consumption goods, livestock, ornaments, land/house and medicines. For purchasing households needs goods, the study shows that women consultation scores high about 45 percent while men including HHs head and husband with scores 11.5 and 35.25 percent respectively. But in final decision women scores only about 16.5 percent while men including HHs head and husband with scores 42 and 41 percent respectively.

There are many items that should be sold for household needs such as food, livestock, ornaments, land/house and others. For selling household goods, the study shows that women consultation as well as involvement in final decision is not giving so importance. Women consultation scores about 38.4 percent while men including HHs head and husband with scores 13.2 and 44.4 percent

respectively. But in final decision women scores only about 19.2 percent while men including HHs head and husband with scores 41.6 and 39.2 percent respectively.

One may want to improve once own or family status for which one should have to invest in different field of investment. For Women involvement in investment, the survey shows that women consultation scores about 27.5 percent while men including HHs head and husband scores 10.75 and 52 percent respectively. But in final decision women scores only about 7.25 percent while men including HHs head and husband with scores 43.25 and 48.5 percent respectively.

Many times one may have to lend /borrow to fulfill the family needs. For Women involvement in lending /borrowing, the survey shows that women consultation scores about 24 percent while men including HHs head and husband scores 11 and 55 percent respectively. But in final decision women scores only about 7 percent while men including HHs head and husband with scores 41 and 51 percent respectively

Nepal is an agricultural country. Most of population living in rural areas is involved in farming. About woman involvement in farming, the study shows that women consultation scores about 20 percent while men including HHs head and husband scores 24 and 40 percent respectively. But in final decision women scores only about 7percent while men including HHs head and husband scores 57 and 35 percent respectively

About woman involvement in family marriage, the study shows that women consultation scores about 26 percent while men including HHs head and husband scores 32 and 32 percent respectively. But in final decision women scores only about 7 percent while men including HHs Head and Husband scores 59 and 33 percent respectively.

About woman involvement in family festival decision, the study shows that women consultation scores high about 63 percent while men including HHs head and husband scores 6and 23 percent respectively. But in final decision also women scores high about 51 percent while men including HHs Head and Husband scores 19 and 28 percent respectively.

In this study 40 out of 50 respondents were said that their consent about child bearing was taken while 10 out of 50 were said that without their consent husbands want to get child taken made with their husband. But in the final decision of

getting child, only 40 percent (20 out of 50) respondents were said that they were decide themselves , 20 percent (10 out of 50) HHs Head and 40 percent (20 out of 50) husband were decided about their involvement in child bearing as in Table No.4.11.