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ABSTRACT

The study "**Contraceptive Knowledge and Use among Women of Reproductive Age of Slum Area: A Case Study in Meghauri-5, Chitwan District**" has been carried out using primary data from 83 households and 92 respondents of currently married women of age group 15-49 years.

The main objectives are given below:

- To examine the knowledge, attitude and practice of contraceptive among currently married women age 15-49 years.
- To examine the relationship among currently married reproductive age group of women education and occupation towards the use of contraceptives.
- To assess the reason for use and non use of contraceptive by currently married women.

The study has found that knowledge of family planning is that almost universal among respondents. All of them were familiar with at least modern method of contraceptive.

Women with higher economic and educational status tend to have more knowledge on family planning method. Among all modern methods respondents have good knowledge on male/female sterilization, depo and condom. Current use of family planning is not satisfactory. Current use of contraceptive method is only 44 respondents or 48 percent and ever use of contraceptive is 58 respondents or 63 percent. 52 percent respondents did not use family planning, method because of various problems such as desire of children, fear of side effects, opposite of seniors, health problems etc.

Generally, there is positive relationship between educational level and knowledge, attitude and use of contraceptive.

The intention of the respondents also asked 46 percent intended to use contraceptive devices in future where as 6.5 percent are not intended and 6.5 percent were uncertain to use contraceptive methods.

Among all respondents who are currently using contraceptive method 30 respondents said that there is no side effects of contraceptive method and 14 respondents said that there is different types of side effects of contraceptive methods.

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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

AIDS	: Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome
CBS	: Central Bureau of Statistics
CDPS	: Central Department of Population Studies
DHS	: Demographic Health Survey
FP/MCH	: Family Planning and Maternal Child Health
FPAN	: Family Planning Association of Nepal
HH	: Household Head
MoHP	: Ministry of Health and Population
HIV	: Human Immunodeficiency Virus
ICPD	International Conference of Population and Development
INGos	: International Non Government Organization
IUD	: Intra-Uterine Device
KAP	: Knowledge, Attitude and Practice
NDHS	: Nepal Demographic and Health Survey
NFHS	: Nepal Fertility Health Survey
NFS	: Nepal Fertility Survey
NGOs	: Non Government Organizations.
SLC	: School Leaving Certificate
STDs	: Sexually Transmitted Disease
TV	: Television
VDC	: Village Development Committee

