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ABSTRACT

The study is based on the primary data, collected from Magar community of Bongadovan VDC, ward number 2, 7 and 8. The study is conducted among 150 females.

The objective of the study is to assess the knowledge and awareness of DVAW and the socio-economic impact on domestic violence among Magar women. Further the research has aimed to study the situation of behavior on reporting the incidence of domestic violence and to assess the knowledge about legal provision for DVAW.

The majority of respondents are from the age group 20 to 29. Similarly, majority of respondents are living in nuclear family i.e,71.3 percent. Highest percentage i.e. 60 percent respondents are following the agriculture occupation. Only 40.7 percent respondents are literate that means majority (59.3%) of respondents are illiterate.

The level of knowledge about the domestic violence against women is better in study area. Radio / Television is the most effective source of information i.e. 65.9 percent. All respondents have an experience of at least any forms of DVAW. Among them highest percentage of respondents have an experience of violence act due to alcoholism i.e. 85.3 percent followed by verbal assault i.e. 53.3 percent. But it has seen that no one have an experience of dowry related violence. Majority (52.7%) of the respondents are victimized by their husband.

Women in Bongadovan VDC of Baglung are far from the multi-media which provide the new information about country and abroad. They are fully depend upon husband or male person of the family. There is not any responsible organization to listen voice of victim women and others. They are deprived from education, communication and information (ICE). They always keep hope to strong political commitment and towards women's rights.

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ABBREVIATIONS

AIDS	:	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
B.S.	:	Bikram Sambat
CBS	:	Central Bureau of Statistics
CDPS	:	Central Department of Population Studies
CEDAW	:	Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women
CREHPA	:	Centre For Research on Environment and Population Activities
DVAW	:	Domestic Violence Against Women
HDR	:	Human Development Report
HIV	:	Human Immune Deficiency Virus
ICPD	:	International Conference on Population and Development
IEC	:	Information, Education and Communication
INGO	:	International Non Governmental Organization
LACC	:	Legal Aid and Consultancy Center
NGO	:	Non Government Organization
SVM	:	Sexual Violence Within Marriage
UN	:	United Nations
UNFPA	:	United Nation Fund for Population Activities
UNICEF	:	United Nations Children's Fund
VDC	:	Village Development Committee