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ABSTRACT

This study entitled "Malaria Situation in Somdiha V.D.C of Kapilvastu District" was started with an aim to explore malaria cases and attitudes and behaviours of the local people of the study area regarding malaria. A total of 290 blood samples were collected in the month of April-September 2008 and examined. Out of the total samples examined, 18 were detected positive for malaria parasite; all cases were of P. vivax. Regarding sex-wise distribution of malaria parasites, 14 cases (8.05%) were found among males and 4 (3.45%) among females. Age-wise distribution of malaria infection revealed the highest positivity (10.76%) in the agegroup 21-30 years followed by 6.25% in the age group 11-20 years and no case in the age group 10 years and above 51 years. According to ward-wise distribution of malaria infection the highest cases was recorded in ward-No 7(13.95%), lowest cases in ward-No 4(2.32%) and no positivity in ward-No 1, 2, 5 and 6. The prevalence of malaria infection was found be the highest among people who do not use bed-nets and are not aware of the disease. During the study period it had been noted that people often use smoke of dung cake, khar, leaf of Sekhuwa and black beery to avoid mosquito biting. Study suggests that public awareness programme and distribution of insecticide impregnated mosquito nets to the key group of people is a current requirement to minimize the probable malaria cases.

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ABBREVIATIONS

DDT	: Dichloro Diphenyl Trichloroethane
DoHS	: Department of Health Services
EDCD	: Epidemiology and Disease Control Department
GDP	: Gross Domestic Product
GMCS	: Global Malaria Control Strategy
IgG	: Immunoglobulin
IL	: Interleukin
~ 1	: Micro litre
МоН	: Ministry Of Health
P.f.	: Plasmodium falciparum
P.o	: Plasmodium ovale
P.v.	: Plasmodium vivax
RBM	: Roll Back Malaria
UNDP	: United Nation Development Program
UNICEF	: United Nation International Children Emergency Fund
VDC	: Village Development Committee

WHO : World Health Organization