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## **Abstract**

The study was carried out to identify the problem of street children, finding the root cause for being street children and assess the legal provision and steps taken by government for the welfare of street children. Total 50 street children from New Road and Ratna park of Kathmandu valley were selected on the basis of non-probability sampling method for this study.

Primary data were collected through semi-structured questionnaire and direct observation. Children were interviewed in the different places of Kathmandu.

Qualitative and Quantitative data were analyzed by using statistical tool with the help of computer software like MS excel.

Majority of the street children aged between 11-13 years was migrating to Kathmandu for survival and being street children. The highest number of the street children was from the caste of Brahmin and Chhetri followed 26% and 20% respectively.

Economic, social, family, and poverty were causes for being street children. Among them family cause was the prime cause for the street children followed by 38%.

Fooding areas, cloths problem, night stay problem, community treatment, government treatment, medical problem were the major problems of street children.

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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS\ACRONOMY

BS	:	Bikram Sambat
CBS	:	Central Bureau of Statistic
CRS	:	Child Right Convention
CS	:	Chandrodaya Shelter
CWIN	:	Child Workers in Nepal
GDP	:	Gross Domestic Product
GNP	:	Gross National Product
HDI	:	Human Development Index
ILO	:	International Labor Organization
INGO	:	International Non Government Organization
JJ Act	:	Juvenile justice Act
km	:	kilometer
m <sup>3</sup>	:	cubic meter
m	:	meter
NGO	:	Non Governmental Organization
NRs	:	Nepali currency
P	:	Page
SF	:	Swiss Franc
SLA	:	South Lebanon Army
UK	:	United Kingdom
UN	:	United Nation
UNCRC	:	United Nation Child Right Convention
UNICEF	:	United Nation International Children Education Fund
UNDP	:	United Nation Development Program
US \$	:	United State's currency
Yrs	:	Years
%	:	Percentage