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#### Abstract

This research is the case study of "Domestic Violence against Women in Simle VDC of **Terhathum District** ". The research has been conducted with the objectives of assessing the knowledge and awareness of domestic violence against women in the study areas and for identifying the causes of domestic violence against women of the areas. This study is mainly based on primary data as well as secondary data. With the purposive sampling of 150 respondents the study had been conducted in the Simle VDC of Terhathum district of Nepal. Altogether 150 respondents have taken sample for study; they all were 15-49 years age groups. Sample is taken from married, divorced and separated women. The study have been conducted from the wards 1, 2, 7 and 9 of Simle VDC from where among 150 respondents 86.7 percent respondents were victim of domestic violence from their husband. Among 150 respondents 74.7 percent violated from other family members than husband. Out of 112 dispute respondents 39.3 percent are dispute from mother-in-law, 25.0 percent from father-in-law, 17.0 percent from sister-in-law, 9.8 percent from brother-in-law, 7.1 percent from others (Sauté) and 1.8 percent from nephew. The main causes of domestic violence were alcohol abuse, unemployment, marital problem, not understanding and gambling relation with others. The most of respondents stated that skillful training; education, employment and family mediation is helpful to help the victims of domestic violence. Most of the respondents 44.0 percent have no knowledge of social and community based organization. Most of the respondents 43.3 percent have no knowledge about safe rehabilitation house. Majority of respondents 100 percent supported to domestic violence eradicated totally. Most of the respondents stated media can help prevention and elimination of domestic violence. And to eradicate the ongoing domestic violence employment opportunity to women, education, employment training, awareness of other family members and husband, establishment of supporting institutions, and awareness campaign in the society would be helpful.

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# ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

CBOs	: Community Based Organization.
CDPS	: Central Department of Population Studies.
CDRD	: Central Department of Rural Development
DVAW	: Domestic Violence Against Women
НН	: Higher Secondary
MOPE	: Ministry of Population and Environment.
RD	: Rural Development
T.U.	: Tribhuvan University.
UN	: United Nation.
UNFPA	: United Nation Fund for Population Activities.
UNICEF	: United Nations Children Fund.
UNIFEM	: United Nation Development Fund for Women.
VAW	: Violence Against Women.
VDC	: Village Development Committee.
WHO	: World Health Organization.
WOREC	: Women's Rehabilitation Center.