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## **ABSTRACT**

*In reference to the anomalous diversity in the mechanics of rural development people's participatory model is one of the keys on sustainable development to heighten the prospects of development. Rural development is not urbanization alone; the subject looks far to the consumption of natural resources without degrading environment, where people not only earn money but also a good and cooperative living. The case study of local people's participation in development activities of Daman VDC in sustainable development has proved, in many ways, best example regarding the current flaws in development activities forwarded by donor agencies (NGOs & INGOs). Sustainability does not merely follow development activities, but it is also the consequence of root germination. One can not know the future but can make it. Late social worker Rup Chandra Bista did not know the future but he did give a radiant future to the people of Daman VDC translating his visions of development into activities.*

*This work in our hand includes the role of CBOs in enhancing the living standard of the people of Daman VDC, some instances of multilateral participation in socio-economic, academic, cultural and overall development of the site. The laborious hands groomed together the development procedures and now are seeking the patronage of central government. Sustainable development is not a cheap achievement. The people of Daman developed life long bond with development activities, they sowed it, reaped it and garnered it. This is the only way where people's participation can bring along sustainable development into their*

*communities. Daman has proved herself the best model of rural development through people's participation.*

*The role of government is to magnify and open the information of other parts of the world that are developing and developed. Only after the impetus of hope is slouched to the minds of people, development activities become sustainable. Development activities in Daman VDC do really care the basic needs of people of local community, so do they in return. Development is like an affair that goes in young hearts, it demands more than it gives. The local people of Daman VDC gave a lot to development activities, and in return got more than demanded. Thus, long lives development activities that heralds fortune to local Daman VDC with the heartfelt participation of local community.*

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## ABBREVIATIONS

APO	Asian Productivity Organization
BCHIMES	Between Census Household Information, Monitoring and Evaluation System
BS	Bikram Sambat
CBO	Community Based Organization
CC	Children's Club
CDC	Community Development Council
CDP	Community Development Program
CEDA	Centre for Economic Development and Administration
DC	District Council
DDC	District Development Committee
DPEC	Daman Palung Education Concerned Committee
FGD	Focused Group Discussion
FSD	Forum for Sustainable Development
GO	Governmental Organization
HMG	His Majesty Government
IMCH	Integrated Management Children's Health
INGO	International Non-Governmental Organization
IRDP	Integrated Rural Development Program
KII	Key Informant Interview
LSGA	Local Self Government Act
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
NPC	National Planning Commission
PHC	Primary Health Centre
PP	People's Participation
PTA	Parents Teachers Association

SMC	School Management Committee
UN	United Nation
UNESCO	United Nation Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNICEF	United Nation International Children's Emergency Fund
VDC	Village Development Committee
Vol.	Volume
WB	World Bank
WHO	World Health Organization