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## ***Abstract***

*The study entitled **Women Empowerment through Micro-Enterprise Development Programme. A Case Study of Nuwakot District** was carried out in Nuwakot district based on women entrepreneurs who organized under the MEDEP family, with objectives to analyze the role of MEDEP in women empowerment, status of women economic empowerment, find out the constraints for economic empowerment of women faced by MEDEP and relevant recommendation for better economic empowerment of women. Nuwakot district is multi -ethic, multi- cultured, multi religion based society where development of micro-enterprises is highly potential for the enlistment of marginalized section of the society.*

*The This study was conducted by using exploratory, descriptive as well as case study research design Primary as well as secondary data was taken for the analysis of both the qualitative as well as quantitative data. For generating the required data the research techniques like questionnaire survey, key informants interview, focus group discussion was applied. By using simple random sampling method seventy women entrepreneurs were selected from municipality as well as rural market center developed by MEDEP. Available primary as well as secondary data were processed and analyzed with some simple statistical tools as average cross tabulation by computerized statistical methods.*

*Economic empowerment of women through MEDEP has vital role at Newakot district such as group formation of entrepreneur which helps institutional development, demand base training with institutional credit facility in the whole group responsibility without collateral. Exposures to needy entrepreneurs which increase mobility as well as enhancement in knowledge on their own enterprise to the help feel enhancement in control*

*over household economy and increase the confidence to continue their enterprises as well as group saving and mobilization.*

*Major indicator of women empowerment as the ownership in land and productive resource is slowly increased due to installment of enterprise in their own name. Increase additional income from leaser time, which help incensement in household income and total GDP of country. Women who participate in MEDEP family are get facility of institutional credit in group responsibility which can help for new venture. Women entrepreneurs used non- renewable energy source for cooking. Due to lack of collateral, long process of credit facility and problems of institutional credit the better empowerment women entrepreneurs groups can not flourished.*

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## Abbriation/Acronyms

ADB	-	Agriculture Development Bank.
DDC	-	District Development committee.
DMEGA	-	District Micro Entrepreneur's Group Association.
GON	-	Government of Nepal.
ICDP	-	International Conference on Population and Development.
MEDEP	-	Micro Enterprise Development Programme.
MEG	-	Micro Entrepreneur's Group.
MEGA	-	Micro Entrepreneurs 's Group Association.
NHDR	-	Nepal Human Development Report.
NMFGA	-	National Micro Entrepreneur's Group Association.
PCRW	-	Production Credit for Rural Women.
PDDP	-	Participatory District Development Programme.
UNDP	-	United Nations Development Programme.
VDC	-	Village Development Committee.

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