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## ABSTRACT

Studied on the "**Nature and Impact of Conflict Induced Internal Displacement in Dharan, Sunsari**", on the basis of the primary data, this dissertation had aimed at fulfilling the main objectives as: (a) To examine social, economic and demographic characteristics of IDPs and (b) To analyze the impact of displaced persons in the place of origin and destination.

There were 105 internally displaced persons selected for respondents by purposive sampling method. All of the respondents were from rural areas. Among, total respondents, 55 percent were Janajati followed by Chhetri (23%), Brahmin (20%) and Dalit (2%). Male and female proportion was 76 percent and 24 percent respectively. Similarly, 23 percent were 20-29 years, 27 percent 30-39 years, 29 percent were 40-49 years, 19 percent were 50-59 years and 2 percent were 60 years and above. Among the respondents 77 percent were married, 17 percent were unmarried, 4 percent were widowhood and 2 percent were divorced. Similarly, 37 percent were joint family and 63 percent were nuclear family. Of the total respondents 90 percent were literate and 10 percent were illiterate. Among the total respondents 45 percent had agricultural occupation before displacement followed by job (33%), business (13%) household workers (3.8%), no job (3.8%), others (3.8%) and labor (1.5%). Similarly, 29 percent respondent had job followed by no job (35%), agriculture (6%), labor (12%), business (11%) and others (2%) after displacement of the total IDPs.

Around 94 percent IDPs were victimized by the Maoist party and 6 percent were victimized by the state. IDPs had very good relation to their neighbours and relatives before their displacement. But this proportion is decreased after displacement.

Involvement in occupation has been cut off. Before displacement respondents were involved in various works. But large number of population could not get any work in the place of destination. They are searching for a job but they are not getting.

Most of the respondents were from agricultural based communities they were compelled to leave their place of residence because of the Maoist's pressure. Males are usually compelled to flee, and women find themselves helpless and lonely.

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## ACRONYMS

B.S	=	Bikram Sambat
BPKIHS	=	BP Koirala Institute of Health and Science
CBS	=	Central Bureau of Statistics
CDO	=	Chief District Officer
CPN (Maoist)	=	Communist Party of Nepal (Maoist)
CPN (UML)	=	Communist Party of Nepali (United Marxist-Leninist)
CSWC	=	Communing Study and Welfare Center
etc.	=	etcetera
GOs	=	Governmental Organizations
HRYB	=	Human Rights Year Book
i.e.	=	that is
IDPs	=	Internally Displaced Persons
INSEC	=	Informal Sector Service Center
INGO	=	International Non-Governmental Organization
ISFM	=	International Association for the Study of Forced Migration
MoHP	=	Ministry of Health and Population
RNA	=	Royal Nepal Army
NC	=	Nepali Congress
NC (D)	=	Nepali Congress (Democratic)
NGO	=	Non-Governmental Organizations
NIP	=	Nepal Institute of Peace
No	=	Number
NRC	=	Norwegian Refugee Council
RPP	=	Rastriya Prajatantra Party
SAFHR	=	South Asian Forum for Human Rights
SOE	=	State of Emergency
SPSS	=	Statistical Package for Social Science
UN	=	United Nations
USCR	=	United States Committee for Refugees
VDC	=	Village Development Committee