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## ABSTRACT

In this study, ward no 6 Daudhali VDC was taken to be main study area. The total number of 30 out of 65 households are randomly selected for the study.

During the data collection, both the primary and secondary data are taken. Observation, household survey, interview and checklist are applied as tools for data collection. Analysis and presentation of data were carried out after the classification of collected data according to their characters.

The Danuwar people are more developed than their past generations but not same to the other caste/ethnic people at present time. Since they have a small amount of land, they use to take other's land on lease by paying of crops or by a certain amount of cash. People have introduced modern agricultural system, which they could able to get more products with different varieties, Danuwar people have more priority on agricultural sector than other. It was out of imagining for the Danuwar in the past that they will be famous for the vegetable producer in one day. But we know that where there is will there is way, accordingly due to the hard labor, the recent Danuwar have converted their dream into true. These days, they were the most vegetable producer in Dudhali area sespecially in potato, tomato and some green vegetables.

Cooperative organizations have also played a vital role to uplift the life standard of Danuwar. Today, most of the people are member in different types of cooperative organizations such as dairy, credit and saving, agricultural cooperative etc.

Culturally, Danuwar have left some of the minor festivals, which have not much importance in their society. They were found to be aware on the minimize of expenses on less important things. But at present in the marriage ceremony, they have more expenses than in the past depending on their income and capacity. The main causes of celebrating the festivals were due to the Kuldebate. There are some opinions among Danuwar that, if they don't celebrate the festivals, their Kuldebate will be angry and have to bear bad news. The emerging of nuclear family indicates that Danuwar have developed the sense of independently live with his own efforts. The people become aware on educating their children. They have understood the value and importance of education. In the past, since they had no education, other people used to dominate them. The status of women is found to be good in their community women are more clever and responsible for the household work as well as supporting their male.

Politically, they were not interested, but take decision by themself. In the study area. Ward no 6 have ward member of Danuwar community. Since the population of Danuwar is dense in this ward, there is not possibility of elect the ward member from other community. This shows the unity of Danuwar. In totality, however the government program has not reach upto them, they have changing themselves according to their past experience and introduce modernization to make their life betterment.

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## **ACRONYMS**

B.S.	- Bikram Sambat
CBS	- Central Bureau of Statistics
CPN-UML	- Communist Party of Nepal-United Marxism and Leninism
DAO	- District Administrative Office
DDC	- District Development Committee
GDP	- Gross Domestic Product
HHs	- Households
HMG	- His Majesty's Government
INGO	- International Non Governmental Organization
LRMP	- Local Resource Management Program
MAS	- Modern Agriculture System
MOF	- Ministry of Foreign
NC	- Nepali Congress
NGO	- Non Governmental Organization
RPP	- Rastriya Prajatantra Party
SCWD	- Saving and Credit for Women Development
TFP	- Traditional Farming Practice
UN	- United Nation
UPFN	- United People's Front Nepal
VDC	- Village Development Committee
WCED	- World Community for Environment Development