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REPORT OF THE FIELD STUDY AT UTTAR SUMDER GAON, CHERAIDEO CONDUCTED BY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY, NAMRUP COLLEGE ON 10/04/2023





On April 10, 2023, a group from Namrup College's Department of Sociology carried out a field investigation in Uttar Sumder Gaon, Cheraideo. That specific community is around 2.5 kilometers from Namrup College. Thirteen BA 6th Semester Honours students, accompanied by four teaching staff members, did a field trip and polled forty six household on a range of topics related to the village's Nepali community. The study's primary objectives were to examine the socioeconomic status and political consciousness of Nepali women in Uttar Sumder Gaon.

Objective of the Field Study: By doing the field study students gets opportunity to develop their creative thinking, to enhance their cognitive and effective learning through realistic field situation. Students are encouraged to improve their scientific entry. Being students

of Sociology, to acquaint with the Research Methodology they were trained and guided to collect data from the universe and to make analytical discussion on their findings. The Uttar Sumder village with 30 households of Nepali Community is situated in the eastern direction of Charaideo district is the universe of the study.





Outcome of the Field Study: The students' interactions with the respondents gave them amazing field experience. The observation method and interview schedule were used as data gathering tools. Their research was limited to socioeconomic status and political consciousness.

Students got to see how theoretical information was applied to real-world scenarios. Additionally, this field study gave the students the chance to practice research and professional skills like data gathering, interviewing, observation, and critical thinking. It was discovered that the majority of responders were daily wage earners, and some of them were government beneficiaries. All of the responders practice Hinduism. A majority of women were engaged in informal sectors such as agriculture, household labor, or small-scale businesses. Formal employment opportunities were limited. Women often lacked access to equal pay and job security. Although some women participated in microfinance and self-help groups, economic decision-making within households still largely rested with male members. However, involvement in income-generating activities has slightly improved women's bargaining power in families.

Many women had basic awareness of their voting rights and the presence of women in local governance, especially due to the reservation system. However, deeper understanding of political processes and policies was minimal. Despite constitutional guarantees and quotas, women's political participation remains symbolic in many cases. Most women in political roles were found to have been influenced or supported by male family members





The field study highlights that while progress is visible in terms of education, economic participation, and political rights, deep-rooted gender norms, economic dependency, and limited access to resources continue to restrict the empowerment of Nepali women residing in Uttar Sumder village of Cheraideo district. Strengthening grassroots education, economic programs, and political training specifically targeting women can help foster more inclusive development.

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