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This journal is published by the Research Centre for Nepal and Asian Studies at Tribhuvan University, Kirtipur, Kathmandu, Nepal.

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No. 26: An Evaluation of the Dairy Development Corporation: Collection, Production and Financial Performance

Researcher: Mahendra Raj Sapkota

Considering the expansion of the Dairy Development Corporation (DDC) over the past 14 years in terms of physical infrastructure, manpower development and addition of employees, it has become necessary to evaluate its performance. The Corporation has recorded continuous losses (except for the
year 1974/75) during the ten years from 1973/74 to 1982/83. This study was designed and conducted to evaluate the factors contributing to these losses.

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No. 27: Impact of the Small Farmers Development Program on Small Farmers in Nawalparasi District

Researcher: Jaysingh Sah

This study assesses the impact of the Small Farmers Development Program (SFDP) on the income, consumption, assets, and employment of small farmers. It further examines the existence of differential response to the SFDP and different benefits derived by different (hill and Terai) beneficiaries. The analysis is based on the primary data collected in 1984 from 120 randomly selected beneficiaries and 30 non-beneficiaries from the project area of the SFDP in Ramnagar, Nawalparasi District.

Hill beneficiaries significantly benefitted from the program. The response of hill villagers to the SFDP was higher than that of Terai villagers.

No. 28: Nutritional Status of Rural Children in Nepal: A Case Study of Chitwan District

Researcher: Bishnu Bhandar

This study is an investigation of the prevalence of protein-calorie malnutrition (PCM) and its correlation with socio-economic characteristics among rural children under six years of age. The anthropometric measurements of 358 children were taken and the heads of the households were surveyed. The Gomez, Waterlow and mid-upper arm circumference (MUAC) indices are used to determine the nutritional status of the children. From 60 to 85 percent of the children suffer from mild to severe malnutrition. About 10 percent of them suffer from third degree malnutrition. The girls have a slightly better nutritional status than the boys. The same is true with the children of the lower castes. Kshetry children suffer from chronic undernutrition. The amount of land farmed by the family, cash value of total crop production, caste, gender and education have inconsistent relationships with malnutrition variables.

Possible reasons for the lack of association between socio-economic variables and child malnutrition are discussed, and policy recommendations are presented.

No. 29: Demand for Children in the Nepal Terai

Researcher: Krishna K. Rauniar

This study uses the micro-economic demand theory of fertility to examine forces influencing current fertility decisions of Terai farm families. Determinants of demand for farm children include value of mother's time, child labor contributions, farm income, child mortality, duration of marriage, migration, contraceptive use, and education.

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Three dependent variables were tried in the analysis of demand for children -- number of children ever born (NCB), ideal family size (IFS), and average (current) fertility (NCE). Average (current) fertility was found to be more consistent with the idea of fertility than the aggregate measures (NCB, IFS) used in the other equations. In the cohort fertility analysis, the determinants of fertility explained the cyclical and temporary fluctuations in fertility levels which might have taken place through changes in attitudes and practices governing fertility behavior.

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