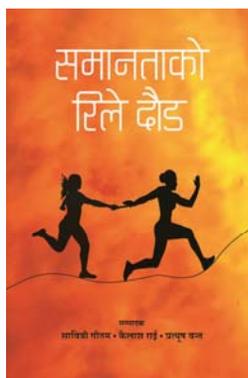


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This book is a documentation of public action for gender equality in Nepal over the past five decades. Such documentation, executed in Nepali, is done via interviews with twelve women who have played influential roles in various sectors of Nepali public life.

Interviewees include:

1. Dr Meena Acharya, a pioneering feminist researcher;
2. Chandni Joshi, a former Nepal Government officer who started women's empowerment programs in the state sector;
3. Dr Chandra Bhadra, a retired professor of gender studies at Trbhuvan University;
4. Yassokanti Bhattachan, an activist for the rights of indigenous women;
5. Dr Renu Adhikari, an activist known for her work against the trafficking of women;
6. Dr Aruna Uprety, a medical doctor who pioneered the struggle for decriminalizing abortion;
7. Durga Sob, a leader who started the first organization to champion the rights of dalit women;
8. Asmina Ranjit, an artist known for her "artivism"
9. Meera Dhungana, a lawyer who has led the legal battles for gender equality;
10. Tika Dahal, an activist for the rights of physically challenged women;
11. Rita Sha, a columnist who has highlighted issues related to the women of the Madhesh
12. Durga Thapa, a LGBTIQ activist

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This book will interest all readers who want to know more about the feminist movement and other social movements which have highlighted the need and action for gender equality in Nepal since the 1970s. Those who read Nepali can find its full table of contents here:

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