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Objectives of thesis

- 1. Farmers' perspectives on factors that affect their decisions on Agroforestry
- 2. Effect of landscape characteristics on Agroforestry
- Effect of socio-ethnic factors on Agroforestry

Methodology

Study Area:

Three different agroecological regions of Nepal. Mountain region (Mustang District), Hilly Region (Baglung District), and Terai/Plain region (Chitwan District)

Data Collection:

Data will be collected through a questionnaire survey from three different agro-ecological regions of Nepal. The expected sample is 350-400 within all three regions. The development of the questionnaire will be derived from literature reviews and related theories.

Sampling Technique:

Our data will be collected in the multistage sampling method. The three agro-ecological regions are selected purposively and 350-400 smallholder farmers will be interviewed randomly.

Data Analysis

Econometrics analysis such as logit and multinominal model will be used. Data will be analyzed via Excel and SPSS.

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Appendices

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Appendix 1: Questionnaire

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Namaste,

I would like to ask you to fill in the following questionnaire. I am a Ph.D. student at the Czech University of Life Sciences Prague, Czech Republic. I am conducting this study to learn more about the "*Effect of climate change on food security of smallholder farmers in Nepal and on migration*". All the data are collected anonymously. I would appreciate it very much if you would fill in and help me to conduct this research. Thank You!

ID number	
(M/D/C M=	
Mustang,	
B=Baglung, C=	
Chitwan)	
Name of the	
respondent	
Phone	
number/email	
Rural	
Municipality name	
and ward number	
Date of the	
interview	
Geographical	
coordinates/	
Altitude	

Section A: Household section- Socio-economic characteristics

No.	Questions	Responses
1	Sex of the HH (Household Head)	Female $\Box = 0$
		Male $\Box = 1$
2	Current age of HH (in years)	
	Age Category, less than 20, 21-30, 31-40, 41-50,	
	51-60, 61 and more	
3	What is your highest education level?	Nonformal□=1
		Primary□=2
		Secondary $\Box = 3$
		Higher Secondary□ =4

What is your marital status?	Undergraduate $\Box = 5$ Postgraduate $\Box = 6$ Single $\Box = 1$
What is your marital status?	Single□=1
What is your marital status?	-
	Married $\Box = 2$
	Divorced□=3
	Widowed□=4
	others=5
What ethnicity do you belong??	Kshetri = 1
	Brahmin = 2
	Magar =3
	Tharu=4
	Tamang=5
	Newar=6
	Sherpa=7
	Gurung =8
	Thakali=9
	Dalit=10
	Rai=11
	Madeshi=12
	Others=13
What is your household size (in persons)?	
Total number of Children (<15 years):	
Total number of adults (16-59 years): active labor	
Total number of adults (>59 years):	
Total number of males in household	
Total number of females in household	
How long have you been working as a farmer? (years)	
Are you involved in some farmers group (Krishi	Yes□=1
samuha)?	No □ =2
If yes, what kind of group it is?	Producer = 1
	Processors□=2
	Marketing□= 3
	Multipurpose□=4
	Others (specify)=5
Do you own land?	Yes □=1
,	No □= 2
What is the total amount of land your household owns	
for pastoral (both owned & rented) (in ha) this year?	
What is the land you cultivated 5 years ago?	More than now=1
	Less than now=2
	Equal as now=3
	N/A=99
	What is your household size (in persons)? Total number of Children (<15 years): Total number of adults (16-59 years): active labor Total number of adults (>59 years): Total number of males in household Total number of females in household Total number of females in household How long have you been working as a farmer? (years) Are you involved in some farmers group (Krishi samuha)? If yes, what kind of group it is? Do you own land? What is the total amount of land your household owns now (ha)? (1 Ropani=0.050873704704 hectare) What is the total amount of land your household cultivated (both owned & rented) (in ha) this year? What is the total amount of land your household use

stock) □ =2 e & Pastoral) □=3 In %		
In %		
No difference=3 Don't know=4		
Number		
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•••••		
•••••		

Section B: Access to credit & market

1	How do you finance investment in your	Family saving \Box , =1					
	farm in last year? (Multiple choice allowed)	A loan from bank/Government \Box =2					
		Borrow from friends and relatives \Box =3					
		Farmers Group □=4					
		Non-profit organizations 🗆 = 5					
		Remittances 🗆 = 6					
		Family saving/ remittance= 7					
		family saving/Farmers group=8					
		Family saving/Borrow from friends and r	elatives=9				
		Family saving/ loan from the bank and government=					
		10					
		Others (please specify) Labor work= 11					
1a	What share of the household income do	0-25% 🗆 =1					
	you get by your farm (in%)?	26-50% 🗆=2					
		51-75% 🗆=3					
		76-100% 🗆 =4					
2	Do you have off-farm occupation?	Yes □=1					
		No □=2					
2a	If yes, what are the major off-farm	Activities	income				
	activities?		share (%)				
		Self-employed (Permanent work) =1					
		Self-employed (temporary work) =2					
		Retailer=3					
		Labor work=4					
		Administrative(office) work=5					
Others=6							

		Never =(1)	Rarely (once a year)=2	Sometimes (few times a year- 2-3 times a year)=3	(monthly)	Very often (weekly) =5
3	Do you sell your farm products to the market?					
3a	Do you buy farm products from the market?					
3b	What is the nearest distance to the next market (in km and in hour)					
4	How much total money did you earn from your farm in 2020 (in NPR)?	<50,000 [] =1 50,001 to 100,000 [] =2 100,001 to 150,000 [] =3 150,001 to 200,000 [] =4				

				>200,0	01 🗆=5				
4a	How	Food		Water	S	helter	Clot	hs	Health
	satisfied is your family	Very		Very	V	ery	Very	7	Very
	with the	satisfi		satisfie	sa	tisfied 🛛	satis	fie	satisfied
	satisfaction	ed □ =1	d 🗆		=1		d □ =1	=1	
	to cover the		. —	Satisfie		atisfied \Box	Satis		Satisfie
	following	ied $\square = 2$	d 🗆:		=2		ed $\square = 2$	d □=2	
	needs from	Neutr		Neutral		eutral	Neut		Neutral
	your income in last 2-3		0=3		=3	issatisfied	$1 \square = 3$	$\square=3$	Dissetia
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		dissatisfied	dissa	•	v dissatisfi	•	dissatisfied		
		$\square=5$	=5		uissatisti		=5	=5	
				I					
5		e following sustaina	ble	Yes=1					
	farming prac	ctices do you use?		No=2 Rotating c					
				Intercrop	-				
				Planting c	-	□. =			
				-	-	ting tillage	□,=		
				Applying i	ntegrated	pest manag	gement \Box , =		
				Integratin	g livestock	and crops	□,=		
					-	ry practices	s □, =		
				Use of org		zer 🗆 , =			
_	+	<u> </u>		Irrigation					
6	How do you	Seeds		Irrigation	system	Pesticide		hemical f	ertilizer
	perceive	Extramals	7	Ev.	tromaly	E.		eg.urea)	romaly
	the price	•	Extremely Extremely Extremely Extremely \Box						
	of inputs?	\Box Chan \Box							
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	applicable =5		C	□=3	loiuable	□=3]=3	oruable
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1	Are you aware of climate change?	Yes □ =1 , No □= 2
ln t	he last 10-15 years have you experienc	ed the following changes?
2	It is generally warmer these days,	Agree 🗆 =1 , Disagree 🗆
		=2, No change \Box =3 ,
		Don't know 🗆=4
3	Intensity of extreme heat	Higher =1, lower=2,
		unpredictable=3, don't know=4
4	The onset of summer these days occurs,	Earlier \Box = 1, Later \Box = 2
		No change □=3, Don't know □=4
4	Duration of winter these days are,	Longer □=1, Shorter □
		=2 No change \Box =3,
		Don't know □=4
5	The amount of rainfall these days are,	Less 🗆 = 1, More 🗆 = 2
		Unpredictable \Box =3,
		Don't know□= 4
5a	Intensity of Rainfall	Low=1, more =2,
		unpredictable=3, don't know=4
6	The onset of rainfall these days occurs,	Earlier □= 1, Later □=2
		No change □=3, Don't know □=4
7	Snowfall these days starts,	Earlier 🗆 = 1, Later 🗆 = 2
		No change □=3, Don't know □=4
7a	Intensity of coldness	Low=1, more =2,
		unpredictable=3, don't know=4

8	Incidence of drought these days are,	Higher □=1 , Lower□=2
		No change □=3, Don't know □=4
9	Incidence of fire these days are,	Higher □=1 , Lower □=2
		No change □=3, Don't know □=4
10	Incidence of floods and landslides these days	Higher □=1 , Lower□=2
	are,	No change □=3, Don't know □=4
11	Incidence of avalanches these days are,	Higher □=1 , Lower □=2
		No change □=3, Don't know □=4
12	Amount of forest area these days are,	Higher □=1 , Lower□=2
		No change □=3, Don't know □=4
13	Populations of wildlife species these days are,	Higher □=1 , Lower□=2
		No change □=3, Don't know □=4
14	Blooming time of common plants these days	Earlier □= 1, Later □=2
	occurs,	No change □=3, Don't know □=4
15	Plantation of major crops these days occurs,	Earlier □= 1, Later □=2
		No change □=3, Don't know □=4
16	Harvesting of major crops these days occurs,	Earlier □= 1, Later □=2
		No change □=3, Don't know □=4
17	Increase of pest and disease outbreak these	Higher □=1 , Lower□=2
	days are,	No change □=3, Don't know □=4

1	Which of the following strategies adopted so far?		-	-	u using /ears)?		
	Crop diversification (e.g., differen		•••••				
	Changing planting date 🗆=2	•••••	•••••				
	Changing of crop planted □=3						
	Early matured varieties \Box =4			••••••	•••••		
	Drought tolerant/resistant varieti	es 🗆 =	=5	••••••	•••••		
	Irrigation system \Box =6			••••••	•••••		
	Rainwater harvesting 🗆 = 7	••••••	•••••				
	reduced tillage □=8	•••••	•••••				
	Mulching 🗆=9	••••••	•••••				
	Agroforestry 🗆=10						
	Off-farm income 🗆=11						
	Fallow land=12						
	Temporary migration \Box =13						
	Organic fertilizer=14						
	Other (Please specify)=1						
2	How often do you have access to the following information channels regarding						ording
	weather information? Sources		Never-1, O		-	, Once a Everyda	
Inte	rnet		1	2	3	4	5 5
	io (e.g. weather forecast)		1	2		4	5
	evision (e.g. weather forecast)		1	2	3	4	5
	ners group (Krishi Samuha)	1	2	3	4	5	
	earch Institution/University		1	2	3	4	5
Print media (e.g. newspaper)			1	2	3	4	5
	pile phone	1	2	3	4	5	
	er (please specify):	1	2	3	4	5	
3	How was the influence/impact of the the last 5 years?	e follov	wing factors	on yo	ur farm	n produ	ction in
	Factors	Ve	ery negative	-1, neg	gative-2	2, no ch	ange-3,
				-	ery po		-

Section D: Climate change adaptations (1,2) strategies and vulnerability (3,4)

Rise in temperature	1	2	3	4	5	
Erratic rainfall	1	2	3	4	5	
Drought	1	2	3	4	5	
Windstorm	1	2	3	4	5	
Overflooding	1	2	3	4	5	
Hailstorm	1	2	3	4	5	
Crop pest and disease outbreak	1	2	3	4	5	
Livestock disease outbreak	1	2	3	4	5	
Decrease in soil quality	1	2	3	4	5	
Other (please specify)	1	2	3	4	5	

4 How often following consequences of climate change occurred in last 5 years?								
Factors	Never-1, Rarely (once in a 5 years)-2, sometimes (2-3 times in 5 years) -3, often (4-5 times in 5 years)-4, Always (more than 5 times)-5							
Reduce crop yield			1	2	3	4	5	
shortage of livestock feeds			1	2	3	4	5	
Dead of livestock			1	2	3	4	5	
Crop pest and disease outbro		1	2	3	4	5		
Destruction of farmland			1	2	3	4	5	
Destruction of habitat (huma animal)	an being &		1	2	3	4	5	
Physical injury to the family	member/me		1	2	3	4	5	
Dead of family member (exc earthquake)	ept		1	2	3	4	5	
Lack of financial capital		1	2	3	4	5		
Others (please specify)		1	2	3	4	5		
Others (please specify)		1	2	3	4	5		

Section E:

	Food consumption and food sources (FCS)							
Wł	no decides what w	Female =1] Male □=2					
		Female	Male					
1	How many meals eat yesterday?	s did the adults (18+) in	this household	1.	2.			
2	How many meals 17 eat yesterday	s did the children betwe ?	en the age of 5-	1.	2.			
3	How many meals < 5 eat yesterday	s did the children betwe y?	en the age of 2-	1.	2.			
4	Food items/groups	Examples	4.1. How many of over the last 7 d members of you household eat th following food in prepared and/or consumed at ho	ays, did Ir he tems, r	4.2. How was this food acquired? Write the main source of food for the past 7 days			
			Days		Source			
1	Cereals or tubers=1	Rice, potato, naan etc.						
2	Pulses and groundnuts=2	Beans, peas, Cashew nuts						
3	Milk and milk products=3	Fresh milk, powdered milk, yogurt, cheese, other dairy products						
4	Eggs, meat, fish, shells=4	Organ meat, flesh meat, fish, eggs, etc.						
5	Vegetables=5	carrots, spinach etc.						
6	Fruits=6	Apple, banana, etc.						

7	Sugar=7	Sugar, honey, jan cakes, pastries, (sugary drinks)	n,			
8	Oil=8	Vegetable/palm o butter, ghee, oth fats				
9	Condiments=9	Spices, tea, coffe salt, spices, toma sauce				
01 =	d acquisition codes: purchase (cash) purchase (credit)	04 = food assistance (food card) 05 = army distributing food	excha	arter and nge orrowing	(pla	= gathering of wild foods nts/insects) = hunting/fishing
(Gei	food assistance neral Food ribution)	06 = support from relatives/friends	09 = beggir	ng/scavenging	12 :	own production

	HOUSEHOLD COPING STRATEGIES (rCSI)						
	During the last 7 days, were there days (and, if so, how many) when your household had to employ one of the following strategies (to cope with a lack of food or money to buy it)?	Frequency (number of days from 0 to 7)					
1	Relied on less preferred, less expensive food=1						
2	Borrowed food or relied on help from friends or relatives=2						
3	Reduced the number of meals eaten per day=3						
4	Reduced portion size of meals at meals time=4						
5	Restrict consumption by adults in order for young children to eat=5						

Section F: Migration

1. Household size and migrants

	Household size	and migrant	S						
Va	riable				Male	=2	Fe	male =1	
Ηοι	usehold size exc	cluding migra	ints (current)					
Нον	w many have m	igrated inter	nally (inside	the					
cou	ntry) for the pa	ist 10 years							
Нον	w many have in	ternationally	outside of	the					
cou	ntry) migrated	for the past	10 years						
3		-		m mig	rant	Yes 🗆	=1	No	
	3 Do you receive remittances or items from migrant members						\square =2, N/A=99Liv		
						$\square - 2, \mathbb{N}$	A-J	JLIV	
3a	If yes, how of	ften do you r			ng item	s from mig	rants	s for the past	
			5-10) years					
		Never=1	Rarely	Some	etime	Often		Very Often	
		INGACI-T	-					-	
			(once a		ew	(Monthly	y)=	(Weekly)=	
			year)=2		es a	4		5	
				yea	r)=3				
	Money								
	Withey								
	Farm input								
	Cloth &								
	household								
	belongings								
	F 1'4								
	Food items								
	Others								
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	Not								
	applicable=x								
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4	Please indicat		•				」=1,	26-50% 🗌	
	was covered b	• •	stuff sent by	migrar	١ť	=2	_	_	
	members last	year?						, More than	
						75% 🗆=4	4		
5	Please indicat	e the import	ance of remi	ttances	s to cov	er the follo	owin	g (1 lowest	
	importance, 5	highest imp	ortance)						
	Importance	1-not at	2-slightly	3-Neu	ıtrəl	4-very		5-	
	of	all	importan	J-Net	acial	importan	+	Extremely	
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	remittances	importan	t					important	
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	Buying food/								
	cloths								

	Education							
	Health							
	expenses							
	Buying							
	Seed/							
	fertilizer							
	Buying							
	pesticides							
	Buying Agri							
	tools							
	Repay debts							
	Financing							
	migration							
	costs of							
	additional							
	family							
	members							
	House							
	construction							
	and							
	maintenanc							
	е							
	Others							
6	Ideally, if you	had the o	ррс	ortunity, wou	uld you like	Yes 🗆 = 1	No □=2	
	to							
	move Tempor							
6a	Where do you	want to	mo۱	ve?		To the same/		
						village=1, to t	the urban	
						area=2		
6	Ideally, if you	had the o	ррс	ortunity, wou	uld you like	Yes 🗆=1	No 🗆=2	
b	to							
	move Perman	ently to a	not	ther place?				
7	If 6&6a is Yes,	are you p	blan	ning to mov	e in the next	Yes 🗆=1	No □=2	
	12 months?							
8	If 7 is Yes, have you done any preparation for this Yes $\Box = 1$ No $\Box = 2$						No □=2	
	move?							
	(for eg; buy properties or making arrangements for							
	the move)							
9	If any question	ns from	Ed	ucation \Box =	1 Search for v	vork 🗆=2 , Job	transfer/	
	6 to 8 is Yes,		opportunity \Box =3, Drought=4 , Flood \Box =5,					
	What is the pr	imary	lan					
	reason you ch	oose to	Family problems \Box =7, Better livelihoods \Box =8,					
	move?				ri land to wor			
L								

	(Multiple selection allowed)	Don't have enough land □=10, Poor quality of land □ =11 Other (Please specify) =12				
10	How often do your household had to deal with the lack of labor available for work in agriculture in last 5 years?	Never □=1, Sometimes □=3, Always □=5	Rarely □=2, Often □=4,			

Section G: Covid-19 in food security

	COVID-19 and Food security						
1	Which statement best reflects your food situation in this pandemic time?	 I increased my food intake □=1 I had no difficulties eating enough food □=2 I ate less preferred foods □=3 I skipped meals or ate less than usual □=4 I went one whole day without eating □=5 					
2	Does your household had/have food stock?	Yes, less than 1 week □=1, Yes, 1 week □=2 Yes, 2-3 weeks □=3, Yes, 1 months □=4 Yes, more than 1 months □=5					
3	What is the situation of your household income in this pandemic time?	Increased in salary/revenue □=1, No change □=2 Job loss □=3, Reduced salary/revenue □=4 Had to resort to alternative source of income□=5					
4	Looking ahead, how do you expect your livelihood will be impacted as result of disruptions from COVID-19?	No impact □=1, slightly impact □=2 Somewhat impact □=3, very impact □=4, Severe impact □=5					

5	In this pandemic and the lockdown started, have you received any food, cash, or other support from anyone else that you do not usually receive?	Yes □=1 No □=2
5.1	If 5=yes, could you please indicate the source?	Government □=1 Relatives □=2 Neighbors □=3 Community leaders □=4 NGOs □=5 Other (please specify)=6
6	Is someone in your family had to return home from abroad due to COVID-19?	Yes □=1 No □=2