As more Nepali men move abroad for work, women assume many traditionally male responsibilities and renegotiate their positions in Nepal’s patriarchal society. This study examines the changes in women’s responsibilities (i.e. household work, subsistence farming, and participation in the labor market) as a result of men’s foreign labor migration. Findings suggest that male migration intensifies women’s unpaid work and reduces their ability to participate in market work, increasing their financial dependence on men.

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