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**Table 14: The attendants appreciate the nurses as their patients are recovered.**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Disagree	2	3.9	3.9
	Strongly Disagree	3	5.9	9.8
	Neutral	5	9.8	19.6
	Agree	29	56.9	76.5
	Strongly Agree	12	23.5	100.0
	Total	51	100.0	100.0

Table 14 shows the results of the respondents' response on the question regarding **the attendants appreciate the nurses as their patients are recovered**. The results in table 14 represents that 3.9% of the respondents were disagree, 5.9% were strongly disagree, 9.8% were neutral, 56.9% of the respondents were agree and 23.5% of the respondents were strongly agree regarding the statement.



**Question no. 15: Patients acknowledges the efforts of the nurses after recovery.**

**Table 15: Patients acknowledges the efforts of the nurses after recovery.**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Disagree	7	13.7	13.7
	Strongly Disagree	2	3.9	17.6
	Neutral	8	15.7	33.3
	Agree	28	54.9	88.2
	Strongly Agree	6	11.8	100.0
	Total	51	100.0	100.0

Table 15 shows the results of the respondents' response on the question regarding **Patients acknowledges the efforts of the nurses after recovery**. The results in table 15 represents that 13.7% of the respondents were disagree, 3.9% were strongly disagree, 15.7% were neutral, 54.9% of the respondents were agree and 11.8% of the respondents were strongly agree regarding the statement.

**Question no.16: Physicians realizes the importance of nurses in the health care.**

**Table 16: Physicians realizes the importance of nurses in the health care.**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Disagree	4	7.8	7.8
	Strongly Disagree	3	5.9	13.7
	Neutral	6	11.8	25.5
	Agree	28	54.9	80.4
	Strongly Agree	10	19.6	100.0
	Total	51	100.0	100.0

Table 16 shows the results of the respondents' response on the question regarding **Physicians realizes the importance of nurses in the health care**. The results in table 16 represents that 7.8% of the respondents were disagree, 5.9% were strongly disagree, 11.8% were neutral, 54.9% of the respondents were agree and 19.6% of the respondents were strongly agree regarding the statement.

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**Question no. 17: Nurses are parallel to the doctors.**

**Table 17: Nurses are parallel to the doctors.**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Disagree	15	29.4	29.4
	Strongly Disagree	4	7.8	37.3
	Neutral	7	13.7	51.0
	Agree	17	33.3	84.3
	Strongly Agree	8	15.7	100.0
	Total	51	100.0	100.0

Table 17 shows the results of the respondents' response on the question regarding **Nurses are parallel to the doctors**. The results in table 17 represents that 29.4% of the respondents were disagree, 7.8% were strongly disagree, 13.7% were neutral, 33.8% of the respondents were agree and 15.7% of the respondents were strongly agree regarding the statement.

**Question no.18: Nurses are not important for the patient care.**

**Table 18: Nurses are not important for the patient care.**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Disagree	24	47.1	47.1	47.1
Strongly Disagree	25	49.0	49.0	96.1
Strongly Agree	2	4.0	4.0	98.0
Total	51	100.0	100.0	

Table 18 shows the results of the respondents' response on the question regarding **Nurses are not important for the patient care**. The results in table 18 represents that 47.1% of the respondents were disagree, 49% were strongly disagree and only 4% of the respondents were strongly agree regarding the statement.

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**Question no. 19: Nurses are not well educated rather they gain the skills for patients care**

**Table 19: Nurses are not well educated rather they gain the skills for patients care**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Disagree	25	49.0	49.0	49.0
Strongly Disagree	24	47.1	47.1	96.1
Neutral	1	2.0	2.0	98.0
Strongly Agree	1	2.0	2.0	100.0
Total	51	100.0	100.0	

Table 19 shows the results of the respondents' response on the question regarding **Nurses are not well educated rather they gain the skills for patients care**. The results in table 19 represents that 49% of the respondents were disagree, 47.1% were strongly disagree and 2% of the respondents were neutral and strongly agree regarding the statement.

**Question no. 20: Nurses face the workload of patient care like doctors**

**Table 20: Nurses face the workload of patient care like doctors**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Disagree	5	9.8	9.8
	Strongly Disagree	2	3.9	13.7
	Neutral	5	9.8	23.5
	Agree	28	54.9	78.4
	Strongly Agree	11	21.6	100.0
	Total	51	100.0	100.0

Table 20 shows the results of the respondents' response on the question **Nurses face the workload of patient care like doctors**. The results in table 20 represents that 9.8% of the respondents were disagree, 3.9% were strongly disagree and 9.8% of the respondents were neutral, 54.9% were agree and 21.6% of the respondents were strongly agree regarding the statement.



**Question no. 21: Nurses are the subordinates of doctors.**

**Table 21: Nurses are the subordinates of doctors.**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Disagree	13	25.5	25.5
	Strongly Disagree	11	21.6	47.1
	Neutral	12	23.5	70.6
	Agree	10	19.6	90.2
	Strongly Agree	5	9.8	100.0
	Total	51	100.0	100.0

Table 21 shows the results of the respondents' response on the question **Nurses are the subordinates of doctors**. The results in table 21 represents that 25.5% of the respondents were disagree, 21.6% were strongly disagree, 23.5% were neutral, 19.6% were agree and 9.8% of the respondents were strongly agree regarding the statement.

## **Discussion and Conclusion**

The current study investigates the social perception regarding the nursing profession. The results of this study reveal that people have the positive perception towards the nursing profession and understands the role of nurses has key importance for the patient care. However, the respondents show the lower response regarding the proud feeling towards nursing for their own daughters (table 13), value of nurses equal to the doctors (table 17) and emphasizes that doctors keep the perception towards the nurses according to the benefits (table 8) and highlighted that nurses are subordinates of the doctors (table 17). Thus, the study results show that there exists overall positive perception among the people towards the nursing profession. The data was collected from the doctors and nurses, so, they have positive perception regarding the nursing profession as they work together at the hospitals. Furthermore, the sample size of the current study was quite small due to time shortage and which should be enhanced in the further study to enhance the generalizability issue. Likewise, further studies should take the data from the people outside of the health care sector to analyzes the perception among them regarding the nursing profession.

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