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ABSTRACT

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There are twenty-seven (27) wives of retired army personnel who lives at Barangay Igtuba, Miagao, Iloilo and twenty-six (26) were surveyed for this study. The research participants are not original residents of the barangay. Their family transferred because it is the privilege of army personnel to live inside Camp Monteclaro. The research participants are within the age range of 35 to 65 years old. Interview schedule, focus group discussion and key informant interview were used to gather data necessary for the study. It was found out that Philippine patriarchal system has minimal effect on gender relations in the lives of the wives of retired army personnel. There are household matters that are being decided by the wives such as household expenditure and disciplining their children. There is a higher number of wives who have access over available resources in the household and community compared to their husbands. The research participants shared information and experiences concerning gender relations in their households and rated their level of contentment in their children's education, health, family income and life as a whole.