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Abstract

Nepal is ranked as one of the top tourist destination in the world. Being a multicultural, multireligious, and multilingual country there are different traditions and cultures prevailing in Nepalese society. In order to promote such locally available traditions and culture several homestays have been established in the country. Homestays have not only increased the income of the people but also have promoted our culture and traditions. Out of the numerous homestays in the country, Bandipur is ranked as one of the best and popular destination for tourists. Bandipur is an old Newari village with wonderful natural beauty. The locales have managed to preserve their culture and tourist can enjoy the culture with typical Nepal food. The enchanting view of snow peaked mountains, sunrise and sunset, and trekking around the hills can make everyone fall in love with the village.

Our main objective of this study is to know the present scenario of the homestay at Bandipur. We also wanted to know how the homestay have benefitted the locale. The present condition of infrastructures and the planning for the development of the village in future is our prime concern. We have interviewed the locales and also with the tourists to know the satisfaction they have received from the homestay. This study is based on both primary and secondary data. More specifically, it is based on primary data, collected using questionnaire through held survey in the study area.

Based on the study, it is found that Bandipur located in Tanahun District, southern corner of Gandaki Zone is a sleepy old Newari village. It was the main link on the ancient trading route between India and Tibet and according to legend was once very prosperous. It is also a place of god-gifted natural assets, mountain and Himalayan scene, river basin, Wildlife, favorable climate and others attractions which will be of great interest for the tourist. This place is famous for both domestic and international tourism for its peculiar village environment in the view of its potential for the tourism development; the local community is seen to be more interested and aware on the development of this area jointly as tourist destination. It is delighting to see more domestic tourists during the field visit, mostly for the purpose a village environment. Every facilities of accommodation like home-stay, hotels and resort are available in Bandipur in cheap price. Villagers are aware and agree that overall impact of tourism is positive in their village. We found that Bandipur have higher potential to attract tourists if infrastructures are developed on time. It has been place of attraction for both internal and international tourists. It is also found that Bandipur development society youth club and Aama samuha are working hard to develop basic infrastructural facilities. Bandipur has enormous tourism products to attract tourism which shall be upgraded in the active participant of all the local respondents, it will be better in the, form of community based village tourism like Sirubari, Ghalegaun etc.

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Acronyms

BSDC	Bandipur Social Development Committee
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CTEVT	Center for Technical Education and Vocational
DDC	District Development Committee
INGO	International Non-Government Organization
MoTCA	Ministry of Tourism and Civil Aviation
MOT	Ministry of Tourism
NAC	Nepal Airlines Corporation
NTHMA	Nepal Tourism and Hotel Management Academy
NTB	Nepal Tourism Board
NTMP	Nepal Tourism Master Plan
NTY	Nepal Tourism Year
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
PATA	Pacific Area Travel Commissions
SATC	South Asian Travel Association
TDMC	Tourism Development & Management Committee
UNO	United Nations Organization
UNDP	United Nations Development Program
VDC	Village Development Committee