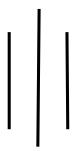
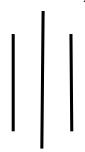
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ABSTRACT

"God's earth in all its fullness and beauty is for the people" – Thomas Cook. By following this statement tourism industry has seemed to be a second largest industry in the world it contributed by 944 billion US\$ in global economy from 920 million international tourist activities. It has seed that 684 million tourist involved in 2000, 920 million in 2009 and predicted 1.6 billion in 2020. Spain and Singapore are such a country, which solicited tourist more than hosts annually, that was 36 million populations and 40 million tourists in Spain 1981.

Nepal has also earned to 287 million revenue through more than ½ million tourist activities in 2008 which has contributed 2.3 percent in GDP, which is less than 12 percent in Spain and less than 7 percent in France and Singapore. Nepal where existence of 3915 VDC, 3600 potential village tourism, 85 percent rural people, 78 percent agriculture halted people are surviving in US\$ 490 low per-capita income, less than 2.5 per. GDP growth rate, 21 percent protect land, 10 UNESCO listed heritage between Gratewall and Tajmahal are both problem and prospect of tourism development. To develop Nepal as an attractive, pleasing safe and unique destination in global tourism map through conservation and promotion of natural, cultural, biological and human made heritage is the fundamental base of rural development through tourism in Nepal.

In this regard, this present research study entitled "Potentiality of village tourism in Kabhrepalachowk District: A case study of Kamidanda VDC of Chyasingkharka village" has been carried out with the objective, analyzing the area as a potential eco-tourism destination, about which many tourists don't know much till date. The main objective of the study is to analyze the potentiality of the eco-tourism development and identify the elements that can contribute to the development of eco-tourism in study area. To carryout the objective, according to social science research methodology 30 sample populations were selected purposive and simple random method from ward no 4,5 & 6 selected for information.

From research study it was found that, this district has several aspects of village-tourism products. The study has regarded highly potential for the promotion of village-tourism because this district is rich in cultural and natural heritage. The selected district has great potentiality to attract tourists but is not given due consideration by related agencies and government. Most of the aspects of tourism are Rural, Cultural, Village, Adventure, Sport, Honeymoon, Agro-eco tourism etc. have found to be great potentiality at Kamidanda.

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LIST OF ABBRIVIATION

ACAP - Annapurna Conservation Area Program

ADB - Asian Development Bank

ASTA - American Society of Travel Agent

BC - Before Christ

CBOs - Community Based Organizations

CBS - Central Bureau of Statistics

CDRD - Central Department of Rural Development

DDC - District Development Committee

FGD - Focus Group Discussion

GC - Geni Coefficient

GDP - Gross Domestic Product

ILO - International Labor Organization

INGO - International Non-government Organization

IUOTO - International Union of Official Travel Organization

LR - Local Resource

MoCTCA - Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation

NGO - Non-Government Organization

NR - Natural Resources

NTB - National Tourism Board

NTTR - Nepal Tours and Travelers Report

PATA - Pacific Asia Travel Association

RD - Rural Development

UNO - United Nations Organization

UNWTO - United Nations World Tourism Organization

USA - United State of America

VDC - Village Development Committee

VT - Village Tourism

WTO - World Tourism Organization