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ABSTRACT

The present study "Impact of motor road in Annapurna circuit: A case study from Tal to Chame in Manang District", is based on primary information collected from field survey.

The specific objective of this study is to identify the positive and negative impact examine the socio-economic status and cultural changes of Annapurna circuit people after constriction of the road. Descriptive and expletory research designs are used in this study. Both Qualitative as well as quantitative methods have been applied to collect primary data. Similarly sampling methods are used probability sampling and non-probability sampling. For this study well structured and semi-structured questionnaire, Key Informant Interview, field observation and Focus Group Discussion observation are used as the techniques to obtain required information in order to fulfill the objectives. The study areas are Dharapani and Chame VDC of Manang District.

This study demonstrates the positive and negative impact in socio-economic status, local business, livelihood, social security, environmental degradation and income generation and decrease in the Annapurna Circuit before and after new construction of the road. it's has seen very easy and develop but slightly local people are unsatisfied with the road link because the world famous top 8^{th} recognized trekking trail has been endangered and the living pattern has also changed along the road. These days after the construction of the road, the tourists directly go to Chame and the rest of the hubs centers have been changed like remote areas or isolated and neglected places. The outcome of the study helps in the identification of the impact of Annapurna Trekking trail after road constriction. Which will help to formulation and implementation of appropriate policies and action programmes in future for this area.

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ABBREVATIONS/ ACRONYMS

GDP: Gross Domestic Product.

NTB: Nepal Tourism Board.

CBS: Censes Burrows.

ACAP: Annapurna Conservation Area Project.

NTNC: National Trust for Natural Conservation.

PATA: Pacific Asia Travel Association.

WTO: World Tourism Organization.

ACA: Annapurna Conservation Area.

VDC: Village Development Comity.

ICIMOD: International Center for Integrated Mountain Development.

UNWTO: United Nation World Tourism Organization.

MoCTCA: Ministry of culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation.

UNDP: United Nation Development Program.

NTY: Nepal Tourism Year.

ACT: Annapurna Circuit Treks.

NA: Nepal Army.

USA: United State America.

DDC: District Development Comity.

CEADA: Center for Economic Development and Administration.

NATTA: Nepal Association of Tourist and Travel Agency.

TAAN: Trekking Agency Association Nepal.

SAARCE: South Asian Association of Regional Co-Operation.

CBS: Censes Bureau of Statistics.

Questionnaire for the local people:

A.	. General information:		
	• Name:		
	 Address: village development committee: Wada no: 		
	• Sex :		
	• Age:		
	Occupation:		
	• Education:		
	• Training:		
	• Family size:		
	i) Joint ii) Nuclear		
B.	Questioner:		
1)	What is the main source of income generation of this area?		
	i) Tourism ii) Out going		
	ii) Agriculture/livestock iv) collection of natural medicine		
2)	When do you start this occupation?		
	i) Before 5 years ii) Before 10 years		
	ii) Before 15 years IV) More than 15 years ago		
3)	Can you rank it by priority order?		
	i) Tourism ii) Collection natural Medicine		
	ii) Agriculture/livestock iv) Out going		
4)	Generally how much money earn in a year in your family?		
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5)	Is there any tourist information center in your area?		
	i) Yes ii) No		
6)	How much do you read?		
ĺ	i) Literate ii) primary level		
	ii) Secondary level iv) illiterate		
7)	Have you get any tourism related education or training?		
	i) Yes ii) No		
8)	Has any tourism training center or tourism supported program in your areas		

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18) Which medical institutions are available in your area	18`) Which	medical institutions a	re available in your area?
·	٠,			iii) primary health care

IV) Hospital.

ii) No

i)

ii)

Personal medical

Yes

19) Is it easy to access health facilities after construct the road in this area?i) Yes ii) no				
20) What is the main barrier of tourism to visit of this area?				
i) ii)	Geographical d Lack of infrastr		,	
21) Are you happy to see the vehicle in your area?				
i) Yes		ii) no		
22) Wha	22) What is the tourist wants?			
i) Veh	icle	ii) trekking		
23) After	construction the	road how many mon	ths vehicle	services in this area?
i) Less	than 3 months	iii) 3 to 6 mon	ths	
iii) 6 to	o 9 months	iv) 9 to 12 mo	nths.	
23) What is the prize of goods, after construction the road and before construction the road?				
Goods		Before road constru	ct	After road construct
Rice per KG				
Salt Dalharn				
Oil				
Masala				
24) In our view who were the main beneficiary of the road?				
1) Hot	el Owner,	2) Loc	al People,	
3) Tou	rist,	4) Other Peop	le,	
25) What king	g of tourist was c	coming after the road l	nad been co	onstructed?

1) Local Tourist (economically low)

	2) Foreign Tourist (eco	onomically ca	apable)
26) Is	there Different in spend	ling in money	before and now?
	1) Yes,		
	2) No,		
27) Is the roa	•	ial security be	efore construction the road and after construction
	1) Yes,		
	2) No,		
28) W	hat kind of effect has be	een seen?	
they	1) Positive,		
they	2) Negative,		
29) Ra	unking the impact that h	as been seen i	in the study area?
	1) Impact in Natural S	ector	2) Change in Income Generation
	3) Change in Socio-co	uture	4) Change in social Security,
30) W	hat is the main barrier o	of tourist visite	ed in this area?
	1) Pollution,	2) Lac	ck of searing information,
	3) Geographical difficu	ulties, 4) Lac	ck of infrastructure development,

Questionnaire for the Focus Group Dictation

General Information:

- 1) No. of Participations:
- 2) Name of Participations:
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
 - 5.
- 3) Location:

Question or Checklist:

- 1) How many household lived in this area?
- 2) What is the main source of income in this area?
- 3) Generally how much money earn per a year by a household in here?
- 4) What do you think about newly constructed road?
- 5) Generally what is tourist want? Trekking or Vehicle?
- 6) What type of impact has been seen by the road in your business activity?
- 7) What are the advantages and disadvantages of this road?
- 8) What types of tourists are come before and now?
- 9) Does anybody migrate from here due to the road?
- 10) What type of impact seen in road constructed area?
- 11) Do you have any think to say about the road in its impact?

3. PHOTOES:

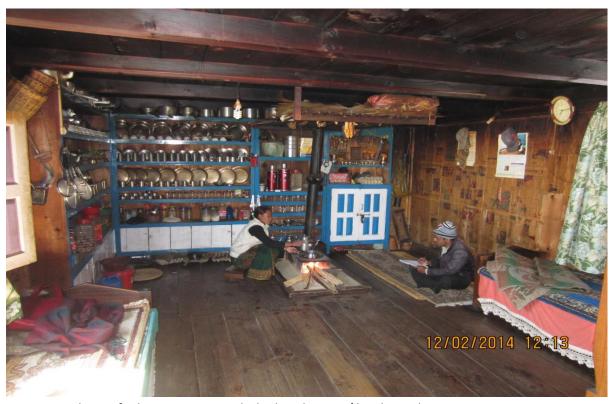
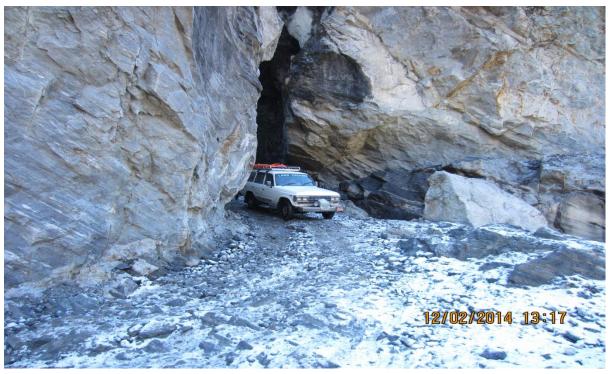


Photo of taken interview with the hotel owner/ local people in Tamang.



Vehicle, in the way of Manang Chame.



Focus Group Discussion in Tal Manang.



The motor way in manang.



Preparation for interview with the hotel owner in Koto Manang.



The entry point of Manang District, Tal.



Treeking way of Upper Manang from Chame.