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ABSTRACT

A thesis entitled "Problems and Prospects of Tourism in Achham District: A Case Study of Ramarosan VDC". The objective of the study is to identify the problems and prospects of tourism in Ramarosan VDC of Achham district. This study is mainly concerned with the existing and important tourist spots, tourism trend, prospects and problems of tourism in study area. This study has applied explanatory and descriptive research design. The data is qualitative as well as quantitative in nature. 46 respondents was selected by using random sampling.

Ramarosan area have huge potentiality of rural tourism. This area is easily accessible as because its just one and half hour away from headquarter Achham. There are different challenges which stand as hindrances in the pace of tourism development in this area. One of the major problems of this area is that this area have road track. Lack of total participation for the tourism development is another problem of this area, some organization lacks co-ordination for conducting different tourism development activities. Another challenges is migration of villager toward headquarter, Kathmandu, even in UK as most of the household have at-least one member engaged in army service. Lack of young manpower involvement is another major problem, as most of the young manpower area involved in abroad job, some are in headquarter and Kathmandu for educational purposes and for job. This place is not properly advertised in media, and also it lacks link with the NTB in order to get proper support from state sector. Despite having many challenges, this place has more potentiality for developing this area as rural destination. This area has great future to be developed as rural destination in near future if the challenges and problems are mitigated in proper way.

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ABBREVIATIONS

\$	–	US Dollar
CBS	–	Central Bureau of Statistics
FWDR	-	Far Western Development Region
HHs	–	Households
MOCTCA	-	Ministry of Culture Tourism and Civil Aviation
NGOs		Non Government Organizations
No.	–	Number
NPC	-	National Planning Commission
NRB	-	Nepal Rastra Bank
NTB	-	Nepal Tourism Board
SLC	-	School Living Certificate
TAAN	-	Trekking Agencies' Association of Nepal
TRPAP	-	Tourism for Rural Poverty Alleviation Program
TU	-	Tribhuvan University
UNWTO	-	United Nations World Tourism Organizations
VDC	–	Village Development Committee
DDC	-	District Development Committee