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ABSTRACT

*The present study **PROSPECTS AND CONSTRAINTS OF RELIGIONS IN NEPAL: A Case Study of Dakshainkali Temple, Ward no. 5 Dakshainakali Municipality** also a remote village. The specific objectives of to analyze the level of infrastructure development in Dakshainlali, to compare social, economic and environmental impact of religious tourism and to explore the challenges of tourism development in the study area.*

The selection of the study area is one of the critical issues while undertaking a research work. Considering the common base in site selection Dakshainkali Temple is selected to cover the reflection of the maximum area of Kathmandu district as a place of attraction for the village tourism in the field of ecotourism, cultural tourism, rural tourism, agro-tourism and religious tourism.

Because of poverty, they are finding hardship to maintain hand to mouth problem. Before this study there are no any studies in this subject which shows actual situation of possibilities of village tourism.

Both primary and secondary data have been collected for the purpose of study. Therefore: Primary data are based on survey, observation, questionnaire, interviews, focus group discussions and case study. Both published and unpublished documents, books and relevant materials related to the subject matter have been incorporated as secondary data.

However secondary data were derived or collected from different authorized sources that are given below. Dakshainkali Municipality profile, Kathmandu DDC profile, CBS report, Newspaper, magazine and Internet search.

The select area of the Dakshainkali Temple were the universe of the study. The village tourism from overall perspective so, randomly selected from above mentioned village. Moreover, due attention was paid for sample size. Fifty households of respondents will be selected for the study until in simple random basis. Focus group discussion will be on entrepreneurs of small hotels and in local restaurant.

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ACRONYMS/ ABBREVIATIONS

AD	:	Anno Domini
CBS	:	Central Bureau of Statistics
CNP	:	Chitwan National Park
FY	:	Fiscal Year
GDP	:	Gross Domestic Product
GON	:	Government of Nepal
IUOTO	:	International Union of Travel Official
MTCA	:	Ministry of Torsion and Civil Aviation
NO	:	Number
NTB	:	Nepal Tourism Board
NTS	:	Nepal Tourism Statistics
NPC	:	National Planning Commission
PATA	:	Pacific Asia Travel Association
SAARC	:	South Asian Association for Regional Co-operation
SN	:	Serial Number
TRPAP	:	Tourism for Rural poverty Alleviation Program
TU	:	Tribhuvan University
TV	:	Television
UN	:	United Nations
UNDP	:	United Nation Development Program
VDC	:	Village Development Committee
WTO	:	World Tourism Organization
WTTC	:	World Travel and Tourism Council