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ABSTRACT

Nepal, a compelling destination for many visitors, with tourist attractions in the form of snowcapped mountain peaks, excellent trekking and rafting opportunities, interesting wildlife, significant religious sites, and unsurpassed historic and cultural places, is well placed for tourism development.

Nepal, being one of the poorest countries of the world, is facing various problems such as rapidly rising population, fewer possibilities for developing industries, limited scope for increasing agricultural production, growing unemployment, social discrimination, poverty and so on. In this context, tourism has been regarded as a means of achieving social, economic and political development.

In view of the promotion of tourism, this study examines the potentiality of tourism in Ghorahi. A case study of prospects and problems of tourism in Ghorahi Municipality conducted to determine the problems and prospects of tourism there. Ghorahi has many tourist destinations, unique natural beauties and various cultural specialties of its own and the sustainable and vision-full exploitation of these destinations offer a wide range of comparative advantages for which suitable and effective plan is needed.

Increase in business and increase in resident's income are most beneficial areas of tourism in Ghorahi. With the major attractive areas for tourists like Barhakune Daha, Jyamire Daha, Ambikeswori, Goraksha Ratan Nath Peeth, and others, Ghorahi demands visionful plan for adequately managed tourism and bring more positive benefit.

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ABBREVIATIONS

CBS	-	Central Bureau of Statistics
CC	-	Chamber of Commerce
DDC	-	District Development Committee
FAO	-	Food and Agriculture Organization
GDP	-	Gross Domestic Product
GM	-	Ghorahi Municipality
HAD	-	Hotel Association of Dang
NTB	-	Nepal Tourism Board
UNESCO	-	United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNO	-	United Nations Organization
VDC	-	Village Development Committee
WTO	-	World Tourism Organization
WTTC	-	World Travel and Tourism Council