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ABSTRACT

Tourism is a white industry in this modern world, tourism industry has been growing at an outstanding rate & it has appeared as the world's largest & greatest export industry. Tourism has a great role to play to improve country's image in international arena. Tourism is a driving force for the economic development of Nepal. IT is a major contributor to Nepalese economy. Tourism sector is economy improving living standards & reducing poverty.

The research study entitled "problem & prospects of tourism in Kanchanpur District" has been carried out with the objective, analyzing the area as a tourism destination, about which many tourists don't know much till data.

Kanchanpur Districts has enormous tourism product to attract the tourist it has a god gifted natural assets like. Shukaphanta wild life reserve. Mahakali river, Bedkot lake, Rani lake, Jhilmila lake, favorable climate etc. This will be the great interest for the tourist. But there are so many problems to develop tourism due to the lack of the basic infrastructure. There are 1 three star hotel, 16 local level hotel and 22 restaurants which provide the service for present demand a tourist in 2000, 46.67 percent of tourists stayed one night which 37.50 percent stayed two nights. Similarly 12.50 percent stayed three nights and remaining 8.33 stayed for four night and above. Tourists are of different ages. 2.5 percent were below of 20 years of age which 62.5 percent were within the age of 21 to years. Similarly 25.0 percent of tourist was over 40 years.

The main objective of the study is to analyze the tourism in study area. For this study researcher carried and various methodologies such as questionnaire

method, observation of the study generates information regarding the subject matter.

For the study culturally and naturally significant were ethnic groups temples, flora and fauna lakes are standing and surveying from long time. The Tharu culture is the prominent cultural attraction for tourist and Shuklaphata wild life reserve is also assisting in tourism development.

The district has great potentiality to attract tourist but is nit given due consideration by related agencies and government. Most of the aspects of eco-tourism as rural tourism cultural tourism, village tourism, adventure tourism etc have potentiality there.

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Abbreviation/Acronyms

UK	United Kingdom
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
Rs	Rupees
NTFP	Non Timber Forest Product
AEIST	International Association of Scientific Export in Tourism
WTO	World Tourism Organization
M	Meter
USA	United State of America
UNDP	United Nation Development Programmer
ILO	International Labour Organization
GC	Gini Coefficient
UNO	United Nation Organization
IUOTO	International Union of Official Travel Organization
SATC	South Asian Travel Association
PATA	Pacific Asian Travel Commission
ASTA	American Society of Travel Agent
Vol.	Volume
Km	Kilometer
NTB	Nepal Tourism Board
CBS	Central Bureau of Statistics
BC	Before Christ
BS	Bikram Sambat
NP	National Park
WR	Wildlife Reserve
FM	Frequency Modulation
VDC	Village Development Committee
NA	Nepal Airlines
TV	Television
DDC	District Development Committee
\$	American Dollar

Glossary

Paryatan	Commercial organization, which established to meet the desire of the tourist
Desatum	Going out of the country primarily for economic gain
Trithatan	Observe the religious sites as pilgrimage
Tirthas	Famous religious sites for the pilgrimage
Bayu Rupa	Air form
Agni	Fire
Devraj	God
Dhami	Representative of god
Jat	Caste
Jatra	A Kind of festival celebrating on the special occasion
Deuda	Famous song of Far-western Nepal
Bhuwa	A famous dance in Far-western Nepal
Laya	Thytm
Pratha	Custom
Taal	Lake
Baidik	According to Veda
Pauranik	According to Puran
Parvas	Festivals
Dharmashala	Rest house
Dhungedhara	Water conduit
Gamara/Gaura	An important festival for Far-western Nepal
Mukhia	Respective person of Village
Naga	Snake
Maghi	A famous festival of Tharu Community
Fag	A song singing on the occasion of Gamara by women
Dhamari	A song singing on the Gamara parva by men
Yogi	Saint
Parva	Festivals
Sadhu	saint
Pooja	Worship
Ling	Stastute of God Shiva
Mandap	place where burn fire for prey god
Dharmasala	Place for free resident

Band
Nach
Sanysi

Strike
Dance
Saint