

## **NEPAL ASSOCIATION OF TOUR AND TRAVEL AGENTS**

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Humble Reminder

# **Invitation** NATTA INTERACTIVE PROGRAM

NATTA is going to organize an Interactive Program followed by high tea members on Friday, the 11th April, 2014 (the 28th Chaitra, 2070)

at NAXAL Banquet, just in front of NATTA Secretariat. Invitations have already been sent to all members by email. We once again request our valued members to kindly participate in the above interactive program that will begin exactly at 2.00 in the afternoon.

The objective of the meeting is to review the activities of the present NATTA Executive Committee during the last ninety days and to collect the feedback from the members before chalking out the future course of action.

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#### NATTA ORGANISED TOGETHER WE CAN ACHIEVE PROGRAM WITH AIRLINES' & GDS (March 31,2014)

NATTA Executive Board invited the Country Managers of all the International Airlines and NAC Commercial Director including Global Distribution Systems (GDSs) operating in Nepal for a meeting on 31st March '14 at Hotel Annapurna. The main purpose of the meeting was to let the international aviation sector know about the planning of NATTA to claim certain percentage of Tourism Service Fee (NQ Tax) operating in Nepal. Collecting the above fees virtually stands as one of the primary liability of the agent when they issue the air-tickets. In case they overlook the matter, they are penalized by the system. So, the agents too, NATTA believes, must have their share in the fund which will be ploughed back for promotion, conservation and building small infrastructures in the tourism sites. NATTA Advisor, former CEO of Nepal Tourism Board, Mr. Prachanda Man Shrestha shed light on the background and relevance of NATTA's grievance at the meeting. President Mr. D.B. Limbu welcomed the distinguished guests and the Chief Guest of the Meeting Culture, Tourism & Civil Aviation Secretary Mr. Sushil Ghimire speaking on the occasion hoped that the issue raised by NATTA is sure to open up new vistas as to find proper means and ways of collecting and investing the fund for the overall prosperity and development of Nepalese tourism. CEO Dr. Hari Sarmah gave the vote of thanks at the meeting. Airlines' present on the occasion were : Oman Air, Etihad, Qatar, NA, Turkish Airlines, Malaysian Air, PIA, SIA, Air India, Amadeus, Galileo. NATTA has its stand to institutionalize the fund collected as TSF.







#### BREAKFAST MEETING HOSTED BY NEPAL MOUNTAINEERING ASSOCIATION

#### (April 2,2014)

NMA hosted a Breakfast meeting with the Presidents, Secretaries and CEOs of all the associations affiliated to Joint Tourism Coordination Committee (JTCC) on 2nd April at Hotel Shanker. The meeting attended by almost sixteen tourism related associations focused on various agendas including reviewing of the Govt's Tourism Strategy Plan, and Tourists Bus Terminal. The meeting finally concluded with a resolution that all associations will submit the list of their identified problems with suggestive measures to Joint Tourism Coordination Committee. The committee will then sort out the common issues and brings forth those issues in a day-long workshop for discussion. And the recommendations thereby will be strongly put up to the concerned ministries of the government for implementation in three phases: short-tern, mid-term and long term. All this is expected to take place before the next Breakfast Meeting of the JTCC. NATTA President Mr. D.B. Limbu, Secy. General Ms. Mihika Dhakhwa and CEO Dr. Hari Sarmah had participated in the above meeting. NMA also felicitated the newly elected Executive Committee of Hotel Association Nepal (HAN) under the leadership of HAN President Mr. B.K. Shrestha.









#### NATTA MEET SOCIAL WELFARE COUNCIL FOR ALLOCATION OF SPACE

#### (April 2,2014)

A delegation of NATTA led by President D.B. Limbu met the Vice- Chairman of Social Welfare Council on 02nd April 2014 to discuss about the possibility of allocating space in the vicinity of SWC to erect a Tourist Bus Terminal for the Tourist Buses plying in the long-routes to Pokhara, Chitwan and Lumbini every day. It has been learnt that SWC in conjunction with the Ministry of Home, Ministry of Physical Planning & Construction and Kathmandu Metropolis is working on finalizing a similar proposal to set up a spacious commercial Parking Zone in the unused land area within the SWC vicinity. NATTA has forwarded a written proposal to SWC to allocate a



space as per the regulation for about 35-40 tourist buses that will start in the morning carrying the tourists to various destinations as mentioned above and will drop the tourists coming to Kathmandu from those destinations in the evening. We were told that if the proposal gets through the construction of the above parking area will start within six months. NATTA's discussion was held at the office of the Vice-Chairman of SWC. Also present on the occasion were Dy. Director and Engineer of SWC. The NATTA delegation comprised of

President D.B. Limbu, Secy. General Mihika Dhakhwa, Treasurer & Coordinator NATTA Tour & Transport Sub-Committee Narayan Koney and CEO Dr. Hari Sarmah.

#### NATTA TO LEAD CHINA SALES MISSION - 2014

NATTA is preparing to lead China Sales Mission 2014 from 07th to 14th June this year. NATTA Treasurer Mr. Narayan P. Gurung Koney has been assigned to coordinate the mission. Meanwhile, as in the past years, we have sent a proposal to Nepal Tourism Board (NTB) seeking their contribution in making the mission a fruitful one. The first destination of the mission will be Hong Kong and the participants will have the opportunity to participate in the ITE Fair as well as observing visitors. The other destinations are Guangzhou, Nanjing and Beijing. The total cost of the mission is yet to come. NATTA will soon circulate an official notice to all its members mentioning the cost per participant.



#### FOLLOW UP MEETINGS WITH DG IMMIGRATION & NRB

#### (April 3,2014)

NATTA Secy. General Mihika Dhakhwa, Treasurer Narayan P. Gurung Koney, Secretary Ramesh Thapa and CEO Dr. Hari Sarmah called on the office of Director General of the Department of Immigration Mr. Sharad Ch. Poudel on 03rd April in the afternoon to follow-up and check if the suggested actions by NATTA were implemented by the department to mitigate the issue of deportee. The NATTA delegates were assured by the DG that the action is being taken by Immigration and now the Immigration will immediately inform NATTA as soon as the deportees are received by immigration office.

Similarly, the above NATTA delegation also visited the office of the Executive Director of Foreign Exchange Management Department of Nepal Rastra Bank, Mr. Vishnu Nepal and Director, Mr. Bhisma Raj Dhungana to follow up the actions being taken by Nepal Rastra Bank on the issues that were discussed with NRB Governor D. Yuba Raj Khatiwada on 24th February last. NATTA delegates were told that the NRB Department on Foreign Exchange was going to put the issues up in their upcoming Board Meeting.



# नाट्टाले माग्यो पर्यटन सेवा शुल्कको हिस्सा

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काठमाडौँ : नेपाल एसोसिएसन अफ टुर एन्ड ट्राभल एवेन्ट्स ( गट्टा) ले पर्यटन सेवा शुरुकको कम्सीमा पाँच प्रतिशत रकम माम गरेको छ। राल यो एकम नेपाल पर्यटन बोर्डले एकलीटी रूपमा प्रयोग गर्दै आएको छ। नाट्टाका अध्यक्ष डीवी लिम्बूले पर्यटन क्षेत्रको प्रवर्द्धन तथा विकासमा खर्च गर्ने यो रकम माग गरिएको जानकारो दिए। उनका अनुसार बोर्डले पर्यटन प्रवर्द्धनमा प्रभावकारी काम गर्ने नसकेकोले नाट्टाले रकम मागेको हो।

गेपाल भितिने पर्यटकको प्रमुख गलाज्यमा बोर्ड पुग्त नसक्दा यसले गरेको काम प्रभावकारी हुन नसकेको आरोप पर्यटन व्ययसार्थीको छ। बोर्टल नेपाल आएका हरेक विदेशो पर्यटक बाहिरिंदा तटाउँदै आएको मूल्य अभिवृद्धि करबातेकको भौच सक्लाई गत मार्च १ देखि बकाए एक तजार स्पेयी पुन्याएको छ। पर्यटकबाट लिएने यो सुस्क हर्वाई टिकटमा ने समावत हुने गरेको छ। पर्यटन प्रबर्द्धन तथा पर्यटकीय बेजको विकासका लागि स्वयंनुपर्ने

व्यवसायीका अनुसार पर्यटन व्यवसायीले अन्तराधिदय पर्यटन प्रवर्द्धनमा वाधिक दुई अर्ब रापैयाँ खार्चदा बोर्डले २० करोड समेत खार्च गर्न सकेको छैन। अपमुक्त इंगवाट सञ्चालन गर्न ट्रेस्टि वस डॉर्सनल आवश्यक भएको अध्यक्ष लिम्बूलं बताए। उतका अनुसार हाल काठमाडौंबाट दैनिक ३० वटा पर्यटक बस छुट्न भए पनि संसको व्यवस्थित प्रयोग भने हुन नमकेको उनको भनाइ छ। पर्यटक सवासिसंध्यनका लागि यसते टॉर्मनल नहुँदा संवाधवहाना नै समस्य परेको पर्यटन व्यवसायोल बताएका छन्। पस्तो पर्यटक बस टॉर्मनलका लागि लेनचीरमा छावो समाज काल्याण परिषद वा स्काउट राउसपदाडिको खाली स्थान उपयुक्त हुन सकोसंहितको प्रस्ताव सरकारवाई विएको पर्यटन व्यवसायीले बताए।

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> पर्यटन व्यवसायको सुधार तथा व्यावहारिक समस्या संगधानका लागि विधिन्न आठवटा संस्थाले संयुक्तरुपमा पर्यटन समन्यव सांगति गठन गरेका छन्। यो मामितिमा द्वेत्रिज्ञ एजेन्सिज एमोसिएसन अफ नेपल (उल्) का अध्यक्ष रमेज ममला रहेको जानकही पनि लिल्कूले दिए। यो स्टॉमिलने पर्यटन क्षेत्रको साझा समस्या संमाधानको लागि सरकारी निकायसँग स्टब्भाय गर्ने अएको छ।

तलबभत्तामा मात्रे सिध्याउने गरेकोले आरोप निजी क्षेत्रका. पर्यटकीय संस्थाको छ। पर्यटकीय संस्थामाफेत यो रकम खर्मन थालिएको अवस्थामा पर्यटन प्रवर्द्धन प्रभावकारी हनुका साथे बोहंको सचेतनासमेत करने व्यवसायीको धनाइ छ। ज्यवसायीका अनुसार पर्यटन व्यवसायीले अन्तर्राण्टव पर्यटन प्रवर्द्धनमा वार्षिक दुई अर्च रुपैयाँ खर्चदा घोडले २० जरोड समेत खर्च गर्न सकेको छैन। नहाले भागेको या रकम पर्यटनको पूर्वाधार विकास तथा पर्यटकीय गतिविधिको प्रवर्द्धनको प्रभावकारितका अलिरिक नयाँ व्यवस्थासमेल हुने अध्यक्ष लिम्बूफो भनाइ छ। 'हामीले माग गरेकी यो रक्षय पर्यटनको खान्डिङ पृषांश्वर निर्माण, नयाँ चन्त्रावको प्रवर्द्धन र अनुसन्धानमा गर्माने चोजना चनाएका छी', नाडाकी महासचिव मिहिका धारवाले धनिन्। पर्यटन चोर्डले आवश्यकताच्य शेत्रमा यो शुल्क खर्चन नसकेको उनकी भनाइ स। काठमाडीबाट लुम्बिनी, पोखर र चितवन जले पर्यटकीय संवारीयाधान व्यवस्थित र

यस्तो रकमलाई जोडले जिदेश सुमधाम गर्न र कर्मचारी



## WORLD TRAVEL AND TOURISM EVENTS ON JULY

#### July 2014

- ✤ 3<sup>rd</sup> July <u>INCLUDiT</u> Leiria, Portugal
- 5<sup>th</sup> July <u>5th International Scientific-Practical Conference ,,Tourism: Economics and</u> <u>Business</u>" Batumi, Georgia
- ✤ 7<sup>th</sup> July <u>Leisure Studies Association Conference</u> Paisely-Glasgw, United Kingdom
- ✤ 8<sup>th</sup> July Sustainable Tourism 2014 Opatija, Croatia (Hrvatska)
- ✤ 9<sup>th</sup> July <u>1st Global Conference: Sacred Journeys: Pilgrimage and Beyond</u> Oxford, United Kingdom
- 10<sup>th</sup> July <u>The Economics, Finance, MIS & International Business Research</u> <u>Conference, London</u> London, United Kingdom
- 11<sup>th</sup> July <u>Second International Conference on Global Business, Economics, Finance</u> and Social Sciences Chennai, India
- 24<sup>th</sup> July <u>The Global Business, Management Information System, Economics and</u> <u>Finance Research Conference, Tokyo</u> Tokyo, Japan
- 24<sup>th</sup> July <u>International Leadership Conference</u> Placencia, Belize
- 26<sup>th</sup> July <u>IACSS 2014 International Academic Conference on Social Sciences</u> Istanbul, Turkey
- 31<sup>st</sup> July <u>The Finance, MIS, Economics & Global Business Research Conference,</u> <u>Istanbul</u> Istanbul, Turkey







# WORLD LANDMARKS:: NAME THEM





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	3)Chist the Redemmer
	4)Easter Island Moai
	5)Pyramids
	6)Sydney Opera
	7)Great Wall of China
	8)Forbidden City
	9)Taj Mahal
	10)The Hague
	11)Colosseum
	12)Notre Dame
	13)Tower Bridge
	14)Ayers Rock
	15)Stonehenge
	16)Parthenon
	17)Blue Mosque
	18)Thames Barrier