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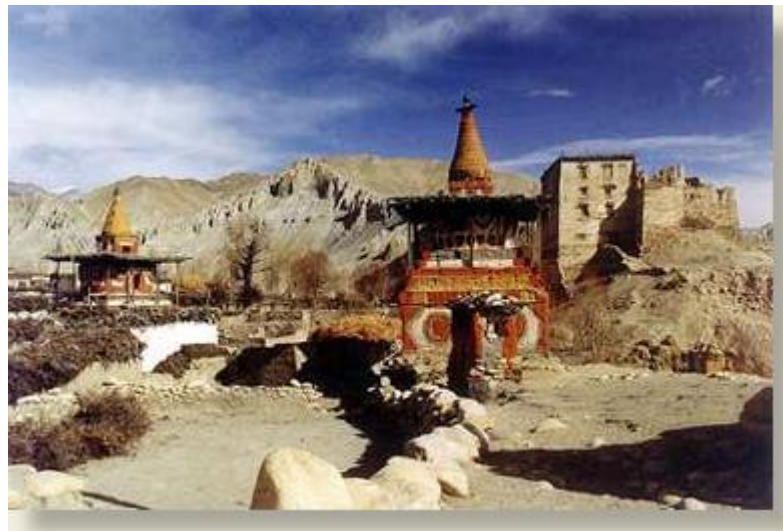
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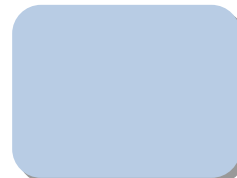
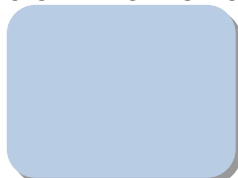
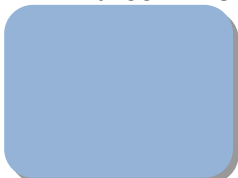


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NATTA DELEGATES MEET DY. P.M./HOME MINISTER

(May 7, 2014)



NATTA delegates headed by President Mr. DB Limbu met Deputy Prime Minister and Home Minister Hon'ble Bamdev Gautam on 7th of May to apprise him of the hassles being faced by the tourist bus operators in regard to the parking before setting out to their destinations every morning. Lack of a permanent Tourist Bus Terminal in the capital city has already caused a lot of negativity among the tourists using these transports.

Every morning some 25-30 tourist buses leave Kathmandu for destinations like Pokhara and Chitwan. The NATTA delegation was comprised of Treasurer Mr. Narayan P. Gurung Koney, Secretary Mr. Ramesh Thapa and NATTA Member Mr. Madan Acharya.

NATTA PARTICIPATED IN PRE-BUDGET DISCUSSIONS

Pre-budget discussion programs were organized by FNCCI and Nepal Rastra Bank on 08th and 09th May respectively. The FNCCI discussion mainly focused on collecting feedback from the participants on issues pertaining to Income Tax, VAT and other Taxes. NATTA 2nd VP Mr. CN Pandey and NATTA Executive Member Mr. Chitra Bahadur Gurung took part in the program and stated about the problems of VAT on Transport Tour.

A similar discussion was held in the Central Bank (NRB) premises on 09th and from NATTA Treasurer Mr. Narayan Gurung Koney and Executive Member Mr. Chitra Bahadur Gurung participated and expressed NATTA say to be incorporated in the Budget of GON.

NATTA IPP NOMINATED AS GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEMBER OF SCCI

NATTA IPP Mr. Pavitra Kumar Karki has been nominated for the General Assembly Member of SAARC Chamber of Commerce and Industry (SCCI) from the FNCCI for the term 2014-15.

Mr. Karki will be involved in support of taking the FNCCI and SCCI activities to a newer height.

NATTA WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

NATTA has granted membership to two new applicants Mid Valley International College (Allied Member) and Enjoy Trips (Provisional Member) as NATTA Members. President D.B Limbu handed over the Certificates with related documents. NATTA Executive Board



Members also expressed their best wishes to the newly joined members.

The new members were honored in the last 15th Board meeting held at NATTA Secretariat.



JOINT TOURISM COORDINATION COMMITTEE (JTCC) ANNOUNCES 7 DAYS PROTEST



(May 6, 2014)
 Joint Tourism Coordination Committee (JTCC) has announced a week-long protest

programmes demanding probe into the financial embezzlement at Nepal Tourism Board (NTB). Organising a press conference in the capital on Tuesday, JTCC – a forum of travel trade organisations – said that they will organise gatherings in different places, rallies and a sit-in at NTB gate. The JTCC also decided to urge the Nepal Rastra Bank (NRB) to block the bank accounts of the Board. Similarly, the committee is also set to shut sales counter of Trekkers’ Information Management System (TIMS) Card at NTB.

The committee has also announced to organise protests outside valley including in Pokhara, Chitwan, Far-West and Eastern Region. JTCC has demanded the government to appoint private sector representatives to the board of NTB at the recommendations of tourism-related associations, to restructure the national tourism organization NTB in line with the taskforce reports, also JTCC asked the government to form a taskforce with private sector representatives and auditing experts in order to probe into the expenditures made over the past five years.

Regarding the lingering of the process of selecting a CEO for NTB, JTCC demands government to immediately remove the Acting CEO, who is one of the candidates for the post, until the selection process is finalised.

JTCC ON A RALLY AS PART OF RESENTMENT AGAINST NTB



(May 8, 2014)

Joint Tourism Coordination Committee (JTCC) organized a grand rally on 8th of May'14 from Thamel to NTB, Bhrikutimandap to put pressure on the government to address to the demands placed. The rally started around 9 am with more than 300 participants. All tourism entrepreneurs and stakeholders participated in the rally with their friends and staff members.

JTCC will continue its protest program till all the demands are addressed by concerned authorities.

नाट्टाद्वारा विमानस्थल विकास करको विरोध

राजधानी समाचारदाता काठमाडौं, २२ वैशाख

नेपाल एसोसिएसन अफ टुर एन्ड ट्राभल एजेन्ट्स (नाट्टा) ले नेपाल नागरिक उड्डयन प्राधिकरले निजी क्षेत्रका पर्यटन व्यवसायीहरूसँग कुनै सल्लाह, सुझाव एवं विचारविमर्श नै नगरी एकतर्फी रूपमा विमानस्थल विकास करका नाममा हवाई यात्रुमाथि बष ५ हजार १ सय ३० रूपैयाँ कर उठाउने निर्णय गरेको भन्दै सो निर्णयप्रति असन्तुष्टि जनाएको छ।

सोमबार नाट्टाका महासचिव सिर्पाका शास्त्राद्वारा जारी सो विज्ञापितमा विमानस्थलजस्तो संवेदनशील क्षेत्रबाट हवाईयात्रा गर्नेहरूलाई सकेसम्म नि:शुल्क सेवा उपलब्ध गराउनुको साटो हवाई यात्रुसँग बष कर लिने कार्य मुलुकको पर्यटन क्षेत्रका लागि राम्रो नभएको भन्दै प्राधिकरणलाई सो निर्णय फिर्ता लिनसमेत माग गरेको छ।

सो विज्ञापितमाफैले नाट्टाले प्राधिकरणले आफ्नो सात संकलन गर्ने कार्यको जिम्मा प्रत्यक्ष रूपमा हवाई टिकटिडसम्बन्धी काम गर्दै आएका ट्राभल कम्पनीहरूलाई छोपेको भन्दै यस्तो धिरोध गरेको हो। उसै अहिले प्राधिकरणले हवाई यात्रुलाई बढी पैसा लिएर पनि कुनै सेवा शुल्क लिने अधिकारबाट बन्चित गरेवाले सो निर्णय फिर्ता लिनसमेत माग गरेको छ।

प्राधिकरणले गत १९ वैशाखमा विभुवन अन्तर्राष्ट्रिय विमानस्थल सुधारका लागि एनियाली विकास बैक (एडीबी) सहित विभिन्न दातृ निकायसँग लिएको अर्बौं ऋणको सावाँ र ब्याज चुक्ता गर्न सरकारले हवाई यात्रुसँग तयाँ कर असुलने

निर्णय गरेको थियो।

मुलुकभरका विमानस्थलको प्रमुख सञ्चालक निकाय नेपाल नागरिक उड्डयन प्राधिकरणद्वारा अन्तर्राष्ट्रिय विमानस्थल सुधारका लागि लिएको ऋणको सावाँ-ब्याज चुक्ता गरी हवाई यात्रुसँग छुट्टै कर उठाउनु गरिएको प्रस्तावलाई अर्थ मन्त्रालयले स्वीकृति दिएपछि आगामी आर्थिक वर्ष २०७५/७६ बाट असुली सुरु हुने बताइएको छ।

सो निर्णयमा प्राधिकरणले विमानस्थल विकास शुल्कको नाम दिएर आगामी १ साउनबाट अन्तर्राष्ट्रिय विमानस्थलबाट यात्रुहरूले हरेक विदेशी हवाई यात्रुसँग बष सो रकम करबापत असुल लागेको हो।



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काठिपुर संवाददाता

म्याग्दी- हरियो नम्बर प्लेटका गाडीले भारतीय पर्यटक बोक्न नपाउने भन्दै मुस्ताङका यातायात व्यवसायीले तीन दिनदेखि सवारी आवागमन अवरुद्ध गरेका छन्।

यातायात बन्दले मुक्तिनाथ एवं मुस्ताङ भ्रमणमा रहेका सयौं पर्यटक म्याग्दी-मुस्ताङ सीमा क्षेत्र घाँसामा अलपत्र परेका छन्। मुस्ताङका व्यवसायीले तीन दिनदेखि थकभ्रमण गर्दा सदरमुकाम जोमसोम क्षेत्रमा फन्डै एक हजार दुई

सहायक आनन्द सुवेदीले भने।

यातायात नभन्दा मुक्तिनाथ व्रतान र पदयात्रा भ्रमणमा हिंडेका हजारौं तीर्थयात्रु एवं पदयात्री पैदल गन्तव्यतर्फ लागेका छन्। भारतीय पर्यटकलाई बोकेर आबतजाबत गर्ने विषयमा कालो र हरियो नम्बर प्लेटका यातायात व्यवसायीबीच विवादमा स्थानीय व्यवसायीले बन्द गरेका हुन्।

हरियो प्लेटका सवारीले पर्यटन मन्त्रालयमा पर्यटन यातायात सेवा व्यवसाय कार्यविधिपरिपत्र सुरे ३

- मुस्ताङ प्रवेश नाकामा सयौं रोकिए
- हरियो प्लेटको सवारीमा भारतीय पर्यटक बोक्न नपाउने व्यवसायीको माग

सय पर्यटक रोकिएको अन्नपूर्ण संरक्षण क्षेत्र आर्षोजना (एन्याप) जिल्ला कार्यालयले जनाएको छ। अलपत्र पर्यटकले गन्तव्य पुग्ने व्यवस्था मिलाउन माग गर्दै जिल्ला प्रशासनअधि प्रदर्शनी गरेका छन्।

सवारी सञ्चालन नहुँदा जोमसोममा मात्र फन्डै तीन सय देखि चारसम्म दुई सयभन्दा बढी भारतीय र तीन सयकै सरकारीमा अन्तरिक पर्यटक अलपत्र छन्।

सुधार दिउसाँ गन्तव्यसम्म पुग्ने व्यवस्था गर्न र सहज खाना भन्ने व्यवस्था मिलाउन भन्दै प्रदर्शनसमेत गरेका छन्, एन्याप जोमसोमका प्रशासन

अन्नपूर्णका गाडी पर्यटन उद्योगमा दता भएका, यस्ता सवारी उत्पादन भएको मितिले ५ वर्ष तनाघेका भ्रमण प्याकेज भएकाले मात्र वेनी-जोमसोम खण्डमा सञ्चालन हुने सहमतिविपरित भएको आरोप छ।

पोखराका केही हरियो प्लेटका सवारीले वसपाक, एयरपोर्ट र मुस्ताङमा झु वापेर यात्रु बोकारेको उनीहरूले बताए। वेनी-जोमसोममा रुट परिमित नहुँदा भारतीय यात्रु बोक्ने विषयमा म्याग्दी, मुस्ताङका सांख्यजिक यातायात व्यवसायी र पोखराका व्यवसायीबीच विवाद छ।

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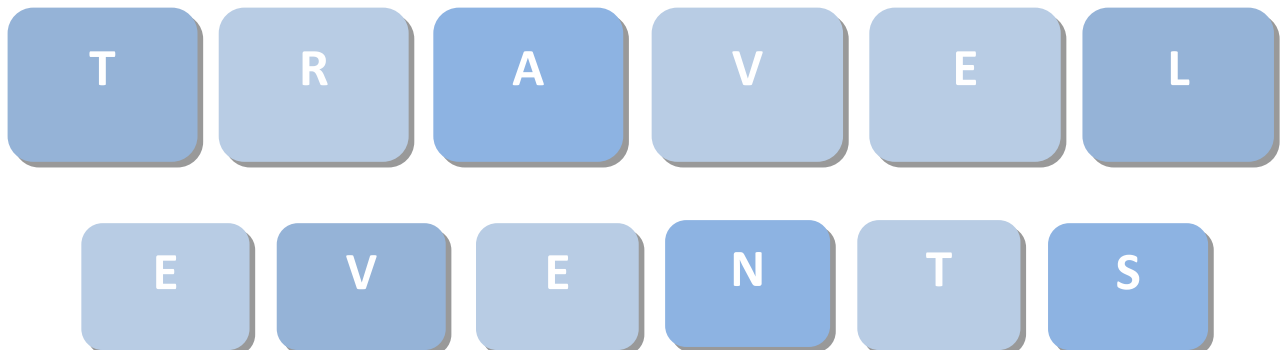
- 2nd [ITC'14 - VII International Tourism Congress](#) Muscat, Oman

- 4th [SPORST '14 / Sport Management Studies Conference](#) Istanbul, Turkey

- 9th [International Antalya Hospitality Tourism and Travel Research Conference](#) Antalya, Turkey

- 9th [4th International Conference on Tourism Research \(4ICTR\) in association with the 5th International Rural Responsible Tourism Symposium in conjunction with International Mountain Day \(Dec 11th\)](#) Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia

- 10th [Sport Tourism: New Challenges in a Globalized World \(STC'14\)](#) Coimbra, Portugal



YOU'RE A FOOD LOVER??

For all the food fanatics out there, traveling is essential, if you want to taste everything the world has to offer. That is why we have rounded up the most resounding symphonies of flavor, the most colorful dishes and the tasties bites. Here is your guide to the fascinating, international cuisines. Make sure you don't miss out these cuisines::

10. LEBANESE CUISINE

The Lebanese cuisine is the place where you can taste all the goodness the Middle East has to offer. Foods are generally



Mediterranean, high on vegetables, little meat and full of flavors. Perhaps the most famous dish worldwide is the appetizer mezze. The country is also famous for the Arabic sweets, Tripoli being referred to as the "Sweet Capital" of Lebanon.

9. GREEK CUISINE

With a significant influence from the Turkish and Italian cuisine, the Greek cuisine is a focused around olive oil, vegetables and herbs specific to the Mediterranean region. Eating in Greece is a different experience from Greek restaurants in other countries – gyros for example is considered by Greeks junk food.



8. SPANISH CUISINE

For a lighter approach on food, we turn to the Spanish cuisine, containing a variety of meat and fish, as well as vegetables.



It is also influenced by the seafood available from the surrounding waters. Spanish cuisine uses the most oil among all Western and Central European cuisines. One of the most popular drinks in Spain that goes perfectly with its national dishes is sangria, a drink made of wine and fruits.

7. JAPANESE CUISINE

Known for its seasonality of food, aspect and quality of ingredients, the Japanese cuisine is rapidly becoming a trend worldwide. White rice and soybeans are the ingredients you should expect to find in almost any dish. Tokyo is the most delicious city, with 150 top-ranked restaurants, as opposed to Paris and London that have 148.



6. MEXICAN CUISINE

Known for its varied flavors and spices, Mexican Cuisine is a result of the Spanish conquistadores' interaction with the Aztec culture. Most of the Mexican food we eat today is a delicious combination of ancient traditions, Aztec, Mayan and Spanish. The French also had their part in the story, adding baked goods such as sweet breads and the bolillo. You can easily choose the restaurant you are going to eat in by popularity: restaurants with good food usually attract all the customers.



5. THAI CUISINE

Many people say Thai food alone, with its balanced mix of hot, sour, bitter and sweet, is a good enough reason to visit the country.



The foods are characterized by the use of fresh herbs and flavors, such as lime juice, lemon grass and fresh coriander. Similar to many

Asian cuisines, rice is the main component in Thai foods as well.

4. INDIAN CUISINE

One of the world's most sophisticated and diverse cuisines, only one part of the Indian cuisine is known to the world.



The Indian food served in restaurants worldwide is North Indian, also known as Mughlai or Punjabi. There are other 3 categories of Indian cuisine: South, East and West. The foods are mostly vegetarian, but many include lamb, goat, chicken meat and even fish.

3. CHINESE CUISINE

Originated in various parts of China and now spread throughout the world, Chinese cuisine is now eaten by a third of the world's population every day.



Most of the food is prepared in bite-sized pieces because the Chinese culture regards knives and forks as weapons. Usually, every person at the table is given a bowl of rice while the other dishes are shared by everyone at the table.

2. ITALIAN CUISINE

Perhaps one of the oldest in the world, the Italian cuisine can be traced back to the 4th century BC. It became what is today with the discovery of the New World, that brought



potatoes, tomatoes pepper or maize on the list of ingredients. Italy is also famous for over 400 kinds of cheese, including the famous Parmigianino Reggiano, and 300 types of sausages.

1. FRENCH CUISINE

Starting with the Middle Ages that brought rich banquets to the French Revolution, where refined techniques were used, French Cuisine can be called in the 21st century



“haute cuisine”. Pastries are a large part of French cooking. Cheese and wine are also a major part of the cuisine, being perhaps the most famous of all. The modern restaurant has its roots in French culture so restaurants are bountiful, but as for recommendation before deciding on one. In Paris alone, there are over 5,000 places to eat, with prices and menus to suit anyone's taste.

For any queries, information please feel free to contact us.

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