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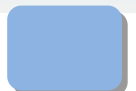
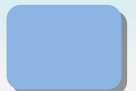
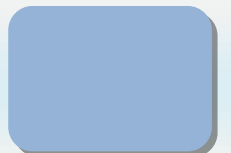
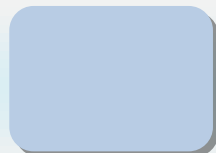
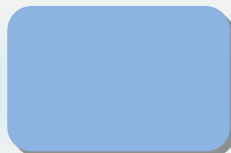
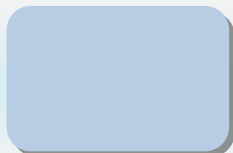
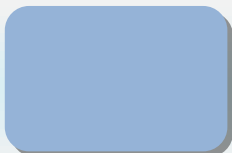


INTERNATIONAL EVEREST DAY



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NAEFA MEETS TRAVEL AGENTS

(May 27, 2014)



Office bearing Executives of Nepal



Association of Foreign Employment Agencies (NAFEA) held a meeting with member agents of NATTA selling air tickets on last Tuesday, the 27th May at NATTA Secretariat to discuss about the sudden rise in the air tickets. It was revealed in the meeting that NATTA agents were not responsible for the higher prices of the tickets. The meeting thus ended with a resolution that both the associations will co-operate each other in identifying real cause. They also agreed to hold regular meeting and share the information in the days to come.

BBC JOURNALISTS IN NATTA

(May 27, 2014)

Journalist Mr. Anbarasan Ethirajan, South Asia Editor of BBC World Service News from London called on NATTA Secretariat on Tuesday, the 27th May, 2014 at 11:00 in the morning as per the appointment fixed earlier and held discussions about the prospects and problems of Nepalese tourism with President Mr. D.B Limbu, Secretary General Mrs. Mihika Dhakhwa and CEO Prof. Hari Sarmah. The individual comments were duly recorded and hopefully will be aired in the near future. Mr. Ethirajan was accompanied by Mr. Ishwar Rauniyar of BBC World Service, Nepal.

NATTA MEETS BUDDHA AIR

(May 25, 2014)

A NATTA delegation comprising of NATTA Domestic Air Coordination Sub Committee led by Mr. Yubaraj Subedi, Mr. Ramesh Thapa and Mr. Binay Basnet met two top brasses of Buddha Air- Mr. Birendra Bahadur Basnet and Mr. Rupesh Joshi. The main objective of the meeting was to apprise the Buddha Air Management of the existing technical problems and difficulties being faced by the ticketing agents. The delegation handed over the list of grievances to Mr. Birendra Bahadur Basnet and the response received was found to be in favor of ticketing agents. The NATTA committee will meet Yeti Airlines next week with almost the same agenda.

A CANDLE WALK PROCESSION- REMEMBERING AVALANCHE VICTIM

On the eve of the 7th International Mount Everest Day, the 28th May 2014, a candle walk procession was organized in Kathmandu by JTCC to commemorate the historic day and in memory of 16 Sherpa guides who died in the deadliest avalanche that struck on April 18. The avalanche swept the Sherpas early in the climbing season, while they were carrying equipment and tents to set up camps.

Participants held candles and pictures of those who died in the disaster. "Long live our brave Sherpa brothers," they chanted.

The hundreds of people participating in the rally involving different organizations made memorable.

The silent mourning session, the procession marched from Tridevi Marg, Thamel and reached later Nepal Tourism Board premises passing through different parts of the city.



On the Candle light Procession

EVEREST DAY MARKED ON 29TH MAY WITH THE RALLY

JTCC organized a rally early morning on the 29th May 2014 to mark the International Everest Day. The rally adorned by the lights of traditional music and legendary climber Kancha Sherpa comprised the rally.

The lone survivor of the 1953 expedition, Kancha Sherpa, 81 was felicitated and statues of Hillary and Tenzing were garlanded to mark the day which also concluded the year-long diamond jubilee celebrations of the first ascent.

More than 500 people, including mountaineers, tourism entrepreneurs and trekking guides, marched to mark the day. The day clashed with the Republic Day too, most of the government officials remained busy at various programmes.

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On the International Everest Day

From Left: NATTA President Mr. D.B Limbu, NMA President Mr. Ang Tshering Sherpa, Living Climber Mr. Kancha Sherpa, Chairman of PATA Nepal Chapter Mr. Suman Pandey. On behind TAAN President Mr. Ramesh Dhamala

Remembering

VICTIMS



Members of the Nepal Mountaineering Association taking part in a candle light vigil (1, 2 and 3) on the eve of the anniversary of the conquest of Mount Everest as they remember the climbers who died in the April 18 avalanche on Mt Everest; and candles are placed in front of the statues of Norgay and Hillary (4), in Kathmandu, on Wednesday. Mt Everest Day is celebrated on May 29 every year in tribute to the first conquest of the world's highest peak by Norgay and Hillary.

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JTCC to shut down all tourism related services

REPUBLICA

KATHMANDU, May 28: A day after the police intervened in the peaceful rally of tourism entrepreneurs, Joint Tourism Coordination Committee (JTCC) on Wednesday announced fresh protest programs, unveiling plans to enforce banda in major tourism destinations and shut down all tourism related services.

Organizing a press meet in Kathmandu, JTCC said they would enforce banda in Kathmandu, Pokhara and Chitwan - the three major tourist destinations in the country -- on Sunday.

The agitating tourism entrepreneurs also said they would shut down all tourism related services for three days starting Monday.

“We will halt all tourism related services like hotel booking, and airline and tourist bus ticketing. We won’t operate tours, trekking and rafting trips as well,” Ramesh Dhamala, coordinator of JTCC, said in the press meet. “Hotels, however, will serve their in-house guests.”

Deepak Mahat, president of National Entrepreneurs’ Association for Tourism-Nepal, said they were forced to announce the closure of different tourism destinations and tourism related services as the government continued to turn deaf ear to their peaceful protest for the past 29 days.

JTCC has requested the concerned state agencies -- National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) and the related committee of legislature-parliament -- to investigate the attack on tourism entrepreneurs on Tuesday. “Former prime ministers, former ministers, CA members and leaders of different political parties have already showed their solidarity with the ongoing protest.

Despite this, the Commission for the Investigation of Abuse of Authority (CIAA) is not taking any initiative to probe irregularities in NTB, which is surprising,” a JTCC statement said.

JTCC has been organizing series of protest programs against NTB, putting forth various demands like removal of Subash Niraula from the post of acting CEO of NTB to pave the way for early appointment of new CEO, independent audit of expenditures made by NTB over the past five years, and institutional representation of private sector in the board of NTB.

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EVENTS FOR THE
MONTH OF JUNE
INTERNATIONAL
EVENTS

WORLD TRAVEL AND TOURISM EVENTS ON JUNE

- ❖ ILTM ASIA 2014 - Asia International Luxury Travel Market 2014, June 2 - 5 | Shanghai, China
- ❖ FIE expo LATINOAMERICA 2014, June 3 - 4 | Lima, Peru
- ❖ China Aviation Food Expo 2014 The 4th China International Aviation Food & Supplies Exhibition 2014, June 5 - 7 | Shanghai, China
- ❖ AIBTM 2014 - America Incentives, Business Travel & Meetings Expo 2014, June 10 - 12 | Orlando, United States of America
- ❖ MITM Euromed, Meetings and Incentive Travel Market, 18th edition 2014, June 11 - 13 | Cadiz, Andalusia, Spain
- ❖ ITE & MICE 2014 - The 28th International Travel Expo Hong Kong, and The 9th MICE Travel Expo 2014, June 12 - 15 | Hong Kong SAR, China
- ❖ BITE 2014 - Beijing International Tourism Expo 2014 11th International Exhibition for Business & Leisure Tourism 2014, June 20 - 22 | Beijing, China
- ❖ ROUTES AFRICA 2014 - 2014, June 22 - 24 | Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe
- ❖ ICTCHS 2014 - 4th International Conference on Tourism between China-Spain 2014, June 28 - July 1 | Barcelona, Spain



TRAVEL CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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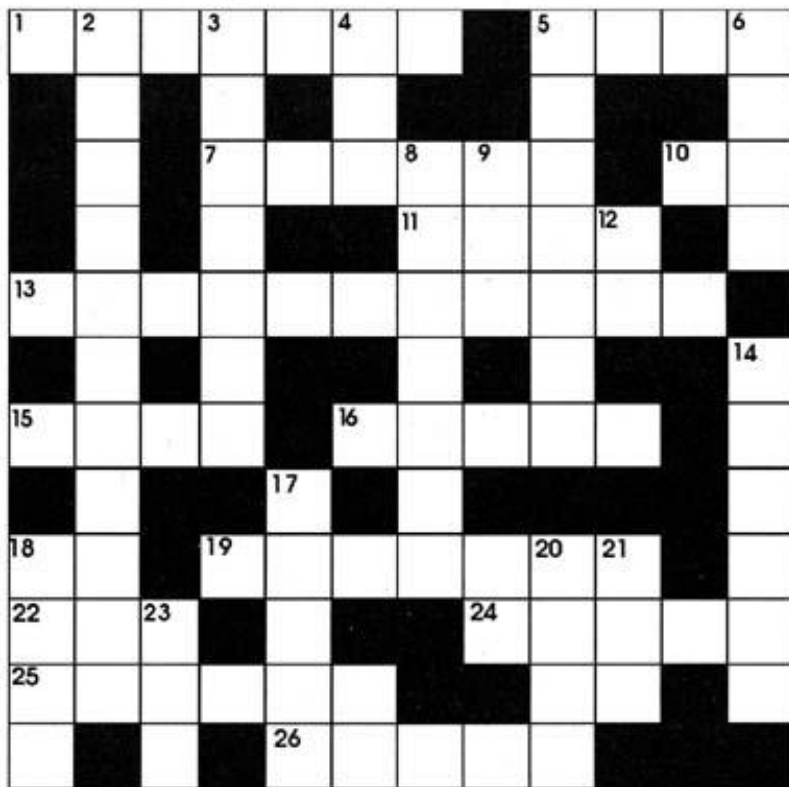
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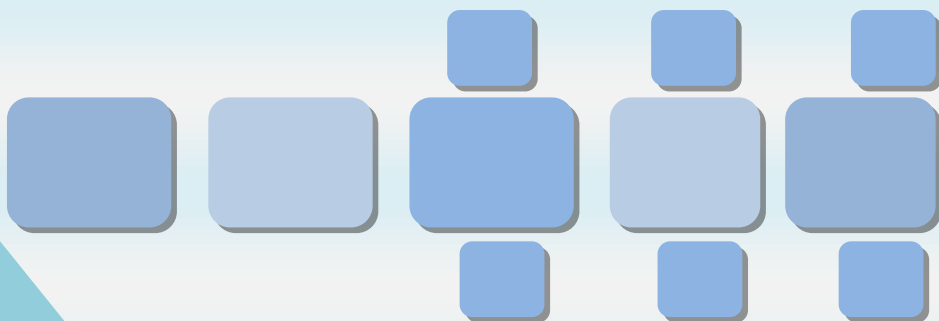
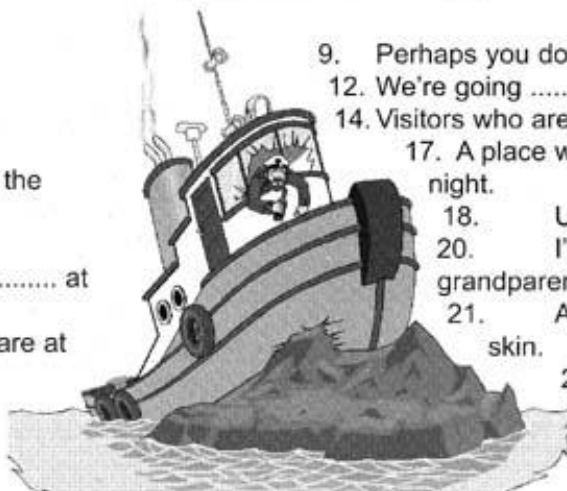
1. The train stops here
5. The people who work on a ship, or on a plane.
7. To invalidate; stop a booking or a planned journey.
10. You can cross the Channel by ferry through the tunnel.
11. Stop.
13. A booking, a guaranteed place.
15. Luggage.
16. Section of a journey.
19. Person travelling on holiday.
24. Opposite of "finish".
25. Your destination must be on your booking form.
26. Entrance hall, or foyer.

CLUES DOWN

2. He sells holidays.
3. You need them before you take the plane.
4. to be the proprietor of.
5. This train is for Edinburgh, at York and Newcastle.
6. While you're on holiday, others are at
8. A flight that is not on a regular service, but has maybe been hired by a tour operator.



9. Perhaps you do this differently on holiday.
12. We're going the Costa Brava.
14. Visitors who are staying in your house, maybe.
17. A place where tourists often spend the night.
18. Use soap and water.
20. I'm going to with my grandparents for a fortnight this summer.
21. A nice pale bronze colour on your skin.
23. Opposite of night.



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