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NATTA DELEGATES MEET DG CAAN

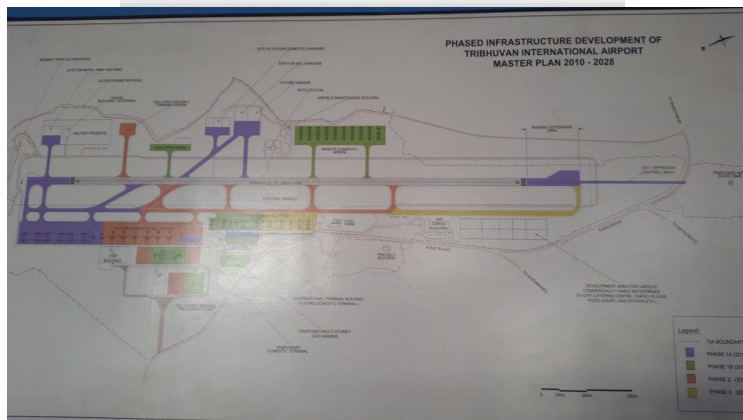
October 31, A Seven-member delegation from Nepal Association of Tour & Travel Agents (NATTA) led by President Mr. D.B. Limbu called on the office of Mr. Ratish Chandra Lal Suman, Director General of Civil Aviation Authority of Nepal (CAAN) and apprised him of the current problems faced by tour operators at the Airport which they need to frequent in keeping with the prime season of tourists in Nepal. The tour operators are barred from entering into the Golden Gate at the TIA. NATTA delegates have urged the DG to ease the mobility of the operators at TIA in the course of providing services at the arrival and departure. SAARC Summit should not deter the stakeholders from carrying out their duties. Tourists are equally important for the nation, the

delegates emphasized. Similarly, NATTA Delegates met Deputy Director of Civil Aviation Security, Mr. Bikram Raj Gautam to confirm on the same.

Secondly, President Mr. Limbu also expressed NATTA's view in regard to the services of agents in collecting the Airport Development Fees. Therefore, NATTA should be included in the committee responsible to figure out the

plans and programs for physical development of the International Airports. NATTA delegates also hinted on the predicament of TIA and urged the management to go into action without much ado.

DG Mr. Suman said that works are underway to renovate the run way of the airport. The departure belt will be relocated with increase in number to four. The Check-in counter will also see the facelift with increased capacity. The whole baggage handling system too will be automated. The complete airport will have aircondition with granite floor and escalators will be installed. All the above plans will be fully materialized by the end of 2015, DG Mr. Suman assured the delegates. For parking a multi-storied complex is in the plan and the ground floor is already complete, he said.



Progress Report: Phased Infrastructure Development of Tribhuvan International Airport Master Plan 2010-2028

NATTA's PARTICIPATION ON NATIONAL TOURISM STRATEGY AND ACTION PLAN

October 31, On behalf of NATTA. Mr. Binay Basnet, Executive Member participated on the National Tourism Strategy & Action Plan (2015-2024) - Validation Workshop organized by Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation (MOCTCA) on 31st October 2014 at NATHAM Academy, Ravibhawan.

Secretary of MOCTCA, Mr. Suresh Man Shrestha was the Chief Guest on the workshop and the Speakers were Former Secretary Dipendra Purush Dhakal, Member of Constitutional Assembly Ram Chandra Pokharel, Joint Secretary MOCTCA, Director General Department of Tourism.

The Presentation Consultants were Mr. Rabi Jung Pandey and Mr. Sumeet Baral.

The workshop had the participation of various associations such as NATTA, TAAN, HAN, NARA, TURGAN, MAN, NTB and various entrepreneurs, specialists from tourism industries.

All present actively participated and put forth their views/comments on the prospects of National Tourism Strategy & Action Plan (2015-2024).



MEETING WITH NTB MARKETING DEPARTMENT


November 06, NATTA President, Mr. D. B. Limbu along with Secretary General, Ms. Mihika Dhakhwa & Treasurer, Mr. Narayan Gurung Koney met with Mr. Aditya Baral and the marketing team of Nepal Tourism Board on 6th November 2014. The purpose of the meeting was to emphasize on the importance of Nepal's branding and promotions in international

market. NATTA team reiterated on the need to participate & plan on timely manner for international travel marts/fairs so that the private sector/ tour operators keen on participating could plan accordingly beforehand.

Similarly, as FITUR 2015 is scheduled for 28th Jan – 1st Feb 2015, NATTA President informed Nepal Tourism

Board, that a request letter has already been submitted to the Tourism Secretary for approval of participation on FITUR and requested the marketing team to expedite and follow up on the same from their side to make it more effective as timely decision is very crucial regarding international travel marts.

Notice Regarding Arrival and Departure of Tourists During SAARC Summit



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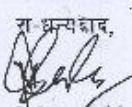
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नाट्टाका सम्पूर्ण सदस्यज्यूहरुमा

पर्यटकहरुको Arrival / Departure बारे ।

नाट्टाका अध्यक्ष, महासचिव, कोषाध्यक्ष एवं प्रमुख कार्यकारी अधिकृत ले हिजो सोमवार १७ कात्तिक २०१४ का दिन CAAN का DG को आग्रहमा विभुवन अंतराष्ट्रिय विमानस्थल सुरक्षा व्यवस्थापन महाशाखाका deputy Director श्री विक्रम राज गौतमलाई भेटी काठमाण्डौमा हुने सार्क सम्मेलनको संदर्भमा पर्यटनहरुको समूहलाई arrival र departure बाट सम्म ल्याउन र लैजान कुनै अप्ठ्यारो नपरोस भन्ने हेतुले बार्ता गरि देहायनुसारको निष्कर्षमा पुगेको नाट्टा सदस्यज्यूहरुमा सादर जानकारी गराउन चाहन्छौं ।

- क. काठमाण्डौमा हुने आगामी सार्क सम्मेलनमा सार्क मुलुकका अत्यन्तै विशिष्ट पाहुनाहरुको सुरक्षा व्यवस्थापन गर्दा वा गर्ने सिलसिलामा पर्यटक लिएर गएका अथवा आएका पर्यटक सवारीहरुको प्रवेशमा असहजता नआओस् भन्ने हेतुले पर्यटक समूहलाई विमानस्थलमा drop गरेपछि पर्यटक सवारीलाई त्यहाँ पार्क नगरी तुरुन्तै फर्कनु पर्ने अवस्था आउन सक्ने सम्भावना रहने देखिएको छ । त्यसरी नै पर्यटक लिन जाने पर्यटक सवारीले विमानस्थलको नव-निर्मित पार्किङ स्थलमा सवारी पार्क गर्नु पर्ने र पर्यटक समूहको विमानस्थलमा अवतरण भएपछि मात्र प्रवेश लिएर आफ्नो पर्यटक समूहलाई सवारीमा राखि तुरुन्तै फर्कनु पर्ने अवस्था रहने छ । विमानस्थल सेवामा खटिएका पर्यटक सवारीहरुले विमानस्थलमा नव निर्मित पार्किङ क्षेत्रमा मात्र सवारी पार्किङ गर्न पाउने छन् ।
- ख. पर्यटकीय सवारीहरुलाई pick up र drop का निमित्त TIA को Golden Gate मा कुनै रोकटोक नहुने सुरक्षा महाशाखाले जनाएको छ ।
- ग. आफ्नो पर्यटक समूह लाई उपरोक्त अनुसार विमानस्थल सम्म अथवा विमानस्थलबाट सवारी सेवा उपलब्ध गराउनु कुनै विकट/ प्रतिकूल परिस्थिति उत्पन्न भएमा नागरिक उद्द्वयन सुरक्षा व्यवस्थापन महाशाखाका Dy. Director श्री विक्रम राज गौतमज्यूलाई 9851069827 मा सम्पर्क गर्न सकिने छ ।

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MEDIA PICK OF THE WEEK



In pictures: World Travel Market 2014

Every year in October, global travel industry representatives converge on London for the World Travel Market. Tourism authorities and travel firms go to great lengths to advertise themselves and show off their attractions. This year marks the 35th time the event has been held. Here are some highlights.



Dubai put the focus on its upcoming Food Festival with this model of its skyline, including sweetcorn, chocolate, waffles and cheese



The other European city chosen for 2015 is Mons in Belgium. Its attractions will include an exhibition based on the legend of St. George & Dragon



With exhibitors from all over the world



WTM now attracts 50,000 industry professionals to London's ExCel.



Some of the Gold Winners of World Responsible Tourism Awards



Source:: BBC News/ The Himalayan Times /Travel Biznews



A horse riding competition is also held during the festival.

Locals of Manang district riding horses while celebrating the traditional Ne festival in Manang. The festival is celebrated for three days annually.

Maldives is heading to be a major tourist destination in Asia.



A view of Male - the capital of Maldives.

UPCOMING TRAVEL EVENTS



EVENTS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2014

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<p><u>1</u></p> <p><u>International Luxury Travel Market</u></p> <p><u>Cannes, France</u></p>	<p><u>2</u></p> <p><u>ITC'14-VII International Tourism Congress</u></p> <p><u>Muscat, Oman</u></p>	<p><u>3</u></p>	<p><u>4</u></p> <p><u>Travel Turkey Izmir</u></p> <p><u>SPORTS '14 / Sport Management Studies Conference</u></p> <p><u>Istanbul, Turkey</u></p>	<p><u>5</u></p>	<p><u>6</u></p>	<p><u>7</u></p>
<p><u>8</u></p>	<p><u>2</u></p> <p><u>International Antalya Hospitality Tourism and Travel Research Conference</u></p> <p><u>Antalya, Turkey</u></p> <p><u>4th International Conference on Tourism Research (ICTR) in association with the 5th International Rural Responsible Tourism Symposium in conjunction with International Mountain Day (Dec 11th)</u></p> <p><u>KotaKinabalu, Ma-</u></p>	<p><u>10</u></p> <p><u>Sport Tourism: New Challenges in a Globalized World (STC'14)</u></p> <p><u>Coimbra, Portugal</u></p>	<p><u>11</u></p>	<p><u>12</u></p>	<p><u>13</u></p>	<p><u>14</u></p> <p><u>International Travel & Hospitality Show</u></p>





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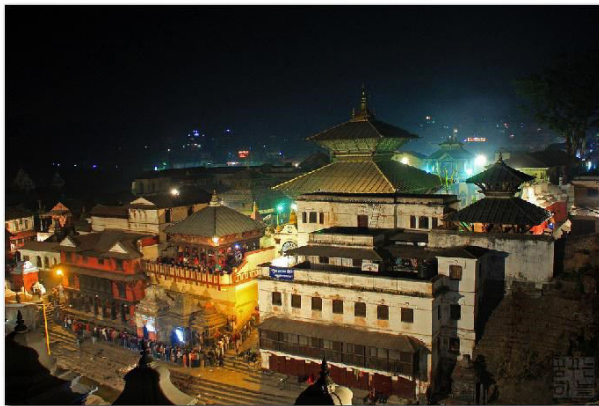
5 Beautiful Pictures of Nepal that is to Look For...



Phewa lake and the Pokhara valley sits on the lap of Annapurna and Dhaulagiri range



Clear and transparent water. Doesn't it make you jump right in?



Pashupatinath Temple in all its glory

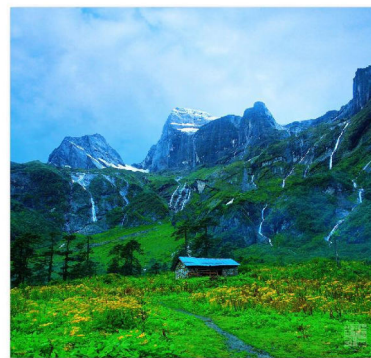


Boudhanath Stupa in a full moon night



Waiting for sunrise. This is taken from Nagarkot, on the northeastern hills of Kathmandu Valley.

**BONUS
PICTURE**



"Nghe" in Barun Valley. Located inside Makalu Barun National Park



The most popular and the tastiest Nepali dish!

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