IMPACTS OF TOURISM ON ECONOMY, SOCIETY, INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

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In this research article an attempt is made to trace out the impacts of tourism, which is a part of my doctoral research work. Opportunity for various section of the society was created by tourism industry in many places in India in particular Bijapur of Karnataka. The tourism industry made a significant impact in Bijapur and tourism is going drastically and created job opportunities in both large and small communities and is a major industry in many places and makes the local people to mobilize the resource to meet the requirements of economic, social-cultural, accommodation, food etc and entered into the local people’s livelihood. There is need of the hour to strengthen and develop tourism industry like any other industries covering various component of tourism. In this study historical tourism has been chosen for promote tourism activities through which overall development of Bijapur district can be achieved.

For decades tourism industry growth has been a major contributor to increased economic activity throughout India and the world. Yet, the impacts of tourism to a community are not widely understood – even where tourism is growing significantly and should be of the great interest or concern. Most people think of tourism in terms of economic impacts, jobs and taxes. However, the range of impacts from tourism is broad and often influences areas beyond those commonly associated with tourism. Leaders as well as residents who understand the potential impacts of tourism can integrate this industry into their community in the most positive way.

The article tabulates 86 impacts of tourism within four general categories:

1. Economic Tourism impacts
2. Tourism impacts on Environment
3. Social and cultural tourism impacts
4. Tourism impacts on Infrastructure

Each one includes positive and negative impacts, and because of conditions or resources differ, not all impacts are applicable to every community. Further detail information will be discussed at the time of presentation of the paper.