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PREFACE

This study presents an analysis of the state of tourism in Nepal and brings out the major issues with respect to tourism and economic and environmental development of local communities.

The study is one of a series of reviews of the status of mountain tourism in the hills and mountains of Nepal; the U.P. hills and Himachal Pradesh of India; and in the North West Frontier Province and the Northern Areas of Pakistan. The studies are intended to provide a comparative perspective on the type, nature, problems, and issues of mountain tourism in the Hindu Kush-Himalayan Region. All of these studies and papers have resulted from a NORAD-funded Project entitled, "Mountain Tourism for Local Community Development," and are being published in the MEI Discussion Paper Series.

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