



Great Himalayan Trail Tourism Project



Government of Nepal
Investment Board Nepal



Background

The Great Himalayan Trail is proposed to span 1,700 km from Darchula to Taplejung, offering the world's highest and most challenging trekking route catering to a niche market of adventurers. It consists of a network of existing trails and trade routes that connects neglected valleys and ridges between and beyond the established trekking areas of Annapurna, Langtang and Sagarmatha (Everest). The proposed project aims to boost tourism and enhance livelihoods in remote mountain communities through improved infrastructure and sustainable tourism practices, fostering pro-poor tourism investments and stimulating economic opportunities for underdeveloped districts.



Sector
Tourism



Location
High altitude route from Darchula and Humla in the West to Taplejung in the East

Project Rationale



Enhances Nepal's tourism industry by establishing a new adventurous long distance trekking route



Improvement in livelihoods in remote mountain communities through increased tourism activities



Promotion of cultural exchange and conservation



Channelization of more tourists to underdeveloped districts

Salient Features



1,700 km West to East trail from Darchula and Humla to Taplejung



World's highest and hardest trekking route



Takes 150 days to complete the trail for adventurers

Project Components



Trails and Pathways



Visitor Center



Accommodation Facilities



Transport and Connectivity



Bridge and Trail Infrastructure



Resting Area and Amenities



Safety and Emergency Facilities



ICT Infrastructure



Waste Management Infrastructure

Project Outcomes



Economic Multiplier Effect



Local Employment Opportunities



Tourism Promotion and Development



Assists in Achieving SDGs



Protection of Himalayan Landscapes



Improve Quality of Life for Local Communities



Sustainable Tourism Development

Project Implementation Modality



Public Private Partnership (PPP)

Project Implementation Timeline



Project Ideation



Desk Study



Pre-feasibility Study



Feasibility Study



Solicitation



Project Development

Relevant Agencies

- Investment Board Nepal
- Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation

About the Agency

The Investment Board Nepal (IBN)

IBN is a high-level government body chaired by the Right Honorable Prime Minister, that serves as a facilitator for both domestic and foreign investments in Nepal. Its primary objective is to create an investment-friendly environment by mobilizing and managing domestic as well as foreign investments to promote investment across different sectors through a transparent and efficient process. Being guided by the Long-term Vision (2043), the 15th Plan, international commitments such as Sustainable Development Goals and other subsequent policies of the Government of Nepal, IBN has been developing credible and bankable projects to garner investment.

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