



Khaptad

Integrated Tourism Development



Government of Nepal
Investment Board Nepal



Background

The Khaptad National Park in Sudurpashchim Province, presents significant ecotourism opportunities and potentials. This region stretching over 4 Districts of Bajhang, Accham, Bajura & Doti is renowned for its natural beauty, religious sites, and stunning views of the Himalayas, making it a prime destination for eco-friendly tourism. The proposed project aims to leverage these strengths by enhancing infrastructure, promoting eco-friendly access, engaging the private sector, establishing interpretive centers, creating trekking trails, and fostering community-based tourism. These efforts not only contribute to eco-friendly tourism but also generate economic opportunities and support conservation initiatives crucial for regional development.



Sector
Tourism



Location
Khaptad National Park
and buffer zones
Sudurpashchim Province



National Park Area
441 km²
(Including Buffer Zone)

Salient Features:

- Sustainable infrastructure to support ecotourism activities
- Well-designed trails, camping facilities, and interpretation centers
- Embedded measures to conserve the park's biodiversity
- Educational programs, guided tours, and wildlife monitoring initiatives

Project Rationale:

- Potential for sustainable ecotourism
- Create jobs and income
- Preservation of natural and cultural environment
- Improvement of eco-friendly infrastructure
- Enhance community Engagement
- Revenue Generation through Tourism

Project Components



Cable
Car



Road Upgradation
(18 km)



Cycling path
(4 kms)



Trekking Trail
Upgradation (42 kms)



Tourist Information
Centers



View
Towers



Triveni Landscape
Development



Mid-range
Resort



High-end
Resort



Refreshment
shop



Eco-lodges



Waste
Management
Facility



Home
Stays



Spiritual
Center

Project Outcomes



Improved Infrastructure Development



Tourism Promotion



Employment Opportunities



Enhanced Brand Identity of Sudurpashchim Province



Cultural Preservation



Sustainable Development

Estimated Project Cost

NPR 6.7 Billion

\$ 50.4 Million

(1 USD = 132.99 NPR, as of 2023)

(Based on Pre-feasibility Study conducted in 2024)

Project Implementation Modality



Public Private Partnership (PPP)

Project Implementation Timeline





Relevant Agencies

- Investment Board Nepal (IBN)
- Ministry of Culture, Tourism, and Civil Aviation (MoCTCA)
- Department of National Parks and Wildlife Conservation (DNPWC)
- Government of Sudurpashchim Province

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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