**THE ROLE OF TOURISM TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF A COUNTRY.**

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**ABSTRACT.**

Tourism sector plays an important role in development of a country's economy through intersectorial mediated development with other important sectors of a ountry such as agriculture, infrastructure, labor, environmental and peace. For a country to have a stable economy there must be an equal balance between all these sectors. Tourism promote this equality by mediating development of these sectors through different ways such as creation of employment opportunities increasing national income , environmental conservation through mediating the development of protection urgencies , promoting peace that encourages entrepreneurship and development of infrastructure that leads to industrialization and urbanization that have led to eradication of social economic problems such as hunger, poverty, crime rates, government expenditure while promoting entrepreneurship, health, industrialization and urbanization that are indicators of development.

**Key words;** intersectorial mediated development, tourism, infrastructure, peace, environmental conservation and labor.

**INTRODUCTION**

Tourism sectors has prompted development of a country's economy through intersectorial mediated development of othe important economic sectors in a contry that includes agriculture, infrastructure, labor, environmental secor and peace creating a balanced economic development that renders a country economically stable.

**1. Tourism intersectorial mediated development in infrastructure.**

Tourist attraction centers especially those located in rural areas have led to development of good infrastructure systems by governments a characteristic of an economically stable state. This infrastructure system include transport, water communication and energy that are important factors that are considered for industrialization that leads to rural urbanization

. Water infrastructure has led to supply of clean and safe water promoting good health by eliminating water borne diseases. It has also contributed to of agriculture development increasing food production eradication hunger and increasing population density.

 Communication infrastructure has allowed for access to global markets while energy infrastructure has been made available and affordable to the rural communities.

Transport infrastructure that includes roads and railways have allowed free movement of raw materials, goods and people leading to expanded market and integration of regions and economies. Generally this factors have supported industrial decentralization creating employment opportunities to rural people reducing cases of rural urban migration hence reducing pollution in urban centers, overcrowding associated with diseases spread and promoting development of towns to rural areas.

**2 Tourism intersectorial mediated development in the labour sector.**

Tourism has created employment opportunities either directly or indirectly to the people involved. This has allowed for growth of self employment as seen in accommodation services where most of the lodging and hotels are bieng owned by individuals and families irrespective of the level of skills present as they are easy to manage hence people to generate income to cater for their basic needs meaning there will be increased demand and supply of good and services hence generation of a high national income. This has helped in eradication of poverty, dependancy, and crime rates.

**3.Tourism intersectorial mediated development in environmental sector.**

For tourism activities to be carried out in a country there must be a well conserved environment in terms of pollution, climate change, and biodiversity protection. For this to be carried out successfully, environmental protection urgencies have been developed to mantain environmental beauty that has beniefited the country interms of continuous supply of natural resource for production and reduced government expenditure on environmental hazards finance that can be used to develop other important sectors.

**3.Tourism intersectorial mediated development of peace.**

Tourism has been a catalyst for peace development among different countries having different cultures through creation of a welcoming environment that has allowed for establishment of private sector from foreign countries promoting entrepreneurship , low corruption levels and easy acess to resources such as school and hospitals.

**CONCLUSION**

Tourism acts as an intermediary for economic development of a country by promoting intersectorial development a key component for a balanced and stable economy.

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