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CONSUMER BEHAVIOUR IN TOURISM

COURSE RATIONAL

This course aims to familiarize the Research scholar with concepts of Consumer behavior in Tourism and application of the principles in tourism industry.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- To give an introduction to Consumer Behavior in Tourism Industry.
- To provide an understanding about Consumer Behaviour in Tourism Industry.
- To provide a conceptual knowledge of Consumer Behaviour in Tourism Industry.

UNIT - I Consumer Behaviour in Tourism

Introduction- Definition, Concept, Importance, Types of Consumer Behavior; History of Tourist Behavior; Different Types of Tourism - Business Tourism, Religious Tourism, Health Tourism, Social Tourism, Educational Tourism, Cultural Tourism, Scenic Tourism, Hedonistic Tourism, Activity Tourism, Special Interest Tourism; The Future of Tourism-Forecasting Changes in Tourism; Factors Affecting the Future Shape of Tourism Trends; Global security and safety; Issues of Concern of Tourist; Managing Change in Tourism.

Unit – II Consumer Behaviour Model

Consumer Behavior Model for Tourism- Economics Model or Marshallian Model-Disposal Personal Income; Learning or Pavlovian Model-Drive, Cues and Responses; Psychoanalytical Model; Sociological Model; Howarth-Sheth Model –Drive, Stimuli, Perception, Learning and Outputs; Nicosia Model, Engel –Black Well – Kollat Model, Family Decision Model.

Unit - III Tourists' Motivation

Introduction; Tourists' Motivation and individual Tourist; Motivation and different types of tourism products; Tourist as a Consumer; Motivation as a Decision Making in Tourism; Tourists Motives; Theoretical and Conceptual Approaches to Tourist Motivation; Factors influencing Tourist Motivation; Motivators and the timing of purchase decision; Motivators and different Market Segments.

UNIT – IV Consumer Perception and Tourism Segmentation

Perception, Elements of Perception, The Nature and Process of Perception, Dynamic of Perception, Application Perception: Consumer Involvement –Cause of Consumer Involvement, Types of Involvement, Effects of Consumer Involvement, Models of Consumer Involvement; Introduction of Tourism Segmentation; Types of Segmentation; Classical methods of Segmentation; Tourism-Specific methods of Segmentation.

Unit – V Tourist Decision Making Process

Introduction of Tourism products and services; The Tourist decision-making process; Role in Decision making; Steps in Decision making Process; Models of purchase decision-making in tourism; Levels of Consumer Decision making; Purchase decision-making and marketing in tourism; The Purchase Decision making Process; Limitation of purchase decision model; Determinants -Types; Personal Determinants to the tourist; Determinants of group travel; Time Lapses and Determinants.

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