

ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPLICATION OF TOURISM ON HOST COMMUNITY OF ELEGUSHI BEACH, LAGOS STATE

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Abstract

This study evaluated the influence of tourism on the socio-economic development of lives of people in the host communities of Elegushi Beach, Lagos State, Nigeria. Socio-economic impact of tourism are basically the consequences of either the development of the tourism industry or the presence of tourists in the destination. These impacts occur as a result of interaction between the host and the tourists. This study identified the various attractions in the destination, evaluated the ways the destination affected the social lives of the host communities and determined how the impact affected the sustainability of local social lives of the host communities. Data for this research was generated using qualitative and quantitative techniques. Simple frequency percentages, tables, charts, graphs were used for the study. The findings of the analysis proved that tourism development had significant effect on the social lives of the host communities and the sustainability of the socio-economic lives of the host communities. The study recommended public-private participation in tourism development to ensure the sustainability of tourism in the community.

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