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Interview Schedule

Survey Schedule for Estimating Demand for Visits to Kaziranga National Park

SECTION A: Personal Information

(1) Name: ……………………………………………………………………………………………………

(2) What is your current permanent address (where you lived and worked before making the trip to Kaziranga National Park)?
   Country: ……………………      City: ……………………..

(3) Some personal details:

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(4) Your highest educational qualification: (Please tick the appropriate box)

| (a) Post-graduate and above |
| (b) Graduate/Polytechnic |
| (c) Higher Secondary |
| (d) Secondary |
| (e) Below Secondary |
(5) Your principal occupation: (Please tick the appropriate box)

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(6) Approximate monthly personal income in rupees: (Please tick the appropriate box)

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(7) Approximate monthly household income in rupees: (Please tick the appropriate box)

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(8) Number of members in household …………………… and number of earning members of household ……………………
SECTION-B: Information on this particular tour

(1) Are you a frequent traveler? ................................................................. Yes/No

(2) (a) Purpose of taking trip to KNP? (Please tick the appropriate one)
       
       (i) Official,
       
       (ii) Educational tour,
       
       (iii) Seeing the wildlife and biodiversity of the park,
       
       (iv) Research and project,
       
       (v) Picnic.

       (b) Are you a first time visitor to KNP? ............................................ Yes/No

       (c) How many times have you visited KNP? ...........................................

       (d) If you are not a first time visitor, do you think KNP has became worsened or
           improved since your last visit (tick one)?

           (i) Polluted/Degrades/Deteriorated,
           
           (ii) The Same,
           
           (iii) Improved.

(3) (a) With whom you have come to the KNP? (Please tick the correct box)

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       (b) If you have not come as a single person in this trip, number of persons in your
           group/family. .................................................................

(4) Are you willing to visit KNP again? ........................................... Yes/No.

(5) How would you describe your experience of the Kaziranga National Park?

    Better than I expected .................................................................

    As I expected .................................................................
Worse than I expected…………………………………………………………

**SECTION C: Information relating to tour costs and composition**

(1) **Duration of your stay in the Kaziranga National Park:**

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(2) Please write down your means of transportation from your origin of trip to your accommodation in India (If your home is in India please skip this question, but fill in the underlying question)…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

- your accommodation in India to the Kaziranga National Park……………………………………

(3) (a) Give an estimate of your total travelling cost (air tickets, car rental, lodging, fooding, etc.), also include return, for travelling from your origin of the trip to Kaziranga National Park…………………………………………… in currency……………………………..

(b) Give an estimate of the total cost (like elephant/safari ride, lodging and fooding, buying some local products, etc.) incurred locally in the National Park……………………………………………… in currency……………………………..

**SECTION D: Information on the Willingness to Pay of the Tourists**

“Kaziranga National Park is suitable for the growth and survival of unique and diverse wildlife and forest biodiversity. For our economic benefit we are destroying all the natural resources like the forest resources and wildlife without thinking about the future. It creates
many environmental problems. For this reason Government has introduced various policies to preserve the quality of the park and introduced the instruments like income tax, property tax, entry fee, etc. to collect the necessary funds to implement these policies, but the Government do not achieved the objectives of these policies till date. Remember that you have limited income and you have to do many personal works with this limited income. Suppose at this time a private agency or NGO comes forward to preserve the park and giving their services very efficiently and after visiting the park, the members of this organization ask you the following questions on willingness to pay (WTP) for protection and preservation of KNP. It is also mentioned that these amounts will be collected in the next month from the respondents.

(a) Do you think contribution for the maintenance of the park is important?
................................................................................................................................. Yes/No

(b) Instead of your limited income, would you want to contribute any small amount for park maintenance? ................................. Yes/No

(c) If yes, will you voluntarily contribute Rs. X for KNP maintenance above your actual expense? ............................ Yes/No

(d) What is your maximum willingness to pay for preservation of the park above your actual expenses during the trip? .............................. Rs…

(e) Poaching of great Indian one horned rhinoceros in KNP is a great problem. Assume that all the rhinoceros of the park are killed by poachers and you have not seen any rhinoceros during the trip, then how much you want to contribute for conservation of KNP? …… Rs……

Thank you, Sir/Madam for your time and effort. Your responses will immensely help my research work.
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