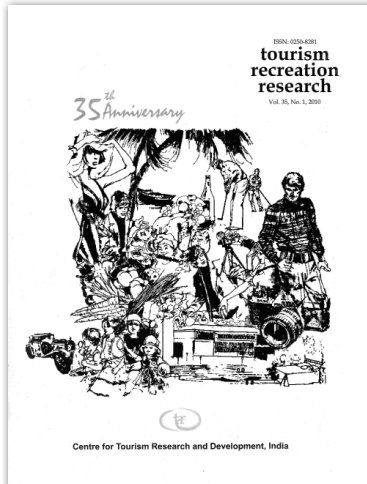


journal review

TOURISM RECREATION RESEARCH



On several occasions, we presented scientific journals that deserve the attention of tourism scholars. They included some publications by local publishers, and some more from Europe and North America, for example: *Turizam* (*Tourism*), *Acta Turistica*, *Estudios TURISTICOS*, *Travel and Tourism Analysis Review*, *Tourism Management*, *Cornell Hospitality Quarterly*, etc. On this occasion however, we are presenting a journal published in India, a country that is developing fast and approaching the global giants. It is *Tourism Recreation Research* (TRR), a multidisciplinary scientific journal with international reputation, published by the Centre for Tourism Research and Development in Lucknow in India. Its Editor-in-Chief is Taj Vir Singh. In 2010, TRR has gone into its 35th year of continuous appearance, attaining an enviable international reputation.

The first issue of the journal appeared in 1976 to fill the serious gap in India tourism research that lacked any such publication, containing only 46 pages, whereas the first issue in the current jubilee year has 108 large format (22 x 28) pages on high-quality paper. Focusing primarily on tourism in the so-called Third World countries, the journal has gradually extended its interest to a number of current topics such as the relationship between tourism and national tourism organizations, youth and senior tourism, rural and health tourism, and quite particularly wellness tourism, the impact of climate change on tourism, etc.

Special emphasis is placed on various forms of sustainable tourism and the knowledge of its necessity under the strong wave of globalization that sweeps both through the developed North as well as the underdeveloped South. Following the linkage and cooperation between these two poles in the scientific consideration of tourism, TRR has found common ground with a number of foreign experts who contribute their papers or reviews. Among them are some renowned figures of the contemporary tourism research such as Erik Cohen, Ph. Pearce, Jafar Jafaria, Josef Mazaneca, W. Brent-Ritchie, George Walla and others. According to the editorial, they have contributed greatly to the development and promotion of TRR that is now indexed in several reputable secondary publications (*LLRTA*, *Tourism Analysis Review*, etc.).

The journal brings reviews, followed by the original papers, research notes and, finally, book reviews. Since 1995, the journal has been focusing on methodological and conceptual papers on innovative approaches and recent trends in the theoretical study of the phenomenon of tourism as well as on critical analyses of established views. The confrontation of prevailing mass tourism versus sustainable tourism (responsible, appropriate, humane, etc.) requires appropriate scientific and practical responses for each individual case studied. The criterion for paper acceptance is, therefore, not only its theoretical basis but also its applicability and usefulness in practice.

The diversity of topics is reflected in the first issue in the current year that includes a dozen papers on the development of tourism in South-east Asia from a political standpoint, eco-tourism, the situation in the volunteer tourism, second homes in South Africa, tourism, recreation and authenticity, tourism education in the 21st century, etc. In addition, readers are thoroughly informed about new books in extensive reviews.

The journal encourages quality by awarding a special annual prize to the best author. The journal itself is also internationally recognized for its quality. For the jubilee, the editors have received greetings and positive responses, primarily in regard of its pioneering status in India and its high standards and originality of papers.

TRR Journal is published three times a year, and the editorial board comprises about thirty eminent scholars, mainly from East Asia and the Pacific (Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, China, etc.), as well as from North America and Europe (United Kingdom etc).

Papers are published in English with summaries and keywords. The online version can be ordered at the same annual subscription price of 240 U.S. dollars.

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