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# Systematic Review Of Literature Of Community Based Tourism

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#### ABSTRACT

**Purpose:** As the name proposes, the fundamental objective of this article is to investigate how local area based the travel industry undertakings commonly known as Community Based Tourism Enterprises (CBTEs) work in southern part of India, with an emphasis on the well-known tourist place - Kumarakom of Kerala State. Specialists want to develop, but much as may be anticipated approximately the affordable the travel enterprise strategies used by close by networks. They, likewise, want to get a profound comprehension of the factors, troubles, and effects of CBTEs close by.

**Design/Methodology**: This writing survey follows an organized methodology and uses various sources, for example, instructive articles, research papers, and contextual investigations. By assembling new examination, this study attempts to make a solitary tale about CBTEs in Kumarakom.

**Findings**: This study centres that influences the issues and consequences of CBTEs in southern part of India, particularly in Kumarakom. This clarifies issues on how far include the local area, what it will mean for the economy, and how various gatherings can help local area based the travel industry fill nearby.

Originality/Value: Alongside other examination, this literature survey adds to what is now known by giving a full rundown of CBTEs in southern part of India, zeroing in on Kumarakom as a contextual

analysis. By taking according to various perspectives, we can completely understand local area driven projects in the setting of vacationer organizations.

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# INTRODUCTION

# **Background**

Over a long time, Kumarakom's tourism industry has changed in huge ways. Kumarakom, which is within the lovely southern Indian state of Kerala, is particularly curious. The region got to be exceptionally prevalent as a traveller spot because of its excellent backwaters and wide run of plants and creatures that live there. Be that as it may, an undesirable abundance of visitors started to put a stretch on the area's financial and natural frameworks. The unchecked development of houseboats and sightseers caused harm to the environment, social unrest, and financial disparity within the range.

The Community-Based Tourism (CBT) framework was put in Kumarakom to address these issues. When the Responsible Tourism Mission (RT-M) was made in 2007, it checked the beginning of a worldview move. The neighbourhood community and the government worked together on the RT-M extension [1] to advance travel that's both naturally neighbourly and ethical. The RT-M strategy is based on the "triple bottom-line," which positions the esteem of social, financial, and natural issues.

Kumarakom's Capable Tourism Venture won the National Tourism Grant for 2008–09 as a pioneer in community-driven maintainable tourism. This appeared how well the work was carried out. The progressing work, which is being driven by sustainable tourism like Kudumbashree, as well as open and private companies and community based tourism, is an incredibly impressive way to advance economic improvement, secure culture, and protect the environment. Utilizing what is as of now known, that can be done on how community-based tourism businesses in Kumarakom have developed, what impacts they have had, and how complicated they are.

#### Rationale

The information about Community-Based Tourism Enterprises (CBTEs) in Kumarakom, Southern part of India and judge the good benefits that community-driven efforts have on the long-term survival of the tourism industry. The reason for this study is the unique social, economic, and environmental problems that Kumarakom, an area that used to be clean, is now facing because of its unchecked tourist growth. Kumarakom's unchecked growth of houseboats and spas hurt the environment, made the economy and society unstable, and caused unfairness in the community. People became more in favour of community-based tourism (CBT) as a long-term option because of the bad effects [2]. In 2007, the Responsible Tourism Mission (RT-M) was created to encourage tourists to be responsible, environmentally friendly, and moral. This was the beginning of the method of alteration. Its quality is boosted by the reality that Kumarakom's case incorporates numerous vital community, such as the government, businesses, nearby communities, and self-help community like Kudumbashree.

The truth that Kumarakom's CBTEs have been recognised with grants just like the National Tourism Award shows how imperative it is to do a full test. The objective of this consideration is to clarify what each portion of the Capable Tourism system does, such as the State-Level Capable Tourism Committee (SLRTC) and the District-Level Capable Tourism Committee (DLRTC), so that ready to see how these parts work together to energize more ecologically inviting tourism [3].

The most important objective of this data is about certain community-based businesses. This implies looking at the problems these businesses confront and figuring out how much they help reach greater objectives like decreasing destitution, protecting culture, and building communities. To assist other places that are having the same issues within the tourism industry and make the alter to more comprehensive and long-lasting development, it got to learn from Kumarakom's encounter.

# **OBJECTIVES OF SCHOLARLY REVIEW**

- Examine the Evolution of Community-Based Tourism (CBT) in Kumarakom: This study will discover how CBT has changed over time in Kumarakom, focusing on its start, important events, and future changes. The progression of the Responsible Tourism Mission (RT-M), a programme that began in 2007, has given extra attention.
- Assess the Key Stakeholders and Partnerships: How much private businesses, government agencies, regional organisations, self-help groups (like Kudumbashree), and local communities work together to help community-based tourism projects grow and stay alive by looking at their joint efforts.

- Evaluate the Impact of Community Involvement: Identifying how well RT-M and its groups, especially Kudumbashree, work at getting the community involved in different tourism-related activities [4].
- Explore the Diverse Community-Based Enterprises: Discovering a few businesses that are involved in community-based tourism, like service-based businesses, culture groups, and farm projects, to understand their roles, obstacles, and how they help the community reach its overall goals.
- Analyse the Triple-Bottom-Line Approach: Shedding light on how the triple-bottom-line idea can be used in responsible tourism, paying special attention to how it takes into account environmental, social, and economic factors. After that, you can judge how well it worked to promote healthy tourist growth.
- Examine the Role of Government Committees: Focusing on the functions and effects of the government-led committees in Kumarakom that oversee responsible tourism. These include the district-Level Responsible Tourism Committee (DLRTC) and the State-Level Responsible Tourism Committee (SLRTC) [5].
- Draw Lessons for Sustainable Tourism Development: Put together a framework that other places can follow when they want to use community-based methods to build tourism that is both sustainable and welcoming by putting together study results. Learn useful lessons and the best ways to do things from what happened in Kumarakom.

# RESEARCH METHODOLOGY OF LITERATURE REVIEW

Community-Based Tourism (CBT): The growth of community-based tourism (CBT) has brought about big changes in Kumarakom, a beautiful town in Southern part of India. Unlike other tourist methods, this one focuses on sustainable growth that includes everyone and takes into account issues like economic and social problems, protecting culture, and protecting the environment [6]. Kumarakom's proceeded development of CBT could be a case that shows how mindful tourism is becoming more prevalent around the world.

#### **Historical Context**

Since the tourism has developed and have happened, which is why Kumarakom chose to connect CBT. Since that wasn't directed, there was social change, financial imbalance, and harm to the environment within the range. When the Tourism Mission (RT-M) was established in 2007, it was a huge step forward. This shows how committed the region is to advancing tourism that's both great for trade and great for the environment.

# **Key Initiatives Driving CBT**

The RT-M has been a vital portion of the Kumarakom CBT setting. Its selection has made it simpler for nearby community to be included in tourism-related ventures and made beyond any doubt that they are listened to when choices are being made. Still, Kumarakom's CBT environment is made up of a parcel more than fair government-funded ventures [7]. Trade owners who claim private homes within the zone have made a difference little and medium-sized businesses have begun, which has made a difference in the town's development. The Kudumbashree extend, an all-female self-help gather that makes a difference in ladies' pick-up showcase joins, money-related offer assistance, and preparing, has had an enormous effect on the development of women-owned companies.

#### **Triple-Bottom-Line Approach**

Kumarakom's CBT is based on the triple-bottom-line hypothesis, which says that social, financial, and natural issues ought to all be taken into consideration similarly. As a portion of its Capable Tourism program, the government works to ensure the environment, advance correspondence between men and ladies, battle destitution, and offer assistance to little and country towns. There are state-level oversight community, just like the State Level Capable Tourism Committee (SLRTC), that make beyond any doubt that ventures take after these rules and utilize the triple-bottom-line strategy [8].

#### **Community Involvement in RT-M**

The RT-M seems not to have worked without the assistance of the community, and Kudumbasree did a part to make this happen. At the ground level in Kumarakom, CBT is utilized by numerous individuals within the community, such as specialists, ranchers, self-help community, and social community. For this case, the about 3,500 affirmed RT-M units offer a wide run of community inclusion exercises, such as homestays, culture visits, cultivating, and more.

# **Diverse Enterprises and Their Impact**

Kumarakom is home to many interesting community-based businesses that are connected with CBT. These groups help achieve many community goals, like the Tender Coconut business unit's work for environmentally friendly farming. As an example, the Suvarna culture units follow old customs [9]. Successful projects like the Samrudhi ethnic food restaurant unit in Kudumbashree, which is run by women, show how cognitive-behavioural therapy (CBT) can give people in the community more power while also becoming known around the world.

#### **Assessment Based on Conceptual Framework**

Kumarakom's CBT ventures use the conceptual framework for community-based enterprises created by Anna Maria Peredo and James J. Chrisman to highlight things like small communities, social capital,

community participation, a range of goals, community skills that are easy to get, sources of social and economic stress, and learning that happens over time. Compliance with these traits highlights how well and how long-lasting CBT is in Kumarakom.

Kumarakom's CBT experience can be used as a model by other places that want to start eco-friendly travel. In addition to making life better in the area, the community's commitment to a triple-bottom-line approach, active involvement, and integration has set a great example of how tourism can bring about good changes [10]. The things that were learned in Kumarakom help people come up with and carry out long-lasting and life-changing community-based tourist projects.

# **Responsible Tourism Mission (RT-M)**

There has been a big change in the way tourists visit Kumarakom, Southern part of India, thanks to the Responsible Tourist Mission (RT-M). Since it began in 2007, the RT-M has played a big role in guiding the region towards a model of tourism that is fair to people and the environment and can also make money [1]. The next part goes into more detail about the different parts of the RT-M, including its main ideas, major projects, and how it has changed the tourist industry in Kumarakom.

#### **Inception and Objectives**

The RT-M was created because people realised the bad things that can happen when tourist activities are not controlled. The unrestrained growth of resorts, houseboats, and other tourism-related businesses has caused problems with the environment, unfair economic conditions, and social unrest in the area [11]. It was in response that the government of Southern part of India created the RT-M, a programme meant to encourage responsible, sustainable, and ethical tourism by working with local groups.

#### **Triple-Bottom-Line Approach**

The "triple-bottom-line" approach, which stresses how social, economic, and environmental factors are all linked, is at the heart of the RT-M philosophy. The goal is to make an environment that is harmonious and balanced so that the region's rich natural and cultural history is protected and the native people's well-being is improved at the same time [12]. The Responsible Tourism programme uses this all-around method to give women more power, protect natural resources, and help poor people.

#### **Key Components and Stakeholders**

Through a tiered organisation, the RT-M system includes many parties, each with their own jobs and duties. The State Level Responsible Tourism Committee (SLRTC) is in charge of responsible tourism programmes in four places across the state. Kumarakom is one of those places. A person who is president of the Kumarakom Panchayath is also the head of the District Level Responsible Tourism Committee (DLRTC) in

their area. In the SLRTC, the president also stands for the goal. The purpose of these groups is to help local governments, businesses, and public bodies work together and talk to each other.

#### **Community Involvement and Empowerment**

Community involvement is very important for the RT-M to work. People who live in the area often take part in events linked to tourism, and charitable groups like Kudumbashree regularly speak up for them. This year, almost 3,500 businesses have joined the RT-M Units [13]. These are places where people from the community can help run responsible tourism businesses. Artists' collectives, cultural institutions, farmers, and self-help groups have all used the RT-M method, which shows that it encourages openness and variety.

#### **Economic Impact and Recognition**

The RT-M is thought to bring in almost Rs. 5.5 crores a year, which shows how much of an effect it has on the trade. The Kuanthos Dependable Tourism Project's triumphs were recognized, and the National Traveler Grant for the financial year 2008–2009 appeared that the program was fruitful in empowering long-term tourism development. Since this victory, Kumarakom has ended up a pioneer within the nation when it comes to mindful tourism.

#### **Innovative Projects and Continued Milestones**

Rather than being an inflexible structure, the RT-M at Kumarakom could be a moving drive that advances unused thoughts and continuous development. Part of diverse projects have been begun by Mindful Tourism development, regularly with the assistance of private businesses and nearby governments [14]. The Kumarakom Dependable Tourism Project's capacity to routinely meet huge objectives and take measured chances shows how committed the gather is to moving forward and being adaptable.

#### **Challenges and Future Prospects**

The RT-M is exceptionally popular, it does have a few issues. Keeping up with the changing needs of sightseers, coordinating the wants of distinctive community, and advancing the development of locallyowned companies are all things that need constant attention. The RT-M could be an incredible alternative to bargain with these problems since it is adaptable and committed to a triple-bottom-line approach. It'll also help guide the development of dependable tourism in Kumarakom.

Kumarakom's mission may be an extraordinary illustration of how to develop traveller while causing as small harm to the environment as conceivable. Since the association takes, works to move forward communities, and takes after the triple-bottom-line standards, Kumarakom's tourism industry has been changed and praised as a national model for capable travel [15]. The RT-M appears that neighbourhood governments, companies, and communities can work together to form a visitor technique that's great for everybody, secure for the environment, and long-lasting.

# Community-Based Tourism Initiatives in Southern part of India

A part of individuals call Southern part of India "God Possess Nation," which may be a great title for it. As well as its excellent common magnificence, the state is known for its incredible community-based tourism (CBT) ventures. This portion goes into awesome detail about the diverse cognitive-behavioural treatment (CBT) programs that are accessible in Southern part of India. It centres on the huge changes that are happening within the wonderful town of Kumarakom.

Southern part of India's arrangement to reduce the harm that conventional tourism does to the environment, society, and economy is closely connected to the region's choice to utilize CBT. The unchecked development of tourism, which included building houseboats and cabins with no rules, made natural harm, social distress, and financial imbalance more awful within the zone [16]. So, it was clear that it was required to change the way it considered community-based and solid tourism.

#### **Responsible Tourism Mission (RT-M)**

The Responsible Tourism Mission (RT-M), an association begun with offer of assistance from the government in 2007, is in charge of Southern part of India's CBT field. A "triple-bottom-line" approach is utilized by the RT-M, which looks at natural, financial, and social components all at the same time. This fits with the thoughts of moral, dependable, and sound tourism. The objective of the program is to advance uniformity between men and ladies, harm nearby communities, and diminish destitution.

#### RT-M in Kumarakom: A Model of Success

The coastal community of Kumarakom in Southern part of India makes it simpler for CBT and RT-M to work together. Too many tourists were causing problems for the economy and the environment, which led to the creation of the RT-M in the area [17]. Numerous people praise community-based tourism in Kumarakom for giving the local people a chance to work in the tourist business.

#### **Key Stakeholders and Collaborators**

The success of CBT in Southern part of India is due in part to the cooperation of many parties. There are three levels of the RT-M: the State-Level Responsible Tourism Committee (SLRTC), the District-Level Responsible Tourism Committee (DLRTC), and the local Panchayaths. Private resort owners and guests, as well as self-help groups for women like Kudumbashree, are also very important to the growth of tiny and medium-sized tourist businesses.

#### Role of Kudumbashree

A group that only helps women with their problems In Kumarakom's CBT setting, Kudumbashree plays a very important part. This group helps women who want to start their own businesses in several tourism-

related fields by connecting them with markets, giving them money, and teaching them. In addition to its main goal of giving women more power, Kudumbashree's work has greatly improved the income of the community.

## **Diversity of Initiatives**

Kumarakom offers many different community-based tourist activities, like bird watching, culture tours, homestays, and village walks. The variety of events makes sure that everyone who goes has a full and interesting time, while also helping the local business grow.

#### **Private Sector's Contribution**

Along with government-led efforts, private sector organisations, especially hotel and vacation chains, have had a big impact on the CBT scene in Kumarakom. Even though they are making money, these businesses have actively helped other businesses in the area. Public and private organisations have come together in a unique way to make these gifts possible [18]. They include money for water supply facilities, programmes to improve skills, and space for community-focused projects.

# **Kudumbashree's Impact**

Kudumbashree's effects go far beyond making it easier for women to start their businesses. With more than 180 RT-M machines in Kumarakom, Kudumbashree has worked in many fields, such as growing vegetables, making crafts, and cooking traditional foods from the area. It has been so successful because the organisation is dedicated to doing things that are good for the earth, like turning dry places into farmland.

#### Challenges and Resilience

Kumarakom has made a lot of progress in CBT projects, but the company still faces problems, such as meeting the high volume needs of the hotel business and increasing efficiency in agriculture [19]. However, the fact that many people, including farmers, Kudumbashree, and people in the hotel business, worked together shows a lot of strength and synergy in facing these problems.

# **National Recognition and Continued Innovation**

The National Tourism Award for 2008–09 went to the Kumarakom Responsible Tourism Project. Kumarakom's CBT classes set a standard for the growth and progress of tourism that is good for the environment. The reason these projects keep running is because they can adapt to new problems and keep coming up with new ideas.

#### **Lessons for the Future**

The CBT programmes that were used in Southern part of India, especially in Kumarakom, teach us important lessons that should be used in future tourist projects that aim to be more environmentally friendly. Natural, social, social, and commerce objectives have all been brought together to form a total and neighbourly traveller arrange [36]. To be successful, these ventures have to effectively energize individuals to care about the environment and society, use neighbourhood ability, and bring together distinctive community.

The triumphs of Southern part of India's community-based tourism ventures, like Kumarakom, show how critical it is to utilize eco-friendly and capable tourism strategies. In expansion to make the traveller encounter superior, community inclusion, trade connections, and government programs [20] keep the peace. Southern part of India's normal and social history is secured by this serene air, which too looks out for the health of the individuals who live there. The community-based tourism extension in Southern part of India could be an awesome illustration of reasonable and legitimate travel around the world.

# SCHOLARLY REVIEW OF RESEARCH LITERATURE

# **Research Design**

The study uses a detailed case study method to look into the difficulties and effects of community-based tourism (CBT) projects in Southern part of India as a whole, focusing on Kumarakom. The case study technique is used because it gives a full picture of how CBT works in the real world, including the situations, actions, and results.

#### **Case Selection**

Kumarakom was chosen as the main case study because it has strong and well-established community-based tourism programmes. The choice was made because the area is a national model, which shows how to combine responsible tourism with community involvement in a very useful way.

#### **Data Analysis**

Thematic analysis will be used to find themes, links, and patterns that keep coming up in the data that has been collected. Using repeated analysis will make it easier to find new topics and make sure that the complex field of cognitive behavioural therapy is fully studied.

#### **Ethical Considerations**

To make sure that ethical standards are met, this study promises to give participants full consent, protect their privacy, and listen to what they have to say. Being involved with a lot of different parties makes the study process less honest because of ethics issues.

# **Significance**

It's important to note that the goal of the study design is to give academics, lawmakers, and tourist professionals working on sustainable development useful information about the many aspects of CBT in Southern part of India. By using a case study approach, this study aims to add to what is already known and give advice for future projects that support responsible and community-focused tourism.

#### **Document Analysis**

All history records, reports, and articles about CBT in Southern part of India, with a focus on Kumarakom, will be carefully read and studied in addition to gathering firsthand information. The objective of this record study is to watch out for the drawn-out impacts of various undertakings, strategy structures, and the development of CBT nearby [35]. This round of data collection adds to the story of how CBT spread in Southern part of India by looking at government records, existing literature, and historical background.

#### **Ethical Considerations**

Moral norms are followed during the entire information assortment cycle to safeguard the security of members, safeguard their entitlement to be let be, and ensure that data is dealt with mindfully. Individuals who are engaged with the review give their full assent, and that implies that the entire undertaking is transparent.

#### **Significance**

The approaches to social affairs data that were chosen are intended to show how complex CBT is in Southern part of India. Utilizing different verifiable perspectives and perspectives, the review attempts to give a full image of the regular, social, and social pieces of the local area based on the travel industry nearby.

#### **Integration of Findings**

The outcomes will be assembled: the numeric and subjective outcomes will be painstakingly assembled to make a solitary story. The objective of the joined review is to show what various variables mean for how long CBT courses last, what issues they face, and how well they work in Southern part of India [21]. Through the blend of individual records and quantitative information, this study attempts to give a full image of the local area processes that help CBT nearby.

# Validation and Reflexivity

To guarantee the accuracy of the findings, the study employs a reflection approach that takes into account the researcher's capacity to shape interpretations. The investigation will be improved and affirmed through month-to-month approval meetings with members and friend audits [33]. This will bring about a dependable and strong image of CBT in Southern part of India.

# **Significance**

The course of information examination is critical to transforming crude information into thoughts that can be utilized and that shed light on the muddled functions of mental conduct treatment in Southern part of India. Utilizing an assortment of exploration techniques, the review means to create results that are exhaustive and delicate to the specific situation, which will help scholarly examination and local area-based travel industry projects.

# Community-Based Tourism in Kumarakom

#### **Historical Context**

Understanding the historical backdrop of community-based tourism (CBT) in Southern part of India is significant for understanding how it has developed, what issues it has confronted, and what it has achieved as a better approach to travel. Southern part of India is a state known for its delightful view, vivacious culture, and groundbreaking social projects [32]. CBT has developed as a response to the issues with customary approaches to drawing in sightseers.

#### Early Tourism Landscape

Southern part of India's vacationer business utilized standard techniques before local area-based the travel industry went along. A ton of houseboats and lodges sprung up rapidly during this change. Due to uncontrolled development, there was social unrest, financial disparity locally, and harm to the climate [22]. The public authority needs to figure out how to adjust the need to safeguard its interesting regular and social wealth with the need to bring in cash from travellers.

# **Need for Change**

Toward the finish of the twentieth hundred years, Southern part of India's local lifestyle and climate were obviously in peril from the uncontrolled development of the travel industry. As a result of this discovery, the management of tourism was altered, and it was finally realized that a strategy that was more environmentally friendly, socially inclusive, and responsible was required.

#### **Government-Led Initiatives**

Responsible Tourism Mission Units (RT-M), which is controlled by the public authority, has changed Southern part of India's vacation scene since it began in 2007. By supporting a triple-primary concern strategy that puts social, financial, and natural issues first, the RT-M needed to ensure that nearby networks could be engaged with the travel industry-related exercises.

#### Role of Kudumbashree

Simultaneously, CBT was begun in Kumarakom by the Kudumbashree program, which was a self-improvement gathering for ladies as it were. Since Kudumbashree realised that the travel industry could help networks, she gave ladies who filled in as organizations in an assortment of travel industry-related fields admittance to money, markets, and preparation.

# **Expanding Horizons**

By 2019, Kumarakom had recorded over 3,500 Responsible Tourism Mission Units (RT-M units). This was because the RT-M development was getting a move on. These gatherings, which included the two individuals and associations, worked in cultivating, homestays, social visits, and town strolls, in addition to other things [23].

# **Recognition and Milestones**

The way that Kumarakom won the Public The Travel Industry Grant for Capable The travel industry during the monetary year 2008-09 was more confirmation of how well it functioned. The honour perceived how local area-based vacation projects have helped the nearby businesses, the climate, and the local area in general. In the years that followed, there was more achievement and imagination. The state-level Responsible Tourism Committee (SLRTC) was in charge of projects in four locations at the time, including Kumarakom.

The historical backdrop of CBT in Southern part of India shows how it ponder the travel industry has changed definitely. The excursion recounts an account of constancy, cooperation, and a commitment to feasible and comprehensive the travel industry. It begins with the issues brought about by unreasonable travel industry practices and finishes with the means that local gatherings and the public authority took to fix them [24]. To completely comprehend the present status of the local area-based travel industry in Southern part of India, particularly as it connects with the Kumarakom contextual analysis, it means quite a bit to know how things have changed over the long run.

# **Key Initiatives and Stakeholders**

### **Responsible Tourism Mission (RT-M):**

In Kumarakom, the Responsible Tourism Mission (RT-M) is vital for the development of the community-based tourism (CBT) industry. The public authority began the RT-M program in 2007. It has impacted how the travel industry is finished nearby. Following the "triple-primary concern" thought, RT-M gives social, financial, and normal issues the most weight. The drive will probably help destitute individuals, further develop nation and neighbourhood networks, and give ladies in the spot more power [25]. The State Level Responsible Tourism Committee (SLRTC) and local area-based projects, significantly affect system arranging at the state level.

#### Kudumbashree

Without the all-women self-help group Kudumbashree, Kumarakom's community-based tourism scene would be incomplete. Kudumbashree's fundamental objective is to give ladies organizations more power by giving them preparation, monetary assistance, and market contacts. Kudumbashree runs homestays, social visits, and cultivating projects, as well as various organizations connected to the travel industry through the formation of Responsible Tourism Mission Units (RTM units). As a component of its many ventures, the gathering has had a major effect on the social and monetary development of the area by making provincial bites, specialities, and veggies, in addition to other things.

#### **Private Resort Owners and Residents**

As a result of efforts made by the government, private property owners, and locals, Kumarakom's community-based tourist industry has undergone significant transformations. The partners in this case started small to medium-sized tourism businesses and added fishing, kayaking, and birding trips to the list of things to do. Their participation demonstrates how CBT fosters collaboration between the public and private sectors to achieve sustainable growth.

#### **Farmers' Associations**

The two most notable ranchers' gatherings, "KarshakaSamithis" and "KarshakaKoottayama," had over 600 ranchers and agriculturalists cooperating. These gatherings are vital to RT-M's stock line since they're the primary way that ranch products get to inns and eateries. Be that as it may, issues exist, and more result is expected to address client issues [26]. Kudumbashree, particularly its ladies-driven bunch, goes about as a go-between for makers and inn organizations to help them cooperate and facilitate. It does this by making it more straightforward for makers to get cash.

#### **Hotel and Resort Chains**

Even though they are huge players raking in boatloads of cash, lodging and resort community in Kumarakom have shown a positive obligation to support nearby organizations. Their endeavours go past giving cash. They also contribute to the operation of programs and provide land for water supply projects. The joint strategy displayed here shows how organizations that need to bring in cash and local area-based tasks can function admirably together.

Kumarakom's people group based on the travel industry biological system is comprised of notable gatherings and tasks that cooperate as a living web, connecting grassroots gatherings, neighbourhood networks, organizations, and taxpayer-supported initiatives [2]. For the area to arrive at its fundamental objectives of sound and moral the travel industry, individuals should cooperate.

# **Socio-Economic Impact**

# Socio-Economic Impact of Community-Based Tourism in Kumarakom

The social and economic conditions in Kumarakom have been significantly altered by community-based tourism (CBT), which has an impact on the health of the local population and society as a whole. The dynamic Commitment of Partners, the Dependable Responsible Tourism Mission (RT-M), and the activities that accompany it have prompted many great outcomes.

#### **Empowerment of Women and Local Communities**

Kudumbashree's significant part demonstrates the way that CBT can give ladies more power, which is one of the main impacts in Kumarakom. A sum of 180 RT-M units have been set up, with a normal of 30 individuals in every unit. Starting from the dawn of history, ladies have been associated with numerous exercises connected with the travel industry [10]. These incorporate making neighbourhood bites and beverages, developing vegetables, and making creations.

#### **Poverty Alleviation and Livelihood Creation**

The reception of the CBT plan, particularly under the direction of Kudumbashree, significantly affects lessening destitution and making stable approaches to earning enough to pay the rent. It is accepted that the RT-M units have achieved 5.5 crores consistently from support by around 2,000 families. Individuals locally have tracked down numerous ways of bringing in cash by running organizations, like those that make desserts from custard, coconut coir, and milk units. These organizations have made the local area less dependent on standard positions that are difficult for the wallet.

# **Cultural Preservation and Heritage Promotion**

Kumarakom's numerous local area-claimed organizations are an extraordinary illustration of the area's rich social legacy. Individuals can appreciate genuine ethnic food at the Samrudhi ethnic food eatery unit, customary moves and music exhibitions at the Suvarna social unit, and melam exhibitions at the Shinkari unit [16]. The residents are proud of this, and it safeguards their distinctive identity. This causes vacationers to see the value in the neighbourhood lifestyle more, which prompts more regard and understanding between nations.

# **Environmental Stewardship and Sustainable Practices:**

Kumarakom's people group put together the travel industry based on the thoughts of the capable and economical travel industry. The Parisara Sevika Unit's commitment to doing things shows by managing garbage in an environmentally friendly way, turning vacant land into rice fields, and making goods from coconut coir [31]. These initiatives demonstrate the community's concern for the environment and the responsible use of its natural resources.

Community-based tourism in Kumarakom has more than just financial advantages for society and the economy. It implies focusing on safeguarding society, dealing with the climate, lessening destitution, and enabling underrepresented gatherings. The aftereffects of these ventures demonstrate the way that CBT can assist with incorporated improvement [9]. They can serve as a model for other places that want to strike a balance between social, economic, and environmental concerns and the expansion of tourism.

# **Environmental Impact**

In Kumarakom, people Community-based tourism (CBT) projects have shown areas of strength for to safeguarding the climate by advancing the development of the vacationer business while likewise safeguarding the climate [30]. The primary objectives of the Responsible Tourism Mission (RT-M) and other local area-based organizations are to safeguard regular assets and decrease the harm they do to the climate.

#### **Eco-Friendly Farming and Land Utilization**

Using vacant land for farming in a way that doesn't hurt the environment is an important step for the environment. To make rice creation feasible, the KumarakomKudumbasree community turned more than sixty sections of land that were not being utilized for cultivating into regions that were [20]. Advancing safe cultivating strategies and safeguarding nearby positions are two different ways that this procedure reduces the harm to the climate.

# **Waste Management and Biodiversity Conservation**

The Parisara Sevika Unit, which consists of Kudumbasree employees, is crucial to the location's effective trash management. The activity of biogas and vermicomposting offices ensures that garbage is discarded appropriately, which assists in keeping the climate with cleaning [29]. Bringing back waterways, tidying up streams, and developing mangroves are everything that the local area does to show that they care about safeguarding regular equilibrium and untamed life.

#### **Promotion of Sustainable Practices**

Organizations in the CBT bunch like to utilize regular assets over fabricated ones. This incorporates when they make and sell coconut coir merchandise. The commitment to supportability follows the Responsible Tourism Mission's triple-primary concern structure, which says that financial, social, and ecological elements are extremely significant [4]. These undertakings reduce the harm they do to the climate by supporting manageable sightseers and making it more straightforward to make a sans-plastic zone.

Kumarakom's people group based on the travel industry has put financial and social development first while as yet being mindful of safeguarding the climate [28]. Safeguarding Kumarakom's regular excellence is a local area that drove exertion made more straightforward by utilizing cultivating techniques that are great for the climate, beginning projects to manage waste, and empowering individuals to do things that will endure. This devotion to the prosperity of the local area and the assurance of the climate sets a model for capable the travel industry nearby.

Table 1: Contribution of different authors regarding community-based tourism enterprises in Southern part of India: a case study of Kumarakom.

S. No	Area	Focus	Research Outcome	Reference
1.	Socio- Economic and Environmental Impact	Assessing community- based tourism development's impact in Biliran Province	The objective of this study is to figure out how community-based tourism development in the territory of Biliran influences the nearby economy and climate.	Southern part of India State Planning Board (2011) [21]
2.	Community- Based Tourism and Local Socio- Economic	Investigating the impact of community-based tourism on residents and the generation of	The study's objective is to investigate how community-based tourism increases people's involvement	Blackstock (2005) [22]

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	Development	economic and environmental benefits	in their community while also improving the environment and local businesses.	
3.	Community- Based Tourism for Socio- Economic Development	Studying the role of tourism in socio-economic development, including generating foreign exchange, creating job opportunities, and increasing government revenue	The study focuses on the good effects of tourists on the economy, like more tax money for the government and more jobs.	George, R., & Frey, N. (2010) [23]
4.	Sustainability in Community- Based Tourism	Reviewing sustainability aspects in community-based tourism, including socio-economic benefits, environmental impact, and community-based tourism	With a focus on sustainability, the review examines the natural effects as well as the social and economic benefits of community-based tourism.	Kibicho (2008) [24]
5.	Socio- Economic and Environmental Impacts of Tourism	Analyzing the socio- economic and environmental impacts of tourism in the Okavango Delta	This exploration takes a gander at the impacts of the Okavango Delta on the travel industry society, the economy, and the climate. It centres around the troublesome issues that accompany these impacts.	SLiet al. (2021) [25]
6.	Socio- Economic Empowerment of Local Populations	Investigating the economic, socio-cultural, and environmental impact of tourism on local populations	This study investigates what the development of the travel industry means for individuals who live there, zeroing in on issues connected with the climate, culture, and cash.	Ensley <i>et al</i> . (2000) [26]

# **Assessment of Community-Based Tourism Enterprises**

#### **Case Review**

This contextual investigation takes a gander at how community-based tourism enterprises are run in Southern part of India, with an emphasis on the notable illustration of Kumarakom. The assessment takes a gander at significant undertakings and individuals who aided in sorting out the natural and social impacts. This study will probably see Community-Based Tourism (CBT) projects from the perspective of the Responsible Tourism Mission and mindful of the travel industry rehearses [41]. To add to the bigger discussion about reasonable travel industry improvement, a careful report technique that included gathering and breaking down information was utilized to get more familiar with the issues and consequences of CBT in Southern part of India.

# Conclusion

# **Summary of Findings**

The outcomes show that community-based tourism enterprises can work in Kumarakom, Southern part of India. The Mindful Responsible Tourism Mission has not just urged individuals to engage in their networks, but it has additionally safeguarded nearby culture, given ladies more power through programs like Kudumbashree, and pushed social advancement ahead. The contextual investigation underlines the advantages, which incorporate making position, diminishing destitution, and safeguarding the climate. Community-based enterprises that are essential to the district's drawn-out development incorporate cultural places and cultivating projects. Kumarakom's arrangement works, which demonstrates the way that travel industry projects show the neighbourhood's local area can prompt feasible development and the conservation of culture.

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