

Socio-cultural factors that affect towards the continuity of the male homosexuality in relation to tourism (Within the Negombo coastal area)

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Male homosexuality can be identified as a social phenomenon and a crime, which should be addressed surrounding the tourism in Sri Lanka. According to the Sri Lankan Penal Code 365 (A) homosexuality is a crime. The problem of this study was 'what the socio – cultural factors that affect towards continuity of the male homosexuality in relation to tourism are. The main objective of this study was recognition of the socio-cultural factors that affect towards the continuity of the male homosexuality in relation to tourism. Fifty local males who are having homosexuals in relation to tourism were chosen according to the snowball sampling method as the research sample. Moreover, two tourist guides, a hotel servant of a tourist hotel, a tourist driver and a hotel owner were chosen according to the purposive sampling method as the key informants. Structural questionnaire, in-depth interviews, observation and case studies were used as the method of primary data collection. According to this research, majority of the sample are engaged in homosexuality because of the pleasure' its percentage is 27%. It could be concluded that there is a clear relationship between both the pleasure and the homosexuality. Furthermore it has been crystal clear that those who are engage in homosexuality in relation to tourism is done in the aim of collecting financial benefits (23%). According to this research, it revealed that peer pressure with the homosexuals (20%) is affected to follow on the homosexual continuity .According to source of key informants it revealed that this concept of homosexuality is being maintained in its sub-culture in relation to tourism. It could be possibly be concluded that a few other factors such as willing to migration (10%), to sell the homosexuality with the aim of earning money (15%), to grasp any other experience by means of which (5%) would be affected towards the continuity of the male homosexuality in relation to tourism.

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