

Discover community experiences and contribute to their livelihoods!

Special offer for International people dwelling in Bhutan!

Royal Society of Protection of Nature (RSPN), National NGO in collaboration with a Japanese NGO, Japan Environmental Education Forum (JEEF) will conduct a special trial tour as a part of Community-based Sustainable Tourism (CBST), JICA Partnership Project. Explore and experience the rural-life of Bhutan! Let the community experience to host international guests!

Date

April 1-2 (Sat & Sun), 2017

Reservation

✓ Call:

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Tour Price

3,000 Nu. /person

Inclusive

- ✓ Transportation
- ✓ Accommodation
- ✓ Hot Stone Bath
- ✓ All meals
- ✓ National Guide Service (English)
- ✓ Local Guide Service

Note

- Spring Trial Tour is the part of CBST Project implemented by RSPN in collaboration with JEEF with support from JICA. All the tour fare collected from the participants will be benefited by the community service providers.
- Rate is applicable for this Trial Tour only. The actual rate for community services will be finalized after the formation of Haa CBST Management Group.
- Reservation will be done on first come first basis and will be closed upon reaching the maximum limit of 10 pax.
- RSPN / JEEF staff will take photograph and video during the tour for future tourism promotion on CBST websites or brochures.
- We will welcome any responsible tourists who are interested in contributing to the community by
 experiencing the tourism activities in Haa. Therefore, we would like to request all the participants to submit
 the feedback form to RSPN / JEEF after the tour.

What is CBST?

The Community-based Sustainable Tourism (CBST) project seeks to harness the tourism potential of Haa's natural and cultural richness for the benefit of local community. Further, the growing preference of tourists in nature and community tourism has made this initiative a viable option.

About US CBST is a project implemented by <u>Royal Society for Protection of Nature (RSPN)</u> in collaboration with <u>Japan Environment Education Forum (JEEF)</u> with support from <u>Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)</u>. Haa CBST Management Group will be formed at community level for the sustainability of the project.

Get involved!

Experiencing with guests is the best practice for community tourism service providers such as homestays and local guides. Please give them honest feedback to improve the services during the tour.

Date	Time	Itinerary
1 st April Saturday	08:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:00 a.m. 01:30 p.m. 02:30 p.m. 03:30 p.m. 04:30 p.m.	Meeting at Thimphu City Bus Parking. Depart to Haa via Paro (explanation of CBST project in the vehicle. Pick participants from Paro on the way.). Photo stop at Chelela Pass. Haa Valley View Trail with local guides followed by tea break (approx. 1 hour). Lunch at Village Homestay. Visit Lhakhang Karpo and Lhakhang Nakpo. Haa Town Walk. Hoentey making and Hot Stone Bath experience at village homestay. Dinner at village homestay (Showcase of souvenirs). (Halt: Village Homestay)
2 nd April Sunday	08:30 a.m. 09:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 01:00 p.m. 03:00 p.m. 05:30 p.m. 07:00 p.m.	Departure after breakfast at village homestay. Visit <u>Takchu Goempa</u> by vehicle. Village hike to <u>Lungsukha</u> (approx. 1 hour). Nature hike to <u>Sheykardrag</u> (approx. 1 hour). Picnic lunch at <u>Ap Chundu Ground</u> and enjoy traditional games. Depart from Haa. Drop participants from Paro. Arrive at Thimphu. Disband at Thimphu City Bus Parking.









Chelela Pass



Haa Valley View Trail



Lunch at Village Homestay (example)



Lhakhang Karpo



Lhakhang Nakpo



Haa Town Walk



Hoentey



Hot Stone Bath (example)





Village Homestay (example)



View from Takchu Goempa



Sheykardrag





Ap Chundu Ground