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METHODS FOR CREATING AN EFFECTIVE TOURISM PACKAGE

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Abstract. For regional tourism in Karakalpakstan, effective methods for accelerating the development of this sector are necessary. The article examines the approaches and procedures for creating effective tourism packages that ensure the attractiveness of tours and attract an additional flow of tourists.

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The tourism sector in the Republic of Karakalpakstan has enormous potential and can be characterized as a rapidly developing industry. To achieve target indicators for both domestic tourism and incoming foreign tourists, it is necessary to implement a series of measures, the majority of which require substantial investment. One of the more cost-effective measures is the development of methods for creating effective tourism packages.

Today's tourism market demands the creation of competitive and attractive tourism products capable of meeting the diverse needs of customers. A tourist package, or tour package, is a set of services combined into a single, comprehensive offer that includes transportation, accommodation, meals, excursion services, and other amenities. This topic has been covered to varying degrees in specialized literature.

The goal of developing an effective tour package is to provide the optimal balance of price, quality, and experience, while considering the principles of sustainable and responsible tourism. Before creating the package, the market and target audience must be analyzed, which requires identifying key segments of the tourism market and studying their consumer demands. Thus, the formation of a tour package begins with market research. At this stage, the following key parameters are determined:

- analyzing the needs and preferences of the target audience (age, travel purposes, budget, seasonality);
- analyzing competitors: the structure of their tours, pricing strategies, and unique selling propositions;
- identifying logistical, visa, climatic, and cultural barriers;
- defining target segments and potential destinations.

Data is collected through desk or field research, utilizing information from open sources, customer feedback, analytical reports, and marketing studies.



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After this, the tour package concept is developed. At this stage, the idea for the future tour is defined: its theme, duration, route, and comfort level. The concept should include the following:

- The type of tour (e.g., sightseeing, gastronomic, religious, ecotourism, event tourism, etc.);
- The route and main points of interest;
- The service level (economy, standard, premium);
- Unique aspects that distinguish the tour from competitors.

The main task is to develop an engaging idea that matches the desires of the target client.

The next stage consists of designing the route and services. This involves specifying all the components of the tour:

- Creating a step-by-step itinerary, taking time and distances into account;
- Selecting partners: hotels, transportation companies, guides, dining establishments, and entertainment venues;
- Defining the set of services included in the package and those that are additional (optional);
- Calculating the cost, margin, and final price of the tour package.

The itinerary should be logical and content-rich, but not overly demanding (either physically or emotionally).

The next stage in creating a tour package is marketing and product presentation. It is clear that creating an attractive tour package is impossible without good marketing. At this stage:

- The tour's name, logo, and visual style are created;
- Promotional materials are prepared: booklets, a website, video presentations, and photos;
- a promotion strategy is defined (social media, agencies, direct sales);
- promotions and loyalty programs are developed.

The main goal is to present the tour as an emotionally and visually appealing product.

The next stage involves servicing and supporting tourists and consists of the following processes:

- booking all services and vetting partners;
- preparing information packets (itinerary, contact details, recommendations) for tourists;
- training escorting staff and guides;
- monitoring the quality of services provided during the trip.

The tour operator's responsibility is to guarantee stability and safety at every stage of the itinerary.



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After the tour is completed, a mandatory stage must be the assessment and improvement of the tour package's quality, during which its effectiveness is analyzed. Important aspects include:

- collecting feedback from clients and partners;
- evaluating the consistency between expected outcomes and actual experiences;
- identifying weaknesses and opportunities for improvement;
- conducting a financial analysis and calculating the tour's profitability.

The results of the analysis serve as a basis for optimizing future tours.

At the same time, it is essential to consider the tour package's sustainability and competitiveness.

Modern trends require the introduction of sustainable development principles into the formation and organization of tours:

- using local resources and engaging local communities;
- minimizing the environmental footprint (waste reduction, energy efficiency);
- promoting the cultural and natural heritage of the region.

To improve the quality of the tour package, we propose conducting a presentation (or defense) of the tour package project with the involvement of experts.

At the same time, it is also important to introduce digital solutions - such as online booking, mobile applications, and virtual guides - which will increase the tour's attractiveness and convenience.

Thus, the method of creating a tourist package requires a systematic and consistent approach, from market analysis to the evaluation of the final result. Its main goal is to create a balanced product that ensures a high level of customer satisfaction, profitability for tourism companies, and the sustainable development of the region. We believe that having a truly effective tour package is the foundation for the sustainable development of the tourism sector in the region.

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