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CHAPTER ONE

BACKGROUND OF STUDY

1.0 Introduction

This chapter gives the general introduction to the study. It covers the background to the study, problem statement, purpose and specific objectives of the study, the research questions, and scope of the study, the significance of the study, and conceptual framework.

1.1 Background of the study

The study looked at the contribution of tourism activities as independent variable on the economic growth and development in Uganda as dependent variable and how each of the variables complements each other in the event of research and operations.

According to a Chinese scholar YU XIAS, 2021, economic growth refers to the total increase in the amount of goods and services in an economy. On other tourism activities are a range of touristic events that tourists can engage to do at the destination like game drive, nature walks while enjoying a section of the service industry that deals with guest accommodation, food and beverage and other services. It includes many forms of overnight accommodation including hotels, motels, inns, and guest houses. According to (M Preziosi, A Acampora 2022) tourism industry performance report 2023 shows that the industry contributed to 10.4% of the global GDP, its direct contribution to tourism industry was over USD98billion and over 320million people employed by the industry, sector linkages like tourist shops and agricultural sector.

The contribution of tourism activities in the economic growth and development of the economy has significantly improved the industry because the performance of tourism industry in terms of economic development and growth is influenced by the type of tourism activities in tourism industry (Dagunduro et al., 2022; Oboh & Dabor, 2020).