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Problems and Prospecting Lava Hamlet of Kalimpong District in West Bengal: An observation

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Abstract:

Lava is a hamlet in globalized earth and also sustained based on tourism mainly. Apart from tourism, this hamlet is a type of green hamlet because most of the houses nourish the green minds and all the household plants vegetables, flowers and trees in their beautiful home. To do that hamlet dwellers use solid waste containers. Hamlets are followed by solar lights on the street side, greenhouse gardening, rainwater harvesting, and storing mountain water in big drums. All the persons of the families are hard workers and acknowledge the land. The religious education from sacred Buddhist temples, reusing the items, management of natural resources, management of drinking water, and homestay tourism have given a separate identity to this hamlet. In settlement geography, a sustainable hamlet is important today. The global hamlet has emerged in different parts of the earth which are planned but the Lava hamlet is planned by its hamlet dwellers in a sustainable way. Recently some pollution issues have been seen here due to increasing of tourism but it has lots of prosperity in future to represent them as a sustainable hamlet to global people.

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Development means the reduction or elimination of poverty among the majority of the population over a period of time. It means a wider distribution of the means of production accompanied by a wider spread of education, health, shelter food, etc. Rural Development has gained worldwide recognition as a gateway to the meaningful socio-economic development of the mass of people, especially in developing countries. The central theme of rural development today hovers around the welfare of the rural people since it is an indisputable fact that man is both the instrument and beneficiary of development. Much as human welfare runs through as a common denominator in the various concepts of rural development, authors differ in their meanings of rural development. The World Bank defines rural development simply as a strategy designed to improve the economic and social life of a particular group of people - the rural poor.

One of the basic problems of rural development is that it involves so much in terms of infrastructural development and of the development of vast numbers of human resources,