Geographical Properties of Medical Tourism in Herghada City

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Abstract

Modern geographic studies focus on the relationship between environmental potentialities and human activities. It's very important to explore that geographical issue related to medical tourism in an important area in Egypt for many reasons.

This paper concerns with demonstration of geographical properties effect on some of the famous medical tourism places properties south east of Egypt (Herghada) because of the importance of this zone at tourism field, in addition to display medical tourism attraction elements (natural components, climat, water and human parks), transportation and public services and accommodation sites.

Herghada occupies the North West part of Egypt, parallel the Red sea coast for about 50 kilometers, it has 424 ^{sq.} kilometers area. Herghada has a long shore, so that the summering tourism is an important activity there.

Study area limits are between $(27^{\circ} 4^{\circ} 41, 27^{\circ} 25^{\circ} 22 \text{ North})$ and $(33^{\circ} 40^{\circ} 22, 33^{\circ} 52^{\circ} 19 \text{ East})$, it is 530 kilometers south west of Cairo.

This area was carefully chosen because its natural healthy phenomenon (beaches, coral reefs, mountains, Gulfs, islands, Fringing and climate) further more the biological varsities that made a lot of people come to it for medical tourism purposes in addition to entertainment.