

Spatial Analysis and Distribution of Hotels and Tourism Centres in Ado-Ekiti

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Abstract:-Location is a key conception in tourism sector analysis. Location of tourism and recreation plays a critical role for physical and mental health and contributes substantially to human well-being. The aim of the study was to analyze the spatial distribution of the recreation and tourism in Ado-Ekiti. This study analyzed the distribution of hotels and tourism centres in Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State and the service available in the hotels and the significance of the tourism centres. The study advocated the relevance for a database containing information about the hotels and tourism centres in the area. The study made use of data from both primary and secondary sources. The handed (Global Positioning System) GPS receiver was used to capture the geographic coordinates of the hotels and tourism centres. The list of registered hotels and their addresses were obtained from internet sources while personal interview was carried out to gather data on the services provided by the hotels. A total of sixty-three (63) hotels and five (5) tourism sites were surveyed. It was detected that the hotels in the 2 star categories are the highest category in Ado-Ekiti. It was also observed most of these hotels were situated along road network. Furthermore, the study revealed that the prices of the hotels accommodate every socio-economic class of people. It is therefore recommended that hotel facilities should be upgraded for optimum performance that can meet desirable international criteria.

Key Words: Hotel, Recreation, Tourism, Hospitality, Location, Facility

I. BACKGROUND TO THE STUDY

Location is a key conception in tourism sector analysis, given the dependence of this activity on the natural, built, cultural and social characteristics of a certain territory (Vieira & Santos, 2017). Obviously, location of tourism and recreation sites plays a critical role in the physical and mental health and contributes substantially to human well-being (Triguero-Mas *et al*, 2015). In actual sense, tourism involves the movement of people from one destination to another, and this has become a major catalyst that has enormously influenced the high demand of recreational resorts and facilities in most African countries (Marconiller, 2000). Whereas, recreation is an array of activities which provides the means by which leisure experiences are achieved.

Tourism is one of the vital economic activities especially in urban centres and a significant item in the global economy. As tourism becomes crucial to the growth of cities and countries, understanding tourists' behaviours provides further insight into how to increase tourists' satisfaction with their visits and gain loyal return visitors as a result (Yoon & Uysal, 2005). As

been alluded by Uwadiogwu (2006), the accomplishment of tourism industry in any given geographic location depends on the level of development of the elements. Tourism and recreation are more often than not dependent on both environmental resources and geographic locations. It is also a phenomenon, which in the event of lack of planning and management is likely to erode its environmental base. However, one of the problems often encountered in the tourism industry is lack of data and a quick update and maintenance of available data.

Hence, spatial analysis of recreational facilities and services is an important tool to visualize service-deficient areas within an urban place and inform policy to ensure equity of facilities (Eyo & Ajake, 2019). The distributional pattern of tourism attractions and institutions in tourism destination is of great importance to scholars and other tourism stakeholders. However, the spatial distribution of recreation is influenced by many factors, and also differs between activity types. Hence, in order to succeed, investors must understand the interplay of success factors in the industry. A number of factors are responsible for the decision of investors to site hotels at particular areas; the location of the hotel, which directly affects the investing success, needs to be fulfilled as a topmost priority (Baba, 2016).

Statement of Problem

As noted by Guo *et al* (2010), in areas with high urbanization rates, land degradation, and growing economic wealth, the demand for recreational environments is usually on the increase. Consequently, many studies have not concentrated on specific environments such as Ado-Ekiti. Hence, assessment approaches often remain limited to the local or regional level, which might not reflect the conditions of various landscapes or represent values throughout and across societies, which could better provide information for policy and decision-making.

Most researches focus in fact on the recreational potential, using survey-based approaches or proxy-based methods. Fewer studies have also considered the demand side, using participatory approaches and economic valuation techniques. At large spatial scales, mainly empirical or expert-based approaches have been applied to map the demand for out-door recreation (Paracchini *et al*, 2014). At larger scales, novel approaches using social media not only provide promising results for estimating visiting frequencies (Wood *et al*, 2013), but also identify spatial patterns of landscape values and

preferences (Sonter *et al*, 2016; Tenerelli *et al*, 2016; van Zantenet al., 2016).

However, to facilitate the management, planning, and decision-making, location should be addressed. Nonetheless, spatial and temporal aspects of facilities must be considered if changing environmental conditions or different management scenarios are to be evaluated. In this study, a combination of assessment approaches was used aiming to map and analyze spatial distribution patterns of recreation on a regional level. We evaluate spatial patterns of tourism centres and recreation facilities in the study area, and discuss their implications

Objectives of the Study

This study aims at analyzing the spatial distribution pattern of recreation facilities and tourism in Ado-Ekiti, Nigeria.

The objectives are to:

- i. Pinpoint the potential of Tourism in Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State.
- ii. Identify and map the distribution of recreation facilities and tourism sites in Ado-Ekiti metropolis
- iii. Determine the spatial pattern of distribution of recreation facilities and tourism in the metropolis.
- iv. Create a relational database for the recreation facilities and tourism in the Ado-Ekiti.

II. MATERIALS AND METHODS

This section shows the data used, their sources, the mode of collection as well as how the data was processed and analyzed.

Methods

The methodological approach for this study consists of four major steps summarized as follow:

- i. The first step is data collection, in which the coordinates of location of the hotels and tourism centres were captured using Handed GPS
- ii. The second step is the identification of the services provided by these facilities
- iii. The third step is sentiment assessment that identifies positive and negative significance of the sites.
- iv. The last step determines a spatial distribution of hotels and tourism centres in the Ado-Ekiti

Study Area

The research setting is Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State, Nigeria. Ekiti state is located in the south western part of Nigeria between latitude 7.667° N and longitude 5.250° E (Logbaby, 2016) with the capital at Ado-Ekiti (Fig. 1). The state is bounded in the north by Kwara State and Kogi State while Osun State occupies the west and Ondo State lies in the south and extends to the eastern part. Ekiti State has 16 LGAs with an overall population of about 3,480,006 people (NIPC, 2019) that spread over an approximately 5887.890 km² (EKSG, 2016).

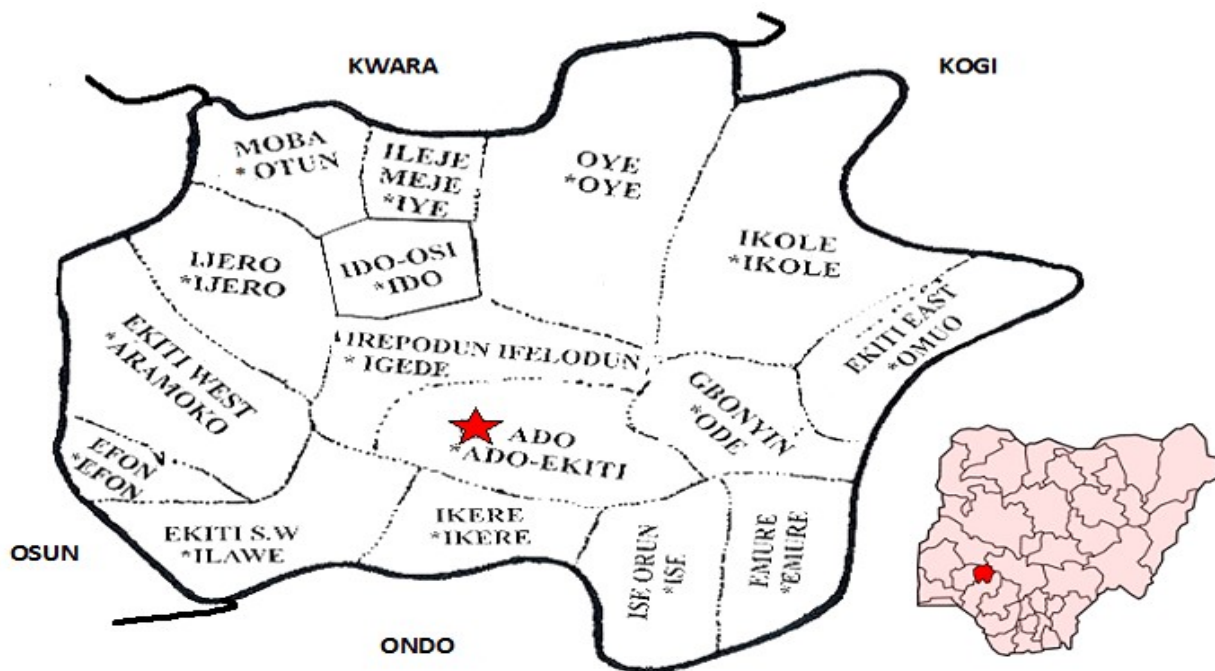


Figure 1: The Map of Ekiti State Showing the LGAs with their headquarters (source: www.ngex.com/nigeria)

Ado-Ekiti is the capital city of Ekiti, Nigeria. It is located 7.62 latitude and 5.22 longitude and it is situated at elevation 439 meters above sea level. Ado-Ekiti has a population of 424,340 making it the biggest city in Ekiti. It operates on the WAT time zone. Ado-Ekiti lies in the Yoruba Hills, at the intersection of roads from Akure, Ilawe Ekiti, Ilesha, Ila Orangun, and Ikare, and is situated 92 miles (148 km) east of Ibadan. An urban and industrial centre of the region, it was founded by the Ekiti people, a Yoruba subgroup whose members belonged to the Ekiti-Parapo, a late 19th-century confederation of Yoruba peoples that fought against Ibadan for control of the trade routes to the coast.

Ado-Ekiti became the site of a large textile mill in 1967, the people having a long-standing tradition of cotton weaving. The town also produces shoes and pottery and is a collecting point for commercial crops such as cocoa and timber. Crops such as yams, cassava, corn (maize), rice, and fruits are marketed locally. Ado-Ekiti is the site of several tertiary educational institutions such as Ekiti State University (1982), Federal Polytechnic, Ado-Ekiti, and Afe Babalola University among many others. The population of Ado-Ekiti as being projected for 2016 stands at 465,000 (Encyclopaedia Britannica, 2019)



Figure 2: Map of Ado-Ekiti (Source: Google Earth)

The region lies at about 250m above sea level and it is characterized by tropical type of climate with the dry season between November and March while the wet season is within March-October of each year (EKSG, 2016). The mean monthly temperature is between 21°C and 28°C with high humidity; however, the peak temperature may be higher in the northern area of the state compared to the cooler and wetter south where a more tropical rain forest is found (EKSG, 2016). It is a landlocked state with no coastal boundary, but it is blessed with water resources which include rivers like Ero, Osun, Ose and Ogbese (Logbaby, 2016) while cocoa is the main cash crop and yam, cassava and grains like rice and maize stands for the food crops (EKSG, 2016).

Data Source

The data required are therefore sourced from both primary and secondary sources. Primary Source include absolute location of the facilities and sites which were captured and recorded using a hand held GPS receiver. The coordinates were overlaid on a map of the Ado-Ekiti to show the exact location of the recreation (Hotel) facilities and tourism sites on the

map. Attribute data (room prices, facilities available, number of rooms etc.) of the hotels were gathered via internet, google search. This helped in gathering information with the respect to the services the hotels provide and the facilities available in the hotels. Also, secondary sources of data include a range of literature materials were extracted from journals, published materials, materials from internet, newspaper articles as well as unpublished theses/dissertations.

Data Collection and Mapping Methods

The data required and used in the study include:

- i. Absolute location of the of the tourism and recreation facilities (coordinates),
- ii. The price range of the rooms,
- iii. Data on the facilities available in the hotels, and
- iv. Services provided.

Data collection consists of first compiling a list of recreation and tourist attraction site names and related information for the study area, Ado-Ekiti and then pick the locations of the various recreation and tourism sites with handed GPS. From

the records assessed, eighty one (81) are present in Ado-Ekiti, but some of them are currently moribund. Only sixty-three (63) are currently operational. A total of sixty-three (63) hotels and five (5) tourism sites were located and captured using hand held GPS. Others could not be captured due to the inability of the researcher to trace their location in the study area.

Data Processing

The coordinates were then reproduced on excel spread sheet before being transferred to the GIS environment in ArcGIS 10.1. The hotels in the study area were identified and mapped. This was achieved by using the GPS to capture the coordinates of the hotels in the metropolis. Thereafter, the coordinates of each hotel were plotted to show the exact location of these hotels in the metropolis. This was performed using the overlay function of the ArcGIS 10.1 software. A nearest neighbour analysis was performed using the ArcGIS 10.1 software to determine the pattern of distribution of the hotels in the metropolis.

Also, a relational database of the hotels in the metropolis was created using a relation also known as a table. The relation (hotel) was associated with a set of attributes: coordinates, number of rooms, price range, conference hall, internet services, car hire, restaurant, gym, and swimming pool such that data in each relation is structured as a set of rows with each row consisting of a list of values, one for each attribute.

The database features were created using Microsoft excel spreadsheet before being exported to the GIS environment of the ArcGIS software. The database was queried to show the number of hotels that provide particular services that potential guests may require.

III. DISCUSSION

This section presents the data collected and the results obtained from the analysis. Tables and figures were used to show the location of the hotels, the pattern of distribution of the hotels, the number of the hotels in the area, the services that these hotels provided, as well as the different classes of hotels in the area. It also shows the number of hotels in the metropolis and those in particular areas of the metropolis that provide particular services.

Distribution of Hotels

A total of sixty-three (63) hotels and 5 tourism sites were surveyed. A critical examination of the map of the study area shows that hotels are found almost throughout the area. It was also evident that the spatial distribution of tourism and recreational facilities in the Ado-Ekiti is intertwined with the presence of some basic infrastructural amenities such as electricity, good road network system, it is noted that most of these hotels are sited along major roads for easy accessibility. Table 1 contained the geographic coordinates of the hotels in Ado-Ekiti. These coordinates were captured with the aid of handed GPS.

Table 1: Absolute Location of the Hotel in Ado-Ekiti

S/N	Name	Eastings	Northings
1	AB Emporium Hotel and Event Centre	745991.044	846163.924
2	ABBA GUEST HOUSE	743569.886	843570.166
3	ABUAD Guest house	753814.076	841077.901
4	After7 Hotel	743084.738	844788.028
5	Atlas Hotels	744429.627	838271.328
6	Atlas Motel And Resort	746904.757	841970.831
7	Anisulowo Hotel	745319.745	841869.835
8	Best Model Hotel	741979.952	842908.858
9	Christian Guest House & Restaurant	744725.918	843637.273
11	D' BLISS-TIT HOTEL	743629.163	844966.577
12	Dave Hotel	746957.960	847692.531
13	De Jewels Apartments and Suites	748575.930	841879.947
14	Delight Hotel and Suites	740466.897	842408.131
15	De-Link Motel	746687.783	847344.040
16	De-Xambdra Hotel	741829.026	844101.917
17	Dick Hotel	744960.888	840032.625
18	DIDUSCO Hotel	745717.043	846118.924
19	Don Clemens Hotel	747264.050	846058.924
20	EKSU Guest House	744024.918	843768.161

21	Fabian Hotels	741624.998	842959.851
22	Fem Guest House	745323.040	840483.901
23	Festmag Hotel	744647.453	839457.775
24	Fountain Hotel	743820.182	847143.607
25	Friendlys Hotel	745894.237	846374.643
26	Great Eagle Hall	744474.247	838524.574
27	Highflyers Hotels & Resorts	748788.056	845886.922
28	Hillmart Hotel	743160.181	845080.988
29	Hotel Bobby	742875.031	844344.917
30	John Rovers Hotel	743972.760	846443.962
31	K&D Guest House	749101.755	841747.779
32	Kay Calax Hotel	745213.006	841935.787
33	King Palace Guest house	746904.757	841970.831
34	Koltotel Plaza & Suites	743668.242	843325.009
35	Korodo Hotel	744770.491	839650.552
36	KSSD Hotels	742046.514	843227.827
37	Kure Guest House	743579.887	843024.002
38	LizVic Plaza.	746349.368	844842.357
39	Lotus Dumes Hotel	743488.458	842673.980
40	Lovely Guest House	744418.396	841220.630
41	Midas Hotel And Arena	747189.669	847550.101
42	NULGE Guest House	743544.128	846710.156
43	Olujoda International Hotel	745139.039	840755.902
44	Pathfinder Hotel And Holiday Inn	747451.167	848048.529
45	Petim-Hotel	747098.328	847019.992
46	Pledge Hotel and Support Service	748179.054	849801.939
47	Pope John Paul II Pastoral Care Centre, Ado-Ekiti	744370.035	838487.892
48	Prime Guest House	752485.070	839917.896
49	Prosperous Hotel	747185.612	848249.440
50	Queens Court hotel	744057.517	837733.195
51	Red Rose Hotel	745500.040	839379.896
52	Royal Castle Guest House	743345.753	846077.614
53	Royal Castle Hotel	744129.030	844408.917
54	Royal Palm Hotel	744747.532	843102.040
55	Sadiat Executive Hotel	744210.036	842483.909
56	Soteria Hotels	743481.476	843297.325
57	South Western Hotel	747612.050	842554.909
58	Spotless Hotel	743415.750	843626.697
59	Yemraf Hotel	746479.744	845794.303
60	Oyebam Hotel	751631.534	841339.329
61	Bound Hotel	747370.795	848632.472
62	Olart Hotel and Suites	746656.931	842125.078
63	Kommand Hotel	740497.020	842308.909

Source: Researcher's Field work (June, 2019)

Figure 3 below shows the spatial distribution of the available hotels in the study area. A close look at the map of Ado-Ekiti shows that hotels are present almost all over the study area. It

can also be seen that most of these hotels are situated along major roads for easy access, and this by implication will allow easy patronage.

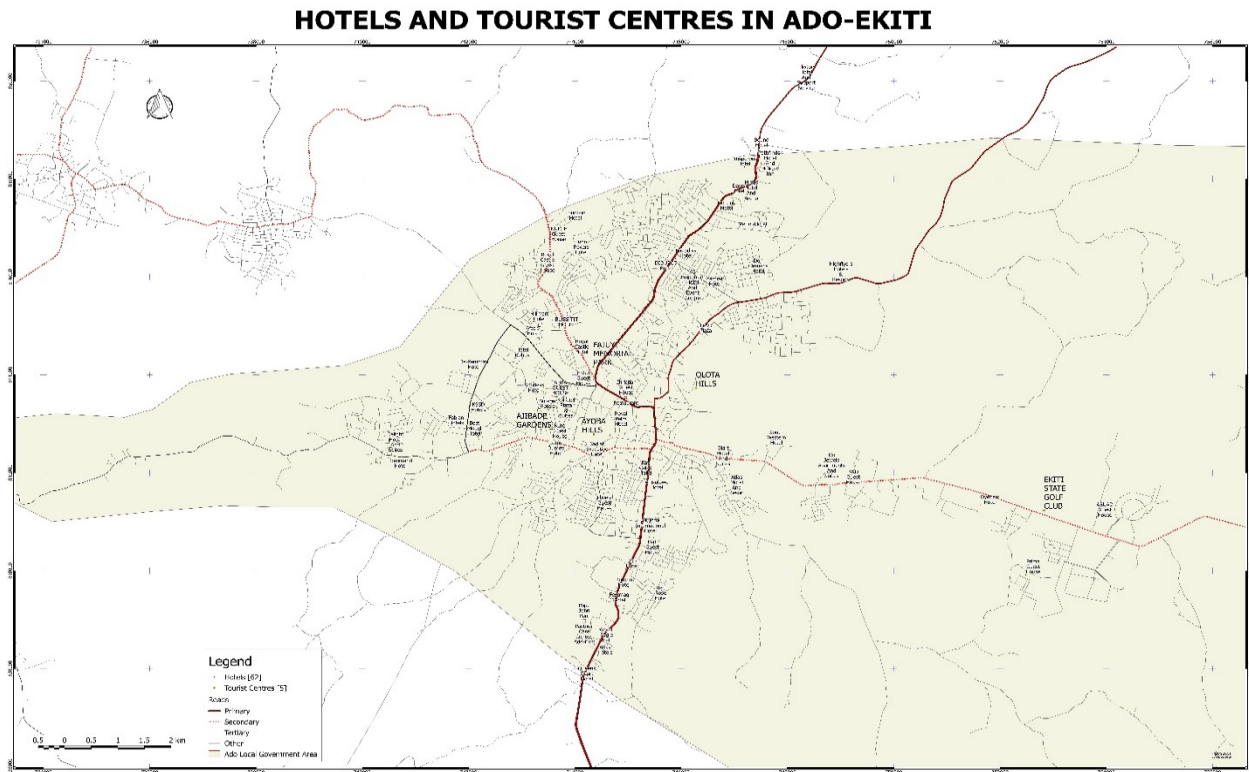


Figure 3: Spatial Distribution of Hotels in Ado-Ekiti. Source: Researcher’s Field Survey, June 2019)

Accessibility of the Hotels in Ado-Ekiti Metropolis

It was observed that most of the hotels are located on or close to secondary and tertiary roads. The result (Table 2 and Figure 4) shows that out of the sixty-three (63) hotels surveyed, thirty-four (34) which represents 54% are located within 100

metre distance to the secondary and tertiary roads. This shows to a large extent the significance of accessibility to hospitality industry, hence, accessibility is a factor to be considered in sitting hospitality outfits. Mostly lodgers prefer to use hotels where they will have easy access to different parts of the city and other services.

Table 2: Hotels within 100m to the Secondary and Tertiary Roads in Ado-Ekiti Metropolis

S/N	Name	Eastings	Northings	Star
1	Anisulowo Hotel	745319.745	841869.835	2
2	Lovely Guest House	744418.396	841220.63	
3	Yemraf Hotel	746479.744	845794.303	2
4	Bound Hotel	747370.795	848632.472	
5	Delight Hotel and Suites	740466.897	842408.131	
6	K&D Guest House	749101.755	841747.779	1
7	LizVic Plaza.	746349.368	844842.357	2
8	EKSU Guest House	744024.918	843768.161	1.5
9	De-Link Motel	746687.783	847344.04	
10	Pathfinder Hotel And Holiday Inn	747451.167	848048.529	
11	Kommand Royal Hotel	740497.02	842308.909	2
12	Dave Hotel	746957.96	847692.531	
13	Pledge Hotel and Support Service	748179.054	849801.939	1

14	Friendlys Hotel	745894.237	846374.643	
15	NULGE Guest House	743544.128	846710.156	2
16	AB Emporium Hotel and Event Centre	745991.044	846163.924	
17	DIDUSCO Hotel	745717.043	846118.924	2.5
18	Highflyers Hotels & Resorts	748788.056	845886.922	
19	Royal Castle Guest House	743345.753	846077.614	
20	Pope John Paul II Pastoral Care Centre	744370.035	838487.892	
21	After7 Hotel	743084.738	844788.028	2
22	Olujoda International Hotel	745139.039	840755.902	2
23	Sadiat Executive Hotel	744210.036	842483.909	
24	KSSD Hotels	742046.514	843227.827	
25	Best Model Hotel	741979.952	842908.858	2
26	Queens Court hotel	744057.517	837733.195	2
27	Great Eagle Hall	744474.247	838524.574	
28	Korodo Hotel	744770.491	839650.552	
29	Dick Hotel	744960.888	840032.625	
30	Christian Guest House & Restaurant	744725.918	843637.273	2
31	Royal Castle Hotel	744129.03	844408.917	
32	Lotus Dumes Hotel	743488.458	842673.98	2.5
34	Atlas Hotels	744429.627	838271.328	2

Source: Researcher’s Field Survey (2019)

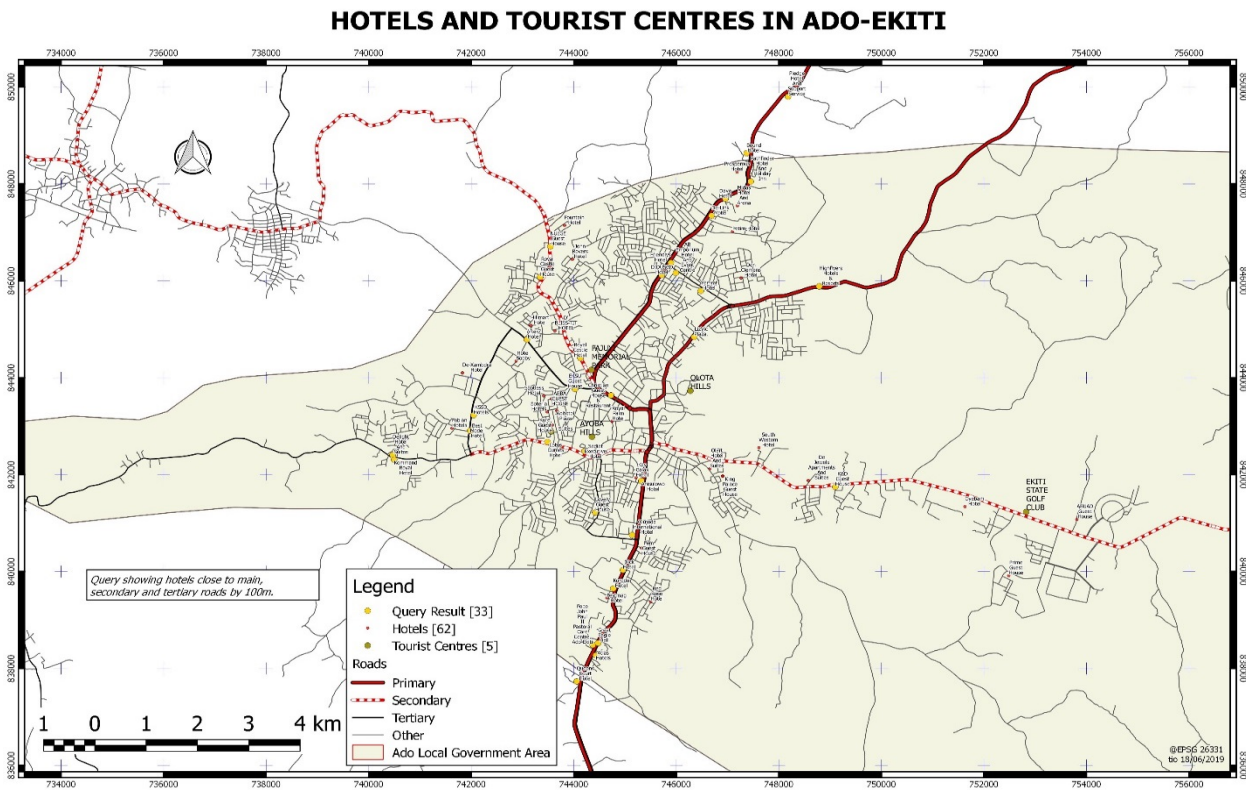


Figure 4: Query Showing Hotels close to main Secondary and Tertiary Roads by 100m

Location and Significance of Tourism Sites in Ado-Ekiti

In this study, five (5) tourism sites were surveyed. It was revealed that these tourists’ attraction sites are put into different uses. Table 3 indicates that Ekiti State Golf Club is primarily for golf sporting activities, Fajuyi Memorial Park and Ajibade Garden are meant for public activities, and Olota Hill serve more of religious purpose for the Christian faithful, whereas, Ayoba Hill is mainly for traditional activities. It was

also observed that the tourism centres are situated in the nucleus of the city, this is owned to the fact that the development tourism is largely dependent on human agglomeration. As noted by Opperman et al (1996), the factor of accessibility underpins the historical tendency for hotels to cluster at central locations which would have large demands for accommodation either in central business or central tourist areas

Table 3: Location of Tourism Sites

Name	Eastings	Northings	No	Type	Religious Activities
Ekiti State Golf Club	752825.702	841233.196	1	Sport	
Fajuyi Memorial Park	744348.311	844164.319	2	Park	
Olota hills	746275.389	843731.77	3	Hill	Christianity
Ayoba Hills	744354.277	842783.146	4	Hill	Traditional
Ajibade Gardens	743556.913	842891.269	5	Park	

Source: Researcher’s Field Survey (2019)

Table 2: Hotel Cost and Services Available

Name	Eastings	Northings	Pool	Sport	Buffet	Jacuzzi	Internet	Diet	Laundry	Services/Facilities Present
Anisulowo Hotel	745319.745	841869.835	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Security, Adequate Parking, Restaurant, Bar/Lounge, Breakfast, Dry Cleaning, Ironing, Room service 24h, concierge
Lovely Guest House	744418.396	841220.63	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Restaurant, Bar/Lounge, Adequate Parking Space, Room service 24h, Air Conditioning, Television, Room service 24h, Refrigerator,
Olart Hotel and Suites	746656.931	842125.078	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Amenities, Restaurant, Bar onsite,
K&D Guest House	749101.755	841747.779	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Parking, General, Air Conditioning, 24hr Electricity, Security, Security Guard, Guarded Complex, Food & Drink, Bar/Lounge, Restaurant, Services, Room Service 24h, ?Concierge,
EKSU Guest House	744024.918	843768.161	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Parking, Parking, General, 24hr Electricity, Security, Security Guard, Guarded Complex, Food & Drink, Bar / Lounge, Restaurant, Services, Laundry, Room Service, Concierge, Storage room,
De-Link Motel	746687.783	847344.04	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Adequate Parking, Security, Air Conditioning, Bar/Lounge, King sized bed, Bathtub, Fenced compound, Television,
Pathfinder Hotel And Holiday Inn	747451.167	848048.529	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Restaurant, Bar/Lounge, Air Conditioning, Television, Adequate Parking, Security, Laundry, Refrigerator, Cable TV, Wireless Internet, Swimming Pool, Event Hall, Airport pickup, Car Hire,
Dave Hotel	746957.96	847692.531	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Restaurant, Bar/Lounge, Security, Security Guard, 24hr Electricity, Room Service, Air Conditioning, Television, Cable TV, Adequate Parking,

										Refrigerator, King sized bed, Wardrobe, Bathtub, Fenced compound,
Friendlys Hotel	745894.237	846374.643	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Restaurant, Bar/Lounge, Air Conditioning, Refrigerator, Security, Security Guard, Adequate Parking Space,
NULGE Guest House	743544.128	846710.156	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Security, Adequate Parking, Restaurant, Bar/Lounge, Breakfast, Air Conditioning, 24hr Electricity, Dry Cleaning, Room service 24hr, Ironing, Concierge, , Car Hire, Business Centre
Royal Castle Guest House	743345.753	846077.614								
After7 Hotel	743084.738	844788.028	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Parking, General, Air Conditioning, 24hr Electricity, Security, Security Guard, Guarded Complex, Food & Drink, Bar/Lounge, Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Restaurant, Services, Laundry/Dry Cleaning, Room Service 24hr, Ironing, Event facilities, Concierge
Soteria Hotels	743481.476	843297.325	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Security, Adequate Parking, Air Conditioning, Bar/Lounge, Restaurant, Dry Cleaning, Room service 24hr, Ironing, concierge,
Kure Guest House	743579.887	843024.002	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Security, Adequate Parking, 24hr Electricity, Bar/Lounge, Airport transportation, Dry Cleaning, Room service 24hr, Ironing, Concierge
Best Model Hotel	741979.952	842908.858	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Parking, Parking, General, 24hr Electricity, Security, Security Guard, Food & Drink, Bar / Lounge, Restaurant, Services, Laundry / Dry Cleaning, Room Service 24hr
Fabian Hotels	741624.998	842959.851	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	24 hours Electricity, Bar/Lounge, Restaurant, Business Center, Dry Cleaning, Gym, Parking Garage, Concierge, Air Conditioning, Wardrobe, Security, Study Desk, Swimming Pool,
Dick Hotel	744960.888	840032.625								
Kay Calax Hotel	745213.006	841935.787	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Security, Adequate Parking, Restaurant, Bar/Lounge, Breakfast, 24 Electricity, Air Conditioning, Wi-fi Internet Access, Dry Cleaning, Room service 24h, Ironing,
Royal Palm Hotel	744747.532	843102.04	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Security, Adequate Parking, Bar/Lounge, Dry Cleaning, Room service 24h, concierge, Ironing, Cable TV,
Christian Guest House & Restaurant	744725.918	843637.273	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Parking, Parking, General, Air Conditioning, Security, Security Guard, Guarded Complex, Food & Drink, Breakfast, Restaurant, Services, Laundry / Dry Cleaning, Car Hire, Room Service 24hr, Ironing, Concierge, Hotel Policies
Atlas Hotels	744429.627	838271.328	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Parking, General, Air Conditioning, 24h Electricity,

										Security, Security Guard, Guarded Complex, Food & Drink, Bar / Lounge, Breakfast, Restaurant, Services, Laundry / Dry Cleaning, Business Center, Car Hire, Room Service, Room Service 24h, Event facilities	
Atlas Motel And Resort	746904.757	841970.831	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Security, Adequate Parking, Restaurant, Bar/Lounge, Breakfast, Air Conditioning, 24 Electricity, Dry Cleaning, Room service 24hr, Car Hire, concierge, Event Hall, Business Centre
Midas Hotel And Arena	747189.669	847550.101	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	King sized bed, Wi-fi Internet Access, Air Conditioning, Study Desk, Telephone, Wardrobe, Kitchen, Television, Cable TV, Refrigerator, Shower, Room Service, Swimming Pool, 24hrs Electricity, Laundry, Bar/Lounge, Event Hall, Restaurant, Gym, Adequate Parking.
Delight Hotel and Suites	740466.897	842408.131	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	King sized bed, Wi-fi Internet Access, Air Conditioning, Study Desk, Telephone, Safe, Wardrobe, Television, Cable TV, Refrigerator, Shower, Wine/water, Coffee Tea Maker, Smoking, Room Service, Mini Bar In Room, Swimming Pool, Bar, 24 hr Electricity, Parking
John Rovers Hotel	743972.76	846443.962	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Security, Adequate Parking, Restaurant, Bar/Lounge, Air Conditioning, 24 Electricity, Dry Cleaning, Room service 24hr, Car Hire,
LizVic Plaza.	746349.368	844842.357	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Security, Adequate Parking, Restaurant, Bar/Lounge, Breakfast, Air Conditioning, 24hr Electricity, Dry Cleaning, Ironing
Festmag Hotel	744647.453	839457.775	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Bar, 24 hr Electricity, Parking Garage, Laundry, Security Guard, Event Hall, Restaurant, Toiletries, Car rental, POS,
ABBA GUEST HOUSE	743569.886	843570.166	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Pets, Pets are not allowed, Activities, Walking tours, Additional charge, Hiking Off-site, Golf course (within 3 km) Additional charge, Wi Fi Internet.
Prime Guest House	752485.07	839917.896	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Security, Adequate Parking, Restaurant, Bar/Lounge, Air Conditioning, 24hr Electricity, Dry Cleaning, Room service 24hr, Ironing, concierge,
Kommand Royal Hotel	740497.02	842308.909	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	
Don Clemens Hotel	747264.05	846058.924	No	No	No	o	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Wi-fi Internet Access, Air Conditioning, Telephone, Wardrobe, Cable TV, Shower, Bar/Lounge, 24 Electricity, Laundry, Event Hall, Restaurant, Car rental, Adequate Parking, Security, Television, Sofa,
Pledge Hotel	748179.054	849801.939	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Parking, General, 24hr

and Support Service										Electricity, Security, Security Guard, Guarded Complex, Food & Drink, Bar / Lounge, Restaurant, Services, Laundry / Dry Cleaning, Room Service, Ironing, Concierge, Storage room,
DIDUSCO Hotel	745717.043	846118.924	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Parking, Parking, General, 24h Electricity, Security, Security Guard, Guarded Complex, Services, Laundry / Dry Cleaning, Room Service, Ironing, Concierge,
Pope John Paul II Pastoral Care Centre, Ado-Ekiti	744370.035	838487.892	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Restaurant, Security, Toiletries, Non Smoking Rooms, Bar, Adequate Parking Space, Laundry, Security Guard, Bar/Lounge, CCTV camera, Car rental, 24 hours Electricity, Cyber Cafe,
Red Rose Hotel	745500.04	839379.896								
Fem Guest House	745323.04	840483.901	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Security, Adequate Parking, Restaurant, Bar/Lounge, Breakfast, Air Conditioning, 24 Electricity, Room service 24h, Concierge.
Olujoda Int'l Hotel	745139.039	840755.902	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Security, Adequate Parking, Restaurant, Bar/Lounge, Air Conditioning, 24hr Electricity, Airport transportation, Dry Cleaning, Room service 24hr, Business Centre, Ironing, concierge, Car Hire, Event Hall,
Sadiat Executive Hotel	744210.036	842483.909	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Security, Adequate Parking, Restaurant, Bar/Lounge, Breakfast, Dry Cleaning, Room service 24hr, concierge, Ironing, 24hr Electricity,
Hotel Bobby	742875.031	844344.917	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Security, Adequate Parking, Restaurant, Bar/Lounge, Air Conditioning, 24 Electricity, Room Service, Airport transportation, Business Centre, Concierge, Car Hire
De-Xambdra Hotel	741829.026	844101.917	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking, Parking, Outdoors, Swimming Pool, General, Air Conditioning, 24hr Electricity, Security, Security Guard, Guarded Complex, Internet, WiFi Internet, Food & Drink, Bar/Lounge, Breakfast, Restaurant, Services, Airport Shuttle, Safety Deposit Boxes,

Source: Field Survey (2019)

Services and Facilities Provided by the Hotels

It can therefore be concluded that the hotels in the study area may not have the quality of facilities that international guests may need, but the services were provided on an informal basis and the facilities were basically simple. The result shown in the table 3 above indicates that most of the hotels surveyed are in the category of 2 star. A 2 Star hotel will typically be small

to medium sized and offer more extensive facilities than at the one star level. Some business hotels come into the two star classification and guests can expect comfortable, well equipped, overnight accommodation, usually with en suite bath/shower room. Reception and other staff will aim for a more professional presentation than at the one star level, and offer a wider range of straight forward services, including food and drink

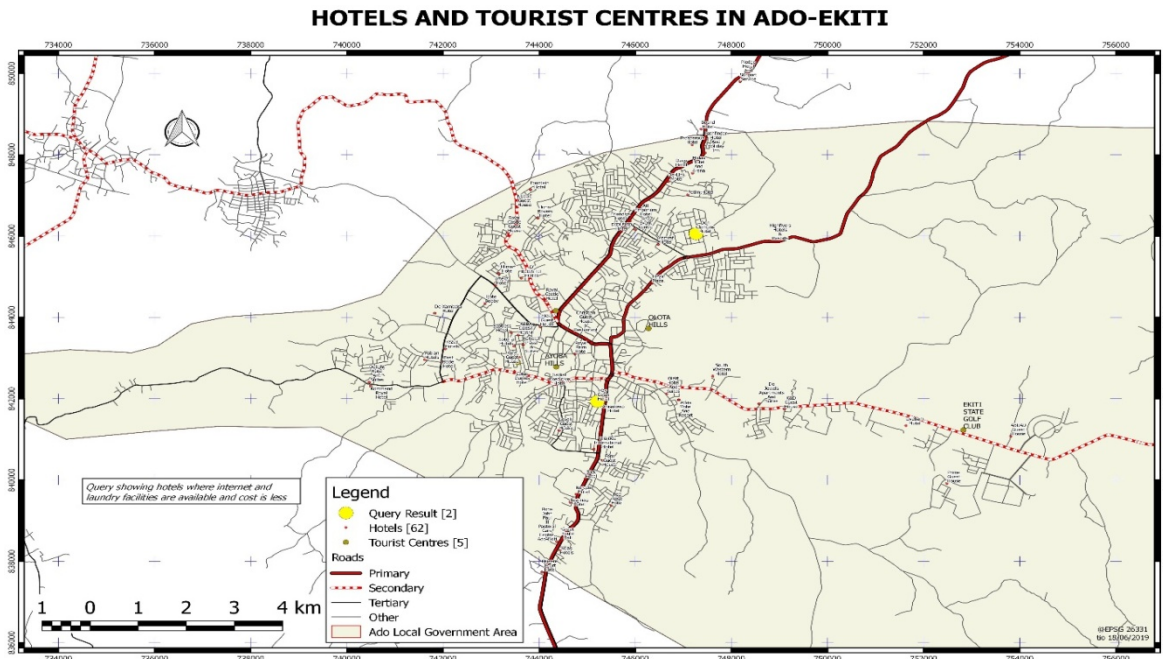


Fig: Map showing hotels where internet and laundry facilities are available in the hotels

It was observed that these hotels provide array of basic services (Table 3) such as uninterrupted power supply, Restaurant, Bar/Lounge, Air Conditioning, Television, Conference Hall, Adequate Parking, Security, Laundry, Refrigerator, Multiple Channels cable TV, Swimming Pool, Event Hall, Airport pickup, Car Hire, Wi-Fi internet services for their guests. These services are provided due to the fact that most of the guests need be comfortable as much as possible and may want to feel at home.

Hotel Cost and Services Available

The cost of the hotel is proportional to their location, the quality of the environment and the services provided in the facilities, it was observed that the cost of lodging in the hotels in the study area ranges from #2500 to #90000. This difference can be traced to the fact that the hotel users do not have the same purchasing capacity; some can afford hotels with relatively high prices while others are just looking for a place to lodge. Therefore, there is a need to make available accommodation that guests of different social classes can afford.

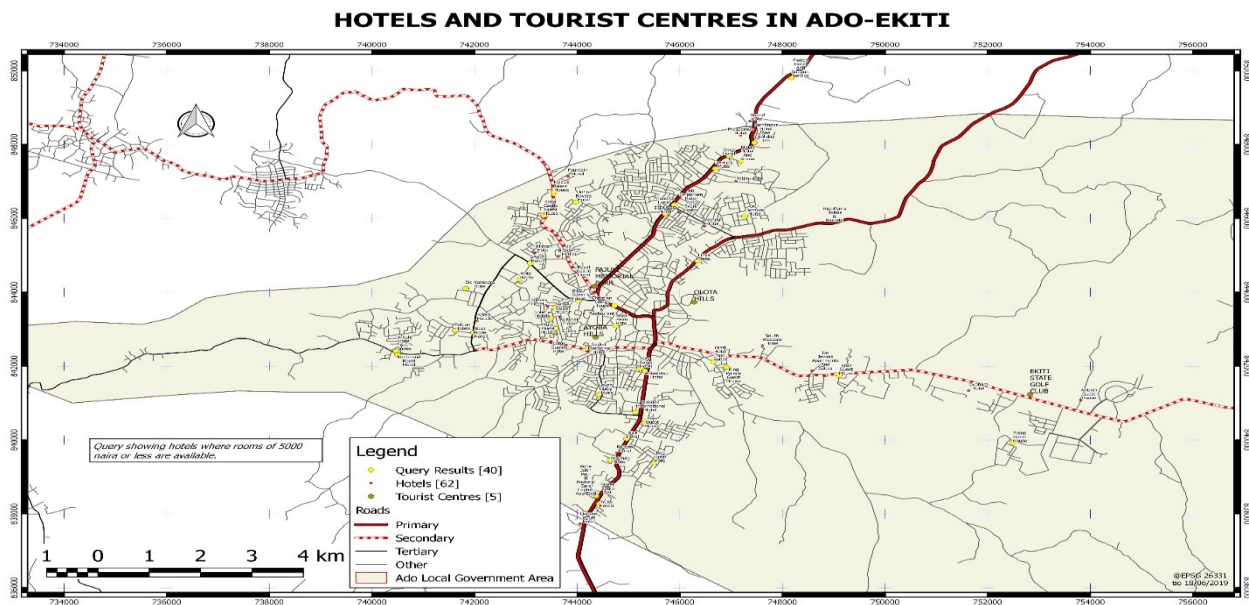


Figure: Query of the Hotels where rooms of five thousand naira (#5000) or less are available

IV. CONCLUSION

The spatial distribution of tourism and recreational facilities in the Ado-Ekiti is intertwined with the presence of some basic infrastructural amenities such as good road network system. The development and accomplishment of hospitality industry is a function of presence of social amenities in right quantity and vice-versa, in other words, hospitality facilities or other amenities should not be developed with consideration to the others. This study observes that accessibility is necessary factor to the location of hotels. Therefore for the sake of development and distribution of social facilities particularly recreation facilities, the road network in Ado-Ekiti should go through total refurbishment. The township access roads should be constantly upgraded.

Also, noted that the surveyed hotels have some basic necessary amenities for the comfort of their guests. The implication of this is that the hotels in the study area can still cater for the need of the local users, however, there are still more to be done in this area in order to accommodate more international guests hence, creating an efficient database for hotel management system will help in the location of the right choice of hotel, and thereby lead to increased serviceability and delivery. Integrated Oracle Hospitality hotel solutions will increase operating efficiency and enable better guests' experiences for independent hotels and hotel chains.

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