

Tanah Lot in Tabanan Attracts the Most Visitors – The Jakarta Post, 23rd Feb 2011

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TABANAN: The Tanah Lot temple and its surrounding area in Tabanan regency have become the most popular tourist site, drawing more than 2 million domestic and foreign visitors last year.

Tabanan Tourism Agency head I Wayan Diasa said 1,320,140 domestic visitors and 821,747 foreign tourists visited Tanah Lot in 2010. The number of foreign arrivals to Bali in 2010 reached 2.49 million, with another 3.5 million domestic tourists spending their holidays on the island.

Diasa said the influx of visitors to the site had increased in the last few years and the regency planned to improve infrastructure.

“We renovated public facilities such as parking areas, public toilets and sidewalks at the Tanah Lot resort area,” he said.

The Tanah Lot temple is one of the seven most sacred Hindu temples in Bali. The provincial government recently issued regulation on zoning areas adjacent to sacred sites.

The top ten tourist destinations in Bali include the Kintamani resort in Bangli regency, Taman Ayun in Badung, Tirta Empul in Gianyar, Uluwatu temple in Badung, and Beratan Lake. Bali has 259 tourist sites