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EDITOR'S INTRODUCTION

Many distinct exemplary works appeared in the Journal of Perspectives on Development Policy in the Greater Mekong Region were contributed from the great efforts of researchers and educators from various countries in the region, particularly from the Union Republic of Myanmar, whose exceptional works are in the areas of natural resources and bio-diversity as presented by Dr. Naing Win and Dr. Si Si Hla Bu, Department of Zoology, Yadanabon University, Mandalay, in their “Population Status of Irrawaddy Dolphin, *Orcaella brevirostris* (Owen in Grey, 1886) along the Ayeyawady Rivers, indicated dolphin population become increased within the route of Protected Area. Dr. Nwe Nwe San of Department of Zoology, Yadanabon University, in “Incidence of Insect Pests in Some Stored Crops in Singu Township, Mandalay Region”, proposed the experiment on food preference of some insect pests and determined the percentage weight loss of grain and percentage of insect damaged grain which found quite interesting findings which can be applicable for well-managed on proper grains storage. Dr. Hlaing Myo Myo Htay of Department of Geography, Yadanabon University, has undertaken an immense survey on “Underground Water Table Position of Kyaukse Township: The Case Study of Kyaukse Plain” found at the end of rainy season, there is tendency to deteriorate the soil fertility due to the fluctuation of water table for the whole year. Dr. Nwe Nwe Aung of Department of Industrial Chemistry, Yadanabon University in “Evaluation of Myanmar Thanakha (*Hesperethusa Crenulata* (Roxb.) M. Roem) and Processing of it” has found that phytochemical analysis of all solvent extracts revealed presence of alkaloids, glycosides, steroids, phenolic group, flavonoids and tannin and absence of reducing sugars. Dr. Prayong Keeratiurai of Faculty of Engineering, Vongchavalitkul University, Thailand, has experimented on “The Waste Recovery Systems Applied to Vertically Integrated Farming” proposed the model of waste recovery and the application of engineering system on building chicken coops on Tilapia and Catfish ponds. Chit La Myo Hein of University of Computer Studies, Mandalay, in “Manifest Files Classification of Android Malware”, proposed the new framework for protection level of malware detection. Dr. Tin Naing Win, Department of History, Yadanabon University, in “Historical Mapping Method: New Research Method for Research Methodology, has introduced a new research method ‘Historical Mapping Method’. Dr. Kitipong Tepjitara of Krabi Technical College, in “The Green Architecture Model Based on Modern Thai Wisdom: The Connection Knowledge Networks of Sustainability for Cultural Heritage,

Ecological, and Environmental Equilibrium”, has developed the architectural housing design to be suitable for cool environment. In the same manner, Kritkanok Sudasna of Faculty of Architecture and Design of Rajmangala University of Technology Rattanakosin, in his “Design of Energy Efficient Townhouse in Songkhla, Thailand. Dr. Simmee Oupra and Panida Wongrach, Chiang Rai Rajabhat University, in “A Study of Vocabulary Used in Three Hmong Generations at Bankhunhuaimaepao Village, Phayamengrai District, Chiangrai Province, found not only the vocabulary is lost but the language itself (Hmong dialect) will be at risk. “Groceries on Wheel” as authored by Dr. Chatchai Pananon of Ratchaphruek College, Thailand, presented that mobile grocery pickup trucks exist in different societies in Thailand and provided important services to 1,520,000 people everyday which including older citizens who have difficulty getting their daily grocery needs.

A number of researchers in this *Journal of Perspectives on Development Policy in the Greater Mekong Region* have analyzed their findings that are useful for the policy implications as well as for formulation of the programs and projects which can be duplicated as the exemplary works in their respective countries and the region.

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