



Student's Progress Report for Semester Session 2022/2023-2

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Title of Thesis : Tqm (Total Quality Management) Practices In Eco-Tourism National Park: Sama Jaya Forest Park, Kuching

SECTION A : COMPLETED BY THE STUDENT

Research Progress

1) Project Outline

TOPIC : A STUDY OF DISASTER COGNITION AND PLANNING INTENTIONS OF FORESTRY DEPARTMENT SARAWAK TOWARDS SARAWAK NATIONAL PARKS Abstract - Powerful strategic decision makers play an important role in the organisational dynamics of the Sarawak Forestry Department, as the sector encompasses a number of national parks in Sarawak. Given the escalation of disaster risk faced by national parks in Sarawak in recent years, the lack of research on disaster management by strategic decision makers is somewhat troubling. Therefore, this study aims to fill the gap in this research area. In the current study, the theory of planned behaviour was applied to understand the factors that influence the disaster perception and planning intentions of strategic decision makers. Chapter I, the key point of this study will be to examine the factors that influence the disaster cognition and planning intention of strategic decision-makers of the national parks in Sarawak. In addition, to assess mediation impact of relationship between disasters cognition and the intentions to undertake disaster planning in national parks in Sarawak. Chapter II consists of a review of the literature, exploring the research documenting of Sarawak National Parks. Existing surveys on measurement of service will be discussed. The existing literature will be explored, and a path for future development revealed. Chapter III discusses the research design and questions, the context of the study, the description of the participants, the measures taken for ethical protection of the participants, the role of this researcher, the methods of data collection and analysis, and the validity of the study. Chapter IV presents the findings of the study. Lastly, Chapter V provides an interpretation of the findings along with academic and managerial implications, the recommendations for action, and recommendations for future research.

2) Collection of Data

The data collection method adopted for the current study is self-completed questionnaire. (Pilot test had been done, 15 people of staff in Sarawak Forestry Department, Kuching)

3) Analysis of Data

Only demographics of respondents (pilot test) had been analyzed.

4) Chapter(s) Completed and Progress

Chapter 1 : Introduction (The aim of this chapter is to introduce the area of research, to explain the rationale for the research, to provide the research background, to identify the gaps that led to the development of this particular study, and to articulate the research problem. It then presents the aims and objectives of this research, followed by the research questions, conceptual framework, and hypotheses. In addition, the chapter introduces the methodology and research design adopted, and provides an overview of the rest of the study) Chapter 2 : Literature Review (The main objectives of this chapter are to identify and explore the factors that influence disaster cognition of Sarawak Forestry Department staff and to identify and explore the factors that influence the intention to undertake disaster planning among the staff. In order to achieve the above objectives this chapter intends to provide a thorough review of the literature related to the area of the study. Chapter 3 : Research Methodology (The main objective of this chapter is to provide a detailed explanation of the methodological process followed in the current study to identify and explore the factors that influence the disaster perception of Sarawak Forestry Department in the tourism industry; to identify and explore the factors that influence the intention to undertake disaster planning of Sarawak Forestry Department; explore the role of disaster perception as a potential predictor of Sarawak Forestry Department's behavioural intentions in terms of expanding the theory of planned behaviour and develop a comprehensive model of Sarawak Forestry Department's disaster planning intentions by identifying key factors and their strength in influencing Sarawak Forestry Department's disaster planning intentions.)

5) Proposed of Dates

i. Proposed of Dates Submissi : 02-Jun-2025

ii. Proposed of Dates Defense : 05-Nov-2023

6) Problem(s) Faced

1) Since I am a mother to my autism son aged of 4 years old, I am still coping with the current life style. It's been a year after my son had been diagnosed as an autism kid and at the moment still ongoing with his therapy. And some of the therapy session might involving parents too. 2) At the same time, I have been informed that I need to change my SV since my current SV is moving out to another university. So, this is the third time that I been told to change my SV and I need to do a massive change in my proposal. I hope I can cope with all the changes and will not affected my performance as I am on of the Yayasan Sarawak scholarship student. I supposed to finish by Oct 2024 and will be start working back in Politeknik.

SECTION B : COMPLETED BY THE PROJECT SUPERVISOR

Comments on the progress of research by the student

1) Comments On Student's Progress

I just get to know Jacq in the middle of the current semester after switching supervisor. She has been progressively well and we communicated whenever needed. She has completed her proposal write up but definitely a lot of work need to be done. I believe with her determination and resilience, she will make it through the next step.

2) Stages of Thesis

Currently she is preparing for her proposal defense. She will need to submit her progress from time to time.

3) Expected Date of Compl 30-Apr-2024

4) Rating of Stud

a) Diligance	:	5	b) Attendance	:	6
c) Interest	:	5	d) English Proficiency (Wr	:	3
e) Work quality and efficie	:	3	f) English Proficiency (Ora	:	4
g) Ability to work indepen	:	3			
Overall Performa			:	4	

5) Recommendation To Proceed

SECTION C : COMPLETED BY THE FACULTY OR INSTITUTE GRADUATE COMMITTEE

Comments from the Faculty or Institute Graduate Committee

Comments : Approve To Proceed

Jac, you may consider to defer your study first while arranging schedule for your beloved son. Tho defer, you can still continue working on your proposal. Take care.

SECTION D : APPROVAL BY DEAN OF CENTRE FOR GRADUATE STUDIES

Approval : Approved