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#### **Abstract**

The Study of The education of Baba Local Wisdom case study "Kojan Boat" Phuket Province employed qualitative methods. This research aimed to 1) To study the history of the Kojan Boat Phuket Province 2) To study lifestyle adaptation of the kojan Boat Operators in the COVID 2019crisis. The areas of this research were Khlong Bang Yai Branch, Mueang District, Phuket Province. The methodology of this research included two stages. The key methods for data collection were the study of documents, observation, interviews, and two focus groups with stakeholders; Administrative Organization. Data analysis was presented descriptively.

The research findings showed 1) Chinese laborers have adapted the wisdom of the Kojan boat in their lifestyle in Phuket of King Rama 3. 2) The COVID 2019 crisis has reduced the number of tourists but the Baba group apply the sufficiency economy philosophy to their lives. As a result, life is conventionally happy and able to generate a major income from fishing for sale. The main thing can maintain can inherit the local wisdom in the conservation of the Kojan boat.

Keywords: Local wisdom, Baba, Kojan boat

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## 1. Introduction

The Chinese immigrated to southern Thailand. Since the reign of King Rama 3 because in the past, China had three major problems: 1) The cultural revolution 2) The corruption 3) The famine the resulting in poverty in life. The Chinese have brought the wisdom of the profession of using a Kojan boat to catch marine animals combined with lifestyle. Importantly, there is now the COVID 2019 crisis<sup>2</sup> but the Baba group, who are Kojan boat operators, were less affected. Because of the sufficiency economy philosophy as a way of life. At present, there are a few Kojan ships which, if the wisdom is not preserved, will be lost. In which the researcher saw the benefits in the conservation of the Khojan boat To spread to the tourism market It can also create value for economic development and promote cultural tourism.<sup>3</sup>

The important issues in the study and application of research on The education of Baba Local Wisdom case study "Kojan Boat" Phuket Province is the study of the main characteristics of the boat for conservation, which there is no technical data collected by scholars to be useful. Therefore, the researcher is interested to study the Baba Local Wisdom Case study "Kojan Boat" Phuket Province

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Therdchai Choibamroong. Tourism Authority of Thailand. http://www.tatreviewmagazine.com/web/menu-read-web-etatjournal/menu-2014/menu-2014-oct-dec/615-42557-reform, 2019.

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# 2. Objectives of the Research

- 1. To study the history of the Kojan Boat Phuket Province
- 2. To study lifestyle adaptation of the kojan Boat Operators in the COVID 2019 crisis

## 3. Scope of study

The location for research / data collection Khlong Bang Yai Branch, Mueang District, Phuket Province

## **4.Research Instruments**

Field study by interviewing consisted of

- 1) The Unstructured Interviews : which is an open-ended interview with unlimited answers
- 2) The Structured Interviews : It consists of 3 parts with details as follows

Part 1 Personal information about gender, status, educational background, primary occupation, monthly income, etc

Part 2 The main question about the history of the Kojan boat.

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- 3. In depth interviews: Unstructured Interviews For interviewing groups of Key Informants, Casual Informants, The history of Kojan boat in Phuket and the COVID 2019 crisis affecting the lifestyle of Kojan boat operators.
  - 4. Observation consists of
- 4.1) Participant Observation include Using the Kojan boat service to study the Kojan boat community lifestyle, etc
- 4.2) Non participant Observation include The researcher observes the general condition within the research area. In which the researcher went to study the way of life Various local wisdom according to research objectives
- 5. Focused Group Researchers use group discussions to collect data. By using educators and practitioners to share their opinions Problem analysis and suggestion. In the study of the Kojan boat model for conservation By conducting conversation planning, date, time, place, preparing questions, appointments, inviting members by selecting a homogenous group conversation partner

#### 5.Data analysis

The Data collection

This research using qualitative research methods by collecting information from educational documents such as

- 1) The historical development culture Phuket identity and wisdom by studying the way of life and local wisdom
- 2) The Other cultural documents related to the way of life of Phuket people

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#### 6. Results

The results of the research will benefit the academic circle of culture and economic development at both the macro and micro levels of Phuket as follows:

- 1. The results of the research resulted in the history of Kojan boat Which schools can use as a guideline for the conservation of local lifestyles
- 2. The results of the research reveal lifestyle adjustments of Kojan boat operators in the COVID 2019 crisis by various departments Can be applied in life
- 3. The research results can be applied to the creation of souvenir products to build the local economy. In collaboration with the Phuket women empowerment fund which can be applied to other local economic sectors

#### 7. Conclusion and Discussion

The Summarize the results and benefits of the research

The research results on The education of Baba Local Wisdom case study "Kojan Boat" Phuket Province The findings were obtained according to the research objectives

1. The results of a history study of Kojan Boat Phuket Province found that The Chinese workers have integrated their wisdom with the local environment by invention Kojan boat or duck stern boat. It's made from whole wood and use sap to fix the joints between wooden floors. Apply rubber oil once a month. The hull is small and the main characteristics are the prow has an eye image (It is an eye for finding fish or other sea creatures) and has a hole in the bow of the boat to drain the







water entering the hull. It's can hold the weight of a maximum of 8 passengers. As a result, the Kojan boat is unique in Phuket. The Baba group people applied the Kojan ship to have characteristics suitable for use is bringing a fishing net like a net to the stern It's called the Kojan fishing method. Available only at Koh Chan pier Phuket Province only



**Picture 1** Kojan Boat **from :** Yuttapong Tonpradoo (on August, 10, 2029)



**Picture 2** The Way of life with the Kojan Boat **from :** Yuttapong Tonpradoo (on August, 10, 2029)

2. The results of the study on the lifestyle adaptation of the Kojan Boat operator group in the COVID 2019 found that

In the COVID Crisis 2019, Baba groups have converted the Kojan Boat from a specific fish catch during the Green Season as an eco-tourism initiative Such as natural tourism by the sea, watching mangrove forests, Watch a group of macaque monkeys in the mangrove forest Khlong Bang Ping, Phi Island Canal and Aquaculture Farm at Phi Island. It is an adaptation in the COVID 2019 by introducing the sufficiency economy philosophy as a way of living

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The results from the workshop is Key and Casual Group give feedback as follows: After conducting research Researchers should transfer the knowledge gained to Phuket culture, Related agencies, educational institutes and It should be publicized for publicizing the important identity of Phuket Province or local economic integration to produce souvenir products for generating household income. Result in 1) The create learning about the diversity of local cultures 2) Able to reduce the problem of plagiarism, product design, resulting in less piracy problem. This is to create jobs for local people and create local economies. As a result, tourists learn and be aware of the local identity. To promote the economy, which there are no such researches, scholars have studied Organized to create knowledge for the conservation of local culture in Phuket

# 9.Recommendations for further studies -NO-

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