RURAL COMMUNITY LEARNING NETWORK TRAITS MODEL

INTRODUCTION

- RCLN is proposed as a type of learning network approach using and based on local resources, material and knowledge, for instance, using local industries through partnership programs, local associations through affiliation activities, and government and non-government organizations through collaboration events and campaigns. The focus should be on local people supporting local people.

NOVELTY AND UNIQUENESS

- The model identifies and highlights the importance for Malaysian rural communities of enhancing the four traits of rural community development. Moreover, the study assists in creating awareness among community member about element of community development: participation, self-help and determination, decision making and leadership. Perhaps this suggested model will be useful for now and future research in the development of RCLN that will involve the great changes.

POTENTIAL COMMERCIALIZATION

- The proposed model is capable to be used as a guideline for rural public library in enhancing public library services, programs and activities to their local rural communities. Furthermore, this study could provide useful insight for Malaysian rural community to value and support the rural public library as a hub for community development.

Diagram: Rural Community Learning Network Traits

PARTICIPATION

SELF-DETERMINATION

DECISION MAKING

LEADERSHIP

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