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DEMAND OF EXOTIC FOODS AND ITS EFFECTS**

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ABSTRACT

This research is about the protection of wildlife in Malaysia. It focuses on the increase demand on exotic food and its effects. In Malaysia, the demand on exotic food is increasing and it has become a serious problem as it affects the ecological system of Malaysia, resulted from the killing of endangered animals.

There are four aim of this research, namely (i) to provide for better understanding and awareness on legal protection for wildlife trade for exotic food; (ii) to increase the want for a better and developed wildlife trade protection in Malaysia; (iii) to educate the public about the effect of eating exotic food; and (iv) to broadened and discover the potential of increasing the punishment on Protection of Wildlife Act.

This research also will look at the reason people consume exotic food, the sources of exotic food, and how do they get the resources. Enforcement of the law is being discussed apart from the achievements and problems faced by Department of Wildlife and National Parks and non-governmental agencies.

At the last part of this research, suggestion and recommendation are also discussed. Moreover, there are also commentaries on the weakness of the enforcement, awareness of the public and compliances with Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES).

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