ECO-NIC FIRESTARTER

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ABSTRACT

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1. INTRODUCTION

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1.1. Objectives

- 1) To encourage the 3R lifestyle (Reduce, Reuse and Recycle) by producing an eco-friendly product;
- 2) To reduce and overcome pollution by reusing the recyclable materials;
- 3) To produce a product that is useful and aid the daily life activities; and
- 4) To come up with a product with significant values than other existing products in the market.

1.2. Argument

- a) Increasing amount of cow dung results in odour pollution
- b) Dumping of cowdung excessively / irresponsibly could lead to contaminated groundwater sources and led to higher levels of ammonia emissions.
- c) Existing firestarters found in the market contain chemicals and is expensive.

2. MATERIAL AND METHOD

2.1 Material

The table below shows the materials that have been used to make Eco-Nic Firestarter.

Table 1. Specifications on Materials

| NO · | MATERIALS | FUNCTIONS |
|---------|------------------------|---|
| 1. | Cow Dung | Efficient fuel and biogas producer High fire endurance |
| 2. | Coconut Husk | Strengthen the bond for the cow dungFire Encouragement |
| 3. | Citronella Grass | Fragrance to the productInsect repellent |
| 4. | Effective Microbe (EM) | Reduce the cow dung odourEliminate bacteria |

2.2 Method

- a) Finding the solutions from increasing amount of cow dung that affected Dato' Lela Maharaja Vocational College's cow farm.
- b) Discussions over the materials that use to produce Eco-Nic Firestarter
- c) Project planning
- d) Research, observation and experiment
- e) The making process of Eco-Nic Firestarter
- f) Surveys, demonstration, sell and briefing about the product to the society





Figure 1. Samples and demonstration were given to the customers and our testimony. Eco-Nic Firestarter received high recommendation and support from the buyers

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