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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.0 Introduction

This chapter focuses on the study of Penampang background, which focuses on the history of the Penampang in terms of the originality and the demographic in Penampang. Section 1.1 discusses the background of the study, section 1.2 explains the problem statement and section 1.3 states the research objective. Section 1.4 on the other hand, is for the information regarding the scope of the study. In addition, section 1.5 explains the significance of the study

1.1 Background of the Study

Penampang origin of the name came from an old village within the district, the village's name being inspired from the Kadazan word *Pampang*. The explanation behind this name was related to existence of big rock years ago. Penampang is a district with Donggongon as their main town. The name of Donggongon also originates from a Kadazan word *tundo'ongon* which can be understood in English word as shelter or resting area. Donggongon from a historical view, it was playing as a popular resting place for people from the interior who journey down the coast for trading. There are multiple languages used by Penampang people. Despite that, they commonly used Malay words, especially people who live in Penampang. The statistic 2010 stated the population of Penampang around 120,000 (Department of Statistic Malaysia Official Portal, 2010). Based on the statistic, the Kadazan Dusun ethnic group formed the