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**TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT USED IN THE MAINTENANCE OF
TANJUNG EMAS RECREATIONAL PARK**

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ABSTRACT

Functions and Roles of Recreation Park is a place to rest / peace of mind, get away from busy area, especially in the city as a place to play / work towards a vibrant and healthy society, as a friendly conversation between individuals, neighbours, and for good loving foster family towards happy, for the greening / beautification of the environment, create ambience. Recreation is a very important element in human life to carry out recreational activities to take care of themselves. Therefore, recreation should always be well maintained to preserve the parks function. Maintenance of parks is a management and technical activities for developing and maintaining the recreation function. As a result of the review of literature several authors previously found that the level and quality of management and maintenance of parks in Malaysia is still low. The problems of tools and equipment provided to maintain the Recreational Park are mostly about the suitability, quantity and quality of tools and equipment. The objective is to identify available of the common tools and equipment used for the maintenance works of the Recreational Park, to identify the effectiveness of the use of tools and equipment for the maintenance of Recreation park, to recommend the suitable equipment and tools for the maintenance of Recreational park. Tanjung Emas Recreational Park, Muar (Johor) was selected as the study area due to the many complaints received by the Majlis Perbandaran Muar (MPM). The data obtained through observation, interviews and questionnaires of the officers and staff council and users who frequent the parks. The findings of this study have found that management and recreational park tools/ equipment used for maintenance operations under the local authorities are still moderate. Suggestions are made to improve the management and maintenance of local authorities to ensure the maintenance of a recreational park at a higher level to achieve the government target to make Malaysia the most beautiful National Park by 2020.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction

Human needs building for their safety, comfort and healthy life. Healthy life is very important to human. So, human needs something that they can use it every day for them to exercise or release tension. The best facility for human for their healthy life is recreational park. At this age, we live in a busy area of town, especially in performing daily tasks such as working, studying, and various other responsibilities require recreational activity may reduce the mind and body relax physically and mentally. With this park, this problem can be reduced by engaging in activities carried out this recreation area.

Due to the importance of recreational park to human, the recreational park needs to be maintained to perform its function. Maintenance of the recreational park must be done according the type of facilities. Over time many well-designed parks have deteriorated due to a lack of maintenance, vandalism, poor quality repairs, poor new design, and poor location of new features and so on. Recreational Park must be maintained through comprehensive method. Specifically on the aspects of landscape maintenance should be considered in terms of preservation of soft landscape elements, landscape, hard landscape and street furniture elements. Jabatan Lanskap Negara and Local Authorities should be responsible for the monitoring works and maintenance works.