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DEAN PREFACE



Assalamualaikum Warahmatulllahi Wabarakatuh

My heartiest congratulations go to the Committees for successfully organized PIMES September 2018. PiMES September 2018 enables lecturers and panels from strong industrial background to reflect and share significant ideas, experiences and research findings in the workplace and in partnerships. It is also hoped to encourage collaboration among the lecturers and enhance the quality and performance of the faculty. The research findings derived from this substantial event shall indicate the commitment of lecturers not only in teaching, but also in striving to unfold new knowledge and processes that will benefit the nation. The efforts of our lecturers need to be further extended to a wider audience so that the nation will benefit from the research findings. It is also hoped that, the proceedings will trigger serious thought and more robust research in the field of education as well as plantation and technology so as to help Malaysia achieve Vision 2020.

As we know, agriculture production has increased tremendously today because of the demand from various sectors in the world. To meet the challenges of increasing food demand, techniques and ways should be created to improve productivity, profitability and sustainability of the agricultural system. Industrial agricultural system has led to irretrievably changes in the landscape diversity, soil quality, environment integrity, and natural resource base. This has resulted major questions and curiosity worldwide in relation to the sustainability of agricultural production system. The most significant damage to natural ecosystems and the environment was caused by habitat conversion and corresponding climate change, loss of biodiversity and ecosystem functions, soil erosion and degradation, and pollution from fertilizers and pesticides. Concepts in plant protection have changed in past decades from exclusion or destruction of pest to pest management. Serious problems with pesticides, rapid development of new approaches and techniques in pest management based on improved knowledge of pest dynamics and their natural enemies, and the interaction between the pest and the crop.

It remains only for me to thank all those who have helped to make this events such a great and wonderful success. Much appreciation is due to the board editor, and reviewers of all papers submitted as well as to all authors whose ideas and contributions ensured rich and lively discussion during the various sessions.

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INTRODUCTION

The PiMES committee and UiTM (Melaka), Jasin Campus residents are very pleased to welcome all participants in the Plantation and Management Seminar (PIMES) which is organized by Faculty and Agrotechnology.

PiMES aims to give an exposure to the students about the procedure to make a poster by extracting information from their final year project. This seminar will sharpen their communication skill as well as they can exchange and share their research result, projects, experiences and new ideas related to all aspects of studies in plantation management and agribussiness, plant sciences, soil sciences, plant protection, plant biotechnology and agricultural engineering. We sincerely hope that you will enjoy and return home with plenty of inspiration to improve agro-industry plantation practices and research activities.

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THE QUALITY MATURITY MODEL: ASSESSING ORGANIZATIONAL QUALITY CULTURE IN PALM OIL ORGANIZATION (UPSTREAM)

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ABSTRACT

Malaysia palm oil is the biggest profits producing contributor for our economy. Quality management practices still lacking of maturity model that are needed in palm oil organization. The purpose of this research is to facilitate the participation of palm oil directors with quality culture issues. This is achieved through a new interpretation of the quality culture concept. the Quality Maturity Model. The QMM enables palm oil directors to assess their location in a way of quality culture, leading them to the next step forward, which allows them to progress over time, and enable them to compare themselves to others and learn from good practice. This research presents a systematic literature review (SLR) on assessment of quality management maturity practices in palm oil organization and also relates to the Design Science Research Methodology as a framework and used Grounded theory methods to create the Quality Maturity Model. The QMM defines 30 elements of quality culture, which are grouped into eight elements: Management of the organisation; environmental sensing: learning organisation attributes; attitude to change: attitude to quality: leadership; investment in staff; and alignment. The QMM has five maturity levels describing the progress from low quality maturity to high quality maturity for each of the elements.

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