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## **Abstract**

The purpose of this research is to identify the benefit of rainwater harvesting system. Other than that, this research also carried out to identify the problem relating to rainwater harvesting and to see whether this system is practical to be applied in order to reduced monthly cost. This research is carried out to various of case study. The area of the research location is around Selangor and Kuala Lumpur. The number of case study for this research is five building that applied this system in their building. The method of carrying out this research is by using interview. The target respondent is the competent person who handle and taking care of rainwater harvesting system. That is because to obtained the detail and accurate data from the person that had been interviewed. The conversation from interview will be recorded and it will be transcribed. Only the important data will be transcribed which related to the research. Then, all the data will be analysed to get the finding and to achieved the objectives of this research. When the data analysis completed, it indicate that the main function of rainwater harvesting system is for irrigation of landscape and garden. Besides that, the result of finding also shows that the rainwater harvesting system is still quite new because all of case study building have apply this system below than 5 years. Mostly the reason why this system is applying in the building due to reduce monthly water bill cost. For the initial cost, the result of the finding indicate that it is quite expensive but the installation cost is depend type of system that has been used. If the system is simple and the usage of the water is only for one purpose, there is no need to installed additional component of rainwater harvesting. For the main problem of rainwater harvesting system that usually arise relating to rainwater harvesting is high initial cost and faulty on pump. From this research, it can be conclude that the rainwater

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harvesting system is a practical approach and have potential to be applied widely in Malaysia due to climate and other factors that make rainwater harvesting is needed. It is also has lot of benefits to the human being and environment.

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