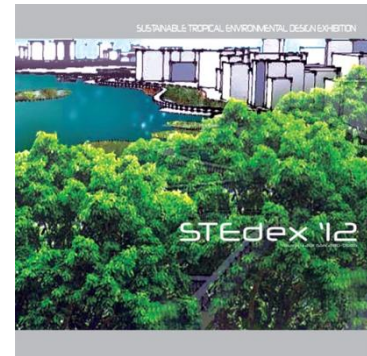


## **Reconditioning Kampung Bagan**

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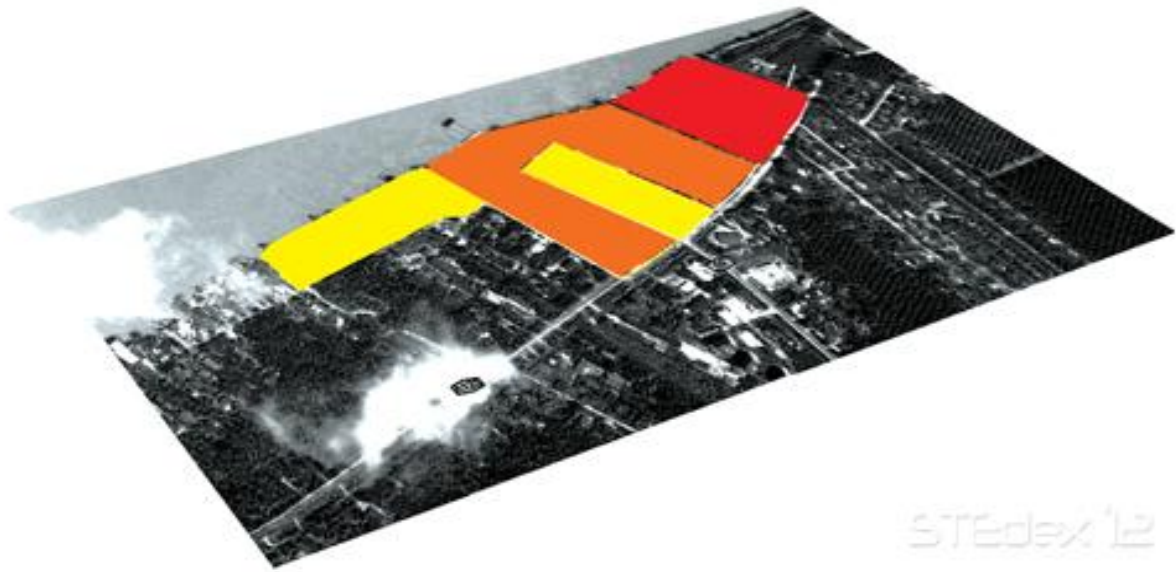
STEdex'12 – Mustafa Kamal Mohd Shariff, Mohd Nazri Saidon, Nor Atiah Ismail & Abdul Faiz Hanis Dola Mahfut, **Reconditioning Kampung Bagan, Sustainable Tropical Environmental Design Exhibition 2012**, ISSN : 2180-0685, Vol : 4, [128-129], Faculty of Design and Architecture, Universiti Putra Malaysia

Landscape Enhancement of Rumah Bagan aimed at reviving a traditional fishing village into a sustainable settlement, furnishing with modern amenities and yet retaining its traditional charm. Mohd Faiz's project attempted to tackle the current scenario of Kampung Bagan in Bagan Datoh, Perak. It is a small multi-cultural community largely depended on fishing for livelihood. The settlement clings to a precarious existence close to the mouth of the once mighty and historical Perak River. Except for its unique half on land and half on water Bagan House (Rumah Bagan), the village is actually at a cross road of remaining relevant or being swept away by the current of modernization and insignificance. Kampung Bagan was once a significant fishing village inhabited by a group of Chinese immigrants. However, it is now a dismal shadow of its past glory. Current problems faced by the settlement include a severe river bank erosion and sanitary management. Nevertheless, it has a good potential for tourism that could revive the economy of its inhabitants and preserve the unique features of the Rumah Bagan (Bagan House).

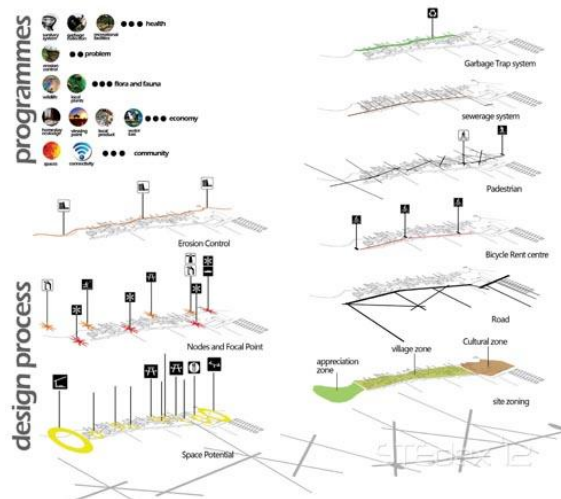
Mohd Faiz took the natural and historical resources of the river and the abundance of coconut palms surrounding the site as the main sources of his inspirations to design therehabilitation and revival of the fishing village. The plan envisioned the participation of the small community in tourism activities as additional sources of income. This includes ferrying tourists and recreationists to several historical spots along the Perak River such as the Beting Beras Basah, to the mangrove forest on the opposite river bank, and also out to sea for recreational fishing trips. To achieve this intention a number of small jetties for boats were proposed. To improve interactions between villagers and visitors, he envisioned a number of small pocket parks in the settlement. An eco-lodge and small chalets are positioned comfortably among the coconut palms to cater for overnight tourists needs. Their designs are inspired by the coconut palms found in abundance on site. The main problems of sanitation and bank erosion were creatively handled by the introduction of a self-helped recycling programme and an ecodeck. His concept of Reuse, Recycle, Reconnect, and Ecologically based (RECO) fits in well in revitalising the settlement through functional and aesthetic solutions.



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