

The Malaysian Primary Education System and Sustainability: Challenges and Opportunities.

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- **Abstract:** This research is mostly motivated by the UNESCO's declaration of the Decade for Education for Sustainable Development. Since the concept of sustainable development plays a vital role in the educational process of many countries around the world, it seems important for Malaysia as one of the main actors of the Association of the South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) to synchronize its system of education towards sustainability. The experience of Malaysia as a leading developing country can be later on used by other developing nations. Since primary education plays an important role in shaping the new generation of each nation, the objectives of this paper are set to assess the present primary education system in view of its contributions to sustainable development and to propose approaches/methodologies to strengthen the system's contribution towards sustainable development. Therefore, this paper tries to propose appropriate policy recommendations and changes, specifically in terms of executing necessary actions to promote and improve the education system.
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