



ABSTRACT

In our country, environmental protection has been a loud issue, with population growth, urbanization and industrial development, and human impacts on the country's aquatic resources such as lakes have increased. Problems like lake sedimentation, overexploitation of fisheries, and pollution have come about.

Laguna de Bay is under its dense condition due to industrialization and urbanization of the nearby towns. The impacts on the lake are greatly seen due to its past records of flooding combined with the direct and indirect disposal of domestic waste within the shorelines of the lake.

One of the affected areas regarding the issue was the island in the middle of Laguna de Bay, Talim Island. The island has its natural beauty — the island itself and the views of numerous mountains around, the skyline and the Laguna de Bay.

The Proposed Talim Island Lakeside Development aims to provide an architectural solution to resist the problem in Laguna de Bay by envisioning a paradigm shift, which will encourage inhabitants to care for the lake as a front door of development, a feature and resource instead of neglecting the lake as a “back of the house”, eyesore and rubbish bin. The proposal can attract more tourists and visitors who are interested in natural tourist destinations. It can also help to uplift the tourism industry of the island and also serve as an alternative solution to issues regarding Laguna de Bay.

Key Terms: lakeside development, back of the house, front door of development, industrialization, urbanization, paradigm shift