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ABSTRACT

Abaca was originally grown only in the Philippines. It has since been adopted in only three other countries. We now produce 50,000 tons of abaca a year, which account for 85 percent of global production. (<http://business.inquirer.net/106549/abacas-unfulfilled-potential>) The growing concern for environmental protection and forest conservation the world over have further provided limitless opportunities to natural raw materials like abaca. Although abaca has long been an established industry, it is still plagued with problems like, lack of promotion of products in the local and international market. Insufficient postharvest facilities and stripping sheds.

The Philippine abaca manufacturers today are encountering different problems like insufficient research facilities, stripping sheds, local and international trade fair facilities. Unfortunately, there are factors that threaten the abaca production and market. The issue and the needs of establishment of research facilities that will study available technologies for abaca cultivation and fiber production were also being highlighted. The presence of the research facilities and other amenities will serve as an tourist attraction and it could be a solution to the future economic plans of our country.

The project proposal will offer an neoterized solutions through architecture to comply to the environmental and production problems to our abaca industry. The Philippines at present should be the leaders in initiating and strengthening direct linkages with other concerned/relevant institutions to expand trade for Philippine abaca fiber and manufactures.

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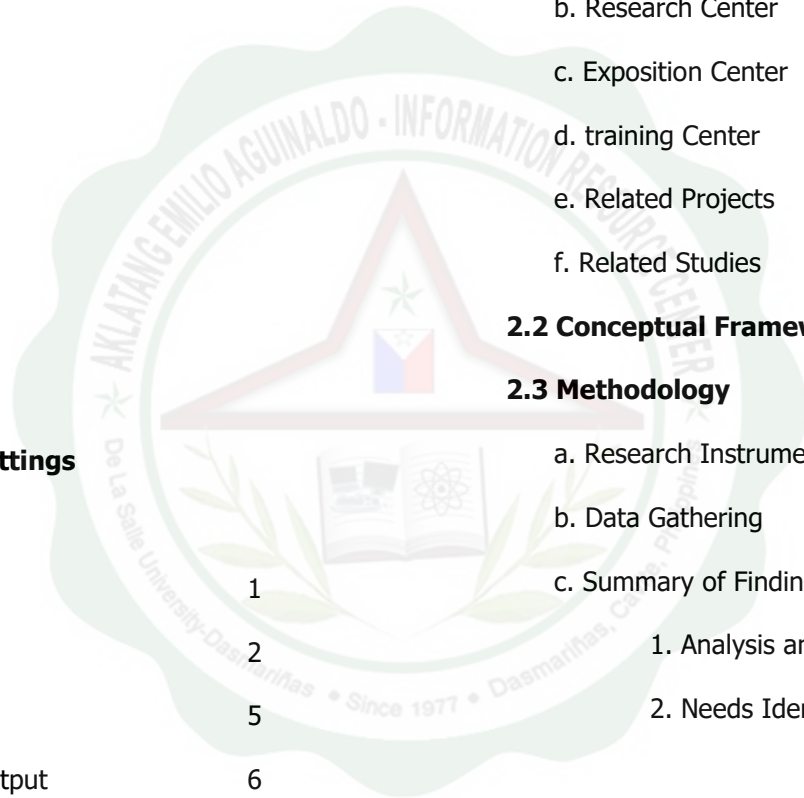
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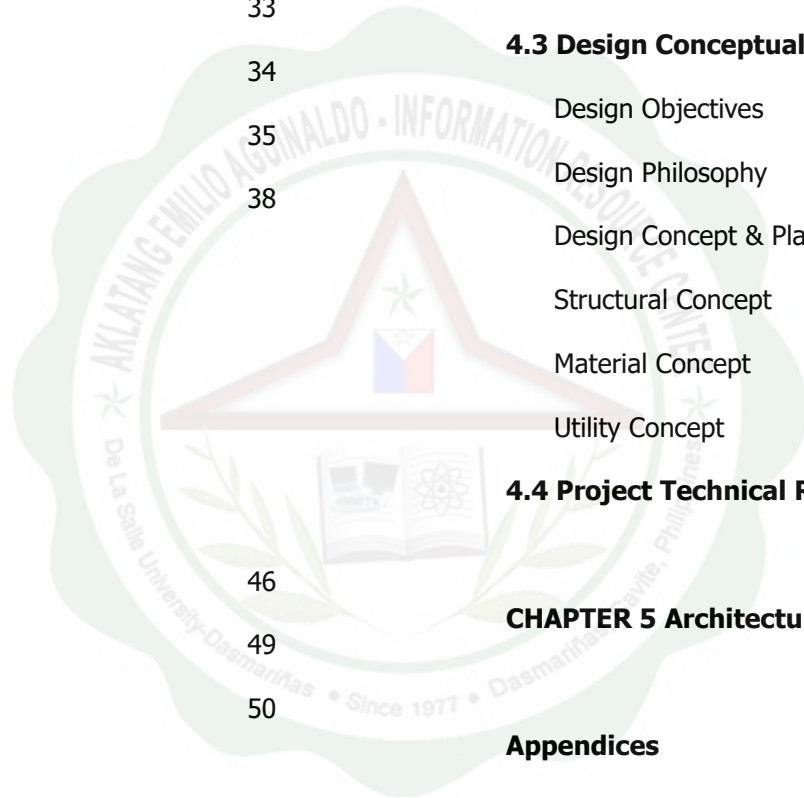
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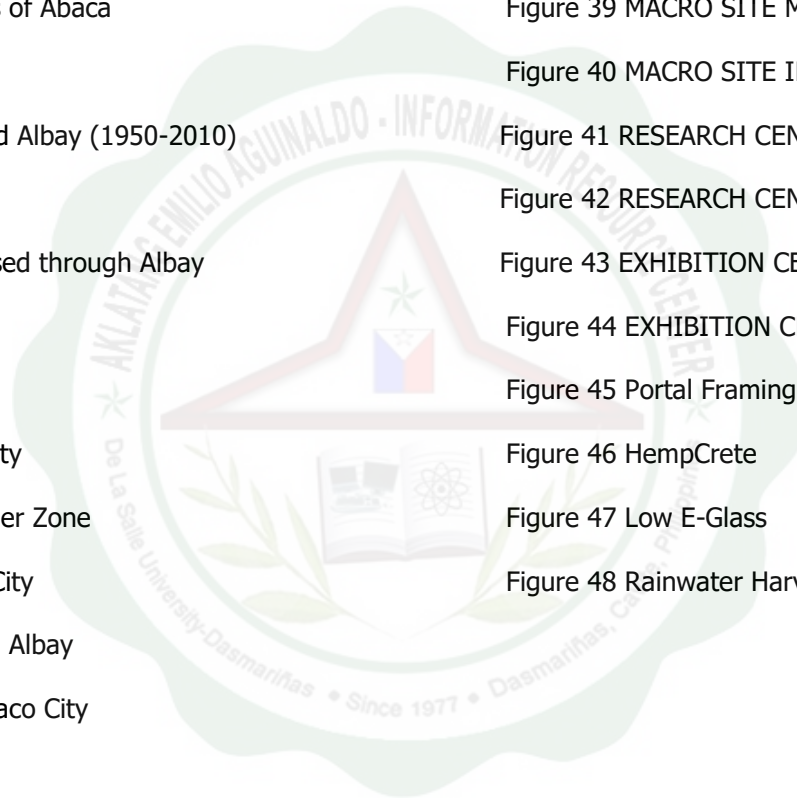
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