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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Project overview

After graduation, students will have a lot of household items to bring back home such as furniture, electrical appliances, reference books, cars and motorcycles. If they are unable to bring these things back, they had to give or sell it. Therefore, Interactive Campus e-Platform and Database will be developed for student that helps to sell their second-hand items. It also provides property category for students to find house or room to rent or sale.

This project will be developed an e-platform for campus that supports go green concept and brings convenient to students. It is a good way to promote green lifestyle and help to reduce environmental pollution. It also acts as a media to let students go into action for the green lifestyle so that it can increase the awareness of environment issues. Other than that, it also saves time, reduces cost and brings convenient to students. Therefore, this Interactive Campus e-Platform and Database is eco-friendly and user-friendly web to students.

This project will include programming languages such as Ruby on Rails (RoR), Hyper Text Markup Language (HTML), Cascading Style Sheets (CSS), Structured Query Language (SQL), JavaScript (JS), and jQuery for development.

1.2 Problem statement

Nowadays, one of the popular and important media is advertising by internet platform other than newspaper, television, and advertisement board [1]. However, to

promote an advertisement is costly for a student. In this project, an Interactive e-Platform and Database on Campus will be developed and it is free to access for students.

1.3 Objectives

- 1. To develop an Interactive e-Platform and Database on Campus.
- 2. To create an attractive, user-friendly online platform for users to find items easily.

1.4 Score of project

This project will include few programming languages is used such as Ruby on Rails, HTML, CSS, SQL, JavaScript and jQuery. Ruby on Rails is a web development framework which providing default structures for a web service, database and webpage. Then, HTML and CSS are the languages that use to create an awesome website such as building and styling the website. SQL is a programming language for managing data. It will be used to store information that uploaded by the users. Whenever users want to view ads, it will retrieve advertisement information from this database. Next, JavaScript is a programming language that makes a functionality and interactively web page which become smarter. It includes a jQuery library. jQuery is cross-platform of JavaScript library for document traversing, animating and effect for rapid web development.

1.5 Project methodology

At first, the Interactive Campus e-Platform and Database will be developing the website by using Ruby on Rails which provide part of the default structures for a web service, database and web page. Then, by using HTML and CSS to design the layout and styling for the web page to attract the interest of people. Next, JavaScript is used to improve the function and interactive of the e-platform. After that, follow by SQL programming language, the database of the website is manage data by it. Validate, test and fixed the problems of the e-platform if there is any. Lastly, validate and test result and fixed the problems of the e-platform if there is any.

1.6 Report outline

This project thesis consists of 5 chapters which are organized as follows:

Chapter 1 presents the background, objective and problem statement of the proposed technique. The scope of work of this project also presented followed by the outline of the thesis.

Chapter 2 gives some overview of Ruby programming language and web application framework - Rails. It also explains about Ruby on Rails, HTML, CSS, SQL and JavaScript. Besides that, it will present the web development. Moreover, this chapter also explains the comparison between few platforms that similar with this project, such as Lelong.my and Mudah.my.

Chapter 3 presents the methodology of the proposed Interactive Campus e-Platform and Database. Then, the chosen methodology will be justified and described. The proposed Interactive Campus e-Platform and Database use few programming languages to create and develop the website.

Chapter 4 presents the results for the proposed Interactive Campus e-Platform and Database. Next, the implementation of the proposed system is discussed. The system design, database design and interface design will be shown. Then, the development and deployment are discussed. This includes chosen programming languages, chosen libraries, chosen database management system and chosen operating system. The advantages of the Interactive Campus e-Platform and Database are discussed and compared with another platform. Besides that, the requirements validation of this project is discussed in this chapter.

Chapter 5 concludes the thesis by summarizing the project outcome and presents possible future works for this project.

Next, a technical paper will be shown in Appendices part.

CHAPTER II

LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 Programming languages

In order to create a website, few of the different programming languages are needed to perform a different kind of function for a website. In this project, the programming languages that involved are Ruby and Rails, HyperText Makeup Language (HTML), JavaScript (JS), Cascading Style Sheets (CSS), and Structured Query Language (SQL). The overview and usage of these few programming languages will be discussed.

First, Ruby on Rails is a web development framework which providing default structures for a web service, database and webpage. Then, HTML and CSS are the languages that use to create an awesome website such as building and styling the website. Besides, JavaScript is a programming language that makes a functionality and interactively web page which become smarter. Next, SQL is a programming language for managing data. It will be used to store information that uploaded by the users. Whenever users want to view ads, it will retrieve advertisement information from the database.

2.1.1 Ruby on Rails, RoR

A popular web application framework built on top of Ruby and an object oriented scripting language – Ruby on Rails [2]. One of the most popular Model-View-Controller (MVC) architecture of Web application framework – Rails. It provides much efficient Web application development based on its several principles. The principles are Don't Repeat Yourself (DRY) and Convention over Configuration (CoC). Ruby programming language is written for all frameworks and applications. This web application framework