

ABSTRACT

The Papandayan eruption of 1772 is a huge catastrophe. A total of 2.951 people were deceased and 40 villages were damaged. Moreover, the eruption also scorched hundreds of trees in an area which is now known as Hutan Mati (The Dead Forest). Despite of its bleak appearances, its distinction makes Hutan Mati an intriguing place for Mount Papandayan climbers to visit. In order to introduce Hutan Mati to children, a design is made in form of a picture story book. The characters are designed according to data related to Hutan Mati, with well thought out physiological, psychological, and sociological development. The combination of historical fiction and fantasy genre makes an informative and fascinating story thus the message can be well digest. This design is made in hope that children will be able to recognize and take part in maintaining the beauty of nature around us.

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