
Passage 3

Praputtabath Attraction

Praputtabath subdistrict, an ancient community with several interesting and important places such as Pratat Jomkitti, the well-known pagoda, has always proposed throughout its history. At present it is famous for its beauty and holy place. Not only various historical sites, but also natural attractions make the tourists and people here happy.

My community also has historical festivals such as Pratat Jomkitti and Praputtabath Ban Lao (The Buddha foot prints) festivals. The two festivals are celebrated in April. We are sacred and worship Pratat Jomkitti on 16th, April. Pratat Jomkitti Temple is in Palao village. There are many trees around it. It is located on a high ground so there is a lot of fresh air. Many people and tourists go there on Saturdays and Sundays. The other place is Praputtabath Ban Lao festivals, we are sacred and worship there on 17th, April. The two festivals are held every year after Songkran Day. During these festivals, ancient cultural dances and parades are performed, and they are entertaining to watch or participate in. Praputtabath Ban Lao is situated in Lao village. It is about 7 kilometres away from Chiangklang district. It has been a sacred place for 200 years.

There are beautiful nature sites in my community. They are Tatman Waterfall and Kang-Sa-Ma-Kao-Bang. The highly recommended place to go is the waterfall. Tatman waterfall is situated in Wangtong village. It is about 11 kilometers away from Chiangklang district. The single leveled waterfall with its large pond is beautiful and the shady atmosphere surrounding makes it very peaceful. The water is very clean. The waterfall is suitable for people all of ages.

The second place is Kang-Sa-Ma-Kao-Bang. It is situated in Tued village. It is about 7 kilometers away from Chiangklang district. The main river passing through the village is the Nan River. There are various huge stones along the river, so it is suitable for adventure travelers. The scenery view point is so wonderful. Walking along the trail, nature enthusiasts will pass different kinds of forest as well as some viewpoints provided by, nature.

If anyone is interested in eco-tourism, I'd recommend visiting Praputtabath subdistrict. Here you will be bewildered by the beauty of nature. The trip will surely be pleasant.



Word	Part of Speech	Meaning
<i>ancient</i>	<i>adj.</i>	โบราณ, เก่าแก่
<i>pagoda</i>	<i>n.</i>	เจดีย์, สตูป
<i>proposed</i>	<i>vt.</i>	เสนอ, เสนอข้อคิดเห็น
<i>various</i>	<i>adj.</i>	ต่าง ๆ กัน, หลากหลาย
<i>sacred</i>	<i>adj.</i>	ศักดิ์สิทธิ์, เกี่ยวกับการบูชา ในทางศาสนา
<i>worship</i>	<i>n.</i>	การบูชา, การสักการะ
<i>performed</i>	<i>vt., vi.</i>	กระทำ, ปฏิบัติ
<i>atmosphere</i>	<i>n.</i>	บรรยากาศ
<i>enthusiasts</i>	<i>n.</i>	ผู้มีความกระตือรือร้น
<i>bewildered</i>	<i>vt.</i>	ทำให้ยุ่งใจ, ทำให้ลำบากใจ

Vocabulary	Meaning
<i>Pratat Jomkitti</i>	พระธาตุจอมกิติ
<i>Praputtabath Ban Lao</i>	พระพุทธรูปบ้านเหล่า
<i>Kang-Sa-Ma-Kao-Bang</i>	แก่งสามก้าง
<i>Tatman Waterfall</i>	น้ำตกตาดม่าน



Exercise 3A: (5pts)

Direction: Match Column A with Column B by drawing a line to complete the correct sentences.

A

B

_____ 1. Tatman Waterfall

a. is located in Tued village

_____ 2. Praputtabath Ban Lao

b. is located in Palao village

_____ 3. Pratat Jomkitti Temple

c. is located in Wangtong village

_____ 4. Praputtabath Sub-district

d. is located in Lao village

_____ 5. Kang-Sa-Ma-Kao-Bang

e. is located in Chiangklang district





Exercise 3B: (5pts)

Direction: Read the sentences and write (T) if true and (F) if false.

- _____ 1. Pratat Jomkitti is an interesting place in Praputtabath subdistrict.
- _____ 2. The people worship Pratat Jomkitti on 16th March.
- _____ 3. The people perform ancient cultural dances on Songkran day.
- _____ 4. Kang-Sa-Ma-Kao-Bang is about 7 kilometers away from Chiangklang district.
- _____ 5. Tatman Waterfall is a single-leveled waterfall.

Exercise 3C: (5pts)

Direction: Rearrange the sentences into correct order.

1. has been // Praputtabath Ban Lao // 200 years // a sacred place // for over // .

2. well-known // Pagoda // Pratat Jomkitti // a // is // .

3. April // are // Pratat Jomkitti and Praputtabath Ban Lao // celebrated // in every year // .

4. can // find // In Wangtong Village // you // the Tatman waterfall // , // .

5. Tued village // The main river // is // the Nan River // passing through // .