

# The Traditional *Thinbyu* Mat Production and Socio-economic Conditions in *Panntanaw* Township

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## Abstract

This paper presents *Thin* plant and *Thin* products grown and produced by Panntanaw Township in the Maubin District, Ayeyarwaddy Region, in addition to the medical use of *Thin* plant, and the socio-economic life of the local people in this area. Myanmar *Thinbyu* mat weaving is a traditional craft and an intangible cultural heritage. In this paper, kinds of *Thin*, growing areas of origin, how to plant, how the Burmese people have used *Thinbyu* mat for ages, and how to weave a mat step by step were studied and presented from the perspective of socio-economic life. If the products of well-known *Thin* of develop, the income of individuals will be increased in Panntanaw Township and the country's income will also be increased by exporting the products.

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