

WARES AND NOVELTY ITEMS FROM COCONUT FRUIT RESIDUES : One-nut Concept

The Market

The wares and novelty items from coconut fruit residues can compete well with products made from other materials given their uniqueness and originality. Great export potential for the products can be seen from the reactions of customers/viewers of the products samples and exhibits.

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The Product

Coco-trays, trophies, coco-clocks, jewelry boxes, “sungka”, are just some of the high-value added products that can be processed from coconut fruit residues using the “one-nut concept” of production.



The Technology

This technology employs the “mix and match” technique to design and fabricate wares and novelty items from a single piece of coconut. Researchers at PCA-ZRC have proven that:

- ❖ Following the one-nut concept, the whole or sliced coconut (w/o meat) can be combined with other materials and matched according to the size of nut, color and shape to produce desired end-product.
- ❖ Coconut fruit residues can be satisfactorily machined using simple tools and equipment and finished with suitable type of finishing materials like varnish, lacquer and polyurethane.
- ❖ The production cost of the finished products varies according to the size and shape of the product. Cost estimate has shown that a simple items cost to about 50-60 percent cheaper than other materials.

