# ° CAIRNS IN THE EYES OF TOURISTS

## Flow of presentation

- Cairns in the eyes of tourists
  - Tourist attractions
  - Commercial services
  - Signs for guidance

# CAIRNS IN THE EYES OF TOURISTS -TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

## Strengths

- High varieties of recreational activities
  - Sun-bathing, BBQ, bird-watching, exercise station, cycling, etc..





# **Esplanade**

NE coast of Cairns

•26 km along the coastline

Consist of 8 beaches



- Natural beauty
  - Lagoon, mudflat



Cultural heritage



- Well-designed area
- Ancillary Facilities
  - Bars, shops, restaurants, hotels

#### Poor enforcement





## Conclusions and suggestions

- As a whole, Esplanade is an attractive place for both the local and tourists
- But, strong enforcement is needed so as to maintain the environment to be desirable

# CAIRNS IN THE EYES OF TOURISTS COMMERCIAL SERVICES

### Services provided to tourists

- Accommodations
- Food
- Convenient stores
- Tourist information centers and booking services
- Outdoor activities equipments
- Garments
- Souvenir shops
- Shopping plazas
- Luxury products



#### Commercial Facilities

Regional shopping centre:

"Cairns Central" with over 180 stores, including food court, retailing stores, chain stores, souvenir shops, supermarkets, etc.

Other small stores on roadside



# Services that are convenient to tourists

- At least 3 Information centres in the CBD
- Diversified shops along the street





- Different cuisines provided in the area
- Internet café and post office are convenient for the communication of tourists
- Pub and casino provide entertainment to the tourists





# CAIRNS IN THE EYES OF TOURISTS -SIGNS FOR GUIDANCE

## Strengths

- Tourists information centers
  - Friendly, willing to response
  - Easily accessible
  - Multiple stations
- Information stations





#### Weaknesses

- Lack of signs
- Not clear signs, only names of streets
  - Cannot guide tourists to destinated places e.g.
    Shopping centers





#### Weaknesses

- Tourists information centers
  - Cannot help tourists to explore the city
- Information stations
  - Unclear maps, mostly advertisements
  - Lack of maintenance of machinery
  - Information is not systematically arranged



## Conclusion & Suggestions

 Not enough direction are given to tourists

- Suggestions:
  - Clear signs associated with maps
  - Incorporate tourists attractions in maps
  - Government should help in providing and maintaining information services

# The End