



The heritage and wisdom of our ancestors

Ancestors' Heritage and Wisdom

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Abstract

The heritage and wisdom of our ancestors is very important in maintaining and promoting the culture of communities and society. This cultural heritage covers traditional practices, arts, and traditional medicine. and agricultural techniques This article aims to study the concepts and methods of transmitting the wisdom of our ancestors both in Thailand and abroad. Using case studies from many countries to compare.

Keywords : inheritance, wisdom, ancestors

Introduction

The heritage and wisdom of our ancestors is an important part of our culture. Through verbal transmission, documents, and everyday practice. These legacies not only help future generations understand own history and culture but also strengthens ethnic pride and participation in the cultural heritage community and the transmission of wisdom in Thailand.

Thailand has a rich cultural heritage. Covers both performing arts and performing arts. folk music and martial arts such as Muay Thai There is also



agricultural wisdom. Thai traditional medicine and the invention of folk objects, an important example is Thai silk weaving which is an art that has been passed down from generation to generation especially in the northeastern region. The process of weaving Thai silk is delicate and complex. Thai silk weaving was registered as the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity by UNESCO in 2019. Case study from abroad: Japan has passed on wisdom and cultural heritage through education and practice. such as The arts of tea brewing (Sadō) and flower arranging (Ikebana) are taught in specialized institutes and schools. Japan also has festivals that provide opportunities for cultural expression and transmission, such as the Obon Festival. where the Bon Odori dance is performed and ancestor worship in France. The transmission of heritage and wisdom is outstanding in gastronomy and wine. Different regions of France have passed down culinary knowledge and techniques from generation to generation, such as making world famous breads and cheeses. France also promotes the transfer of knowledge through education at leading gastronomy institutes.

How to preserve and promote the heritage and wisdom of our ancestors

Education and Training : Creation of educational institutions and training centers to teach traditional wisdom, such as tea brewing schools in Japan. or a culinary institute in France. Registration and conservation : UNESCO registration of intangible cultural heritage. To create awareness and conservation, such as Thai silk weaving. Support from governments and organizations : Support for festivals, training and research projects on cultural heritage. The meaning and role of the words “inheritance”, “wisdom” and “ancestors” are important matters in understanding the way of human life. Including creating connections between the past, present and future. This article will delve into the meaning and role of each word. Including how these three words are connected and important in our lives.

heritage The word “inheritance” means property. or property that has been passed down from ancestors to future generations. Heritage can be divided into two main types: material heritage and cultural heritage.



1. heritage : Refers to things. or tangible assets such as land, houses, money, and antiques These things are valuable not only in terms of assets. But it also has psychological and historical significance.

2. Cultural heritage : Refers to traditions, culture, knowledge, and wisdom that have been passed down from generation to generation. Cultural heritage may include artistic expressions, dialects, and religious ceremonies.

Cultural heritage is also divided into tangible and intangible heritage. Tangible heritage can be historical buildings, artefacts and antiquities. Intangible heritage can be dance, music and local wisdom. It is important to preserve this legacy. So that future generations can learn and be proud of their own culture.

knowledge

Wisdom is knowledge, abilities, and skills that have been accumulated and passed on from generation to generation. There are many types of wisdom. Both related to living, working and solving problems in daily life. Wisdom can also be divided into cultural wisdom. scientific wisdom and technical wisdom

1. Cultural wisdom : refers to knowledge and skills related to the culture, traditions, and way of life of the community, such as cooking local food, weaving, and treating diseases with herbs.

2. Scientific wisdom : refers to knowledge gained from research and experiments in science, such as the development of technology and innovations.

3. Technical wisdom : Refers to the skills and ability to perform tasks that require specific expertise, such as mechanics, construction, and artistic work.

Wisdom is a very valuable thing. Because it is an accumulation of valuable knowledge and experience. Especially in a society that is changing rapidly. It is important to preserve wisdom. So that it can be used to develop society and solve current problems.



gentleman

Ancestors are previous generations who founded and created the culture, traditions, and wisdom we have today. Ancestors play an important role in passing on knowledge and skills from generation to generation. Respect for ancestors is part of the culture that exists in many countries. In which various activities are performed to show respect and remember the ancestors.

1. Respecting Ancestors in Asian Cultures : In many Asian countries, such as China, Japan, and Korea, activities to honor ancestors are practiced, such as burning gold and silver paper. Arranging ceremonies at the cemetery and setting up an altar in the house

2. Respect for Ancestors in Western Culture : In some Western countries Respect for ancestors may not be as clearly expressed as in Asian cultures. But respect is shown through the preservation of souvenirs. and telling the story of the ancestors in the family

Honoring ancestors expresses gratitude and preserves the connection between new generations and the past. Maintaining traditions and remembering our ancestors is what helps us feel connected to our history and culture.

The importance of heritage, wisdom and ancestors

Heritage, wisdom, and ancestors are very important in creating and maintaining the culture of a society. Understanding and respecting the heritage and wisdom of our ancestors gives us a sense of self-esteem and community. It also creates a connection between the past, present and future, which has the effect of creating mental stability and building a strong society.

1. Creating cultural pride : Learning and preserving the cultural heritage and wisdom of our ancestors helps future generations feel proud of their own culture. Having this pride is what helps build self-confidence and participation in the community.

2. Creating a link between the new generation and the past : Preserving traditions and wisdom helps create a link between the new generation



and the past. Make the new generation learn and understand their own history and culture. Having this connection is what fosters mental stability and community participation.

1. Using wisdom to solve today's problems : The wisdom of our ancestors is very valuable in solving current problems. Knowledge and skills accumulated over a long period of time are what allows us to adapt and solve problems that arise effectively.

2. Preserving and promoting the heritage and wisdom of our ancestors Preserving and promoting the heritage and wisdom of our ancestors is important in maintaining the culture and traditions of society. These conservation and promotion methods include education, training, and registration. and support from the government and various organizations

3. Education and Training : Creation of educational institutions and training centers to teach traditional wisdom, such as tea brewing schools in Japan. or a culinary institute in France It can help in maintaining inherited knowledge and skills. Education is important in creating awareness and understanding of the heritage and wisdom of our ancestors.

4. Registration and conservation : UNESCO registration of intangible cultural heritage is one way to raise awareness and conservation, such as Thai silk weaving. This registration allows traditional wisdom to be recognized and preserved for future generations to learn and pass on.

5. Support from governments and organizations : Supporting festivals, training and research projects on cultural heritage can help preserve and promote ancestral heritage and wisdom. In addition, financial support and incentives for Learning and passing on traditional wisdom is still important.

Development of the heritage and wisdom of our ancestors

The heritage and wisdom of our ancestors has evolved and changed with the times. Preserving and passing on this wisdom is not simply passed on from generation to generation. But there are also improvements and develop-



ments to suit the environment and the needs of society in each era. This article explores the development of the heritage and wisdom of our ancestors from the past to the present. Including the methods that society uses to preserve and promote these wisdoms.

Development and adaptation of cultural heritage

Cultural heritage evolves and adapts to the environment and social, economic and political changes. This development and adaptation is a continuous process and is linked to social change. Examples of the development and adaptation of cultural heritage are as follows.

1. Cultural integration : In an era where cultural exchange between countries is increasing Cultural heritage integrates and adapts to foreign cultures, for example, adopting foreign culinary cultures and blending them with local culinary cultures. This integration not only enhances cultural diversity. But it also preserves the modernity and interest of traditional culture.

2. Restoration and conservation : In some cases, cultural heritage that has been neglected or lost is restored and preserved, for example by restoring lost dance performances. and the preservation of restored ancient architecture. This restoration and conservation is a process that takes time and effort to gather information and hone lost skills.

3. Application of modern technology : The development of modern technology plays an important role in preserving and promoting cultural heritage. For example, the use of 3D scanning technology in recording and preserving ancient sites. and the use of digital media to disseminate knowledge about cultural heritage. The application of this technology not only makes conservation more effective. But it also helps the new generation learn and understand cultural heritage more easily.