

The Status of the Beach Vegetation in Songkhla Province, Peninsular Thailand.

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Abstract

The surveys of natural beach vegetation in Songkhla province shows that almost all the natural beach vegetation in Songkhla province had been already terminated except for the only small relics of the more or less natural vegetation left on the sand dune next to the shore at Ban Ta-ling-chan village, Cha-na district. This relics shows good characteristics of the coastal heath forest according to Congdon (1982) and Whitmore (1985). This kind of forest might have occurred continually in a large area on the coastal sand bars of Songkhla and along the eastern south coast of Thailand. The vegetation profiles as well as the plant species composition of the relics had been achieved.