# Disseminating Information Using an Indigenous Language - the Waray Wikipedia Experience 族語傳遞資訊——瓦萊語維基百科經驗談

民族語で情報伝達―ワライ語ウィキペディア経験談 Disseminating Information Using an Indigenous Language – the Waray Wikipedia Experience

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of October 2019, there are 175 living indigenous languages in the Philippines. One of these is the Waray-waray or simply Waray which is spoken by 2.6 million Filipinos mostly in the Samar and Leyte islands in the Philippines. This language is 用人口260萬的瓦萊瓦萊語(簡稱瓦 萊語)為其一,主要分布於菲律賓薩 馬島及禮智島。瓦萊語有自己版本的



This photograph is taken during an edit-a-thon held in 26 April 2019 at the University of the Philippines Visayas Tacloban College in partnership with the Division of Humanities of the University of the Philippines Visayas Tacloban College

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A forum discussing Waray Wikipedia at University of the Philippines Visayas Tacloban College at Tacloban City, Leyte, Philippines on 21 November 2014 with students and professors. [Photo by JinJian - Own work, CC BY-SA 4.0]

2014年11月21日一場與學生及教授討論瓦萊語維基百科的論壇,於菲律賓禮智省獨魯萬市的菲律賓米沙鄢大學獨魯萬學院

used in one of the Philippine-language based editions of Wikipedia - the Waray Wikipedia. Wikipedia is a free and online encyclopedia that anyone can use, 及編輯的免費線上百科全書。瓦萊語維 distribute and edit. In Waray Wikipedia, information 基百科由自願者以瓦萊語文撰寫資訊, is written in the Waray language by volunteers, from 秉持中性觀點,資訊來源獨立、可靠亦 a neutral point of view and obtained from 可查核;正如任一語言版本的維基百 independent, reliable and verifiable sources. Just like 科,瓦萊語維基百科無須網際網路連線 any language editions of Wikipedia, Waray 即可展讀。2018-整年,每日平均上線 Wikipedia can be accessed with or without internet 瀏覽次數達20萬2,856次。 connection. During 2018, Waray Wikipedia has been accessed online in an average of 202,856 times daily.

## Cooperation with the government and the people

Activities such as fora and edit-a-thons are being conducted in cooperation with local government units, private organizations, government employees'

維基百科,是菲律賓眾語版本維基百科 之一。維基百科是人人皆可使用、發布

#### 與政府及民間協力合作

透過與地方政府機關、民間組織、 政府雇員組織及教育機構合辦論壇、編 輯松等活動,不間斷地提升民眾對瓦萊 語維基百科的好感度,並藉(a)令大 眾知悉瓦萊語維基百科,包括其運作方

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Waray Wikipedia edit-a-thon at Philippine Science High School Eastern Visayas Campus, Palo, Leyte, Philippines on 10 March 2017 with students. [Photo by JinJian - Own work, CC BY-SA 4.0]

2017年3月10日瓦萊語維基百科編輯松,於菲律賓禮智省帕洛(自治市)的菲律賓科學中學東米沙鄢校區,學生與會。

organizations and educational institutions to continuously increase the appreciation for Waray Wikipedia as well as to improve its contents through: (a) informing the public about Waray Wikipedia including how it works and how to use it properly, (b) encouraging individuals and organizations to enhance Waray Wikipedia, and (c) further developing Waray Wikipedia by adding content and improving existing information. For a are simple gatherings wherein information about Wikipedia especially Waray Wikipedia are disseminated to the participants through presentations and open forum. Edit-a-thons are activities where participants contribute to Waray Wikipedia, as well as other Wikipedia-related projects, by adding content and improving existing information.

Since 2014, the Sinirangan Bisaya Wikimedia Community, a community of volunteers in the 式、如何適當使用等, (b) 鼓舞個 人及組織著手改善瓦萊語維基百 科, (c) 以增添內容及改進既有資 訊,令瓦萊語維基百科進一步發 展,來讓內容更好。論壇係經由發 表與開放論壇,而將維基百科的資 訊, 尤關瓦萊語維基百科的, 傳遞 給參與者的簡單聚會;編輯松則是 參與者藉由增添內容與改進既有資 訊,來為瓦萊語維基百科及其他維 基百科相關計畫做出貢獻的活動。

東米沙鄢維基百科社群(參與 改進瓦萊語維基百科之菲律賓自願 者的社群)自2014年起,持續與下 述組織及機構舉辦論壇與編輯松, 相對應成果和籌資來源亦一併列 出:

Activity / Date / Location 活動/日期/地點	Name / Type of Organization or Institution 名稱/組織或機構類型	Funding Source 籌資來源	Wikimedia Projects¹ improved and Characters contributed² 增進的維基媒體計畫暨貢獻的字數
1st Waray Wikipedia Edit-a-thon (2014, Calbayog City in Samar) 第一屆瓦萊語維基百科編輯松 (2014年 於薩馬省甲描育市舉行)	Maharlika Writers and Artists Federation (private organization) 馬哈里卡寫手與藝術家聯盟(民間組織)	Wikimedia Philippines <sup>3</sup> 菲律賓維基媒體	Waray Wikipedia - 23,894 characters 瓦萊語維基百科: 2萬3,894字
Forum with faculty and students (2014, Tacloban City in Leyte) 教職員與學生論壇(2014年於禮智省獨 魯萬市舉行)	University of the Philippines Visayas Tacloban College (educational institution) 菲律賓米沙鄢大學獨魯萬學院(教育 機構)	Wikimedia Philippines <sup>3</sup> 菲律賓維基媒體	Increased awareness and appreciatio for Waray Wikipedia and related projects 提升瓦萊語維基百科及相關計畫的能見度與好感度
2nd Waray Wikipedia Edit-a-thon (2015, Tacloban City in Leyte) 第二屆D來語維基百科編輯松(2015年 於禮智省獨魯萬市舉行)	National Press Club - Tacloban (private organization) 全國記者俱樂部獨魯萬分部 (民間組織)	Wikimedia Philippines³ 菲律賓維基媒體	Waray Wikipedia - 30,70; characters 瓦萊語維基百科:3萬703字
2015 Waray Wikimedia Forums at Greater Tacloban (2015, Tacloban City in Leyte) 2015年大獨魯萬瓦萊語維基媒體論壇 (2015年於禮習省獨魯萬市舉行)	Philippine Association of Court Interpreters (PHILACI) (government employees' organization 菲律賓法院通譯協會 (PHILACI) (政府雇員組織)	PHILACI, private donor PHILACI、單一民間捐 助	Increased awareness and appreciation for Waray Wikipedi and related projects 提升瓦萊語維基百科及相關計畫的能見度與好感度
4th Waray Wikipedia Edit-a-thon (2015, Catarman in Northern Samar) 第四屆瓦萊語維基百科編輯 (2015年 於北薩馬省卡塔曼 (自治市) 舉行)	Junior Chamber International Philippines (JCI) Catarman Cocoking ( <i>private</i> organization) 菲律賓JCI(國際青年商會)(民間 組織)	Private donor 民間捐助	Waray Wiktionary <sup>2</sup> - 42; characters English Wikivoyage <sup>6</sup> - 26,59; characters 瓦萊語維基百科: 427字 英文維基導遊: 2萬6,592字
3rd Waray Wikipedia Edit-a-thon (2015, Catbalogan City in Samar) 第三屆瓦萊語維基百科編輯松(2015年 於薩馬省加描洛岸市舉行)	Catbalogan City government (local government unit) 加描洛岸市政府 (地方政府機構)	Catbalogan City government, private donors 加描洛岸市政府、民間 捐助	Waray Wikipedia - 26,12 characters 瓦萊語維基百科:2萬6,127字
5th Waray Wikipedia Edit-a-thon (2016, Guiuan in Eastern Samar) 第五屆瓦萊語維基百科編輯松 (2016年 於東薩馬省義灣(自治市) 舉行)	Municipal government of Guiuan (local government unit) 義灣市政府(地方政府機構)	Municipal government of Guiuan, private donors 義灣市政府、民間捐助	Waray Wikipedia - 4,38t characters Waray Wiktionary <sup>4</sup> - 4,63t characters 瓦萊語維基百科:4,386字 瓦萊語維基詞典:4,630字
6th Waray Wikipedia Edit-a-thon (2016, Tacloban City in Leyte) 第六屆瓦萊語維基百科編輯松(2016年 於禮智省獨魯萬市舉行)	University of the Philippines Visayas Tacloban College (educational institution) 菲律賓米沙鄢大學獨魯萬學院(教育 機構)	Private donors 民間捐助	Waray Wikipedia - 66,35- characters 瓦萊語維基百科:6萬6,354字
5th Waray Wikimedia Forum (2017, Tacbban City in Leyte) 第五屆瓦萊語維基媒體論壇(2017年於 禮智省獨魯萬市舉行)	Association of Government Information Officers (AGIO) of Eastern Visayas Region (government employees' organization) 東米沙鄢地區AGIO (政府資訊長協會) (政府雇員組織)	AGIO, private donor AGIO、民間捐助	Increased awareness an appreciation for Waray Wikipedi and related projects 提升瓦萊語維基百科及相關計畫的能見度與好感度
7th Waray Wikipedia Edit-a-thon (2017, Palo in Leyte) 第七屆瓦萊語維基百科編輯松 (2017年 於禮智省帕洛〔自治市〕舉行)	Philippine Science High School – Eastern Visayas Campus (educational institution) 菲律賓科學中學東米沙鄢校區(教育 機構)	Private donors 民間捐助	Waray Wikipedia - 204,72: characters 瓦萊語維基百科:20萬4,728字
8th Waray Wikipedia Edit-a-thon (2018, Tacloban City in Leyte) 第八屆瓦萊語維基百科編輯松 (2018年 於禮智省獨魯萬市舉行)	University of the Philippines Visayas Tacloban College (educational institution) 菲律賓米沙鄢大學獨魯萬學院(教育 機構)	Private donors 民間捐助	Waray Wikipedia - 145,959 characters 瓦萊語維基百科:14萬5,959字
9th Waray Wikipedia Edit-a-thon (2019, Tacloban City in Leyte) 第九屆瓦萊語維基百科編輯松(2019年 於禮習省獨魯萬市舉行)	University of the Philippines Visayas Tacloban College (educational institution)	Private donors 民間捐助	Waray Wikipedia - 142,48 characters 瓦萊語維基百科:14萬2,487字

- Wikimedia projects include Wikipedia, Wiktionary and Wikivoyage in all its language editions 2. Characters contributed is a means to measure enhancement done to Wikimedia projects.
- 3. Wikimedia Philippines is a recognized affiliate of Wikimedia Foundation in the Philippines during 2010-2017. 4. Waray Wiktionary is a free online dictionary written in Waray that anyone can use, distribute and edit.
- 5. English Wikivoyage is a free online travel documentation written in English that anyone can use, distribute and edit.
- 1. 維基媒體計畫涵蓋各語言版本維基百科、維基詞典及維基導遊。
- 2. 貢獻的字數係用以衡量維基媒體計畫獲增進的程度。
- 3. 菲律賓維基媒體於2010至2017年間在菲律賓是公認的維基媒體基金會之附隋組織。
- 4. 瓦萊語維基詞典係以瓦萊語文撰寫的冤費網路詞典,人人皆可使用、發布及編輯。
- 5. 英語維基導遊係以英語文撰寫的冤費網路旅遊文檔, 人人皆可使用、發布及編輯。

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Philippines engaged in the improvement of Waray Wikipedia, has been conducting for aand edit-athons with the following organizations and institutions with the corresponding output and funding sources:

#### Offline version offers more convenience

During these activities, offline version of Waray Wikipedia stored in DVDs and thumb drives, the version that can be accessed even without internet connection, is distributed to the participants for them to be aware that information in Waray Wikipedia can still be used and disseminated even without connecting to the internet. Like its online version, the offline version of Waray Wikipedia is free to use and to distribute by everyone to anyone.

Appreciation for Waray Wikipedia as a means to disseminate information using an indigenous language greatly aids in organizing and conducting activities to

further enhance the mentioned language edition of Wikipedia.

With the continued use of the Waray language in Waray Wikipedia, information has become more accessible as well as easier to understand because it is written in the indigenous language while the language is also being preserved.

### 離線版提供更多便利性

活動期間,無須網際網路連線 即可展讀的離線版瓦萊語維基百科 以DVD(數位多功能影音光碟)及 USB裝置儲存,分送參與者,使之知 悉,瓦萊語維基百科裡的資訊,即 便欠缺網路連線,依然可運用及傳 播。如同線上版,瓦萊語維基百科 離線版人人皆可自由使用及發布給 仟何人。

對瓦萊語維基百科的好感度做 為以族語傳播資訊的手段,之於籌備 並執行進一步提升瓦萊語維基百科的 活動大有助益。

由於瓦萊語文持續用於瓦萊語 維基百科,資訊變得更易獲取,也因 為以瓦萊語文撰寫而更易了解,與此 同時,族語亦獲保存。



Short presentation highlighting the Waray Wikipedia Projects at Tacloban City, Leyte, Philippines with some government court interpreters. [Photo by Eileen

以瓦萊語維基百科計畫為主軸的簡短發表會,於菲律賓禮智省獨魯萬市,部分政府法院通譯與會

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〈維基百科所包含全部語言〉。取自https://wiki.kiwix.org/wiki/ Content\_in\_all\_languages

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