PATA Destination Marketing Forum 2018
Technical Tour Route 1: Isan Craft & Culture (Sila Community – Wat Chai Sri)
29 November, 2018
Khon Kaen, Thailand

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08.30 Hrs. - Depart for the Sila community.
09.00 Hrs. - Arrive at the Sila community, a peaceful village by the Lam Nam Phong River. This village is a main flower planting area of Khon Kaen. Delegates will be divided into 3 groups to join the activities.

  Rotation 1: Learn to make a floral garland by using local flowers.
  Rotation 2: Learn to make Thung Maeng Mum - a colourful Northeastern-style flag in a spider web shape, which is used for decoration and a part of Buddhist rituals.
  Rotation 3: Learn to make Khao Tom Mat – a Thai dessert made from steamed sticky rice and wrapped in banana leaves.

12.00 Hrs. - Enjoy a local lunch at the Sila community.

13.00 Hrs. - Depart for Wat Chai Sri.
14.00 Hrs. - Visit Wat Chai Sri. The temple is of archaeological, historical as well as social environmental importance and was declared a national ancient monument on 20 August, 2001. The ordination hall - Sim or Ubosot - of this temple houses magnificent mural paintings displaying about the Sin Sai story. Enjoy Mo Lam, a local performance and learn local dancing.

15.30 Hrs. - Back to Khon Kaen city.
16.00 Hrs. - Arrive at the hotel.

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Remarks: - The itinerary is flexible and subject to change without notice.
- Dress code suggestion for the temple: Please wear polite clothing. (No shorts and sleeveless shirt).