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**ABSTRACT** 

This research attempts to show how ecotourism in Burma is depicted in

Amy Tan's Saving Fish from Drowning. The objective of the study is to reveal

how ecotourism in Burma affects to the natives as well as ecology. To meet the

objective, the analysis is focused on three points: first, the relation among Karen

tribe, the American tourists and the military government of Burma by exploring

the past and present life of Karen tribe, the personal intentions and views of

American tourists and the power of the military government; Second, the role of

technologies to capitalize ecotourism in Burma as well as the Karen tribe; and

third, the development of ecotourism in Burma as an industry and its impacts to

the native and Burma's environment. The writer applies Graham Huggan and

Helen Tiffin's Postcolonial Ecocriticism as the main theory. This study finds that

ecotourism in Burma is a form of western neocolonialism which is disguised by

the name of development.

**Key Words**: development, ecotourism, neocolonialism, tourism industry, virtual

tourism, younger white brother