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#### General

South East Asia: A Multidisciplinary Journal - Vol.6, No.1, 2005/2006

Brunei Darussalam: Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences

177 p.; ill.; 21 cm. ISSN: 1819-5091

\$ 15.00 Per Volume - Back Issues available

## History

Thalassocracy: A history of the Medieval Sultanate of Brunei Darussalam / Bilcher Bala Kota Kinabalu: School of Social Sciences, Universiti Malaysia Sabah, c2005 xi, 211 p.; 23 cm. Includes Bibliography and Index. 983-2643-74-0 \$ 18.00

[This book describes the ancient history of the Sultanate of Brunei Darussalam including its emergence as an important Islamic city-state, which became a powerful maritime empire during the period of 1400 A.D. to 1700 A.D. It analyses Brunei's history before and during the great changes of the sixteenth century that were brought about by the beginning of the European influence. Today, the state of Brunei Darussalam is considered one of the world's most ancient monarchies, going back to its fifth century A.D. predecessor, the state of P'o-li, as ancient Chinese dynasties called it. History also suggests a link between the ruling family of an early Southeast Asian kingdom known as Funan and the present ruler of Brunei. Indigenous myths and legends also suggest a distant pre-Islamic past of the state. Since Indian sources have remarkably little to say about the region, this book deals with indigenous sources to verify Indian influence on the emerging early state of Brunei. Indeed, Brunei's history is unique beginning with the story of a tribal port-city, Kota Batu, developing into a sophisticated centralized citystate. Under the influence of the Muslims, Brunei developed a wealthy trade industry, and a cosmopolitan population during the sixteenth century. Early reports told of fabulous wealth in gold an diamonds, pearls and camphor. Brunei was a thalassocracy, controlling the seas and trades of Borneo and the Philippine islands in the sixteenth century. It was initially the advance of the Spanish from the Philippines in 1578 that has caused the destruction of the Brunei Empire. And eventually Brunei lost most of her own territories to English imperialism from the eighteenth century, which reduced its control simply to what is now Sabah and Sarawak.]

Judgements of the Courts of Brunei Darussalam

Brunei Darussalam: Attorney General's Chambers, 2006

viii, 384 p.; 26 cm. \$ 225.00 per Volume 2 Volumes Per Year (Back issues also available)

### Official Publications

Brunei Darussalam Statistical Yearbook 2005

29th Edition.

Brunei Darussalam : Department of Statistics Department of Economic Planning and Development (JPKE) Prime Minister's Office,

xxi, 234 p.; 22 cm.

\$ 25.00

### [From forward:

Brunei Darussalam statistical Yearbook (BDSYS) is an annual publication of Department of Statistics, Department of Economic Planning and Development (JPKE), Prime Minister's Office. Its main aim is to disseminate up-to-date official statistics on the general demographic, social and economic characteristics of Brunei Darussalam for the use of planners, policy makers, researchers, academician and the general public. BDSYB 2005 is the twenty-ninth edition in the same series.]

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\*\*\*Borneo Bulletin - Brunei Yearbook 2007 : Islamic Banking and Finance (Key Information on Brunei 2007)

14th Edition

Brunei: Forward Media Sdn Bhd and Brunei Press Sdn Bhd., 2007

v. ill. : 27 cm. \$ 50.00

\*\*\*Annual National Accounts 2005 = Akaun Negara Tahunan

Brunei Darussalam : Department of Statisics Department of Economic Planning and Development (JPKE) Prime Minister's Office, 2005

vii, 55 p. ill.; 29 cm.

\$ 18.00

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Summary Tables of the Population Census 2001 Brunei Darussalam = Jadual-Jadual Rumusan Banci Penduduk

Brunei Darussalam : Department of Statistics, Department of Economic Planning and Development, 2004

xlix, 615 p.; 29 cm.

\$ 65.00

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Vital Statistics 2001 – Negara Brunei Darussalam

Burnei : Department of Statistics, Department of Economic Planning and Development Prime Minister's Office, 2001

ix, 111 p.; 14 cm.

\$ 18.00

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External Trade Statistics 2003

Brunei: Department of Statistics, Department of Economic Planning and Development, 2003

xxxvi, 575 p.; 29 cm.

\$ 65.00

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Report of the 2002 Economic Census = Laporan Banci Ekonomi 2002

Burnei : Jabatan Perangkaan, Jabatan Perancangan dan Kemajua Ekonomi (JPKE), 2002

vii, 118 p.: ill.; 29 cm.

\$ 25.00

# [From Preface:

This report is divided into three parts. Part one contains the introduction which provides the background and technical notes on the conduct of the census. Part two focuses on the statistical analysis of the state and structure of businesses in the country. Summary tables and detailed tables are provided in part three to enable users to make any further analysis.]

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## Report on the Population Census 2001

Brunei Darussalam : Department of Statistics, Department of Economic Planning and Development (JPKE) Prime Minister's Office, 2001

xvii, 189 p.: ill.; 29 cm.

\$ 35.00

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## Religion – Islam

Cigarettes and Smoking

Brunei: State Mufti's Office, Prime Minister's Office,c2007

xiii, 91 p. : ill ; 26 cm 99917-33-59-0

\$8.00

[This book presents to the readers an extensive debate among the mu'tabar 'ulama' and health specialists, on the issue of cigarettes and smoking, which is supported by shar'l and scientific evidences.

In order to know the conclusion from this interesting discussion, do continue reading and studying this book until readers arrive at a clear ruling on cigarettes and smoking.]

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