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Anthropology

Orang Asli and their wood art / Datuk Anthony Ratos [with Photographs by H. Berbar]

Singapore : Marshall Cavendish editions [An imprint of Marshall Cavendish international], c2006

183 p. : ill. ; 29 cm.

Includes index.

981-261-249-1

1. Indigenous peoples-Malaysia-social conditions
2. Indigenous peoples-Malaysia-social life and customs
3. Wood sculpture, Malaysian.

\$ 40.00

[Orang Asli and their wood art gives a fascinating account of the art, culture, customs and beliefs of peninsular Malaysia's three main Orang Asli groups-the Negrito, the Senoi and the Proto Malays. This book provides a rare insight into the nomadic world and bamboo culture of Malaysia's first peoples, who rely on the forest ecosystem for their everyday needs, but who never take more than what is necessary to survive. Lavish full colour photographs by H. Berbar capture the Orang Asli and their life in the jungle, from hunting with blowpipes, fishing with Bamboo traps, to tattooing the face with jungle dyes. Orang Asli and their wood art is an invaluable addition to the scarce literature available on Peninsular Malaysia's first peoples.]

Dusun Custom in Putatan District / Compiled by Pangeran Osman bin O.K.K. Pangeran Haji Omar with a translation by G.C. Woolley and an Introduction by Danny Wong Tze Ken
Kota Kinabalu : Natural History Publications, 2006
First Edition Published in 1932
xiv, 121p.; 17cm.
9838121029
\$ 6.50

Dusun Custom in Putatan District was the first of a series of booklets on native customs in Sabah that were compiled and published. The document was compiled in 1932 by Pangeran Osman bin OKK Pangeran Haji Omar, a pioneer native administrator in charge of the Putatan district, which also included Penampang. The text describes various aspects of customs being practised by the Kadazandusun at a time when their community was about to experience great social and economic change.

The text is even more meaningful as the district of Putatan included Penampang, the heartland of the Kadazandusun. While many aspects of their customs have remained unchanged, others have evolved over the years. Hence this compilation of traditional customs is an important document as it captures the essence of social life as understood by the people at that time. The volume is also an important introduction to the Kadazandusun people as adherence to the customs is a reflection of the manner in which they lived their lives before the 1930s. It is also a reflection of the ideal conditions aspired to by the implementation of such customs.

Ethnic Musical Instruments of Malaysia / Lee Elaine
Selangor Darul Ehsan : Win Publication Sdn. Bhd., c2006
xvi, 120 p. : ill. ; 25 cm.
983-2312-17-5
\$ 25.00

[This is the most comprehensive book on ethnic musical instruments ever published. There are more than 90 instruments beautifully illustrated and described. Malaysia prides herself as a multi-racial and multi-cultural society producing a multitude of colorful music generated by an equally fascinating array of musical instruments. Music lovers world-wide not only found our music intriguing but are also enraptured by the aesthetical value of our instruments that they become collectors' items. All races that make up Malaysia should take full credit for this, be they Malay, Chinese, Indian, communities from Sabah and Sarawak states, Orang Asli and other indigenous tribes.

As you turn the pages of this book, you will be fascinated by the kaleidoscope of colorful pictures that are definitely a visual treat.]

Shifting Cosmologies of Culture and Religion in Malaysia : Adat, Islam and Modernity / Wazir Jahan Karim
Taipei : PROSEA, Academia Sinica, Program for Southeast Asian Area Studies, 1998
30 p. ; 30 cm.

Includes Bibliography
PROSEA Occasional Paper No.13, April 1998
\$ 5.00

Architecture

Landmarks of Perak / Raja Nazrin Shah
Kuala Lumpur : RNS publications Sdn Bhd., c2006
247 p. : ill. ; 28 cm.
Includes bibliography and index.
983-43082-0-5

1. Architecture-conservation and restoration-Perak.
 2. Historic buildings-conservation and restoration-Perak.
 3. Historic preservation-Perak.
- \$ 90.00

[Landmarks Perak records the richness and diversity of Perak's architectural fabric, guiding the reader through a kaleidoscopic range of buildings that reflects the state's compelling history as well as diverse origins and tastes of its population. Structures depicted in the book include palaces, mosques, schools, temples, churches, memorials, government offices, banks, shophouses, bridges and even private residences. More than 160 landmarks are featured, from each of the state's nine districts, with particular attention given to the state's historic urban centres. Over 400 specially commissioned watercolour paintings and sketched details by three leading Malaysian artists are reproduced in the book. The opening chapter introduces the state's main architectural and historical themes, and, together with the in-depth commentaries on every landmark, provides a highly readable narrative of Perak's architectural heritage and of the men and women who created it.]

Mubin Sheppard Memorial Prize : Cycle 3 Year 2000; Cycle 4 Year 2001 / Edited by
Lee Jia Ping and Lim Ee Lin
Kuala Lumpur : Badan Warisan Malaysia, c2004
iii, 86 p. : ill. ; 21 cm.
983-99554-4-6
\$ 25.00

[The Mubin Sheppard Memorial Prize, was launched in 1996 by Badan Warisan Malaysia, to stimulate awareness amongst tertiary students, of the need to conserve Malaysia's built heritage and to encourage research and writings on various aspects of their conservation and preservation. This volume contains the edited winning entries as well as the entries chosen for honorary mention for cycles Three 2000 and Four 2001.]

Malaysian Architecture : Crisis within / Mohamad Tajuddin Mohamad Rasdi
Kuala Lumpur : Utusan Publications & Distributors Sdn. Bhd., c2005
viii, 118 p. : ill. ; 25 cm.
Includes Index
967-61-1728-5
\$ 8.00

[The architectural icons of new Malaysia is none more apparent than the iconic Petronas Twin Towers and the jewel city of Putrajaya. These buildings are an architectural representation to the public of the cultural and political symbol of the new Malaysia. However, it is not the much vaunted aesthetic characters of these buildings that concern the author but more so the central role of local architects in the design and implementation of the human built environment in this study of a crisis in Malaysian architecture.

This book consists of a series of articles and papers written between 1997 and 2003 published in The Star, the New Straits Times and Majalah Arkitek and also presented at various seminars locally and overseas. The ideas presented by the author in these articles

and papers encapsulate his academic struggle as an academician for a more 'moralistic' vision by local architects. The author's espousal of function as the all encompassing criteria, including aesthetic, structural and psychological ones has led him being branded a theoretic architect by practising architects.

In the Malaysian architectural environment where most architects shun theory, it is the author's lone voice that call for its relevance in informing practice. Thought provoking to ideologues though hardly iconoclastic to practicing architects, this book should appeal to academicians, architects and politicians who will find the author's honest and at times brash opinions an eye opener.]

Art

Al-Qur'an : The sacred art of revelation – From collection of the Islamic arts museum Malaysia

Malaysia : Islamic art museum Malaysia, c2006

283 p. : ill. ; 29 cm.

Includes bibliography.

983-43211-0-4

1. Koran-catalogs-exhibitions

\$ 60.00

[The sacred art of revelation examines the many facets of the Qur'an. Through the miraculous words of Allah, the Qur'an inspires and guides with the sacred art of revelation. Selected from the outstanding IAMM manuscript collection, this catalogue displays remarkable Qur'ans as they were written, from as early as the 8th century up to the 20th century Ad. Rich in colours and unique in designs, these magnificent works demonstrate the manifest skill of calligraphers and illuminations. The beauty of the Qur'an lies not only in its content and meaning, but also in its design and styles of writing.]

Ngajah Duah Sua : Pameran Pelukis-Pelukis Sarawak I – Exhibition of Sarawak Artist Malaysia : National Art Gallery Malaysia, c2006

61 p. : ill. ; 26 cm.

[Text in Malay & English]

983-3497-05-5

\$ 20.00

Rupa Dan Jiwa Johor : Pameran Seni Lukis Kontemporari Johor = The Form and Soul of Johor : An Exhibition of Contemporary Art from Johor
Malaysia : National Art Gallery, 2006

116 p. : ill. ; 27 cm.
[Text in Malay & English]
983-3497-11-x
\$ 20.00

[The Form and soul of Johor aims at introducing established and new johor-born artists to the public. The Title of the exhibition, the Form and Soul of Johor, was chosen to honour johor-born Seniman Negara Datuk Syed Ahmad Jamal, who has Written extensively in the field of Malay art.

The works displayed in the exhibition mirror the development of modern Malaysian art in general. Besides the works contributed by the artists invited by the National Art Gallery, the Form and Soul of Johor also exhibits works from the Gallery's collection. Generally, the works in the exhibition can be categorized into seven themes or main groups : Landscape; Abstract and semi-abstract Images; Human Figures; Cultural and Traditional Motifs; Calligraphy; Photography and print; and Sculptures and installations. The works exhibited include those by the pioneers like Seniman Negara Datuk Syed Ahmad Jamal, Sulaiman Esa, Anthony Lau, Chia Yu Chian, Eric Peris, Hashim Hassan, and Mohd. Sanip Lasman, to other artists like Yusof Ghani, Ponirin Amin, Zakaria Awang, Md Yusoff Othman, Fatimah Chik and Johan Marjonid.]

Tokonang Juo : Seni Negeri Sembilan Masa Kini = Contemporary Art of Negeri Sembilan – 30 Mac- 7 Mei 2006 / Zakaria Ali
Malaysia : National Art Gallery, 2006
87 p. : ill. ; 27 cm.
[Text in Malay & English]
983-3497-04-7
\$ 20.00

The artistic path – Rearngsak Boonyavanishkul
Selangor : Artext publishing Sdn. Bhd., c2003
272 p. : ill. ; 34 cm.
Includes index.
983-2675-11-1
\$ 85.00

[Contents:
Introduction
Humanity vision
Traditional Thai performers
Traditional Balinese performers
Traditional Balinese performance
Ayutthaya series
Mural painting
Illustration
Index
Artist chronological biography
Memory moments
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BMS 2004 : Bakat Muda Sezama = The young contemporaries

Kuala Lumpur : National Art Gallery, c2004
64 p. : ill. ; 26 cm.
983-9572-94-6
\$ 35.00

Modern Malaysian : A Tribute to Felda's Craftspeople / Text by Sh. Sakinah Alijunid and Warwick Purser
Jakarta : Equinox Publishing and the Federal Land Development Authority (FELDA), c2006
153 p. : ill. ; 29 cm.
Includes Index
979-3780-32-0
\$ 35.00

[Modern Malaysian : A Tribute to Felda's Craftspeople is a celebration of the remarkable skill and ingenuity that goes into handcrafted products in Malaysia. With over 120 images by world-renowned photographer Rio Helmi, Modern Malaysian showcases the products and the people of Felda who make them in all corners of the country. Modern Malaysian is a must-have reference book for interior designers looking for new colors and forms, as well as members of the general public who are interested in the remarkable history and fascinating contemporary uses of handcrafted products in modern-day Malaysia.]

Jalak / Jalaini Abu Hassan
Kuala Lumpur : Valentine Willie Fine Art, c2006
107 p. : ill. ; 28 cm.
983-9389-14-9
\$ 20.00

Abrbandi : Ikats of Central Asia- From the Collection of the Islamic Arts Museum Malaysia / Edited by Lucien de Guise
Kuala Lumpur : The Islamic Arts Museum Malaysia, c2006
192 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.
Includes Bibliography and a Map
983-40845-8-7
1. Ikat—Asia, Central--Catalogs
2. Ikat—Asia, Central--Exhibitions
\$ 40.00

[Silk ikats are among the most vibrant textiles of Central Asia. Part of the weaving tradition known in Persian as 'abrbandi', they are as stunning to look at as they are challenging to make. When compared with the delicate ikats of Southeast Asia, these Central Asian cousins are an explosion of colour and pattern.

Abrbandi: Ikats of Central Asia celebrates the artistic and technical virtuosity of the silk designers, dyers and weavers of Central Asia at the close of the 19th century. Ikat textiles played many important economic and social roles at that time, when robes and hangings were given in payment for services rendered, as dowry and bride price, and as highly esteemed gifts. Beyond the borders of Central Asia, ikat textiles had political value in diplomatic exchange as gifts between rulers. For peoples

outside Central Asia, as well as for travelers and colonists in the region, ikat fabrics came to symbolize the exoticism of the Islamic world.

During the 20th century these textiles were collected and brought to Europe, Asia, and the Americas, where they entered the market as complements to the more familiar Central Asian carpets and embroideries. As recognition of their highly artistic quality became more widespread, and research placed them into the appropriate cultural context, many ikats found homes in museums. Here, they continue to play an important part in the dialogue between cultures.]

Heritage Asia [Yearly 4 Issues]
Selangor : Mediahub Sdn Bhd, 2006
96 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.
ISSN : 1675-6924
US\$ 32.00 Per annum

[Contents of Latest Issue : : Volume 3, No.4, July – September, 2006

Special Reports :

Earthquake and Java's cultural Heritage / Christine Lee Wai Ying
Northeast Asian Citadel Discovered in Reservoir / Neil Khor

Features :

Thailand's Living Lord / Neil Khor
Wan Chai : Urban Renewal and Community Action / Tim Youngs
Return to Opulence : Penang's E & O Hotel / Neil Khor and Yvonne Teh

Sarawak Focus :

Sarawak Overview / Ooi Keat Gin
Musical Contours of the Sarawakian Rainforest / Gini Gorlinski
Astonishing Mulu / Robin Hanbury-Tenison
The Forts of Sarawak / Heidi Munan

Architecture :

Macanese Heritage Buildings and their contemporary Uses / Yvonne Teh

Cinema :

Kihachiro Kawamoto and his Shisha no Sho (The Book of the Dead) / Yvonne Teh

Collectibles :

A Collectors' Paradise / Neil Khor

Craftsmanship and multiculturalism : A Collector Profile – Azlan Piruz / Neil Khor

Treasures :

Kashmiri Carpets – Reflections of Paradise / Harris Mohamad

History :

Southeast Asia's Powerful Queens / Anthony J. Reid

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Capital Beauty / Su Lin Lewis

Conservation :

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Traveller :

Heritage Marketing / Anabright Hay

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Malaysia's Sipadan Needs Protection / Clare Watson
World Heritage Sites :
Ancient City of Damascus, Syria / Yvonne Teh
Milestones :
Shin Sang-Ok (11 October 1926 – 11 April 2006)
Pramoedya Ananta (Mas) Toer (February 1925- 30 April 2006)
Shohei Imamura (15 September 1926 – 30 May 2006)
Opinion :
Heritage for our Time / Yvonne Teh
Events
Interview : HSBC's Zarir Cama
Exhibitions.]

Cinta Tercipta.... and There is Love.... / Pameran Senilukis Ciptaan Syed Thajudeen
Kuala Lumpur : National Art Gallery, c2006
103 p. : ill. ; 28 cm.
983-3497-10-1
\$ 12.00

Business

Achieving Success in tough times : how one man saved his company and kept his sanity during the 1997 Asian economic crisis / Dato' Dr. Mohamad bin Hashim
Malaysia : KasehDia Sdn Bhd., 2006
xv, 121 p. ; 22 cm.
983-41669-5-8
\$ 20.00

Business Environmental and Social Responsibility in the Hotel Sector-Monograph / Azilah Kasim
Sintok : Department of Publication and Media Technology, Universiti Utara Malaysia Press, c2005
xx, 306 p. : ill. ; 25 cm.
Includes Bibliography and Maps
983-3282-24-5
\$ 32.00

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Cinema

First Malay Film "Leila Majnun" 1933 / Edited by H.T. Arshad
Kuala Lumpur : Meoral Research Centre, Meoral Publishing House
12 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.
\$ 10.00

Reclaiming Adat : Contemporary Malaysian Film and Literature / Khoo Gaik Cheng
Singapore : Singapore University Press, NUS Publishing, 2006
xi, 254 p. : ill. ; 24 cm.
Includes Index.
9971-69-338-0
\$ 34.00

[In the early 1990s, the animist and Hindu traces in adat, or Malay custom, became contentious for resurgent Islam in Malaysia. Reclaiming Adat focuses on the filmmakers, intellectuals, and writers who reclaimed adat to counter the homogenizing aspects of both Islamic discourse and globalization in this period. They practised their project of recuperation with an emphasis on sexuality and a return to archaic forms such as magic and traditional healing. Using close textual readings of literature and film, Khoo Gaik Cheng reveals the tensions between gender, modernity, and nation in Malaysia.

Khoo weaves a wealth of cultural theory into a rare analysis of Malay cinema and the work of new Malaysian Anglophone writers. Reclaiming Adat makes an essential contribution to our knowledge of the complexities embedded in modern Malaysian culture, politics, and identity.]

Communication & Journalism

Media Guide 2006 : Malaysia Media and advertising guide book
Kuala Lumpur : Perception Media Sdn. Bhd., 2006
v. : ill. ; 21 cm.
\$ 29.50

Economics

The Impact of ASEAN Free Trade Area (AFTA) and ASEAN Investment Area (AIA) on the Palm Oil Industry of Some ASEAN Countries* / Ishak Hj. Omar, Mad Nasir Shamsuddin, Fatimah Arshad, Kusairi Mohd Noh and Zainal Abidin Tambi
Taipei : PROSEA, Academia Sinica, Program for Southeast Asian Area Studies, 2001
22 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.
Includes Bibliography
PROSEA Research Paper No.47, June-2001
\$ 5.00

Fiscal Policy and inequality in Malaysia / Wee Chong Hui
Kuala Lumpur : University of Malaya Press, c2006
xxii, 228 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.
Includes Bibliography and Index
983-100-320-9
1. Fiscal policy--Malaysia
2. Finance, Public—Malaysia
\$ 17.00

[The public sector has had substantial influence on the Malaysian economy and government objectives include economic growth, equity and stability. This book examines its effect on equity. This book analyses the distribution of government expenditure by income group, stratum and state. Besides general expenditure and development expenditure, this book examines government expenditures on social services such as health and education. While government expenditure benefits various groups, taxation burdens the groups concerned. This book also estimates the burden of taxation by income group, concentrating on the equity implications with tax reforms and changes over the years. The Malaysian government has declared its stance on "fiscal prudence" and taken various privatization initiatives. However, there has been de-privatisation after the 1997-98 Asian financial crisis. This book highlights the equity implications of the government's fiscal stance, particularly on public health. It also highlights Malaysia's privatization experiences in terms of contradictions in fiscal stance as well as equity implications.]

Education for sustainable development : the roles of Universities as Regional Centres of expertise / Edited by Omar Osman
Malaysia : Penerbit Universiti Sains Malaysia, 2006 [Dist:The Universiti Sains Malaysia Co-operative Bookshop Ltd.]
Reprint
xv, 148 p. ; 23 cm.
Healthy Campus Series No.11
983-3391-14-1
\$ 12.00

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Ecotourism in the IMT-GT Region : Issues and Challenges / Edited by Kalsom Kayat, Nurhazani Mohd Shariff and Mohamad Khairi Mohamad @Alwi
Sintok : Universiti Utara Malaysia Press, c2006
viii, 248 p. : ill. ; 24 cm.
983-3282-72-5

1. Ecotourism—Economic aspects—Indonesia--Congresses
 2. Ecotourism—Economic aspects—Malaysia—Congresses
 3. Ecotourism—Economic aspects—Thailand - Congresses
- \$ 20.00

[As a new concept ecotourism is surrounded with countless issues and inquiries. The dimensions of issues include the management and policies for ecotourism development, the impacts from ecotourism operation, and ecotourism marketing. Several of these issues were addressed by the paper presenters at the IMT-GMT International Conference on Ecotourism that was held in December 2003 at Universiti Utara Malaysia.

This book consists of a chosen number of papers presented at the conference that may become a good resource for future discussions and research in the area of ecotourism in the IMT-GT region as well as in the global context.]

Real estate in Malaysia : challenges, insights and issues / Mani Usilappan
Malaysia : University of Malaya Press, 2006
x, 304 p. ; 24 cm.
983-100-351-9
\$ 19.00

[This book is a compilation of articles and papers produced by the writer over his many years as a real estate practitioner. It covers a diverging number of areas in real estate including the valuation, the policies and legal implications of changes in the law. The writer has made no attempt to bring order to this divergence, displaying his wide interest in those areas. The articles and papers were selected primarily for the sharing of knowledge; they embody the writer's expression of views that can differ from the normally accepted ones.

Credit in a Malay peasant economy / Mokhzani Abdul Rahim
Kuala Lumpur : Arus Intelek Sdn Bhd, [Faculty of economics and administration], c2006
xv, 359 p. : ill. ; 27 cm.
Includes bibliography and index.
983-150-301-5

1. Agricultural credit-Perlis
2. Peasantry-economic conditions - Perlis
3. Malay-economic conditions-Perlis

\$ 39.50

["The profitable nature of Malay money lending continually attracts new lenders. Extensive lending and foreclosures by lenders who are generally the village rich and other high income and high-status Malays, leads to the concentration of landed property which amplifies the wealth and social differences between Malays. The pattern of credit transactions in the Malay peasant economy is neither static nor is it purely economic. The dynamics of the process are influenced by a combination of the religious, social, economic, cultural and legal factors acting both singly and in a combine way. However, the study demonstrates that these factors and the credit environment are themselves constantly undergoing change as both Malay society and Malaysian society as a whole evolves in the process of national growth and development."]

Globalising Malaysia : Towards Building a Developed Nation / Mohd Najib Abdul Razak

Malaysia : MPH Group Publishing Sdn Bhd, c2006

ix, 340 p. ; 23 cm.

Includes Index.

983-3698-07-7

\$ 25.00

[In Globalising Malaysia, Mohd Najib Abdul Razak defines the concept of developed nation and outlines how we should go about building one: by moulding the Malaysian society and economy to reflect the nation's own needs as well as that of its communities. The goal is to create and build a nation that is comprehensively developed, not merely in economic terms, but also to reflect a balanced society – a society that is not only caring but also knowledgeable by the year 2020.

Based on a selection of speeches, this book highlights the challenges that Malaysia, as a nation and as part of a region, will confront in an increasingly complex world, a world that has with globalisation become smaller, yet broader in its horizons and bigger in its capacity to bring prosperity to all.

The journey is both along and challenging, and adjustments and sacrifices will have to be made as we tread our way forward. In this respect, socioeconomic plans are part of this adjustment process in finding our way in the labyrinth of a globalised world.]

Environment

A field guide to the fishes of Kuching rivers : Sarawak, Malaysian Borneo / Katherine Atack [with photographs by Ch'ien C. Lee]

Kota Kinabalu : Natural history publications (Borneo), c2006

xi, 200 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.

Includes index.

983-812-113-4

\$ 23.00

[A field guide to the fishes of Kuching rivers, Sarawak, Malaysian Borneo introduces the non-taxonomic reader to the variety of fish species in the mostly estuarine rivers

running through the city of Kuching. Many of the species are illustrated with some of the most stunning photography yet seen in any fish guide. One hundred and two species are described with detailed information on the appearance, habitat and distribution. These species range from freshwater species that can tolerate low salinity levels to marine species that visit freshwater. This book covers the species most likely to be seen, and provides characteristics to enable identification without the use of a microscope or anatomy dissection. In addition, the introductory chapters give a brief review of Sarawak and Kuching, before providing a general outline of fish habitats, biology and ecology. A field guide to the fishes of Kuching rivers. Sarawak, Malaysian Borneo will be of interest to fish biologists, anglers, biology, students and anyone interested in tropical estuarine biology or with an interest in the natural history of Borneo and Asia.]

Gingers of Sarawak / Axel Dalberg Poulsen

Kota Kinabalu : Natural history publications (Borneo) [in association with Royal botanic garden Edinburgh], c2006

102 p. : ill. ; 18 cm.

A Pocket Guide

983-812-112-6

\$ 9.00

[Sarawak is one of the world's species-rich hotspots' and home to more than 150 gingers, the majority of which are native and unique to Borneo. Several species are useful as food, spice, medicine, ornamentals or for other purposes. However, the ginger family has been poorly studied by researchers, and many more species may still be discovered in the forests of Sarawak. The pocket guide provides a wealth of information including colour photographs of some the most stunning or typical ginger species in Sarawak. All 18 ginger genera known from Sarawak are exemplified by at least one species. The meaning of the scientific plant names are explained and also local names are included. Each of the 64 selected species are described briefly and notes are added on their ecology, uses or history. This pocket guide also presents a checklist of the 150 species currently known in Sarawak and an overview of the literature for their identification.]

Speleological Expedition Gunung Lanno

Austria : Verein fur Hohlenkunde in Obersteier (VHO) Bad Mitterndorf, c2005

240 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index.

\$ 70.00

[This report unveils the results of a speleological expedition held in November 2001 under the lead of the "Verein fur Hohlenkunde in Obersteier" in the Kinta Valley, Peninsular Malaysia.

The target was the caves in Gunung Lanno, an isolated limestone mountain densely overgrown with primary forest. The team worked systematically in three groups. During three weeks, 32 caves were documented and 12 kilometers of passages surveyed. Four temple caves were also surveyed during the expedition. The biggest discovery was one of western Malaysia's largest chambers, the "Lanno Summit Chamber", 60 meters wide and more than 180 meters long, located directly below the peak of the mountain. Many invertebrates were collected in the caves, most of them could be determined. Several new species were discovered.]

Anatomical Atlas of Malaysian Medicinal Plants – Volume 2 / Khatijah Hussin and Mohamad Ruzi Abdul Rahman

Bangi : Penerbit Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, c2006

152 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index

967-942-782-X (Vol.2)

1. Medicinal plants—Malaysia
 2. Botany, Medical--Malaysia
 3. Herbs—Therapeutic use—Malaysia
- \$ 15.00

[In the last few decades, herbal medicine is gaining worldwide acceptance as a complementary or alternative medicine. With the increase in the popularity of plants as an alternative medicine, more herbal drugs are now available in various forms in the market. Due to the increase in demand, the price of raw materials has also inevitably increased. There have been a rapid development in the herbal industries utilizing locally available plants, either wild or introduced. Therefore, an accurate identification is crucial before chemists and pharmacognosists can search for new chemical substances from these plants and repeat their experiments. According to the latest report, there are about 1,200 species of plants in this country that have potential pharmaceutical value. A detailed anatomical description of the plant organ would be very useful to help identify the cells and tissue fragments for the confirmation of species in herbal products. Altogether Anatomical Atlas of Malaysian Medicinal Plants is published in a series of several volumes. Each volume describes and illustrates the anatomical structure of 30 species of plants used in traditional medicine of Malaysia.]

Biodiversity and conservation of the Meliau range : A rain forest in Sabah's ultramafic belt / Compiled by Arthur Y.C. Chung

Kota Kinabalu : Natural history publications (Borneo), c2006

ix, 87 p. : ill. ; 22 cm.

983-812-116-9

\$ 17.00

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Meliau range-an introduction

Partnership in conservation – What has been achieved

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Local communities – The human dimension

Harmonious coexistence – A dynamic presentation of the range

Potentials of the range – The future direction

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Management Prescriptions for Non-Production Functional Classes of Forest / Shamsudin Ibrahim, Hj. Abd. Razak Othman and Noor Azlin Yahya et al.

Kuala Lumpur : Forest Research Institute Malaysia, c2003

xiv, 154 p. : ill. ; 26 cm.

Includes Bibliography
Malaysian Forest Records No.46
983-2181-38-0
1. Forest and forestry—Malaysia
2. Forest and forestry—Management
\$ 18.00

[This publication reviews and develops appropriate management prescriptions, giving a clear definition for each of the forest classes. Thus, it will assist managers to properly define these functional classes and develop appropriate management prescriptions to enable better planning and management of the forest resources. The precise definition of each type of forest is important in enabling the formulation of forest management prescriptions. It also focus on the management plan that takes into account what is intended to do, what can be done and what must be done for the selected non-productive functional classes.

This publication also touches on sustainable forest management issues. It addresses gaps in the information required to achieving sustainable forest management as well as fulfilling the Malaysian Criteria, Indicators, Activities and Standards of Performance developed for forest management certification.]

The Borneo suckers : Revision of the torrent loaches of Borneo (Balitoridae: Gastromyzon, Neogastromyzon) / Tan Heok Hui
Kota Kinabalu : Natural history publications (Borneo), c2006
vii, 245 p. : ill. ; 26 cm.
Includes index.
983-812-105-3
\$ 55.00

[The systematics of the genera *Gastromyzon*, *Hypergastromyzon* and *Neogastromyzon* of the family Balitoridae, all of which are endemic to Borneo, are revised. These genera possess an increased number and enlarged size in the pectoral and pelvic fins, fused pelvic fins and dorso-ventrally flattened bodies. They live in the headwater and hillstreams, typically in fast-flowing water over a rocky substratum. All type material of the 21 known species of *Gastromyzon* is re-described, with another 15 new speices described. The genus *Gastromyzon*, now with 36 species, is borneensis group, *G. punctulatus* group, *G. fasciatus* group, *G. contracus* group, *G. ctencocephalus* group, *G. lepidogaster* group, *G. ridens* group, *G. danumensis* group, *G. pariclavis* group, *G. ocellatus* group and *G. auronigrus* group. The status of *G. borneensis* and *G. lepidogaster* is resolved with fresh topotypical material. The taxonomy of *G. borneensis*, *G. danumensis*, *G. fasciatus*, *G. lepidogaster* and *G. punctulatus* is clarified with fresh material and material from a wider distribution. A lectotype is designated for *G. monticola*. The life colouration of 26 species of *Gastromyzon* is illustrated, together with line drawings of juveniles of 15 species.]

Malaysian Environment in Crisis
Malaysia : Sahabat Alam Malaysia, 2006
223 p. : ill. ; 22 cm.
983-40824-6-0
\$ 15.00

[Sahabat Alam Malaysia assesses Malaysia's environmental quality, conservation record, what remains of its natural resources, our laws and policies, environmental justice and prevalent public attitudes towards the environment.

This report contains the latest data about forests, biodiversity, freshwater and marine ecosystems, and the urban environment. Policies, practices and Malaysia's commitment to international agreements are held up for scrutiny.

Read the latest about the devastating consequences of the fast-track style of development on our natural resources, our health, quality of life and on ecosystems. Learn how communities have grappled with and overcome pressing environmental problems.]

Etlingera of Borneo / Axel Dalberg Poulsen

Kota Kinabalu : Natural History Publications (Borneo) in association with Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh, 2006

x + 263 pp.; 26cm.

9838121177

\$ 55.00

Borneo is one of the most exciting places to study the richness of plant life on Earth and home to more than 300 ginger species. Etlingera is among the most diverse and attractive of the genera found there; several species are used as food, spice, medicine, ornamentals or for other purposes and it therefore becomes crucial to be able to identify them.

The present revision treats 42 taxa, including 16 new species, one new subspecies, one new variety, and one new combination. This more than doubles the number of species since modern careful revision was begun by Rosemary M. Smith 20 years ago.

The first chapters of the book give an introduction to the genus including its taxonomic history, morphology, ecology, uses, and conservation. Local names and uses by the peoples of Borneo emphasize the great potential that the genus Etlingera offers for the future.

A key is provided to the identification of the species; most are described in detail and illustrated by beautiful colour photographs and line drawings. The first descriptions and illustrations of the fruits of several species are also provided and show the importance of fruit characters for identification. The meanings of the scientific plant names are explained, the conservation status of each species is assessed, notes are added on ecology, uses and history, and a distribution map is given.

The book will be of interest to botanists, horticulturists and ethnobotanists.

The Nepenthaceae of the Netherlands Indies / B.H. Danser with an Introduction by Charles Clarke

Kota Kinabalu : Natural History Publications (Borneo), 2006

First Edition 1928

vi, 206p.; 26cm.

9838121150

\$ 36.00

At last, the long-awaited reprint of B.H. Danser's seminal treatment of the Malesian Nepenthaceae is here! First published in 1928 in the *Bulletin de Jardin de Botanique, Buitenzorg*, this vital work has been inaccessible to many enthusiasts of the genus due to the rarity of the original volume. Danser recognised 65 species of *Nepenthes*, all described in exhaustive detail, with several taxa that were first described by him illustrated with beautiful line drawings. The discovery and description of *Nepenthes* species from Borneo and Sumatra in the early years of the 20th century was rapid and not always rigorously documented. By the mid-1920s, there was considerable confusion among taxonomists about various species, natural hybrids and nomenclatural anomalies. In his revision, Danser rectified most of these and provided the taxonomic foundation for the genus that has been used by all subsequent workers. Indeed, all of the important recent monographs on the genus, such as those by Phillipps & Lamb, Clarke and Jebb & Cheek, owe much to Danser's work and readers of these books often find it useful to refer to Danser for clarification of various taxonomic matters. Accordingly, this reprint is an indispensable companion to those volumes and a vital component of the library of any enthusiast of *Nepenthes*. With an introduction by Charles Clarke, information on the major taxonomic changes and additions that have taken place since 1928 brings the reader up to date and makes Danser's work both accessible and compatible with recent treatments.

The Malaysian Initiatives in Weed Science Research / Baki Hj. Bakar
Kuala Lumpur : University Malaya Press, c2006
x, 714 p. ; 26 cm.
Includes Index and a Map
983-100-397-7
1. Weeds-Research-Indexes
\$ 40.00

[The Malaysian Initiatives in Weed Science Research is a comprehensive compilation of abstracts and summaries of published articles, monographs, theses, and reviews on weed science in journals, bulletins, and proceedings for the past eighty-five years since early 1900. The compilation focused on descriptive taxonomy, ecology and biology of weeds, economic uses of weeds, the impacts of weed infestation on the environment, and weed management aspects with emphasis on manual, mechanical, biological, and chemical control. More than 2,000 papers in weed science, encompassing a wide range of areas and disciplines were published between 1918 and 2003. This compilation serves as a useful source of much-needed reference for those wanting to have some insight and in depth analyses on research emphasis and priorities in the Malaysian agriculture in particular, and the Malaysian ecosystems in general.]

Damned that Thots / A Kadir Jasin
Kuala Lumpur : Berita Publishing Sdn. Bhd., c2006
xii, 364 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes Index
976-969-542-5
\$ 10.00

[In the northern part of Peninsular Malaysia, where most people are farmers or, at the very least, have a farming background, life is intrinsically linked to the nature. These people may not be highly educated. Among the older farmers, illiteracy is common. But they are well schooled in the ways of nature. They have their own ways of unlocking nature's secrets and taking advantage of them. They survive and, in some instances, thrive by making peace with nature and harnessing its power. Unfortunately, for many years in the 70s and part of the 80s, the population of eel, haruan and other fishes was almost decimated by excessive and improper use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides as farmers struggled to cope with the double-cropping of padi.

Intensive farming was made possible by the completion of the Muda Irrigation Scheme in the early 70s.

Today, farmers are not only more aware of the proper use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides but are beginning to demand more environment-friendly products.]

Traditional Knowledge Preserved : Lungkid Generation Vol.1 / Amnah Abdullah

Sabah : Amnah Abdullah, 2006

69 p. : ill. ; 19 cm.

Includes Bibliography.

983-43122-0-2

\$ 20.00

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The Generation Continues

1981 Tadau Ka'amatan – Harvest Festival

Plants Known and Unknown

Medicinal Plants

Confinement Medicinal Plants

Wild Food Plants

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Malaysian Bibliography on Ethnobotany / Compiled by Hawa Abdul Majid ; Edited by Badilah Saad

Kuala Lumpur : Perpustakaan Negara Malaysia (National Library of Malaysia), c1996

viii, 216 p. ; 24 cm.
Includes Bibliography and Index
967-931-057-4
1. Ethnobotany—Malaysia--Bibliography
2. Ethnobotany—Bibliography
3. Malaysia—Bibliography
\$ 12.00

[This bibliography on ethnobotany is an attempt to document the writings on the traditional use of indigenous plants in Malaysia. Works on traditional Chinese and Indian medicine has been excluded as these two branches of medicine are known to use plants from China and India respectively, except in the few instances when local plants are involved. Every attempt has been made to trace all the publications on the subject. Other than journal articles, conference papers, books and dissertations, the bibliography also includes articles from newspapers. The references in the bibliography are listed under the subject, and under each subject they are arranged alphabetically according to the entry. An author index is also provided.]

Acid Sulfate Soils in Malaysia / Shamshuddin Jusop
Selangor Darul Ehsan : Penerbit Universiti Putra Malaysia, 2006
127 p. : ill. ; 25 cm.
Includes Index.
983-2871-87-5
\$ 10.00

[This is the first book completely written on acid sulfate soils in Malaysia. Acid sulfate soils are those that are widespread in the coastal regions of the country. Under natural conditions, acid sulfate soils pose no threat to plants and aquatic life. Once developed for agriculture, pyrite in the soils is oxidized, releasing acidity, which in turn disintegrates clay minerals. This leads to excess Al and Fe in one soils and soil solutions, causing harm to both crops and aquatic life. The soils obtain their name from the presence of sulfuric acid in to soils as a result of drainage.

This book is written in seven chapters. The first four chapters deal with definition, distribution, soil classification, physico-chemical properties and mineralogy of acid sulfate soils in Malaysia. The last three chapters deal with the management of the soils for cocoa, oil palm and rice production.

Acid Sulfate Soils in Malaysia is aimed at educating the public on the importance of conserving such a crucial resource as acid sulfate soils. If they are needed for development, be it for agriculture or otherwise, do so with care (using correct methodology) so as not to degrade them. Students and researchers alike would be able to use this book as a reference in their work. It can also be used as a textbook for soil courses at the Faculty of Agriculture, UPM.]

History

To' Janggut : Legends, Histories, and Perceptions of the 1915 Rebellion in Kelantan / Cheah Boon Kheng
Singapore : Singapore University Press, c2006
xii, 168 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.

Includes Bibliography, Index and Maps
9971-69-316-X
\$ 25.00

[To' Janggut, or "Old Long Beard", deconstructs a popular legend concerning an uprising that took place in the Malay state of Kelantan in 1915 by contrasting several rival versions of what took place. Cheah Boon Kheng examines literary and folk accounts, photographs, newspaper reports, scholarly interpretations and classified 'hidden' official reports, finding that incidents and images associated with one version are subsequently revised, contradicted, or denied in alternate accounts. Although the 1915 uprising was a relatively minor incident that took place in a remote part of rural Kelantan during the world war I, it has captured the imagination of the people. In this study, Cheah considers its broader significance for historians by reassessing ideas of historical truth and the meanings and functions of history, biography, photography and other genres. In the end, the reader is left to determine which version if any can be said to represent historical truth.]

Tuhfat al-Mujahidin : A historical epic of the sixteenth century / Shaykh Zainuddin Makhdum [Translated from Arabic with annotations by S. Muhammad Husayn Nainar]
Kuala Lumpur : Islamic book trust, [other books], c2006
xxxii, 139p. ; 21 cm.
Includes index.
983-9154-80-X
\$ 15.00

[This translation of the Tuhfat is extensively annotated with more than two hundred notes explaining local backgrounds and clearly identifying the places and people mentioned in the original Arabic work. The Tuhfat is compulsory reading for anybody trying to learn about post-Cordova episodes of Muslim history.]

An old Man Remembers : The Memoirs of Tan Sri Dato' Seri Dr. Haji 'Coco' Abdul Majid bin Ismail
Malaysia : The Written Word, 2006
396 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.
983-99252-4-5
\$ 20.00

[Abdul Majid bin Ismail was born in his grandfather's house in Kampong Baru, Kuala Lumpur, in 1921, the eldest of twelve children. The son of a machinist with the central Railway Workshops in Sentul, Abdul Majid was educated at the Segambut Malay School, the Maxwell Boys' English School, the Batu Road School and the Victoria Institution. As a Selangor State scholar, Abdul Majid studied Medicine at the King Edward VII College of Medicine, Singapore, and was among the first batch of graduates to be awarded a medical degree (MBBS) in 1950, after the College merged with Raffles College to become the University of Malaya.

Born of humble beginnings to an impoverished and illiterate railway worker, Coco, like many of his boyhood friends, was destined for a similar vocation if the Colonial Government's Annual Report of 1920 was to be right. This was: 'to make the son of

the fisherman or peasant [or in Coco's case, a railway worker] a more intelligent fisherman or peasant than his father had been, and a man whose education will enable him to understand how his own lot in life fits in with the scheme of life around him.]

Ibrahim : Pahlawan Melayu The Malay Warrior / Tun Ibrahim Ismail
Selangor Darul Ehsan : Pelanduk Publications (M) Sdn. Bhd., c2005
xviii, 298 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.

Includes Index
967-978-924-1

1. Ibrahim bin Ismail, Tun, 1922-
 2. Generals—Malaysia—Biography
 3. Malaysia—History, Military
 4. Malaysia—Armed Forces--History
- \$ 35.00

[This autobiography of a notable figure in Malaysian history is also a description of historical events unfolding before the eyes of a living witness. General Tun Ibrahim Ismail's meteoric rise through the ranks of the military and his involvement in policy and governance is also clearly depicted. Tun Ibrahim's career, spanning more than 30 years, has certainly left an indelible mark not only in terms of the history of the Malaysian Armed Forces (MAF), but also with regard to the political arena. His sheer determination, commanding personality and morally upright ethical principles have consequently made him the subject of much admiration. Not only was he intimately connected to the founder of the most powerful Malay political organization, he was held in high esteem by the Prime Ministers of Malaysia
This autobiography is narrated in relation to the development of the MAF and the gentle manner in which he is portrayed here with his family and friends betrays the softer side of a man as opposed to the common perception of one cloaked in a General's uniform.]

Journal of the Malaysian Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society MBRAS Volume LXXV
Part 1 (No. 282), June, 2002
Kuala Lumpur : Malaysian Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society, c2002
124 p. : ill. ; 25 cm.
ISSN : 0128-5483
\$ 15.00

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140 p. : ill. ; 25 cm.

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The Malayan Emergency Revisited 1948-1960-A Pictorial History / Mohd Azzam Mohd Hanif Ghows ; Edited by Ms. Caroline Barber

Kuala Lumpur : AMR Holding Sdn. Bhd., and (Yayasan Pelajaran Islam, Selangor), c2006

386 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.

Includes Bibliography, Index and a Map

983-42980-0-5

1. Malaya-History-Malayan Emergency, 1948-1960-Pictorial works.

2. Communism-Malaya-History-Pictorial works

\$ 70.00

[This book tells in pictorial form the story of the Malayan Emergency (1948-1960). It opens in 1930 with the formation of Malayan Communist Party (MCP), which saw itself as part of the global struggle against the twin evils of capitalism and colonialism. The spread of communist ideology, however, was disrupted by the Second World War, during which the Japanese Imperial Army invaded British Malaya. The MCP joined forces with the British to fight the Japanese occupiers by forming the Malayan Peoples' Anti-Japanese Army (MPAJA), while the British provided weapons and equipment and trained MPAJA members. When the war ended, the communist guerillas turned against their erstwhile British allies, now calling themselves the Malayan Peoples's Anti-British Army.

The British government granted independence to Malaya in 1957. Malaysian Independence had been made possible by those who died in the country's struggle against communist terrorism. That history has relevance to all of us today. This book portrays the trials and tribulations that paved the way to independence, and the dark period in our early history when fear and terror tried to rule, but finally succumbed to democracy and peace.]

Language and Nation Building : A Study of the Language Medium Policy in Malaysia / Alis Puteh

Selangor : Strategic Information and Research Development Centre (SIRD), c2006

x, 240 p. ; 23 cm.

Includes Bibliography

983-3782-01-9

1. Education and state-Malaysia
 2. Instructional systems-Malaysia
- \$ 12.00

[This book constitutes a very good read as it has reverently recorded the history of the implementation of the national language policy, i.e. the Malay language as the medium of instruction in the Malaysian education system. This book can be briefly described as containing three main sections, which are:

1. The history of medium of instruction policy in the Malaysian education system
 2. The implementation process and its challenges from 1970-1983
 3. The implementation of English language policy in Malaysian education system.]
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Sarawak : Mini episodes of the past / Vincent H.K. Foo
Sarawak : Vincent Foo Hiap Khian, c2006
v, 181 p. : ill. ; 25 cm.
Includes bibliography.
983-42830-1-6
\$ 38.00

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Chapter 18: Charles brooke's quest: coal
Chapter 19: Childhood memories of the Japanese occupation
Chapter 20: Children's pastimes of the 1940s
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The guide to Melaka
Malaysia : Melaka state government and Leisure guide publishing Sdn bhd., c2004
383 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.
983-2241-04-9
\$ 24.00

[Melaka, one of 14 states of modern Malaysia, has a fascinating history spanning more than six hundred years. Once known as the 'Venice of the East', Melaka served as the gateway between East and West, a vital port of call for traders on the spice

route, its rich history making it a melting pot all the races, a microcosm of the diverse multiracial society that distinguishes Malaysia today. It has built a legacy of monuments and a rich legacy of traditions, peoples, cultures and lifestyles. But Melaka is not just about going back in time. This book features the new Melaka, a thriving city and business centre, which takes its rightful place in the development of Malaysia as we know it today.]

More than Merchants : A History of the German-Speaking Community in Penang, 1800s-1940s / Khoo Salma Nasution

Penang : Areca Books, c2006

128 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index

983-42834-1-5

1. Germans—Pulau Pinang—History—1800-1940

\$ 25.00

[One hundred years ago, the port of Penang attracted German and Swiss traders to make their fortunes here. This mercantile community had their own German club, beautiful suburban residences and prominent trading offices along the harbour front. They made remarkable contributions to public life, engineering, architecture, photography and postcard publishing in this part of British Malaya, and unduly influenced Anglo-Siamese politics in Southern Thailand.

The S.M.S. Emden's daring raid on the Penang harbour during the First World War is often recounted, but less well known is the fact that Penang served as a secret U-boat base during the Second World War.

More than Merchants relates the social history of the German-speaking community in Penang through the stories of individuals, families and companies. Also featured are famous visitors to Penang such as Karl May, Count Friedrich M. von Hochberg, Hans Sturzenegger and Herman Hesse.]

Malacca : Voices From the Street / Lim Huck Chin and Fernando Jorge

Malaysia : Lim Huck Chin, c2005

366 p. : ill. ; 27 cm.

Includes Bibliography, Index and Maps

983-42778-0-6

\$ 65.00

[We began by listening to the voices of ordinary Malaccans. We listened to the city's streets, as we searched out hidden corners and abandoned alleyways. Listened to houses and temples, ruins and cemeteries. Even to the murmurs and whispers of empty spaces. We listened at every turn, at every step. To the living and the dead. The past and the present. In the hope the story of an extraordinary place and its people would be told. And we heard them speak.]

Faces of Courage : A revealing historical appreciation of colonial Malaya's legendary Kathigasu family / Sibil Kathigasu, Chin Peng, Norma Miraflor and Ian Ward
Singapore : Media Masters, 2006

240 p. : ill. ; 25 cm.
981-05-5141-X
\$ 25.00

[Faces of courage stands as the first in-depth study of Malaya's legendary war-time heroine, Sybil Kathigasu, and the impact her dauntless decisions and actions had on the members of the immediate family.

An essential aspect of this book is the personalized historical background and insight on the Japanese occupation era provided by former Secretary General of the Communist Party of Malaya (CPM), Chin Peng. It was Sybil's association with the Peral People's Anti-Japanese Army (PPAJA) –the communist-controlled guerilla organization in which Chin Peng played such a leading role –that provided the very foundation on which the Kathigasu legend eventually emerged and flourished.

Faces of courage is a book within a book. Sybil's personal record, No Dram of Mercy, constitutes the opening section of this three-part volume. As such it provides a ready reference point for the revealing research, observations and reflections that follow.]

Reflections on Southeast Asian History Since 1945 / Edited by Richard Mason and Abu Talib Ahmad

Pulau Pinang : Penerbit Universiti Sains Malaysia, c2006

xiv, 164 p. ; 24 cm.

Includes Index

983-3391-49-4

1. Asia, Southeast-History-1945

2. Southeast Asian-History-1945

\$ 15.00

[The chapters presented in this book were originally papers read at the Conference on Southeast Asia since 1945: Reflections and Visions, organized by the Asia Pacific Research Unit (APRU) of the School of Humanities, Universiti Sains Malaysia, in July 2004 in Penang. The topics cover a broad range of issues: nationalist historiography of the Philippines, portrayals of the Japanese Interregnum in Malayan museums; labor unrests in British rubber estates in northern Malaya in 1947; economic history of Malaya and the Borneo states of Sabah and Sarawak between 1946 and 1963; the cold war; and Islamic radicalism in Indonesia, southern Thailand, and Mindanao in the Philippines. Separately, these chapters discuss widely-varied topics and seemingly lack any apparent common theme that would link the chapters together. But taken collectively, each of them informs on specific instances in the wider transformation processes that were taking place in Southeast Asia since 1945.]

Early kingdoms of the Indonesian archipelago and the Malay Peninsula / Paul Michel Munoz

Singapore : Editions Didier Millet Pte Ltd., c2006

392 p. ; 23 cm.

Includes bibliography and index.

981-4155-67-5

\$ 29.50

[At a period when sea navigation depended more on the skill and courage of sailors than on technology, men were none the less able to build maritime regional empires that stretched from Indochina to the Indonesia Archipelago. This book, which draws on a huge body of archaeological and documentary research, provides a much-needed overviews of the history of the Malay Peninsula and insular Southeast Asia from its earliest times up till the 16th century. It also provides an in-depth analysis of the international context of the political, economic and social evolution of these kingdoms, and so provides a useful background to the modern history of the region. An impressive collection of charts, reproductions of major stone inscriptions and an extensive glossary of Sanskrit, old Malay, Javanese and Tamil words and names are also included.]

The Origins of Islamic Reformism in Southeast Asia : Networks of Malay-Indonesian and Middle Eastern 'Ulama' in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries / Azyumardi Azra

Australia : Asian Studies Association of Australia in association with Allen & Unwin and (University of Hawai'i Press, Honolulu), c2004
x, 254 p. ; 22 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index
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3. Ulama-Middle East-History

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[Islamic renewal and reformism is an ongoing process which is commonly thought to have started only in the twentieth century. Professor Azra's meticulous study, using sources from the Middle East itself, shows how scholars in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries were reconstructing the intellectual and socio-moral foundation of Muslim societies. Drawing on Arabic biographic dictionaries which have never before been analysed or used as research materials, Professor Azra illuminates a previously inaccessible period of history to show the development of the Middle Eastern heritage in the Indonesian archipelago.

The reader can trace the formation and expression of Indonesian Islam and the adaptation of the Arabic intellectualism into recognizably Indonesian idioms. For the first time we have a description of the actual process of localization, a process of interest to historians, anthropologists and sociologists, and also a subject of intense contemporary relevance.]

TUN HUSSEIN ONN : Bapa Perpaduan = Father of Unity / Hamidin Abd. Hamid
Selangor : Pelanduk Publications (M) Sdn. Bhd., c2006

236 p. : ill. ; 26 cm.

Includes Bibliography.

[Text in Malay & English]

967-912-088-0

\$ 50.00

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Message from Prime Minister

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Chapter 1 : Family history and early years
Chapter 2 : Career and early Involvement in Politics
Chapter 3 : The Era as Minister and Deputy Prime Minister
Chapter 4 : Prime Minister
Chapter 5 : Tun Hussein Onn in Memory
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Power and Prowess : The Origins of Brooke Kingship in Sarawak / J.H. Walker
Australia : Asian Studies Association of Australia in association with Allen & Unwin
and (University of Hawai'i Press, Honolulu), c2002

xx, 300 p. : ill. ; 22 cm.

Includes Bibliography, Index and Maps
ASAA Southeast Asia Publications Series
1-86508-711-4

1. Power (Social sciences)--Sarawak
 2. Political culture--Sarawak
 3. Sarawak—History—19th century
 4. Sarawak—Politics and government—19th century
 5. Sarawak—Kings and rulers
 6. Sarawak—Economic conditions—19th century
- \$ 15.00

[A significant reinterpretation of Sarawak history, Power and Prowess explores the network of power, economic and ritual relationships that developed on the northwest coast of Borneo in the mid-nineteenth century, from which a coalition led by James Brooke established the state of Sarawak.

Drawing on conceptual frameworks from political science, as well as recent southeast Asian historiography, Power and Prowess offers a detailed political history of the period and new interpretations of Brooke's career. This study also retrieves from the historical sources previously concealed narratives which reflect the interests, priorities and activities of Sarawak people themselves.]

Management in Malaysia : The Story of the Malaysian Institute of Management /
Manogaran Maniam

Kuala Lumpur : Malaysian Institute of Management, 2006

112 p. : ill. ; 27 cm.

Includes Index.

983-9065-28-9

\$ 30.00

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Introduction

Chapter 1 – The First 25 Years (1966-1991)

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Law

Malaysia : Human Rights Report 2005 – Civil and Political Rights
Selangor : Suaram Komunikasi, c2006
153 p. : ill. ; 26 cm.
983-41367-5-7
\$ 15.00

[The year 2005 was the third year of Prime Minister Abdullah Badawi's administration. Regrettably, his pledge for reform turned out to be empty promises. The delay in implementing the 125 recommendations made by the Royal Commission to enhance the operation and management of the Royal Malaysian Police, particularly the establishment of the Independent Police Complaints and Misconduct Commission (IPCMC), rightly illustrates the absence of political will. Naturally, without real action, problems remain intact. Scores of unlawful detention, death in custody, police brutality, corruption and other forms of police misconduct were reported throughout the year. The exposure of five female Chinese nationals abused in police lockup, and a video clip showing a female detainee performing ear squats plunged the nation into greater embarrassment. The book is published to serve as an important reference to the aspiration of enhancing and promoting human rights in Malaysia.]

Credit cards from the Islamic legal perspective / Aboubacar Salihou Kante
Selangor : Ilmiah Publishers Sdn. Bhd., c2006
113 p. ; 21 cm.
Includes Index.
983-3074-46-4
\$ 24.00

[This book has attempted to present a comprehensive and critical analysis of the main issues of credit transactions from the Islamic view point. It covers a wide-ranging discussion about the key element of credit card starting from contractual relationship between the concerned parties and the Shari'ah issues related to the rulings on the current practices in the Islamic financial institutions.]

Waqf in Malaysia : Legal and administrative perspectives / Siti Mashitoh Mahamood
Kuala Lumpur : University of Malaya Press, c2006
xxii, 191 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes bibliography and index.

983-100-287-3
\$ 24.00

[This book provides valuable information regarding waqf in Malaysia within legal and administrative perspectives. Emphasis has also been laid on its historical implications. The major focus of the discussion deals with the role of the state Islamic religious councils (mijlis Agama Islam Negeri) as the sole trustees of waqf assets and the various problems faced by the councils in performing their obligations in dealing with the assets. Besides, the issue of the one-third rule of waqf and the application of the civil and federal laws in the administration of said property have also been highlighted. Waqf in Malaysia: Legal and administrative perspectives can help readers to understand the actual concept of waqf as the non-hereditary and non-exchangeable assets which has been accepted as the only sadaqah jariyah type of endowments by Muslim jurists. The presentation of the waqf provisions with other relevant statutes and cases will surely enrich the readers' knowledge about the said endowment. Readers from various backgrounds ranging from the administrators of waqf, the muftis, the legal community including those of students from syariah and law basis, as well as the Syariah and civil courts layers and judges who might be dealing with waqf cases, the Government, academicians and the public at large can benefit this humble work which has mainly been derived from the author's Ph.D. research.]

Economic justice in Islam : monetary justice and the way out of interest (Riba) /
Hifzur Rab

Kuala Lumpur : A.S. Noordeen, c2006
xxviii, 336 p. ; 22 cm.
983-065-215-7

1. Economic-religious aspects-Islam.
 2. Islam-economic aspects.
 3. Usury (Islamic law.)
 4. Interest (Islamic law.)
- \$ 18.00

[Existing worldview of the economy seem to be inadequate and a humble effort has been made to analyse the problems on a broader and comprehensive perspective. This study has demolished many theories and concepts that were hitherto considered irrefutable and has lead to discovery of few facts and ideas that have potential to solve the problems. Further, findings of the analysis seem to demolish some very important decisions of our contemporary scholars (Ulema) on most important issues pertaining to currency, Riba and accounting for profit sharing. Islamic system ensures social justice by banning interest and enforcing Zakah and nourishes the motivation that cause people to strive and excel by granting right to own resources and allowing the owners of capital to share profits produced by economic activity funded with their capital. It maximises investment by charging Zakah on capital withheld including out put held for sale while exempting means of production from charge of Zakah. This produces balanced economic growth.]

Environmental Law in Malaysia / Suzanna Mohamed Isa

Bangi : Penerbit Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, c2006
124 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes Bibliography and Index
967-942-775-7
1. Environmental Law-Malaysia
\$ 10.00

[This book is intended to provide a basic guideline to the current legal mechanism on environmental law protection and conservation in Malaysia. The content begins with a historical perspective of Malaysian environmental protection, followed by sources of environmental law and some basic environmental principles. The different parts of the environment that humans come into contact with such as atmospheric pollution, inland and coastal waters, land, flora and fauna are discussed under five different chapters. Each of these chapters briefly discusses definition of the respective part of the environment as provided under Malaysian law. This is then followed by a discussion on the litigation methods employed under the framework of environmental law; Malaysia's participation in the regional and international arena; and the role played by selected non-governmental organizations in Malaysia on environmental issues.]

The Law on Drugs Possession and Trafficking in Malaysia / Hisyam Abdullah @ The Poh Teik
Kuala Lumpur : Marsden Law Book Sdn Bhd., c2006
xliv, 444 p. ; 26 cm.
Includes Index.
983-40565-3-2
\$ 100.00

[This authoritative work is a definite guide to the possessory and trafficking offenses of illegal narcotics under the Dangerous Drugs Act 1952. It is the most comprehensive text ever written by a leading practitioner in this field. The topics presented are detailed and well researched offering accurate answers to legal issues that beset the Criminal Bar.

These include

- The Concepts of "Prima Facie" and "Maximum Evaluation"
- Knowledge and Possession
- The Chemist's Evidence
- Break in the Chain of Evidence
- The Statutory Presumptions
- Informers and Agent Provocateurs
- Section 27 Information
- Confessions
- "Trafficking" under Section 2 of the Act
- Aspects of Judicial Appreciation of the Defence Case

Though the focus of the book is on drug offences, the legal text and principles discussed are both relevant and applicable to offences under other criminal legislation. This book is indisputably an indispensable tool to both the criminal lawyer and student.]

Introduction to Shariah and Islamic Jurisprudence / Mohamad Akram Laldin
Kuala Lumpur : CERT Publications, c2006

iv, 240 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes Bibliography
983-42785-2-7
\$ 18.00

[Introduction to Shari'ah & Islamic Jurisprudence, is an attempt to provide some lights into the basic principles of Islamic law, which is essential in order to understand the very purpose of the revelation of rulings in Islam.

This book begins by discussing some fundamental points related to Islamic law such as the definition of Fiqh and Shari'ah, which is considered as fundamental in understanding the very purpose of revelation of rulings in Islamic law, is also elaborated. In addition, the characteristics of Shari'ah, which differentiate the law of Allah with other laws are discussed in details. The following discussion concentrates on the sources of Islamic Law from which the different rulings in Islam are deduced. This book also examines five important legal maxims. These legal maxims have a great role in the formation of Islamic law because they are used as principles to deduce many rules of Fiqh. In the last part of this book, the development of Islamic law from the time of the Prophet s.a.w. till present is discussed. Finally, this book talks about the present state of Islamic law and provides some suggestions for the way forward.]

An introduction to Shari'ah / Mohammad Hashim Kamali
Selangor : Ilmiah publishers Sdn. Bhd., c2006
304 p. ; 22 cm.
Includes bibliography and index.
983-3074-44-8
\$ 18.00

[In addition to providing basic information on the nature and sources of the Shari'ah its characteristic features and how it differs from fiqh, this book explores some of the less well-known areas of Shari'ah that are seldom addressed in its commonly accessible manuals. The book thus raises the question as to how the leading classical jurists and ulama understood the Shari'ah. Then there are chapters on the scope of juristic disagreement (ikhtila) among the individual jurists and schools of Islamic thought, the goals and objectives of Islamic law (maqasid al-Shari'ah), and how the Shari'ah accommodates the concerns of diversity within unity and those of continuity and change within the rubric of its laws. The capability of Shariah to address social reality and change is the focus of two other chapters in this volume. The book thus puts together a volume of essays that combine the interests of both the general reader and the more advanced student and researcher of Islamic law.]

Linguistics

Language Choices and Discourse of Malaysian Families : Case Studies of Families in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia / Edited by Maya Khemlani David
Selangor : Strategic Information and Research Development Centre, c2006
xx, 194 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.
Includes Bibliography and Index
983-2535-98-0
1. Sociolinguistics—Malaysia—Case studies
2. Language and Culture—Malaysia—Case studies

\$ 8.50

[The family plays an important role in uniting people into cooperative groups. Communication is crucial in family relationships and knowledge of appropriate discourse norms starts in the family domain. This book focuses on talk in families: talk between mothers and children, mother-in-law and daughter-in-law; grandchildren and elderly grandparents, and talk among adolescents within families. Based on detailed micro-analysis of home-based interactions in Malaysia, *Language choices and Discourse of Malaysian Families: Case Studies of Families in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia* provides a qualitative analysis of authentic talk between members of families and reveals how through conversations, relationships are maintained and strengthened.

This book is for anyone interested in the discourse of Malaysian families and is aimed especially at students working on discourse analysis. It uses multiple frameworks of analysis which include the Theory of Accommodation, Second Language Acquisition, Speech Acts, Communicative Strategies and Critical Discourse Analysis.]

Guidelines for Romanisation of Jawi / Compiled by Asma Ahmat
Kuala Lumpur : Perpustakaan Negara Malaysia, c1995
iv, 18 p. ; 21 cm.
Includes Bibliography
967-931-049-3
1. Jawi alphabet--Transliteration
\$ 2.00

Literature

Malay in Malaysian and Singapore Literature in English : An Annotated Bibliography / Rosli Talif, Noritah Omar and Washima Che Dan
Serdang : Universiti Putra Malaysia Press, c2006
x, 56 p. ; 21 cm.
983-3455-43-3
1. Malaysian literature(English)—Bibliography
2. Singapore literature (English)—Bibliography
3. Malay literature—Malaysia—Bibliography
4. Malay literature—Singapore—Bibliography
\$ 7.00

Key Concepts in Usman Awang's Short Stories – Developing a Critical Tradition / Mohamad Mokhtar Hassan
Kuala Lumpur : Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka, c2006
xlii, 360 p. ; 22 cm.
Includes Bibliography and Index
983-62-8792-2
1. Short stories, Malay—History and criticism
2. Malay literature—History and criticism
\$ 15.00

Romance and Laughter in the Archipelago : Essays on Classical and Contemporary Poetics of the Malay World / Muhammad Haji Salleh
Pulau Pinang: Penerbit Universiti Sains Malaysia, c2006
xii, 372 p. ; 24 cm.
Includes Bibliography and Index
Penerbit USM Academic Imprint Series
983-3391-52-4
\$ 25.00

[Romance and Laughter in the Archipelago retrieves traditional concepts of Malay literature embedded in the texts of the Malay Archipelago-including Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei and Indonesia. It defines the perimeters of the literary art, its function, author and texts, and subsequently seeks out elements of literary beauty as defined by numerous writers and oral storytellers. However, with modern Malay literature's new predicament and confrontation with the West, a clash of cultures is strongly discernible in the lines and tones of these works. These essays are among Muhammad Haji Salleh's most sentimental works, offering a new insight into the rich earth of an extraordinary fecund and sophisticated literature.]

Official Publications

National physical plan
Kuala Lumpur : Federal Department of Town and Country Planning, Ministry of Housing and Local Government, 2005
1 v. (various pagings) : ill., map ; 30cm.
9834264313 (pbk.)
Regional planning -- Malaysia
Land use, Urban -- Malaysia
Rural development -- Malaysia
City planning -- Malaysia
\$ 40.00

The 2007 Budget
Putrajaya : Ministry of Finance Malaysia , 2007
x, 84 p. : ill. ; 21 cm.
\$ 8.00

Malaysia National Budget 2006 / Compiled by MDC Legal Advisers
Kuala Lumpur : MDC Publishers Sdn. Bhd, 2006
76 p. ; 26 cm.
967-70-0889-7
\$ 10.00

Distribution and Use of Income Accounts and Capital Account 2000-2002 = Akaun Pengagihan Dan Penggunaan Pendapatan Dan Akaun Modal – Malaysia 2000-2002
Malaysia : Department of Statistics, 2006
iii, 158 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.
ISSN : 1823-6847
In Malay and English
\$ 10.00

Profil Migran = Profile of Migrants-Malaysia 1992-2003
Malaysia : Department of Statistics, 2006
x, 108 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.
983-9044-24-9
\$ 10.00

IMP 3 – Third Industrial Master Plan 2006-2020 : Malaysia –Towards Global Competitiveness – Includes a CD
Kuala Lumpur : Ministry of International Trade and Industry, c2006
lxiv, 766 p. : ill. ; 27 cm.
Includes Maps
983-43137-0-5
\$ 75.00

Malaysia - Banci Perkhidmatan Pengangkutan Dan Komunikasi = Census of Transport and Communication Services 2004
Putrajaya : Department of Statistics, c2006
xiii, 210 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.
ISSN : 1675-3186
\$ 15.00

Malaysia - National Product and Expenditure Accounts 1987- 2005 : Gross Domestic Product (GDP)= Akaun Keluaran Dan Perbelanjaan Negara 1987-2005) = Keluaran Dalam Negeri Kasar (KDNK), 2006
Putrajaya : Department of Statistics, 2006
xvi, 156 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.
ISSN : 1511-4813
\$ 10.00

Buku Maklumat Perangkaan Malaysia = Statistics Handbook 2006
Malaysia : Department of Statistics, 2006
xxii, 80 p. : ill. ; 14 cm.
Includes Maps
ISSN : 0127-4643
\$ 4.00

Malaysia International Trade and Industry Report 2005
Malaysia : Ministry of International Trade and Industry, c2006
xiv, 300 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.
ISSN : 0128-7524
\$ 45.00

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Chapter 6. Performance of the Services Sector
Chapter 7. Development of Small and Medium Enterprises
Chapter 8. Productivity-Manufacturing and Services Sectors
Chapter 9. World Trade Organisation
Chapter 10. Asean Economic Cooperation
Chapter 11. Development in Regional Groupings.]

Report: Report by the Committee to Study, Review and Make Recommendations
Concerning the Development and Direction of Higher Education in Malaysia
Putrajaya : Ministry of Higher Education, 2006
lii, 290 p. ; 30 cm.
Includes Bibliography.
983-3643-61-2
\$ 25.00

Politics

Tun Abdul Razak : A Personal Portrait / Compiled by Yayasan Tun Razak
Kuala Lumpur : Utusan Publications & Distributors Sdn Bhd., c2005
xvi, 285 p. : ill. ; 26 cm.
Includes Index
967-61-1727-7
1. Abdul Razak bin Dato' Hussein, Tun, 1922-1976
2. Prime ministers-Malaysia
3. Malaysia-Politics and government-History
\$ 25.00

[This collection of essays is written by those who knew the late Tun Abdul Razak bin Dato' Hussein best: his friends, his colleagues and his family. These are the people who cherish the warm, happy memories of a man who influenced their lives as he shaped the nation.

This compilation is that tribute to the man who gave so selflessly of himself in an age where dedication to the nation defined patriotism. He was the architect of Malaysia. In his final years, he pushed himself even harder. Keeping his illness to himself, he worked relentlessly for the formation of the Barisan Nasional.

The vignettes offered here are mere brushstrokes, tempered by the distance of time. They do show the boy who walked barefoot to school to have grown into a man of deep integrity. This then is his legacy.]

Noordin Sopiee – A Man and His Ideas : selected writings and speeches / Edited by
Mohamed Jawhar Hassan
Kuala Lumpur : Institute of Strategic and International Studies, c2006
xii, 708 p. : ill. ; 24 cm.
Includes Bibliography and Index
967-947-290-6
\$ 60.00

Discourse on Islamic Political Thought / Lukman Thaib

Kuala Lumpur : University of Malaya Press, c2006

xii, 128 p. ; 23 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index

983-100-289-X

1. Islam and politics
2. Islam and state

\$ 12.00

[The challenge posed to the proponents of the revival of the Islamic constitution is not only to take the Islamic constitutional precepts from the original sources of the shariah, but also to make them relevant to contemporary life. This book is a humble effort in that direction, its investigation being limited to the emergence of Islamic political thought (al-siyasah al-shar'iyah) as a separate discipline in Islamic studies, Islamic state in multiethnic societies, what type of system of government of an Islamic state could be called, the concept of political authority in Islam, legal sources of political representation in Islam, the basis of political representation in Islam, the majority principle (al-hukm al-aghlabiyyah) as decision-making procedures in Islam, the legitimacy of political authority in Islam, and al-shura as mechanism for political representation in classical Islam.]

Era of transition : Malaysia after Mahathir / Ooi Kee Beng

Singapore : Institute of Southeast Asian studies, c2006

xxiii, 183 p. ; 22 cm.

Includes index.

981-230-379-0

1. Malaysia-Politics and government-1963
2. United Malays national organisation
3. Islam and state-Malaysia
4. Regionalism - Southeast Asia
5. ASEAN
6. Southeast Asia-foreign relations.

\$ 19.90

[This volume provides the best-informed analysis to date not only on Abdullah's first 24 months as prime minister but also on Malaysia's first years without Mahathir. The commentaries are succinct and lucid, spiced with significant historical anecdotes, conceptually suggestive, and cover issues ranging from domestic to regional matters, as well as international and personal ones about both the leaders.]

Cabinet Governing in Malaysia / Rais Yatim

Malaysia : DTP Enterprise Sdn. Bhd., 2006

391 p. : ill. ; 28 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index.

983-2397-10-3

\$ 40.00

[The Cabinet decides this, the Cabinet proposes that - all in the course of governing the country. In fact there are so many things that the Malaysian Cabinet does in the name of governance that much of its existence, powers and functions have somewhat been taken for granted by the public.]

It could be safely said that there is comparatively little that the rakyat know about the Cabinet.

This book tries to fill in the blanks and does its part in narrating various aspects of the Cabinet – the highest government council in the country.

In the 16 Chapters of the Book Dr. Rais Yatim, who has worked under all the Prime Ministers since 1974, elucidates on the Cabinet – from the Prime Minister, the Legislature, the judiciary, right down to the wakil rakyat. He weaves constitutional arrangement with history and politics of government. He bares what it is like to be a Minister and, from close range, describes the rigours of life in the echelons of government.

Dr. Rais who had varied experiences in and out of government over a period of more than three decades, poses many issues and prospects of Cabinet governing.

It will be a long time before another book of this genre is written again.]

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Political Stability and Sustainability as Key Success Factors in Developing Malaysia / Edited by Mustaffa

Malaysia : University Publication Centre (UPENA), 2006

xii, 39 p. ; 21 cm.

Perdana Discourse Series No.4/2006

983-3643-59-0

\$ 5.00

Malaysia and the Club of Doom : The Collapse of the Islamic Countries / Syed Akbar Ali

Malaysia : Syed Akbar Ali, 2006

vii, 270 p. : ill. ; 22 cm.

983-42619-1-8

\$ 18.00

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Chapter 5 – Denial – The Fuel of Falsehood

Chapter 6 – Throwing up New Hatreds Against Non Muslims

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Chapter 8 – Failure written in Stone

Chapter 9 – Some Advice to the Leaders and Politicians

Chapter 10 – The Ummah is Lawless

Chapter 11 – Falsely Accusing the Quran: A clash of fools

Chapter 12 – Doom, Doom and More Doom.]

Hizbullah : Party of God : An Islamic Movement Perspective / Edited by Abdar Rahman Koya
Kuala Lumpur : The Other Press Sdn Bhd. in association with Crescent International, London, c2006
xx, 142 p. ; 22 cm.
Includes Index
983-9541-48-X
\$ 10.00

[From a rag-tab band of guerillas in the 1980s, the Hizbullah have become a near-professional army capable of resisting the Israelis on several fronts for prolonged periods. But they are far more than simply a military force. They are also a popular political movement in Lebanon, capable of transcending the country's fractured communal politics, and the main providers of education and welfare services to Lebanon's poorest people. It is not only for their military strength that they are massively popular with Arab and Muslim peoples everywhere-and regarded with fear by Israel, the West and Arab governments alike.

This volume brings together essays and features on what is perhaps the most successful non-governmental social, political and military movement in the world today.]

Malaysia's Foreign Relations: Issues and Challenges / Edited by Ruhanas Harun
Kuala Lumpur : University of Malaya Press, c2006
xiv, 138 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes Index
983-100-380-2
Special Series in Arts and Social Science
1. Malaysia-Foreign relations
2. Malaysia-Foreign policy
\$ 13.00

[This book, Malaysia's Foreign Relations: Issues and Challenges, is a collection of essays attempts to discuss several issues, problems and challenges in Malaysia's foreign policy. Globalisation, uncertain development in economy, development in technology and issues related to liberal democracy are the main issues that need to be given extra attention by the country in order to secure the independence, stability and freedom that have been achieved.

The essays in this book provide useful avenue for discussion on issues of significance in Malaysia's foreign relations. It is hoped that they will also lead to further and increasing interest in this area, contributing to the literature on Malaysia's foreign policy, which at present cannot be said to be in abundance.]

Temenggong Oyong Lawai Jau = A Paramount Chief in Borneo : The Legacy / James Ritchie ; Edited by Patrick Yeoh
Kuala Lumpur : Pepustakaan Negara Malaysia (National Library of Malaysia), c2006
xvi, 150 p. : ill. ; 22 cm.
Includes Bibliography
983-40437-2-4
1. Temenggong Oyong Lawai Jau, Datuk, 1894-1968
2. Politicians-Sarawak-Biography
3. Statesmen-Sarawak-Biography

4. Sarawak-Politics and government
\$ 24.00

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Chapter 8. Political Role
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Malaysia, Southeast Asia and the Emerging China : Political, Economic and Cultural Perspectives / Edited by Hou Kok Chung and Yeoh Kok-Kheng
Kuala Lumpur : Institute of China Studies, University of Malaya, c2005
viii, 240 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.
\$ 15.00

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Kuala Lumpur : Syed Hussain publications Sdn Bhd., 2006
v. : ill. ; 30 cm.
ISSN: 0126-6403
US\$ 259.00 (1 year)
(January/February and July/August combined issues respectively. Rates inclusive of Airmail Postage for the year 2006)

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Air Forces – Tactical Transport Helicopter : Taking on New Roles
Naval Forces – Vessels for special Forces operations]

Product Profiles – New Armoured infantry fighting vehicle Presented to the public
First Export contractor for Caesar Artillery System
Show Preview – Eurosatory 2006
Exhibition News
Short Report.]

G. Palanivel : a profile in Leadership and commitment / Baradan Kuppusamy
Malaysia : The Institute for High Performance, 2006
xviii, 79 p. : ill. ; 23 cm.
Includes Index.
983-43152-0-1
\$ 9.00

[This biography chronicles very briefly the path that G. Palanivel has traveled. It traces his beginnings in the Malaysian Indian Congress (MIC) to where he is today. The MIC, a key component party representing the Indians in the national coalition, the Barisan Nasional, has always played a vital part in his life.

Palanivel has also served in the government for three terms and is now the Deputy Minister of the Women, Family and Community Development Ministry. While the media has consistently referred to him as the MIC President's blue-eyed boy, he has never taken this reference for granted but has worked conscientiously and has remained focused, serving the community in myriad ways. "My hard work has brought me to where I am now. My track record is the best proof of this," says Palanivel, in this book that reveals the man and his work and thoughts.

Born in Penang in 1949, he has worked since his undergraduate days. He has been a teacher, an archaeologist, a consumer activist, a lecturer, a journalist and a press secretary, before entering politics full time.]

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Kuala Lumpur : National Library of Malaysia, c2002
viii, 596 p. : ill. ; 30 cm.
Includes Index
967-931-127-9
1. Libraries—Malaysia--Directories
\$ 15.00

New Malaysian Who's Who
Malaysia : Kasuyapublishing Sdn Bhd,[Dist: ALD Rock Resources, Malaysia] 2005
3rd edition, 1st ed. in 1990, 2nd ed in 1995
cxxvi, 788 p. : ill. ; 28 cm.
983-9624-02-4
\$ 300.00

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"Malaysia – My Second Home" Programme
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Honours & Awards
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Photographs of some of the Personages featured
Indices of Personages
Indices of Companies.]

Catalogue of Malay Manuscripts in The Netherlands = Katalog Manuskrip Melayu Di Belanda
Kuala Lumpur : Perpustakaan Negara Malaysia, c1985
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Famous Street Food of Penang : a guide & cook book / Bernard See, Choong Kwee Kim and Christina Chin et al.

Petaling Jaya : Star Publications (Malaysia) Berhad, c2006
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Religion – Islam

Food and Technological Progress : An Islamic Perspective / Edited by Shaikh Mohd Saifuddeen
Malaysia : MPH Group Publishing Sdn Bhd, c2006
xvi, 193 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes Index
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\$ 18.00

[Food and Technological Progress: An Islamic Perspective contains discussions on a wide spectrum of issues pertaining to food security and technology from an Islamic point of view. It provides information on such issues as food security from the Islamic and Malaysian perspectives and the role it plays in Malaysia's economic development, the role of technologies in food production, halal food supply, genetically-modified foods, food safety and nutrition.

Food is one of the basic necessities of life. From birth to death, food is a dominant factor in our lives. An average person would have eaten up to 60 tonnes of food in his lifetime. Recognising the importance of food in ensuring good health and thus enabling mankind to carry out his duties as the vicegerent of Allah in this world, Islam stresses the importance of consuming food that fulfils the criteria of halalan tayyiban (lawful and of good quality).

Issues in Islamic Accounting / Edited by Bala Shanmugham, Vignesen Perumal and Alfieya Hanuum Ridzwa
Serdang : Universiti Putra Malaysia Press, c2005
viii, 198 p. ; 24 cm.
Includes Index
983-3455-07-7
\$ 16.00

[Issues in Islamic Accounting covers the various issues and perceptions of Islamic Accounting from various parts of the world . The articles compiled and edited in this book were chosen from a mixed blend of quality papers that would provide readers with contrasting views and innovative procedures on Islamic Accounting as practiced in different countries. As the development of Islamic Accounting varies from country to country, this book can serve as a good comparative text for students and practitioners of Islamic Accounting. Designed primarily as a source of reference, this book will no doubt be useful for researchers in seeking current information on Islamic Accounting. A total of 12 articles discussing relevant and current issues are presented in the book.]

Genealogy and Preservation of the Progeny : An Islamic Perspective / Edited by Shaikh Mohd Saifuddeen

Malaysia : MPH Group Publishing Sdn Bhd, c2006
xviii, 224 p. ; 23 cm.
Includes Index.
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\$ 19.00

[Genealogy and Preservation of the Progeny: An Islamic Perspective explores various dimensions of biotechnology in relation to the preservation of the progeny. This is perhaps the first book of its kind to link one of the objectives of Islamic law, maqasid al-shariah, namely preservation and safeguarding of the progeny, to advancement in biotechnology.

By looking at such issues as the ethics of artificial reproductive techniques, assisted human reproduction, and the use of biopharmaceuticals in preserving the progeny, this book serves as a useful guide to upholding the tenets of the Islamic religion against the challenges of the age of biotechnology.]

Sociology

Estimation of Drug Users and Injecting Drug Users in Malaysia-Monograf / Mahmood Nazar Mohamed, Hassan Hj. Ali, Faisal Hj. Ibrahim and Ahamad Jusoh
Sintok : Universiti Utara Malaysia Press, c2005
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Women's Studies

Orang Asli women of Malaysia : perceptions, situations and aspirations / Adela Baer, Karen Endicott and Rosemary Gianno et al.
Subang Jaya : Center for Orang Asli Concerns, c2006
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[Orang Asli women once had important responsibilities and functions that are now labeled "male-only." This discrimination spread throughout Orang Asli society during the last few centuries as Orang Asli came into contact with male-dominated cultures and internalized these alien norms for gender roles.

It is the stealthy, relentless erosion of Orang Asli life in general, and the life of Orang Asli women in particular, that provides a true account of the problems of Orang Asli life today.

This book provides the context in which the "ordinary" problems of Orang Asli women can be seen to be, in reality, severe. These problems are not only meaningful to them. When we think carefully about this issue, we may safely conclude that the

problems of Orang Asli women, while extreme, highlight the problems that can beset other women in Malaysia, and indeed elsewhere. These problems typically arise from a failure to achieve needed reforms in old institutions.]

Women in Politics : the case of Peninsular Malaysia / Zeenath Kausar
Kuala Lumpur : Research Centre, International Islamic University Malaysia, c2006
xii, 210 p. ; 23 cm.

Includes Index
983-2957-43-5

1. Women in politics—Malaysia
 2. Political Parties—Malaysia
 3. Malaysia—Politics and government
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[This study aims to identify the problems encountered by women in their participation in the political field. A survey of the literature in this area reveals that the latest published books on the political participation of women in Malaysia have covered the period from pre-independence to the early 1980s. Hence, in this work, firstly, besides including systematically the available published data from pre-independence to the early 1980s, efforts have been made to collect the data on women's participation in political parties and in the government's decision-making bodies from the 1980s to 2000. Secondly, no book on this subject has presented the profiles of the women political leaders of Malaysia nor is any book published so far which presents and analyzes the views of women political leaders on the development of the nation, the advancement of the women and problems they face in the political world and in their familial responsibilities. This research work is the first of its kind to cover all these issues. Towards the end of the book, I have included a few suggestions on how to overcome the structural and political problems faced by women. Besides this, the Islamic stance is briefly touched upon on certain issues by way of clarification and suggestion.]

SHE : A Tribute to the Women of Malaysia
Malaysia : Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development, c2005
193 p. : ill. ; 27 cm.
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\$ 30.00

Muslim Women at the crossroads : The Rights of Women in Islam and General Muslim Practices / Zeenath Kausar

Selangor Darul Ehsan : Thinker's Library Sdn. Bhd., c2006
x, 164 p. ; 23 cm.
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1. Women's rights—Religious aspects--Islam
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[Muslim women seem to be stranded at the crossroads, with extreme feminism on one side and ethnocultural traditionalism on the other, both trying to crush them into bits. Neither the feminist perspective nor the Muslim ethnocultural traditionalist

perspective is balanced and holistic in its approach towards the issues of women. If the feminist perspective is too secular, materialistic and liberal, the perspective of Muslim ethnocultural traditionalism is too limited, confused and narrow. This is the dilemma that is highlighted in this book. Hence, it is argued that Muslim women need not have to be entangled in the feminist models and theories of liberation, development and empowerment nor do they need to become the sad victims of ethnocultural traditionalism. It is pertinent for them to be critical and reflective and hold fast to the Islamic model of women's empowerment which is beneficial to them and for the whole society at large. It is high time for Muslim women to be forthrightly assertive of their rights which Islam has given them so that they become the dynamic and ingenious architects of healthy and peaceful families, societies and civilizations.]