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Author: Maya Khemlani David

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This shift reflects the utilitarian and pragmatic attitude of this upwardly-mobile community.

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Proceedings / the International Conference on Tai Studies, July 29-31, 1998.

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Culture, Language & Identity of a Chinese Sub-Community in Malaysia

Author: Teo Kok Seong

This book predominantly but not exclusively investigates the language and linguistic behaviour of the Kelantan Peranakan Chinese community in Malaysia, a group who have assimilated extensively to the Kelantanese rural Malays, and to some extent to the Kelantan Thai community, culturally as well as linguistically. The major findings and discussions of this work are reported in three main chapters.

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