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Architecture

The Merdeka Interviews : Architects, Engineers and Artists of Malaysia's Independence / Lai Chee Kien, Ang Chee Cheong Malaysia : Pertubuhan Akitek Malaysia, 2018 688p. 9789675264207 \$ 75.00 http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408364

Biography

Daim Zainuddin : Malaysia's Revolutionary and Troubleshooter / Michael Backman Bangkok, Thailand: River Books Co. Ltd., 2018 248p. Includes Index ; Bibliography 9786167339955 \$ 20.00 / PB 586gm.

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http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408365

A Community Doctor in Miri : A Memoir of a Public Health Doctor 1983-2014 / Faizul Mansoor Malaysia : The Inspiration Hub, 2018 318p. 9789670730271 \$ 19.90 / PB http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408366

Memories of a Malaccan: The Life and Times of Lim Keng Watt (1909-96) / Audrey Lim Malaysia : Mindskills Management and Consultancy, 2018 175p. 9789671355220 \$ 20.00 / PB 400gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408367 -------From Longhouse to Capital : Recollections / Leo Moggie

Malaysia : MPH Publishing, 2018 292pp+24pp.; 23cm. 9789674154554 \$ 20.00 / PB http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408368

Cookery

Nasi Campur : A Simple Guide / Detty Lenton Malaysia: MAFAZ Creative, 2018 104p. 9789671330913 \$ 17.50 / PB http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408369

Ecology/Environment

Birds of the Forests of Peninsular Malaysia: A Photographic Guide / Rosli Omar Malaysia : SIRD, 2018 1v. 9789672165200 \$ 50.00 / HB

This book showcases birds of the forests — lowland, montane, mangrove — of Peninsula Malaysia. Their choice as the subject matter is tied to their propensity to be "most endangered" due to their habitat's rapid destruction. Also included are forest edge birds, birds that birders encounter at the edge of forests or along forest tracks. Through photographs which capture their beauty, this book hopes to spark appreciation for these feathered friends and the desire to safeguard them from depletion or extinction through forest conservation. This, in turn, will also help preserve other flora and fauna.

Aimed as a field guide (or for the simple pleasure of enjoying photos of the birds), this book presents 301 species — 189 lowland, 72 montane, 40 mangrove — with their distribution, status (conservation — local, global, and local legal status), range, habitat, habits, food, gender difference, subspecies, and breeding information. Data from the now closed website, Bird-i-Witness, has also been included (number of a species observations, places it was observed, etc).

Like the Malaysian Nature Society's A Checklist of the Birds of Malaysia (2016), this book follows the eBird website of Cornell University's names (English and scientific). Names that are different from those used by other bird organisations and books are also given, along with Malay name(s), size, resident and/or migrant status. Each species has a dedicated page (occasionally, two) with two photographs (sometimes one, or three) allowing for large photographs of male, female and juvenile birds if available.

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History

Postcards from the South : Memory and history of Malaysian railways = Poskad dari Selatan : Kenangan dan sejarah keretapi Malaysia / Mahen Bala

Petaling Jaya, Selangor: Strategic Information and Research Development Centre, 2018

394p.

Includes Index

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- 1. Railways History Malaysia
- 2. Railroads Malaysia History
- 3. Railroads Trains Malaysia

\$60.00 / PB

1420gm.

The first railway line in Malaya was built in 1869 by the ambitious Maharaja Abu Bakar of Johor. Two decades later, the British built an extensive network to facilitate the transport of tin, and later rubber, to the ports. This network remains in use today as a passenger line, stitching together three corners of the peninsula. For more than a century, the railways have remained a mainstay in the lives of all Malaysians, a romantic symbol of travel to exotic destinations, and of power, industry and modernisation.

Postcards from the South retraces the historic Southern Line, giving voice to the railway, the people and the places they call home. A parallel narrative explores new perspectives on a century and a half of railway history and its role in nation-building, using previously unpublished photographs, documents and maps.

"The writing of the history of any complex nation must necessarily attempt to capture the complexity of that nation itself, and this has always been a challenge for historians and political scientists alike. In so many ways that challenge has been met in this truly extraordinary work, which recounts the personal experiences and life-histories of Malaysians from all walks of life. Bound together by the theme of mobility and movement, this is not merely a history of Malaysia's railways, but is a story of Malaysia and Malaysians; connected by their bond to the land that they love and the hopes and apprehensions they harbor in their hearts. In so many ways, it has identified the conundrum of what Malaysia is, and what being Malaysian means; and marks a major step forward in the writing of Malaysian history from the bottom-up." Assoc. Professor Farish A. Noor, RSIS and the School of History, NTU http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408371 Through Turbulent Terrain : Trade of the Straits Port of Penang / Loh We Leng & Jeffery Seow Kuala Lumpur/Georgtown, Penang: Malaysian Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society (MBRAS) & Think City Sdn Bhd, 2018 xiv, 274p. Includes Index 9789679948660 MBRAS Monograph No. 50 1. Pulau Pinang – Economic conditions \$ 30.00 / PB 432gm.

Through Turbulent Terrain: Trade of The Straits Port of Penang, present The Story of Navigating A Tough Environment in Space and Time. Penang has had a colourful existence from its beginning, in 1786, as an East India Company port in the northern Straits of Melaka. Penang earned its stripes - rising to become the Straits Settlements capital in 1826 and a commercial centre in Southeast Asia's north – west littoral – despite little support from higher authorities in India and London. Penang also had to contend with Dutch machinations in Sumatra- the Dutch increased port duties even after the Treaty of London in 1824 which guaranteed free trade, effectively preventing Penang from trading there. Additionally, the shift of the Straits Settlements capital to Singapore on 1832 saw Penang's many proposals constantly blocked. Contrary to the conventional view that Penang was by-passed by Singapore after 1819. Penang held the own, contonued her entrepot trade up to the post-independence period, also serving as the conduit for the turn of the twentieth century.

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Deals, Datus and Dayaks : Sarawak and Brunei in the Making of Malaysia / Michael Leigh

Petaling Jaya, Selangor: Strategic Information and Research Development Centre, 2018

xvi, 92p.

9789672165217

- 1. Malaysia History
- 2. Malaysia Politics and government
- \$12.00 / PB

154gm.

This book tells the story of Malaysia's formation and its early struggle for survival. A treasure trove of recently de-classified records from the UK National Archives and the US Consulate in Kuching, demonstrate how the British, Singapore and Malayan governments seized upon the Brunei revolt, and Indonesian attacks across the Sarawak border, to justify their extensive use of coercive measures against the strongest opponents of the federation proposal, and to reinforce strong messaging that forming Malaysia was the best available future for Sarawak, Sabah and Singapore too.

Despite all of those efforts, new archival evidence shows how the political situation in Sarawak almost caused Malaysia to be aborted at the last minute. The book then goes on to document how strong international and internal pressures throughout 1964 and 1965 meant that the very survival of Malaysia was in doubt.

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Law

LAW OF EVIDENCE IN MALAYSIA, SECOND EDITION / Habibah Omar, Siva Barathi Marimuthu and Mazlina Mahali Malaysia : Sweet and Maxwell, 2018 1v. 9789672187370 \$ 90.00 / HB

The key to unlock the intricacies of the principles of evidence. Revised and improved latest edition, key updates include:

Three additional new chapters on Estoppel, Judicial Notice and Examination of Witnesses

Detailed examination on the admissibility of electronic evidence from cloud computing, social media, instant messaging and emails

A brief reference to the Australian position on selected issues available at the end of each chapter

Chapters and contents reorganised for easy appreciation of the whole scheme of evidence law

Law updated to July 2018

Evidence is one of the key areas in the study and the practice of law. A good mastery of the requirements of evidence law is necessary for an overall appreciation of the application of law in real life. Without proper evidence it is not possible to prove and satisfy the various elements which need to be established to show a cause of action or to comply with the requirements of a statutory provision.

Law of Evidence in Malaysia, Second Edition provides a clear explanation of evidence law in Malaysia and includes regular citation of case authorities, both local and foreign to help in the understanding of the application of the provisions of the Evidence Act 1950. Presenting the development of the law through local court decisions, the book also usefully explains the differences between the common law and the legal position in Malaysia.

This book serves as a valuable resource for a good appreciation of the fundamental elements of evidence law in Malaysia. Starting with an introduction of law of evidence in a simple and understandable manner, the content is organised into manageable and well-structured chapters to help readers comprehend the overall scheme of evidence law. It is a useful reference for undergraduates, candidates pursuing the Certificate in Legal Practice (CLP), law academics, as well as practitioners who have just started out in legal practice.

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LEGAL RESEARCH METHODOLOGY / Nuraisyah Chua Abdullah Malaysia : Sweet & Maxwell, 2018 1v. 9789672187233 \$ 75.00 / PB

Legal Research Methodology is an accessible and instructive guide on the discipline of legal research, written with law students and researchers of law in mind, to address the difficulties both student and researcher may encounter in the conduct of the discipline of legal research. Authored by a dedicated academic with wide experience in conducting research and writing research proposals and reports, this book is an invaluable guide to aspiring researchers and law students as it provides useful practical and in-depth guidance on how legal research can be successfully carried out and reported.

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THE COMPANY CONSTITUTION / Chen Thim Wai, Chen Siew Thong Malaysia : Sweet & Maxwell, 2018 1v. 9789672187301 \$ 75.00 / PB

The Company Constitution is a concise, practical guide to a company's constitution which is at the core of the operations of a company. In 6 chapters, this book provides guidance on company constitutions in the new statutory regime under the Companies Act 2016. It provides clarification for professionals within Malaysian companies as to the company constitution in relation to companies registered before and after the enforcement of the Companies Act 2016.

The book assists in the transition from the former to the new statutory regime governing companies. It explains the effect of the old Table A (Companies Act 1965) provisions where adopted in the new statutory environment and advises on provisions that may be replaced, modified or adopted while keeping within the requirements of the new law. Useful commentary is given on Table A articles which have identical or similar Replaceable Rules in the new Act. A comparison of identical or similar Replaceable Rules and Table A articles adds value to the book.

This book is a handy tool catering primarily to corporate persons and professionals, including company secretaries, directors, accountants, legal advisors and bankers, by providing a practical understanding of company constitutions, both old and new. It is also suitable for law students as well as non-law students taking courses containing elements of company law. In a nutshell, it will be a useful and indispensable book to anyone who has an interest in or has to deal with companies.

KEY FEATURES:

Explains with clarity the essential requirements for company constitutions

Provides in-depth study on company constitutions supported by relevant statutory provisions and leading local and foreign case law Identifies Replaceable Rules in the Companies Act 2016, providing guidance on how they may be customised to form valid company constitutions

Contains a wealth of practical expertise and know-how to provide invaluable direction in implementing the new law including the use of the novel Written Resolution procedure

Written by authors with deep practical and academic experience of Malaysian company law

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LAWS GOVERNING CLINICAL PRACTICE IN MALAYSIA / Kulenthran Arumugam Malaysia : Sweet & Maxwell, 2018 1v. 9789672187271 \$ 40.00

This book has been authored primarily for medical practitioners in Malaysia. It is written in a manner that is easy to be understood for readers with no legal background. In the book, regular references are made to various legislation such as the Medical Act 1971, the Medical Regulations 2017, and the Traditional and Complementary Medicine Act 2016 which will help readers appreciate the statutory scheme regulating clinical practice in Malaysia. References are also made to guidelines like the Code of Professional Conduct by the Malaysian Medical Council.

Each chapter of this book begins with a learning objective to ensure that the reader obtains a clear understanding of the subject matter covered. This book begins with a brief introduction to the Malaysian Legal System in general. It then goes on to discuss the laws governing the medical profession and the application of the law of negligence in the area of medical treatment. This book also deals with the elements of medical practice that may give rise to criminal liability on medical practitioners, especially gross negligence, abortion, assisted suicide and euthanasia. The topical issues of consent, refusal of consent, advance directive, organ donation and organ transplant are usefully covered. Rounding up the multi-faceted coverage of this book, the related topics of medical reports, expert opinion and the certification of death are considered.

This book is written by an author with a unique background as he is a medical practitioner, a medical professor and also a law graduate. Drawing on this special set of skills and knowledge, the author provides an extremely illuminating account of the laws that govern clinical practice in Malaysia. It is fully up-to-date, taking into account amendments made by the Medical (Amendment) Act 2012 which came into force in July 2017. This book is suitable for medical practitioners who have already spent several years in the medical profession and for those who are just beginning their journey in the profession. Medical practitioners should have this book close to hand for easy reference. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408375

LEGAL ISSUES IN CLOUD COMPUTING IN MALAYSIA / Tay Pek San, Chan Wai Meng & Sik Cheng Peng Malaysia : Sweet and Maxwell, 2018 1v. 9789672187318 \$ 40.00 / PB

This book provides an introduction to the key legal issues in cloud computing. Three areas that are central to cloud computing, namely data protection, contracts with cloud service providers and intellectual property.

Data protection and its interaction with cloud computing This section discusses the challenges which cloud computing poses to the protection of personal data that is stored in the cloud. The section also considers the role which the Personal Data Protection Act 2010 plays in regulating the processing of personal data and the implications of the Act on the processing of personal data stored in the cloud.

Contract with cloud service providers

The section addresses issues pertaining to formation of contracts and privity. It attempts to identify and examine some of the common terms that are unfavourable to the users and, yet, are not negotiable. The legal issues that arise with regard to the fairness or otherwise of some common contractual terms are discussed under both contract law and the Consumer Protection Act 1999.

Intellectual property - specifically patent and copyright issues The storing and streaming of the content in the cloud itself may raise issues as as to the infringement of intellectual property rights. These issues bring forth the fundamental questions of who should be held liable for the infringing content that is stored in the cloud.

This book is written in simple language to provide easy understanding and practical guidance to business users and providers of cloud computing services.

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MALAYSIAN INSURANCE LAW / Michael Philip Furmston & Cheah You Sum Malaysia : Sweet and Maxwell, 2018 1v. 9789672049258 \$ 96.00 / HB

Malaysian Insurance Law provides comprehensive coverage of the three key areas of property insurance, life insurance and marine insurance.

Written by authors with extensive industrial and research experience, the book serves as a handy, up-to-date guide on a technical subject for insurance professionals, and is equally useful for undergraduate and postgraduate students, as well as those seeking professional qualification through professional bodies such as the Malaysian Insurance Institute.

Readers will find discussion on these areas particularly useful:

Insurable Interest - Legal discourse on development of English law and ts impact on development of law in Malaysia outlined. Understand how to navigate complex mix of common law legal principles and statutory provisions that give rise to bewildering set of rules on insurable interest. Utmost Good Faith - New legislative requirements brought in by Financial Service Act 2013 affecting issues such as misrepresentation and non-disclosure explained, including their impact on the "basis clause" in insurance contracts, and effect of proportionality principle. Claims Management - Questions on burden and standard of proof in handling claims clarified, particularly standard of proof to be discharged in rejecting claims for fraud. Effect of the "notice clause" in insurance contracts explained.

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REMEDIES FOR DEFAULT IN ISLAMIC BANKING: HOME AND CAR FINANCING / Rusni Hassan, Ahmad Azam Othman, Norlizah Mokhtar Malaysia : Sweet and Maxwell, 2018 1v. 9789672187035 \$ 68.00 / HB

This book contains an in-depth, focused and up-to-date discussion on the practical application of the remedies that are available to banks and financial institutions following breach or default by customers of Islamic home and car financing facilities, namely bai` bithaman ajil, ijarah and musyarakah mutanaqisah financing, which are the three commonly preferred Islamic banking facilities for home and car financing in Malaysia. The issues that commonly arise in Islamic financing practice are carefully considered to give clear and instructive guidance on how particular remedies may be successfully sought for each type of financing.

To build a good foundation for a proper appreciation of the remedies, the book provides a comprehensive overview on these commonly utilised Islamic banking asset financing facilities which gives a good understanding of their concept, practical operation and regulation. It also sets out a broad explanation of the general nature of remedies that are available under Malaysian law.

This book will be useful for practitioners as it comes with the reproduction of the important parts of the Shariah Resolutions and the Shariah Standards Policy Documents as issued by Bank Negara Malaysia in relation to the Islamic financing facilities covered.

The book contains the combined expertise of authors who have the strong underpinning of academia and the practical experience of legal practice. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408377

SPORTS LAW IN MALAYSIA: GOVERNANCE AND LEGAL ISSUES / Jady Zaidi Hassim Malaysia : Sweet and Maxwell, 2018 1v. 9789672049968 \$ 70.00 / HB

This book covers a comprehensive array of sports-legal topics such as sports justice and governance, civil and criminal liability, dispute resolution, anti-doping, intellectual property, image rights, sexual harassment and sports marketing legal issues; court cases and arbitral awards; and discussion on recent controversies in the national and international arena.

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ALL MALAYSIA TAX CASES (AMTC) 1937 - 2016 (FULL SET-10 VOLUMES) / Choong Kwai Fatt Malaysia : Sweet and Maxwell, 2018 1v. 9789832631453 \$ 1071.00 (Set)

The All Malaysia Tax Cases (AMTC) 1937 - 2016 (10 Volumes) reports revenue law cases decided in Malaysia commencing from the Special Commissioners of Income Tax, up to the High Court, the Court of Appeal and the Federal Court. It is the first of its kind in attempting to report all revenue cases decided in Malaysia, complemented by a complete yet concise case summary of each decision highlighting the legal principles involved, and the application of the legislation relevant to the issues in contention. Wherever applicable, cross-references are made to the corresponding appeal to the higher courts and its final decision. It includes a wide spectrum of tax law ranging from income tax, real property gains tax, investment incentives, stamp duty, Labuan tax etc.

AMTC is a must for those in the tax and accounting field, legal practice as well as academics and students pursuing their education in accounting and tax, as it will help with research and enable the proper application and understanding of the legal issues that arise. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408378

Corporate Powers Accountability 3rd Edition / Dato' Loh Siew Cheang (Author) Malaysia : Lexis Nexis, 2018 1v. 9789674007591 \$ 300.00

The first edition of this work was published in 1996, the second edition in 2002 and both editions had additional impressions due to its popularity. Emeritus Professor John Farrar in his foreword to the first edition wrote that the author's style is 'lucid and practical', a 'work of scholarship...and takes its place as one of the works of quality in the Commonwealth.' Sir John Vinelott described the 1st edition as a 'bold and imaginative work'. The second edition received similar accolades and with Gopal Sri Ram JCA (as he then was) writing that the author discusses the law 'with care and thoroughness'.

The third edition has been much awaited as evident from inquiries received by LexisNexis

This third edition captures the judicial developments and refinements at home and abroad that have been made to the common law principles, including statutory changes. These changes are explored and discussed on a comparative basis in the context of the Companies Act 2016 changes since 2002. It provides a contemporary exposition on corporate governance and in doing so, it gives an innovative approach to company law from the perspective of accountability of corporate powers and conduct on the part of persons who have administrative or fiduciary duties and responsibilities in the management of the affairs of companies, whether private or public companies. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408379

Islamic Banking In Malaysia : Cases and Commentaries / Rusni Hassan, Ahmad Azam Othman, Norlizah Mokhtar Malaysia : The Malaysian Current Law Journal Sdn Bhd, 2017 592p. 9789674571252 \$ 140.00 /HB

Islamic banking in Malaysia has experienced an overwhelming boom, both in terms of the practice industry and the legal development aspect. For the stakeholders and practitioners, the practical concern centres, almost always, on the need to ensure that the products and practices abide by the Shariah and complies with Malaysian law. It is a known fact that at times, the Shariah principles did not come on all fours with the local laws and regulations, necessitating thereby much harmonisation effort for the two standards.

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A Practical Guide To The Industrial Relations Act 1967 / T. Balasubramaniam Malaysia : The Malaysian Current Law Journal Sdn Bhd, 2017 232p. 9789674571269 \$ 50.00 / PB

The Industrial Relations Act 1967 contains several important provisions pertaining to union recognition, collective bargaining, trade disputes, representation on dismissals, strikes and picketing. Most of these provisions have been the subject of interpretation by case laws. Vide this book, more than a hundred such case laws have been discussed. It is hoped that HR practitioners and every student of Human Resource Management will find this a useful textbook.

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The Malaysian Judiciary / Tun Dato' Seri Zaki Tun Azmi, With A Team Of Contributors Malaysia : The Malaysian Current Law Journal Sdn Bhd, 2017 223p. 9789674570743 \$ 50.00

This book is an overview of the historical background of the Malaysian Judiciary, including the Islamic judiciary. It illustrates the brief history of the judiciary from the time it found its roots in the English Common Law to the more recent developments where modifications were perennially made to the law by judges to suit local customs and conditions. It also traces customary-legal practices that were peculiar to the East Malaysian states of Sabah and Sarawak, which practices had since been blended into and become very much part of the Malaysian judicial system.

Since law reports is central to the development of the law or a judiciolegal system, a section of the book also glimpses at the tradition of law reporting in the country.

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THE LAW ON LAND ACQUISITION / Su Tiang Joo & Pang Kong Leng Malaysia : The Malaysian Current Law Journal Sdn Bhd, 2018 264p. 9789674571313 \$ 120.00

The Federal Constitution provides that 'no person shall be deprived of property save in accordance with law'; and 'no law shall provide for the compulsory acquisition or use of property without adequate compensation'. It is therefore imperative for landowners to understand their rights to ensure that these rights are protected and adequately compensated in the event of compulsory acquisition. 'The Law on Land Acquisition' comprehensively sets out the underlying legal jurisprudence of compulsory land acquisition in Malaysia and the procedural pre-requisites based on the Land Acquisition Act 1960, including the recent amendments vide the Land Acquisition (Amendment) Act 2016. The book also highlights both reported and unreported case authorities up to 1 January 2018 that had seen law in this subject developed. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408383

EMPLOYMENT LAW MANUAL FOR PRACTITIONERS / Maimunah Aminuddin 2nd ed. Malaysia : The Malaysian Current Law Journal Sdn Bhd, 2018 804p. 9789674571337 \$ 150.00

This Manual is a comprehensive handbook on employment law applicable in the workplace. It describes in detail the relevant legislation including the Minimum Retirement Age Act 2012 and the Employment Insurance System Act 2017 as well as all updates to the law in recent years. Within the description of each employment law, case law examples are provided to illustrate the points and examples of best practice which can be applied by human resource practitioners. Topics such as statutory benefits, safety and health, industrial relations, termination of employment and trade union rights are intensively discussed by the author

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Literature

Selcouth / Arina Malaysia : Tun Suffian Foundation Incorporated, 2018 1v. 9789834353094 \$ 15.00 /

Selcouth is a collection of Poems and Prose, a sequel to Paracosm. <u>http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=326668</u>

An Ocean of Grey / Kamalia Hasni Malaysia : Meraki Press Publishing, 2018 159p. 9789671579800 \$ 19.90 / PB

This is a Collection of Poetry and Prose. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408385 Muhamed Ashraq Mohamed Amin Kuala Lumpur: ITBM-Institut Terjemahan & Buku Malaysia Berhad, 2018 xxx, 164p. 9789674606169 Malaysian Literature Series 1. English poetry

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I consolidate the reality of present life with my spiritual journey and experiences, and the knowledge and greatness of god which form the origins of everything. These are the pillars of love and humanity. I validate mu presence by perceiving and understanding current world events truthfully. This is important for me a poet who has lived and experienced life spanning two centuries (20th and 21st centuries). These are the words of the experienced poet on his poems, which are gathered in a collection entitled Visiting the Land of Buds. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408387

Swordfish + Concubine / Kee Thuan Chye Malaysia : SIRD, 2018 1v. 9789832344988 \$ 9.00 / PB

Swordfish + Concubine is a play inspired by the old Malay classic Sejarah Melayu. Playwright Kee Thuan Chye takes the popular story of the swordfish attack on Singapura and that of the Sultan's favourite concubine who is sentenced to death by impalement, and weaves them together to produce an epic that resonates with the present. He infuses it with drama, comedy, action, satire, gamelan music and rap. Yes, rap! It is sweeping, lavish and filled with fun, and it appeals to the senses, the mind and the heart. In 2006, it was judged one of the top five plays entered for the International Playwriting Festival organised by Warehouse Theatre in the UK.

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Politics

Anatomy of an Electoral Tsunami / Lim Teck Ghee, S. Thayaparan, Terence Netto Malaysia : SIRD, 2018 1v. 9789672165347 \$ 17.50 / PB 380gm.

A magnificent tour de force of Malaysian politics leading up to the 9th May tsunami by three of our nation's most prolific and respected commentators. Together, they took on the political establishment with courage, determined to speak truth to power as they saw it. <u>http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408389</u> Regime Change in Malaysia: GE14 and the End of UMNO-BN's 60-Year Rule / Francis Loh, Anil Netto (Eds) Malaysia : SIRD, 2018 1v. 9789672165354 \$ 22.50 / PB

This book is a collection of 40-plus essays by 30-plus Malaysians about GE14 on 9 May 2018. It is a record of an unprecedented defeat of the UMNO-BN government, in power since 1957, and its replacement by Pakatan Harapan, a newly formed coalition. These essays discuss the major election issues, the principal actors, the campaign, the results and where we might be headed in the next decade.

Regardless of the specifics, GE14 has ushered in Regime Change. We are witnessing change that goes beyond the displacement of one government by another as occurs when a different party takes over in western liberal democracies. Regime Change is more than that in at least three aspects: first, there are changes in the make-up of the socio-economic alliance that is backing up the new government; second, we see changes in the major political institutions, as in the whittling down of the humongous Prime Minister's Department and impending reform of some others like the MACC, the SPR and the civil service, and the replacement of self-serving, inefficient top personnel; and third, the adoption of new policies in public transport, education, labour and welfare concerns or disaster management – which are hopefully more pro-people and less wasteful of resources compared to previous policies.

The 30-plus authors involved in this book include some of Malaysia's most respected scholar-activists who engage in writing popular essays apart from their usual academic writing. A second group are non-academicians who are nonetheless keen observers of political goings-on in Malaysia. Often attached to civil society organisations like Aliran, they have honed their skills and written important reports and reflections. We have more than our share of such people in Aliran. A third group are the youth aspiring to be tomorrow's public intellectuals, whether they anchor themselves in academia or in some civil society organisation, in this case Aliran.

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1MDB The Scandal That Brought Down A Government / P. Gunasegaram & Kinibiz Malaysia : SIRD, 2018 1v. 9789672165361 \$ 30.00 / PB 600gm.

This book is a gripping account of the biggest, most audacious kleptocracy the world has ever known – over RM40 billion lost or stolen by a corrupt Malaysian government through 1Malaysia Development Berhad or 1MDB. It has all the elements of a Hollywood thriller with a cast featuring a sultan, a prime minister, his high-flying and even more high-spending wife, and a baby-faced whizz kid as the mastermind who was in his late twenties when it all started and who cavorted with actors and socialites such as Leonardo DiCaprio and Paris Hilton on yachts and other expensive places.

Despite the Barisan Nasional government going to great lengths to cover up the scandal, it exploded and spread. The people tired of the blatant theft threw BN out in the general elections of 9 May, ending 61 years of uninterrupted BN rule. The book shows how the scandal developed, the way the various embezzlements were executed, traces the money flows and tracks the beneficiaries of a crime which could not go undetected because it was so big. Now, those who are responsible are finally being brought to account through a process which will take years. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408391 The Rising Moon: Political Change in Sarawak 1959-1972 / Michael Leigh Malaysia : SIRD, 2018 1v. 9789672165286 \$ 20.00 / PB

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