PROSPECTUS

The Seminar on the Problem of Rice-Growing Villages in Malaysia was jointly organized by the Faculty of Economics and Administration, University of Malaya and the Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Kyoto University. The Seminar was held at Court Room, University of Malaya, on the 14th of December 1977.

The main objective of the Seminar was to provide a forum for researchers from the Center for Southeast Asian Studies to report and review their work on Malay rice-growing villages undertaken over nearly ten years. The Seminar also provided an opportunity for Malaysians, both researchers, policy-makers and development implementors to discuss and analyze the findings of foreign scholars on Malay rice-growing villages. The hope of the organization of the Seminar was that it would contribute to a better understanding of the problems of Malay rice-growing communities as well as assist policy-makers and planners in expanding their knowledge and consciousness of the ecological, anthropological and educational dimensions of rural development.

The Faculty of Economics and Administration, University of Malaya, consists of seven divisions, including Analytical Economics, Applied Economics, Accounting, Business Administration, Public Administration, Rural Development and Statistics. It has been involved in research in rural development since its inception as a Department of Economics, Faculty of Arts. The Center for Southeast Asian Studies, Kyoto University was set up in 1965 as an interdisciplinary research institution on Southeast Asian area studies. Many research projects covering the humanities, social and natural sciences have been carried out on an interdisciplinary basis, some of which are published in the Journal of South East Asian Studies (SEAS). Collaboration with Southeast Asian Scholars is one of the features of the Center's research program.

The organizing committee of the Seminar consisted of Prof. Madya L. J. Fredericks; Prof. Madya A. Manap Said; Prof. Madya Cheong Kee Cheok; Dr. Yeoh Onn Lee; Puan Lim Lin Lean; En. Ooi Soon Kiam; En. R. J. G. Wells; and En. A. Ghani Othman. Those who assisted as secretariat for the Seminar were En. Chee Teng Kwee; Cik Catherine Shim; Chik Corrine How; Puan Lucia Chee; and Chik Zaleha Mohd. Ba'ie.

SEMINAR SCHEDULE

8.00 a.m. — 8.30 a.m. Registration Foyer, Court Room

University of Malaya

8.30 a.m. — 8.50 a.m. Opening Speech

| | Professor Mokhzani A. Rahim |
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| | Deputy Vice Chancellor |
| | University of Malaya |
| 8.50 a.m. — 9.10 a.m. | Opening Speech |
| 0.00 a.m. 0.10 a.m. | Professor S. Ichimura |
| | Director |
| | The Center for Southeast Asian Studies |
| | Kyoto University |
| 9.10 a.m. — 9.30 a.m. | Presentation by Professor Y. Takaya and Dr. H. Fukui |
| 5.10 a.m. === 5.00 a.m. | "Some Ecological Observations on Rice-Growing in Ma- |
| | laysia'' |
| 9.30 a.m. — 9.50 a.m. | Discussion by En. S. Jegatheesan |
| | Tea/Coffee Break |
| 10.20 a.m. — 10.40 a.m. | Presentation by Professor M. Kuchiba |
| | "Socio-Economic Changes in a Malay Padi-Growing Com- |
| | munity (Padang Lalang) in Kedah" |
| 10.40 a.m. — 11.00 a.m. | Presentation by Dr. N. Maeda |
| | "The Malay Family as a Social Circle" |
| 11.00 a.m. — 11.20 a.m. | Presentation by Dr. Y. Tsubouchi |
| | "The Changing Function of Religion among Rural Malays" |
| 11.20 a.m. — 12.40 p.m. | Discussion by |
| - | 1) Dr. Mohd. Nor Ghani |
| | 2) En. Mohd. Dahlan Hj. Aman |
| | 3) En. Afifuddin Hj. Omar |
| 12.40 p.m. — 2.00 p.m. | Lunch — Foyer, Great Hall, University of Malaya |
| 2.00 p.m. — 2.20 p.m. | Presentation by Professor K. Mizuno |
| | "Comparative Analysis of Rural Development: Rice- |
| | Growing Villages in Thailand and Malaysia" |
| 2.20 p.m. — 2.40 p.m. | Discussion by Professor L. J. Fredericks |
| 2.40 p.m. — 3.00 p.m. | Presentation by Mr. Y. Murata |
| | "Education and Rural Development: A Comparative |
| | Study of Thai and Malay Villages" |
| 3.00 p.m. — 3.20 p.m. | Discussion by En. Abu Bakar Mahmud |
| 3.20 p.m. — 3.50 p.m. | Tea/Coffee Break |
| 3.50 p.m. — 4.50 p.m. | General Discussion |
| 4.50 p.m. — 5.15 p.m. | Closing Speech |
| | Professor Mokhzani A. Rahim |
| 8.00 p.m. | Dinner, hosted by the Center for Southeast Asian Studies, |
| | Kyoto University, at Jaya Puri Hotel |

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