



REVISITING MALAYA

Uncovering Historical and Political Thoughts
in Nusantara

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Revisiting Malaya seeks to explicitly address problems of colonialism and its legacy, taking regional Cold War divisions as well as historical links and fractures into consideration. By considering a wide range of topics presented by speakers at two landmark conferences, from the propaganda efforts of the Malayan Film Unit to the writings of visionaries and revolutionaries, ranging from Usman Awang to Tan Malaka, this book uses 'Malaya as method' to better understand historical and contemporary realities.

Revisiting Malaya does not represent an official history...Instead it combines both the elements of alternative and people's history. Therein lies its originality and strength....an important and useful contribution to knowledge on Malaya or Malaysia, within the context of Nusantara.

- Dr Syed Husin Ali

This volume is an important contribution to the literature, not only because of the originality of the individual chapters, but also for providing important critiques of their respective subject matters...By thoughtfully convening the two conferences and their editorial efforts, the editors have served all of us interested in the future of the nation, and the contribution of scholarship to this challenge.

- Dr Jomo Kwame Sundaram

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