

**LIMA '09**  
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**By Dr. Mahathir Mohamad**

1. This year's Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace exhibition is not as big as the previous ones. This is to be expected as the countries that produce aircrafts and warplanes are going through financial and economic crisis. All international air shows are not as well represented as before. But for such a period of recession the turnout at LIMA in terms of exhibitors, airplanes and ships is still quite impressive.

2. But what is worthy of note at this LIMA is the progress of Malaysia's own aerospace industries. This took up almost one-third of the space and the exhibits were reflective of their progress and sophistication. Malaysian companies now design and produce electronic command and control systems. They proudly exhibit their capabilities in the production and servicing of sophisticated aircraft components and mastery of aviation electronics.

3. There were quite a number exhibiting UAVs (Unmanned Aerial Vehicles). These remote-control airplanes come in many sizes. They can be used for aerial photography and target location and even for aggressive attacks against the enemy.

4. The first Malaysian submarine, KD Tunku Abdul Rahman, was also on show. I had more than an hour briefing on the different functions and features of the submarine.

5. Of all the fighting crafts I have seen the submarine is easily the most complex. It has scores of monitors and TV screens to inform the operators of what is happening in every part of the craft. There were wires and tubes everywhere. All of them I am told are crucial to the operation of the vessel, on the surface, at periscope depths and underwater.

6. Because of the small space available everything is cramped and overlap each other. I wondered whether the crew can identify all these wires, tubes and equipments and locate where they head to. The commander assured me that they could. They have learnt to locate things in the dark even in case of electricity failure.

7. I noted that all the parts bear scientific names. All the manuals on operation and emergency measures were in English and French.

8. The sleeping bunks are tiny. Once in bed the crew can hardly raise their heads. It was claustrophobic and I don't think I can survive in that environment. But the boat sailed all the way from France to Malaysia without mishap. The crew do not seem to suffer from anything serious.

9. A group of MPs including from the opposition also visited the submarine and they were as

impressed as I was.

10. I remember the first navy vessels of the Royal Malaysian Navy, which I visited in 1958 when they sailed right up to Alor Star. They were wooden boats, rather small and armed with a small gun. A friend laughed when I told him about my visit. We have come a long way since then and the Royal Malaysian Navy is now as modern a force as any other country.

11. I would have liked not buying the submarine. I don't think we would be going to war. But the neighbours have bought submarines and our navy would feel rather inadequate if they don't have at least two of these very costly vessels.

12. Altogether I would consider the 9th LIMA a success. Apart from the displays LIMA has helped initiate and stimulate Malaysia's aerospace industry.

## 53 Comments

By tunnusantara  on December 25, 2009 3:43 AM

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Salam Tun,

LIMA '09 was great!! I agree with #2. But the turnout was not many - no adverts/promotions done to promote this international event.

Whoever the Malaysian leader/s who's/re after you has/ve got serious Inferiority Complex Syndrome - always thinking to "cease" your legacy - like, stopping whatever that you started/did that clearly BENEFIT our country, "hoping" that it'll stop people from remembering you as one of the World's Greatest Statesman & be proud of you for putting Malaysia high up on the pedestal! WEIRDOS!!

May Allah SWT Continue to Bless You Always Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad. Wassalam.

\* Btw Tun, I see that this topic doesn't give much feedback HERE, because I think many of your fans gave their feedbacks in your Facebook. I've been giving feedbacks on Your Facebook quite frequently Nowadays, ie. more than I come here, FYI.

Whatever it is, hope your Admins/staff will Take Note from BOTH sites (here + Facebook), PLUS, any other sites that display your articles with feedbacks.  
Cheers!

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By Adam  on December 23, 2009 1:21 PM

Dear Wok,

12. Truthfully, three quarters of the urbanites Malays are typically orang-orang kampong actually, who although are having Degrees, MBAs, and PhDs, are only fit to remain at their respective kampongs.

13. They say "Macam kera dapat bunga"

Answer;

You just showed the whole world your type of mentality frankly. So what if they are from kampong? Are you so uber high and perfect? I agree with your statements criticising Putrajaya, however it is a disgrace for you to bring yourself so high up - self admittance.

**What type of people should not be considered 'Orang Kampong'? Please do define what type of Malays should be categorised as Orang Bandar?**

Trust me, there is someone who lives in a very small town. But has better mentality that those from Key-El. :)

Have a nice day.

By 72hazard  on December 22, 2009 11:05 AM

Assalamualaikum Tun,

LIMA 09 dah abis, disusuli dengan skandal pertahanan negara yang amat memalukan, enjin jet pejuang kena cilok! Bukan satu tapi dua. Apa nak jadi?

Macamana perkara ini boleh berlaku? Bukan setakat Jeneral yang terlibat harus dipertanggungjawabkan. Mesti ada peringkat yang lebih tinggi terlibat. Takkan dengan sewenang-wenangnya ianya boleh dibawa keluar tanpa dibincangkan diperingkat Kementerian Pertahanan mahupun kabinet.

Kerajaan harus bertindak telus dan tegas dalam perkara ini kerana ia melibatkan pertahanan negara. Selain memalukan ia juga menggambarkan sikap anggota keselamatan negara. Belum mengangkat senjata tapi dah tersungkur kerana wang!

Sekian Wasallam

72HAZARD


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By B0B  on December 22, 2009 5:07 AM

Yang Dikasihi TUN & FAMILY,

The mere possession of a vision is not the same as living it, nor can we encourage others with it if we do not, ourselves, understand and follow its truths. The pattern of the Great Spirit is over us all, but if we follow our own spirits from within, our pattern becomes clearer. For centuries, others have sought their visions. They prepare themselves, so that if the Creator desires them to know their life's purpose, then a vision would be revealed. To be blessed with visions is not enough...we must live them! TERIMA KASIH SO MUCH!!!!

<http://www.optinemailmarketingguide.com/>

By S..Tan  on December 22, 2009 12:46 AM

Dear Tun, salam sejahtera harap sihat bahagia sekeluarga. Kiriman saya untuk tajuk ini..

.....SARANG TEBUAN

Dalam blog ini orang Melayu tak boleh bidas dasar, sikap Melayu. Pasti kena cemuh, ancam. Contoh 'Wok'.

.....GUNA PENUMBUK

Sia sia kita tanggung belanja ijazah untuk orang berfikiran mcm ini. Akhirnya tangan kasar juga yg dia tahu pakai, kepala untuk isi angin.

Bagi ijazah di gulung mcm sarung, bagi bandar kelengkapan antarabangsa di buat mcm kampung! Kalau nak kampung, kita bagi kampung. Tak payah belanja berbilion!

Bandaraya berbilion yg tak membuah hasil (tiada perdagangan, kegiatan swasta) akan jadi beban pada negara mengendalinya (kutipan cukai pintu tak cukup). Orang kampung juga yg kena tanggung kos penyelenggaraan kampung Putrajaya ini!

.....PUTRAJAYA

Putrajaya diilham sebagai contoh bandar Melayu. Tapi yg terjadi bandar bangunan, jalan, tiang lampu, pokok lebih banyak dari penduduk. Sunyi sepi mcm kampung. Kota Baru lebih bernyawa, beranika darinya. Sukar Putrajaya boleh jadi bandaraya bertaraf dunia dgn rupa dan sikap mcm ini.

Putrajaya contoh pada dunia apa jadi bila bina bandar dgn 'social engineering' bukan 'human engineering'. Contoh wajah bandar yang dipenuhi kakitangan awam, orang makan gaji saja. Putrajaya bandar untuk ambil gambar bangunan dan untuk bahan berkokok.

Ia tak padan dgn belanja yg dicurah. Duit itu lebih baik bangunkan Alor Setar, K Terengganu, Kota Baru dll.

.....BEBAN

Putrajaya satu satu bandaraya dibina dulu, baru diurus penduduk masuk. Bandaraya lain berkembang ikut arus penduduk. Putrajaya dibina dgn modal pembayar cukai. Bandaraya lain ditanggung penduduk sendiri. Seluruh negara tanggung kos untuk 50K orang hidup dlm kampung mewah?

.....LIMA OR LAMA

Air Asia is much more successful than Lima in putting M'sia on the aviation and travel map. More countries know and visit M'sia due to Air Asia than all the Limas put together. Air Asia is 8yrs while Lima is 18yrs.

On aviation industry, the aeronautics technology of running, maintaining so many flying hours of these planes (Air Asia biggest LCC in Asia) will put M'sia as a leader in this field. Compare Lima provides only exhibition space and with no sophisticated maintenance jobs?


Air Asia cost taxpayers nothing, Lima burdens taxpayers all the nine times it is held. Lima should continue to be held, but not bankrolled by taxpayers.

.....AVIATION INDUSTRY

Perkembangan Air Asia berbanding Tiger Air. Air Asia lahir yatim piatu (no parent company), Tiger Air bapa kaya (SIA, worlds 2nd largest airline by value) Tapi Air Asia LCC terbesar di Asia!

Perkembangan Air Asia berbanding MAS. MAS dgn lapangan terbang terbesar (termahal?) di Asia Tenggara rugi teruk sampai hilang modal, tak setanding dgn SIA yg tak pernah rugi modal. Air Asia dgn LCCT yg jauh kecil dan sempit dari Changi jadi LCC terbesar Asia (kalahkan Tiger Air)

Beza kedua ini, MAS Air Asia? Satu lahir zaman Pak Lah, satu membesar zaman kroni DEB. Satu ikut warna kebolehan, yg lagi satu ikut warna kulit.

By zaki\_77  on December 22, 2009 12:03 AM

Can the subs be detected by radar?

By HBT  on December 21, 2009 6:55 AM

Good morning Ayahanda Tun,

Malaysia Mirror Online.....

//Liow, are you in MCA or Umno?

Joshua Teng

Sunday, 20 December 2009 15:59

POSERS FOR LIOW Liow Tiong Lai must be “congratulated” for coming to the rescue of Education Minister Muhyiddin Yassin recently with regards to the issue that only 10 subjects would be considered for Public Service Department (PSD) scholarship.

In championing the cause of his fellow Cabinet member or shall I put it his Umno boss, the MCA vice-president told a press conference that the government had never rejected Literature, Chinese or Tamil to be included as part of the SPM results as claimed by certain quarters.

He explained that Muhyiddin announced recently that students sitting for the SPM examination could take two additional subjects, but only 10 would be considered for PSD scholarships.

Such clarification coming from the Health Minister leaves more questions unanswered than anything else.

Why be Muhyiddin's spokesman?

Firstly, why does Liow needs to act as a spokesman for Muhyiddin. Secondly Liow seems to be very accommodating and ever ready to clarify matters pertaining to education irrespective if it means compromising on the interest of the Chinese.

If I may ask Liow whether by defending Muhyiddin, is he saying that it is alright that Chinese or Tamil subjects be excluded for scholarship consideration if students were to take more than 10 subjects.

In short, is he saying that it does not matter that these two subjects, the mother tongue of two communities in multi-faceted Malaysia, is not important to be used as a yardstick to decide whether scholarships should be given.

If this is the case, I must say that Liow deserves the accolade for helping to diminish the rights of the two communities.

Liow also told reporters that he had the responsibility to clarify the matter to the public to avoid confusion.

What responsibility?. I am confused whether he is a spokesman for MCA or Umno? But I think the confusion here points to Liow’s eagerness in clarifying the matter instead of pushing for the two subjects to be counted among the 10 subjects for scholarship consideration in the event students were to take an additional two subjects.

Surely, Liow would know that it would not be in the best interest for the two communities if the two subjects were dropped.

Sulking up to his Umno boss is one thing but to ignore the fact that the two subjects were excluded as a requisite for scholarships is one big shame on the part of Liow.

Not one language should take precedent

If Bahasa Malaysia can be among the 10 core subjects for scholarship awards, why the Chinese and Tamil subjects cannot be similarly accorded such qualifying status.

No one language of the three major races in the country should take precedent over the other, especially so when we are now talking about 1Malaysia.

Liow must be reminded that as an elected representative of the people, he is expected to speak up and not help sweep things under the carpet.

Politicians must be mindful and be humble to the fact that the power lies with the people. It is the people who will ultimately define who stays in power and what the government stands for.

But sad to say that MCA has also another “tua kor tai”. Deputy Education Minister Dr Wee Ka Siong was quoted as saying at the Parliament lobby that the Tamil and Chinese languages and literature subjects were never included for consideration in scholarship awards in the past.

Dr Wee, it does not mean that if those subjects were not included in the past, he as the deputy minister as well as MCA Youth Chief cannot do anything about it.

I remember Youth leaders of the MCA who were elected previously were fiery leaders who are also fearless in bringing up issues. Where are such leaders now?

On the contrary, I must say kudos to Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak who at a function recently spoke on the need for Malaysians, especially Malays to learn Mandarin.

Speaking at the 90th anniversary celebrations of the Chong Hwa Independent High School, Najib said that the language was one of the country’s many assets and that the language was an important lingo as China had become a world economic superpower.

Well said, Mr Prime Minister

He further said : “When we learn the languages of other races, we learn more about each other. Only when we respect and honour one another, can we become true Malaysians who support the 1Malaysia concept.”

Words well said from a true leader and top statesman in the country which leaves much to be desired for the statement made by Liow and Wee.

If leaders like Najib can see an issue in the wholesome perspective and the real need of such a language, I don’t understand why Liow and Wee cannot see the importance of giving due recognition to it.

Both the MCA leaders should realign their thoughts to be in line with the 1Malaysia concept as propagated by Najib where the people comes first and immediate performance are expected.

Just like the prime minister, Liow and Wee should be able to see the larger picture of things, beyond the political cocoon of the Barisan Nasional, which was founded on the premise of working together to serve the people at large, irrespective of race or creed.

Both the leaders should actually question why Chinese and Tamil subjects be “sidelined” when we are now talking about 1Malaysia and equality for all races.

One also wonders if Liow is the vice-president for MCA or Umno. He owes the Chinese community an explanation on his stand.

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Comment:

I agree that Mother Tongue Languages (not only Mandarin, Tamil, it should include other MTL too eg: English, Kadazan & Ibans) should be taken into consideration for PSD (Public Service Department) scholarship consideration. These MTL are important for our multi-faceted (racial) nation for our future. By offering PSD scholarships to these future scholars (they may be of all races) would never make Malaysia less Malaysia.

When students are good and decided to major MTL, MOE should consider, and I do hope that MOE and the so-called future MCA's leaders (boleh jadi Presiden & Timbalan atau tidak) should be more open minded and patriotic in explaining and getting feedback on this issue.

This PSD scholarship problem started when TS Myuhiddin announced, out of nowhere that 12 subjects, 10 counts, honestly "apa ini, TS Myuhiddin? Personal Politics and MOE cannot be "rojakkan" to wollah votes. MOE should not remain as status quo just to sustain their jobs. They may have students who sincerely wanted to major in their MTL, why prevent them from fulfilling their dreams?

I do not like our Chinese School system does not mean that I prevent others from learning MTL. Sub-policies can be changed (not revamp) in order to be relevant to current scenario.

Good day Ayahanda Tun.

P/S: YB Ahmad Zahidi still have not learned why Malaysia objected IMF in 1997. Today, he asked YB Koh to let UMNO to be the Chairman of Penang. Does YB Zahidi knows what is he asking? He is asking YB Koh to let him sleep with his wife... boleh ke?? If YB Zahidi understand, and accept "Perikatan through integration, not assimilation as what PM Najib wants", then he should not have asked this question because Malaysia has her own identity and tradition in doing things her way.

Penang will never be lead by UMNO eventhough UMNO has won 11 seats there, and the issue is Party (generation of power and wealth build through TRUST), not business or war dealings. If YB Koh can allow this, then UMNO can also allow non-PM's successors other than YB Hisham, YB Mukhriz (or KJ?????) to be the future PM! Does our Defense Minister want this to happen or does he understand what PM Najib's statement on Integretion not Assimilation strategy?

By Adam  on December 19, 2009 2:30 PM

I don't believe in violence, but I believe in the need for self defense. Hence, congratulation for the new submarine. May we be able to enjoy an ever lasting peace.

By HBT  on December 19, 2009 8:07 AM

Good morning Ayahanda Tun,

The Star Online....

//Saturday December 19, 2009

Anguish over bilingualism  
INSIGHT DOWN SOUTH

By SEAH CHIANG NEE

There's renewed debate over the decades-old language grind after surprising remarks by the architect of the republic's bilingual education policy.

FOUR decades of bilingual education have been shaken up by its architect Lee Kuan Yew, who now says it was a mistake from the beginning.

In a rare self-criticism, the 86-year-old Minister Mentor blamed it on his own ignorance in thinking that people could easily master two languages.

It showed a side of him that Singaporeans rarely get to see or hear – expressing contrition in such harsh tones about himself for something he did four decades ago.

Over state TV, he said recently that he was “wrong” to have insisted on the bilingual policy, which was launched in 1966.

“At first I thought, you can master two languages. Maybe different intelligence, you master it at different levels,” he said, but after 40 years of learning it, he was convinced otherwise.

“We started the wrong way,” said Lee. “We insisted on ting xie (listening), mo xie (dictation) – madness!”

“Nobody can master two languages at the same level. If (you think) you can, you're deceiving yourself.”

As a result, Lee added: “Successive generations of students paid a heavy price, because of my ignorance, by my insistence on bilingualism.”

It was as close to a public apology as Singaporeans are likely to get.

Most observers saw it as his retraction of a major strategy that he introduced for his multiracial people. The republic's bilingual system is watched with interest by many multiracial countries in Asia.

Under the system, aimed at bonding races and cultures, English is taught to all — but ethnic Chinese, Malay and Indian students need a mandatory pass in their own mother tongue.

The rationale is simple and logical. Singaporeans can communicate with each other, and the outside world, in English, as well as use it to earn a living. At home, however, they are encouraged to speak their mother tongue.

For the Malays and Indians, learning Bahasa Melayu and Tamil has not been too difficult, but among Chinese who hail from English-speaking homes, passing – let alone mastering – Chinese, a totally dissimilar language, is very tough.

Lee's remarks were immediately taken by many Singaporeans as an indication that the government plans to do away with the policy.

This is unlikely to happen, particularly with the emerging economic power of China and Singapore wanting to serve as a bridge between Beijing and the West.

Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong quickly put paid to that speculation, saying: "To put it very simply, we are affirming our bilingualism policy. We have never wavered in this fundamental..."

However, PM Lee said, "We are in a dynamic situation because the position is changing, and we have been updating our policies progressively." Lee Senior put the future this way: "It doesn't matter what level (of Chinese) they reach, they will like the language, it is fun, and later on in life they'll use it."

The study of Chinese has undergone changes since 2004 that make the process less torturous for English-speaking Chinese.

The aim is for the average Chinese here to continue to be bilingual in English and Chinese, but without forcing him to master Chinese as well as English.

Those with higher abilities to do so could choose a fast and higher Chinese language track. Some have been sent to top universities in China.

The change of mind may have come too late for the hundreds of thousands who have gone through the language grind in the past four decades.

Many of them had adopted the attitude of just doing enough to pass exams, realising they wouldn't need to use it for much of their working lives.

One out of four people surveyed said they considered it unnecessary to learn Chinese in this global world, where even the Chinese themselves are flocking to learn English.

A former Singapore scholar recently blogged: "I am a typical byproduct of Singapore: a Chinese who can speak Mandarin, passed Mandarin classes but can still barely read and write the language well enough to be considered proficient.

"Technically I am illiterate," he declared. "And, while that may not speak for all of us, there are sufficient numbers to justify the label 'typical'". The worst cases are the talented children who fared so miserably in Mandarin that they had to continue their studies abroad.

An early casualty of Singapore's bilingualism was the Golden Girl of swimming, Junie Sng, who won 10 gold medals in the 1983 SEA Games, compared to nine four years earlier.

Her English-speaking parents migrated to Australia, where she now resides. The Chinese language dilemma has contributed to Singapore's brain drain.

Every year, about 1,000 bright students join the immigration outflow, including a fair number who want to escape the exam requirements.

In 1989, a Singaporean mother, Pauline Tan, wrote a passionate letter to The Straits Times criticising the way Chinese was being taught.

She said her Primary 3 son was having suicidal thoughts because he hated having to study Chinese every day. "He was constantly ridiculed and scolded by his Chinese teacher. He felt ashamed and shunned his classmates.

"He found Chinese boring. It is spelling, dictation, writing, tests and more spelling, dictation, writing and tests," she said. Finally she and her husband migrated to Australia "to spare our kid further misery with Chinese."

Today, her son – aged 29 – is an IT specialist, while his younger brother is doing his doctorate in mathematics at Oxford University.

It is partly such losses that have forced Singapore to import talent from abroad – and probably explains Lee's feeling of anguish.

Comment:

I never like our local Chinese School system whereby the Chinese Scholars are too proud of their Mother Tongue Language (Mandarin) and to them, if you do not excel in Mandarin, you are a disgrace. Moreover, the way they treat the pupil as if pupils are the ants to the ant queen with so much unnecessary extra home work.

Average Chinese males age 45 years and above, have Mr Lee Kuan Yew's mentality whereby they believe that people must do well in Chinese as they see China is the next super power in the world, and PM Najib has this belief too.

We must always remember, we are Malaysians, hence, if we are to do international trade with China, English is the best option, and younger Chinese are learning English because they know their future will be better off if they major English as the International Language.

Here, I hope that our MOE will stick to our education policy, not flip and flop to wobble votes. If those who have chosen to migrate, let them do so because they have the right and capability, and please do not use the "migration figures" as one of the factors in changing our MOE policy.

"PPSMI" must remain because if students are good in Humanitarian (Art stream), they are not good in Math & Science...due to biological factor (DNA/gene)....

Good day Ayahanda Tun.

By HBT  on December 18, 2009 10:17 AM

Ayahanda Tun,

May I....

//By The Hidden Secret on December 17, 2009 11:14 AM//

Yes, I have difficulty too in dealing with foreigners who do not communicate in English, but if we have the heart and will to communicate with them, there is a way. Your question on "However, the above countries and their people have excel tremendously WITHOUT ENGLISH. Why? How did they do it? What are their secrets? I leave it to the readers of this blog to give their opinions on this."

The main reason is that these 2 countries are not colonised by any foreign powers in history.. Malaysia was colonised by England, and we are one of the representative in "Commonwealth", English is the most important communication in ASEAN and the world.

Our blogger nj has voiced out for Satu Bangsa (One Nationality), Satu Negara (One Nation), Satu Bahasa (One Language), but in reality, majority of our Malaysians got mix up with Nationality and Race, and they do not know what to fill up in the Nationality Column. BM is the National Language, English is International Language, and as for Chinese, Tamil, Iban, Kadazans etc.... I think it's better to remain as Mother Tongue Language due to the world communication landscape. Of which language we want to master, it will be better off for the people to choose the method for their communication agreed within themselves.

Hi-tech and expensive France Submarine is equivalent to LV and Gucci, and of course, to raise our patriotism and wealth of the country, how could our Defense Minister purchase something that will not look up by neighbouring country. Just imagine, we are invited for Ball function, and we do not have gown or tuxedo and we wear jeans and blouse instead, it will look weird right, Ayahanda Tun? Sometimes wealth (money) need to be spent to stimulate economic purpose, if semua orang kedekut, then what for we study and talk about Economic!!

By tz  on December 18, 2009 9:52 AM

Dear Tun,

I always have the following queries all the while for Malaysia's industries.

- 1) What is the definition of a success industries?
  - a) As long as we can build something, whether it can be sell in the market?
  - b) A product that Malaysia company owns the rights and able to export or JV with other companies to roll out the product to make it a success to local and international market
  - c) A product that is being manufactured in Malaysia, and export to local or international market
  - d) the duration to keep repeating the building process, and not accepting failure
- 2) What is the primary goal to build an industry in Malaysia?
  - a) create more jobs for the people?
  - b) create more income for the government via tax?
  - c) help the local to build up the skillset

I wanted to understand which Malaysia companies or industries meet the above? From the Banks, Auto, Aerospace, Telcos, Oil and gas, SMI, tourism, etc..


and what is Government's role in it? and are we all clear about the responsibility to our next generation?

In my opinion, i see the following:

- 1) Government only knows how to spend most of the time, but having limited capability to generate income for the Government, that's why our deficit grows. Simple as that.
- 2) Everything is build from the fundamental, 1 brick by 1 brick, and are we building up multiple income resources for the country?(industries)

I see everyone fight for the power only. (same to PKR)

I think we are capitalized on the growth that is done in Tun's period of time and idle for a long period of time. That is dangerous i guess for the future generation.

By Mis\_bah  on December 18, 2009 9:37 AM


Assalamu Alaikum Tun,

I am proud to see Malaysian capability to organise such a world-class event as LIMA. But I am more proud to you because LIMA is your brainchild. Therefore, we need more Malaysian especially Malays that have futuristic thinking in every aspect.

Are we on the right track to create more creative and futuristic leaders for the sake of Malaysia's survival to be always on par with other countries?

By Melon  on December 18, 2009 8:38 AM

Langkawi Island, should not stop there on where it is today. They must implement new products and same time improve the quality of existing products to the Tourism Industrials. People don't visit the same place that did not change after 10 years. If you don't improve the place, people will change their place of visit.

By kenangjasa  on December 17, 2009 11:03 PM

Salam Tun yang dikasihi,

Terima kasih kerana memberi peluang kepada rakyat Malaysia untuk mengenali lebih mendalam tentang Aero Angkasa dan Maritim.

- 1.Saya pernah 2 kali menghadiri pameran LIMA.Pada hemat saya pameran seperti ini adalah salah satu cara untuk mengenalkan Malaysia ke peringkat antarabangsa.
- 2.Juga ia dapat menarik minat rakyat kita serta dapat mengkaji tentang teknologi Aero Angkasa dan Maritim.
- 3.Tetapi kebanyakan rakyat kita yang menghadiri pameran tersebut lebih kepada ingin mengambil gambar2 pesawat dan kapal selain itu mereka amat sibuk mengumpul poster2 atau brochure2 di setiap kedai2 pameran sebagai souvenirs.
- 4.Tidak ramai yang bertanya berkenaan dengan teknologi2 yang dipamerkan dan mengambil nota2 sebagai rujukan.
- 5.Alangkah ruginya kita jika peluang untuk kita menimba ilmu di pameran ini tidak dimanfaatkan dengan sewajarnya.
- 6.Mungkin kebanyakan peserta pameran bukan dari Malaysia dan tidak bertutur didalam bahasa ibunda kita.Mereka hanya boleh


berinteraksi dengan kita didalam bahasa Inggeris.

7. Disebabkan ini juga rakyat kita yang menghadiri pameran tersebut merasakan ada masalah "language barrier" disamping sikap orang melayu kita yang malu bertanya.

8. Sungguh hairan apabila Kerajaan Malaysia dibawah pemerintahan Tun dahulu telah melaksanakan proses pembelajaran Matematik dan Sains didalam Bahasa Inggeris di tentang oleh segelintir pihak yang ingin anak2 mereka belajar dengan cara mudah tetapi hasilnya tidak sampai ke peringkat global.

9. Agak lucu juga dimana Kerajaan memberikan pembelajaran ini secara percuma pun ditolak mentah2 oleh segelintir pihak ini, tetapi sanggup berbelanja untuk anak2 mereka hantar ke pusat2 tuisyen untuk memahirkan anak2 mereka didalam Bahasa Inggeris.

Wassalam..

By checker  on December 17, 2009 12:23 PM

Salam Tun suami Isteri & fellowblogers CheDet,

Kalau nak di senaraikan banyak bukti2 atas sumbangan Tun kepada negara tapi sayang masih ada Melayu sendiri yang ingin dan sentiasa memperkecilkannya. Mereka2 ini kalau dikaji tak nampak pun sumbangan mereka melainkan kuat berkokok di kedai2 kopi mamak. Mereka2 ini yang berkedudukan pula berbuat demikian kerana nafsu kuasa dan kekayaan. Mereka sanggup menggadai masa depan Melayu yang ada ini hanya "Tanah Melayu" dengan bersekongkol dengan musuh2 Melayu ( penderhaka dan musuh jati ). Walaubagaimanapun yang Tun sedia maklum, pertukaran mind-set Melayu masih belum sampai ketahap yang diharap2kan. Saya percaya hanya Ilmu agama yang BENAR/HAQ saja yang dapat mengubahkannya, wallahuallam.

Saya pun bangga dan semua rakyat mestilah juga berbangga dengan kemajuan kepakaran dan ilmu pengetahuan angkatan tentera kita, samaada di darat, laut & udara. Ini perlu untuk kita sentiasa berwaspada bagi mempertahankan tanah air jika berlaku niat jahat musuh dari luar. Dalam perkara ini saya teringat 2 perkara yang berlaku:

1. Dalam 60', ketika melawat kapal TLDM di Woodland, kami sebagai pelajar diberi tahu yang " This is the only navy in the world to have this type of big gun fitted to this small size of patrol boat, when firing, the boat will move a few meters backward". Alhamdulillah, kini sudah berubah, lebih maju dan kita semua mesti berasa bangga.

2. Dalam 80', jumpa seorang bekas navy technician yang telah dilatih di Soviet Union dulu dalam bidang technology in electronics, controls of weaponry yang kecewa kerana kepakaran & pengetahuan beliau dan beberapa dari mereka tidak dihiraukan oleh pihak MIMOS ketika mereka mencadangkan dengan semangat berkobar2 untuk membuat research dalam electronic jamming equipment & devices, sesuatunya technology yang sangat berguna dalam pertahanan dari udara misalnya. Yang menyedihkan mereka sebaliknya dicemuh sebab mereka hanya technician tak ada kelulusan PhD konon. Itulah mind-set Melayu. Kalau mereka yang terlibat itu dapat diketemukan pada Tun masa tu, saya percaya Tun akan memberi sokongan hingga mereka berjaya dan mungkin kita akan dapat mengeluarkan system sedemikian bukan saja untuk pertahanan kita bahkan negara2 Islam yang ditindas oleh barat.

Saya sokong dengan pendapat Tun kalau bolih tak nak beli peralatan perang yang mahal2 kerana kita bukan hendak sangat berperang tapi terpaksa kerana kita mesti bersedia untuk mempertahankan diri dari kemungkinan serangan dari musuh. Belajar dan ambillah ikhtibar apa yang sedang berlaku di Iran.

Semuga Allah menjauhi kita semua dari malapertaka peperangan, Ameen.

By mgpunya  on December 17, 2009 11:32 AM

YABhg Tun,

omiosman, I've to agree with you on that old saying and I'd like to add..." no war, no money...no money, no peace!! Logical right..??

How can you have peace without money..?? and of course those damn War mongers Capitalist won't let us have our peace....war is just too damn big a business!!

By The Hidden Secret  on December 17, 2009 11:14 AM

Salamunalaykum Tun and others.

I have traveled to the following countries and I faced difficulties in communicating with the locals as the MAJORITY OF THEM DO NOT SPEAK ENGLISH :-

1. Japan.
2. Korea.
3. France.
4. China.

I dealt with the following people in Malaysia and I faced the same problem as the above as THEY WERE NOT PROFICIENT IN ENGLISH :-

1. A Japanese - He gave technical presentation in English which my colleagues and I could hardly understand. He is a technical people with technical background but he learned and applied his knowledge without using English.

2. A German - He came for a pre-delivery inspection (PDI) for a product. He is a technical people with technical background. He has difficulties in communicating with us in English.

However, the above countries and their people have excel tremendously WITHOUT ENGLISH. Why? How did they do it? What are their secrets?

I leave it to the readers of this blog to give their opinions on this.

GOD bless.

By adik adik  on December 17, 2009 7:50 AM

UN Commandments



jika/ketika negara tiba-tiba di ancam musuh secara mengejut). DENGAN SYARAT  
DISELENGGARA DENGAN BAIK DAN DIPERTINGKATKAN KEUPAYAANNYA.

KENAPA PESAWAT JENIS LAIN SEPERTI NURI, TEBUAN, SABER, F-5e, AEROMACH  
& SEBAGAINYA; TUDM GUNA HINGGA MELEBIHI 10 TAHUN dan gugur satu demi satu  
sebelum masuk ke medan tempur(sudah menjunam jatuh); dan ini lebih merugikan jika hendak  
dibandingkan dengan kos penyelenggaraan.

\*\*\*\*\*NEGARA CINA MASIH MENGGUNAKAN MIG-21, MIG-23 KERANA  
KEBOLEHAN MEREKA MENYENGGARA DAN UPGRADE SENDIRI DENGAN BAIK  
MENGIKUT SPESIFIKASI YG MEREKA KEHENDAKI(sumber Wikipedia).\*\*\*\*\*

DEMIKIAN JUGA INDIA, NEGARA TELUK, NEGARA BEKAS JAJAHAN SOVIET dan  
beberapa negara lain JUGA MASIH GUNAKAN MIG-29, KENAPA PULA KITA NAK  
LUPUSKAN ASSET NEGARA YANG MASIH BAIK(saya lihat di LIMA Langkawi, masih  
hebat lagi).

MIG-29 JARANG DIDENGAR GAGAL ATAU MENJUNAM JATUH AKIBAT  
KEROSAKAN, SEPERTI PESAWAT LAIN BUATAN BARAT YG NEGARA PERNAH  
MILIKI (Seperti Skyhawks, F-5E, Hawks, Tebuan, Pilatus, Nuri dan sebagainya).

ADA LEBIH BAIK NEGARA KITA MEMPUNYAI BANYAK BILANGAN PESAWAT  
TEMPUR DAN MELATIH RAMAI PILOT BERKEBOLEHAN DAN ANGGOTA TERLATIH  
YANG BOLEH MENYELENGARA PESAWAT DENGAN BAIK DARI BERBAGAI JENIS.

APAKAH PENYELENGGARAAN YANG DIKONTRAKKAN KEPADA PIHAK AIROD  
MENGHASILKAN PERKHIDMATAN YANG MEMUASKAN SEHINGGA PESAWAT  
TERSEBUT MENJADI KONDEM XBOLEH DIPERBAIKI LAGI DAN TERPAKSA  
diistiharkan SEBAGAI BARANGAN LUPUS.

DIHARAP TIDAK JADI MACAM KES MAINTENANCE PROTON PERDANA  
EKSEKUTIF KEGUNAN MENTERI YG HEBOH DIPERKATAN SEBELUM INI.!(ADA  
UNSUR TIDAK SIHAT). Zaman Sekarang unsur ini ada dimana-mana Tun.

Sebagai rakyat kebimbangan tetap ada Tun. Sayangkan Negara.  
Wassallam.

By [Wok](#) on [December 16, 2009 4:55 PM](#)

Tun,

Tumpang lalu:

Saudara Eanisazman (Saudari Eanisazman?),

1. Orang-orang Melayu macam kamu lah yang saya maksudkan di atas; orang-orang Melayu tipikal yang berpelajaran tinggi, tapi tak gunakan kepandaian tersebut ke jalan yang membina dan membangun.
2. Saya pun orang Melayu dari kampung. Tapi bila saya bermastautin di bandar, saya 'adept' kepada cara kehidupan bandar. Misalnya, saya letak kereta saya di petakletak kereta yang

disediakan dan bukannya di atas tanah atau rumput. Saya kumpul sampah saya dan buang dalam bakul sampah dan bukannya buang di merata-rata tempat. Anak-anak saya tidak melepak dan menjahamkan harta-harta awam, dsbnya.

3. Kamu akui kamu tak tahu kenapa saya marah, tetapi kamu marah kepada saya dan menuduh saya benci Melayu dan suruh saya makan di restoran-restoran Cina dan Israil... ada ke restoran Israil di Malaysia ni?

4. Fahami dulu isi kandungan tulisan saya. Kamu dah lewati ke tempat-tempat yang saya namakan 'National Tresures' tu? Kalau sudah, kamu setuju atau tidak dengan pendapat saya? Baru lah boleh berhujah selepas itu..Ini tidak, tegur aje sikit pasal Melayu, marah tak tentu hala sehingga nak tumbuk saya!!! Jangan ingat kamu aje yang kuat...Buatlah sedikit analisa terhadap tulisan saya seperti apa yang telah kamu pelajari di dalam unversiti dulu!

5. Kalau pandangan dan pendapat saya betul, apa yang harus kita lakukakan untuk memperbetul keadaan ini. Dan kalau saya salah, tolong perbetulkan saya. Let us be civic about this...Janganlah sikit-sikit melatah...itu pasal kita tak boleh maju; jangan nak maju dari segi fizikal sahaja tetapi dari segi pemikiran dan sikap, kita masih mudur dan jauh ketinggalan...malulah sikit dengan bangsa-bangsa lain!!!

6. Akhir kata, cuba kamu tengok tandas-tandas kita; bukannya yang di kongsi dengan bangsa-bangsa lain seandainya kamu nak menuding jari kamu (which is typical of the kind of person you are). Maksud saya tandas-tandas di masjid-masjid dan surau-surau kita. Samaada kebanyakannya kotor dan tidak boleh di pakai ataupun 'toilet seats' dan 'floor traps' hilang atau pecah! Kenapa begini? Bukan ke Islam menyarankan kepada kita bahawa 'kebersihan itu separuh daripda iman?' Kamu tau pasal apa 'toilet seats' ni pecah? Sebab orang-orang macam kamu ni akan mencangkung di atas 'toilet seats' dan bukannya duduk! Ini lah maksud saya bahawa orang macam kamu ni cuma tahu bermegah dengan pelajaran tinggi tetapi pemikiran masih kekampungan!!!

Terima kasih, Tun, and may you and Tun Dr Siti Hasmah are in the care of Allah s.w.t. at all times.

By Machang  on December 16, 2009 2:12 PM

Salam Tun,

Perkara 7. Saya dan ramai pembaca perasan Tun masih tak puas hati sebab kerajaan kembali menggunakan bahasa Malaysia untuk ajar Matematik dan Sains. Soalan saya adakah dengan belajar math dan sains dalam bahasa Inggeris satu-satunya cara kita untuk pandai bahasa tersebut?. Jawapannya tentulah tidak, untuk memahami dan mahir sesuatu bahasa kita perlu meluaskan penggunaannya.

Rakyat Malaysia secara purata lemah dalam dua bahasa utama iaitu bahasa tanah air kita iaitu bahasa Malaysia dan bahasa ilmu dan perniagaan antarabangsa iaitu bahasa Inggeris.

Saya teringat satu cerita bertajuk "who moved my cheese" mengenai tikus yang tidak dapat menerima hakikat keju yang menjadi sumber makanan telah dipindahkan/hilang tidak mahu berubah untuk mencari keju di tempat lain malah terus kembali ke tempat tersebut dengan harapan keju tersebut akan ada kembali. Saya harap Tun dapat menukar kaedah untuk

mendapatkan semula masa yang hilang, bukannya dengan terus meminta Maths dan Sains dalam BI.

Sekolah jenis aliran memperuntukkan masa yang sangat terhad untuk belajar bahasa Malaysia, menjadikan pelajarnya amat lemah dalam bahasa jati diri malah pekerja asing Bangla mampu bertutur lebih baik dalam bahasa Malaysia berbanding segolongan rakyat Malaysia sendiri.

Bahasa Inggeris juga memerlukan peruntukan masa yang lebih dan penggunaan yang meluas untuk memastikan rakyat Malaysia tidak ketinggalan dalam bahasa perniagaan dan ilmu.

Kerajaan Malaysia perlu membetulkan masalah ini, harap Tun boleh tolong cadang macamana nak ganti keju yang hilang tu dan bukan dok tanya kenapa kerajaan dok buat lagu tu.

Salam  
Machangedap

By eanisazman  on December 16, 2009 1:02 PM

Salam Tokdet,

Semoga sejahtera dengan kesihatan yang baik. I have no comments actually but just feeling a bit hurt with harsh statement made by some malay guys named 'Wok' who hate malay people especially kampung people as much as its sound. I am really not sure for what he actually mad at but I am 'orang melayu kampung' and I have the degree and if it is necessary to convince him by fist that I love my Melayu, believe me I would. "Kacang lupakan Kulit"... so you consider yourself mat bandar berlagak macam bagus telling the rest of your people to go back kampung so that you can eat in the Chinese or Israelis restaurant....you can talk to my hand....

By HM Lim  on December 16, 2009 12:57 PM

Dear Tun

Very interesting article indeed.

I know a friend who a "shopperholic", this fellow never so home without end up buying something, often bought thing may not be useful, but the fellow just unable resist them temptation of buying something, sometime anything, then i can't blame the fellow, the fellow is buying thing using own money, and did not neglect the family (that's ok i think), maybe the fellow live a stressful life.

Love your chapter 11

Salam Muhibah to Tun & Family

By pedang timur  on December 16, 2009 12:50 PM

Salam YAB Tun,

Saya dengar KD Tunku Abdul Rahman adalah bukanlah buatan baru tetapi recon. Is it true??.Sekian sekadar bertanya...

By danielsdb  on December 16, 2009 11:54 AM

Dearest Tun,

Hope the current government take note of point no. 7.

Take care Tun.

By The Hidden Secret  on December 16, 2009 11:29 AM

Salamunalaykum Tun and others.

<http://www.bernama.com/bernama/v5/newsbusiness.php?id=460245>

<http://www.singaporeairshow.com.sg/trade-2008showstat.aspx>

You Shall Be Prepared: A Divine Commandment

[8:60] YOU SHALL PREPARE FOR THEM ALL THE POWER YOU CAN MUSTER, AND ALL THE EQUIPMENT YOU CAN MOBILIZE, THAT YOU MAY FRIGHTEN THE ENEMIES OF GOD, YOUR ENEMIES, AS WELL AS OTHERS WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO YOU; GOD knows them. Whatever you spend in the cause of GOD will be repaid to you generously, without the least injustice.

[8:61] IF THEY RESORT TO PEACE, SO SHALL YOU, AND PUT YOUR TRUST IN GOD. He is the Hearer, the Omniscient.

Yusuf Ali :

[8:60] Against them MAKE READY YOUR STRENGTH TO THE UTMOST OF YOUR POWER, INCLUDING STEEDS OF WAR, TO STRIKE TERROR INTO (THE HEARTS OF) THE ENEMIES, OF GOD AND YOUR ENEMIES, AND OTHERS BESIDES, WHOM YE MAY NOT KNOW, but whom God doth know. Whatever ye shall spend in the cause of God, shall be repaid unto you, and ye shall not be treated unjustly.

[8:61] But IF THE ENEMY INCLINE TOWARDS PEACE, DO THOU (ALSO) INCLINE TOWARDS PEACE, AND TRUST IN GOD: for He is One that heareth and knoweth (all things).

Marmaduke Pickthal :

[8:60] MAKE READY FOR THEM ALL THOU CANST OF (ARMED) FORCE AND HORSES TETHERED, THAT THEREBY YE MAY DISMAY THE ENEMY OF ALLAH AND YOUR ENEMY, AND OTHERS BESIDE THEM WHOM YE KNOW NOT. Allah knoweth them. Whatsoever ye spend in the way of Allah it will be repaid to you in full, and ye will not be wronged.

[8:61] And IF THEY INCLINE TO PEACE, INCLINE THOU ALSO TO IT, AND TRUST IN ALLAH, Lo! He, even He, is the Hearer, the Knower.

GOD bless.

By t.ismail  on December 16, 2009 6:49 AM

Assalamualaikum YAB Tun,

I think we can relate your point no. 7 to something ;)

7. I noted that all the parts bear SCIENTIFIC NAMES. All the manuals on operation and emergency measures were in ENGLISH and French

By [merboktimes](#) on December 16, 2009 6:00 AM

Pameran udara dan pertahanan Singapura tahun depan, 'Singapore Airshow 2010', katanya akan menyaksikan penyertaan lebih daripada 800 syarikat dari lebih 40 negara.

Seperti 62 daripada 100 syarikat aeroangkasa terunggul di dunia, seperti Boeing, EADS, Honeywell, Lockheed Martin, Northrop Grumman dan Rolls-Royce akan mengambil bahagian dalam pameran di Changi dari 2 hingga 7 Feb.

APAKAH SINGAPURA SENTIASA MERASA TERCABAR ATAS APA JUGA PERGERAKAN MALAYSIA?

Yang sedih apabila Lee Kuan Yew datang ke Malaysia merayau-rayau dari dapur rumah Perdana Menteri sehingga ke pejabat Nik Aziz.at

Nampak sangat kita kecil Lee Kuan Yew besar hari ini....

[merboktimes.blogspot.com](http://merboktimes.blogspot.com)

By [B0B](#) on December 16, 2009 5:07 AM

TUN & family,

Systems thinking is a discipline for seeing wholes. It is a framework for seeing interrelationships rather than things, for seeing patterns of change rather than static "snapshots." It is a set of general principles -- distilled over the course of the twentieth century, spanning fields as diverse as the physical and social sciences, engineering, and management.... During the last thirty years, these tools have been applied to understand a wide range of corporate, urban, regional, economic, political, ecological, and even psychological systems. And systems thinking is a sensibility -- for the subtle interconnectedness that gives living systems their unique character.

Knowledge has three degrees -- opinion, science, illumination. The means or instrument of the first is sense; of the second, dialectic; of the third, intuition.

Therefore, Reason and free inquiry are the only effectual agents against error.

<http://www.hotelsanantoniolanzarote.net/>

By [B0B](#) on December 16, 2009 5:03 AM

My Respected TUN....

The men of experiment are like the ant, they only collect and use; the reasoners resemble spiders, who make cobwebs out of their own substance. But the bee takes the middle course: it gathers its material from the flowers of the garden and field, but transforms and digests it by a power of its own. Not unlike this is the true business of philosophy (science); for it neither relies solely or chiefly on the powers of the mind, nor does it take the matter which it gathers from natural history and mechanical experiments and lay up in the memory whole, as it finds it, but lays it up in the understanding altered and digested. Therefore, from a closer and purer league between these two faculties, the experimental and the rational (such as has never been made), much may be hoped.

When people thought the Earth was flat, they were wrong. When people thought the Earth was spherical they were wrong. But if you think that thinking the Earth is spherical is just as wrong as thinking the Earth is flat, then your view is wronger than both of them put together.

I do not know what I may appear to the world, but to myself I seem to have been only a boy playing on the sea-shore, and diverting myself in now and then finding a smoother pebble or a prettier shell than ordinary, whilst the great ocean of truth lay all undiscovered before me.

This world, after all our science and sciences, is still a miracle; wonderful, inscrutable, magical and more, to whosoever will think of it.

<http://www.flighttovienna.org/>

By Capt.Jag2020  on December 16, 2009 12:13 AM

Assalamu'alaikum Dear Sir,

It's been quite sometimes eversince the last comment....Well Sir, Maybe we don't need the war, but

still the security needs to be maintained rite....I presume that's what you are saying.....

May Allah bless you and the family with good health and grant us the great victory.

Thank You, Wassalam.


By 2009  on December 15, 2009 10:34 PM

Tun,

Kalau Thailand atau Indonesia yang beli kapal selam tu, orang orang Perancis akan sediakan operation manual dalam bahasa Thai atau Indonesia.

Kalau Malaysia yang beli, mereka terpaksa sediakan dalam bahasa Inggeris kerana rakyat Malaysia tak faham bahasa sendiri kerana sistem pendidikan kita yang kelam kabut

Really, I have seen a lot of operations manual in Thai and Indonesian language which is not available in our national language.

By amiosman  on December 15, 2009 10:33 PM

To mgunya - I too do not believe in war but tell that to people who have ill intentions toward you.

An old Roman saying - si vis pacem, para bellum; If you wish peace, prepare for war.

By HAZLIZA  on December 15, 2009 9:37 PM


Tun,

Sy tak putus2 baca post Tun setiap hari . . .

rgds,

MHI


<http://hazri-liza.blogspot.com>

By Wok  on December 15, 2009 9:19 PM


Tun,

"11. I would have liked not buying the submarine. I don't think we would be going to war. But the neighbours have bought submarines and our navy would feel rather inadequate if they don't have at least two of these very costly vessels."

1. How poetic and irony is the above statement.
2. Look at what we have done to those 'National Treasures' like the Petronas Twin Tower, the Commonwealth Game Village, the Sepang F1 Circuit, the KLIA, the Highways & the Expressways, the LRT, the ERLs, etc, etc, which facilities only developed countries could possess.
3. While these are First Class facilities, we are still having a Third Class mentality, just like what Pak Lah said.
4. We are having more than some of our neighbours' but we just waste them!
5. Sadly, while we have moved into the 21st Century, our attitude remains 'kekampungan.'
6. These 'National Treasures' look more like 'National Dumpsters' now.
7. Putrajaya now looks more like a Modern Kampung than a Garden City like how you had envisaged it.
8. We moved to Putrajaya finally after a five years' wait, and yesterday, after visiting the Precinct 14, which has been earmarked as an Embassy enclave, there was a sense of Déjà vu.
9. Though Cape Town and Islamabad are two cities that were well planned and successful, the Precinct 14 is much more beautiful than them but I fear it would fail just like the rest. Why? Again, while it is a 1st Class facility, it is supported by a 3rd Class amenities.
10. The Town Centre looks like Kampung Baru with MYDIN STORE to boot! Talk about serving international community! TM, banks, bars, Cold Storage, AEON, Starbucks, etc, etc, were conspicuously missing. What we have instead are kedai orang-orang Melayu yang menjual nasi campur, barang-barang perak, souvenirs, barangan jualan untuk pelancong-pelancong...
11. Was there not any attempt to invite those successful Chinese retailers and traders to open shop here? Or was it another attempt by 'the powers that be' to give MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO THE MALAYS? I am Malay. Hence, I am not racist!
12. Truthfully, three quarters of the urbanites Malays are typically orang-orang kampung actually, who although are having Degrees, MBAs, and PhDs, are only fit to remain at their respective kampongs.
13. I am unhappy by this phenomenon, as I am paying a very high Income Tax, and these monies were wasted.
14. As they say, "Macam kera dapat bunga."

By shahrul  on December 15, 2009 8:08 PM

hope they would replace the nuri as fast as possible! Mig29N is only in service for 15 years. But Nuri, is depending on Mr Samy's service period?

By kamal ahmad  on December 15, 2009 7:56 PM

Salam kasih dan salam hormat Ayahanda Tun.

UMV are already in wide use these days Tun. Call it what ever they wish; drones, hunters, predators, RPV, UAV – it is already widely in use in Malaysia. These flying robots all operate on fuzzy logic and they still have to make noise as hard as they tried to be hushed. They would still just have to make some unintelligible noise. As of today I can't even spit peacefully on the proverbial sidewalks of life and I can't even jaywalk peacefully on the proverbial streets of free speech anymore. Historically it was the Austrian Jewish who first invented these self-flying bomb concept way back in 1850. First deployment by the Austrian over Venice was half a success and the other half self-destructed right back on their faces as winds had blew some of the dynamite-charged laden balloons back into the Austrian side of the border where it eventually landed and exploded. A rather interesting concept in deployment and delivery really, antagonistically perfected by human insecurities and greed; and both thinks they are smart over the others as always.

By Rimba Emas  on December 15, 2009 7:42 PM

SALAM BUAT TUN BERDUA MOGA DIRAHMATI ALLAH S.W.T.

1) DI CERITAKAN BAHAWA NABI YUNUS A.S TELAH DITELAN OLEH IKAN PAUH,SEHINGGAKAN MENDERITA SEKETIKA DI DALAM PERUT IKAN ITU DENGAN HANYA DAPAT MEMANJATKAN DOA SUPAYA SEGERA DISELAMATKAN SERTA MOHON AMPUNAN KEPADA ALLAH S.W.T.

2) KEBENARAN CERITA INI MIRIP KEADAAN YANG TUN GAMBARKAN BILA BERADA DALAM KAPAL SELAM. GOLONGAN BARAT WALAU PUN TERCERNA FIKIRAN DENGAN MEREKA KAPAL SELAM TETAPI LEBIH BANYAK UNTUK KEPERLUAN ZAHIRNYA SAHAJA.


3) GAMBARAN SEDALAM ROHANIAH TELAH DI TINGGALKAN MENYEBABKAN CIPTAAN ITU LEBIH BANYAK DI GUNAKAN YANG DEKAT KEPADA KEMUSNAHAN.

4) REVOLUSI NEGARA JEPUN DENGAN MENIRU CIPTAAN PERTAMA KERETA FORD NEGARA AMERIKA DENGAN PENGUBAHSUAIAN MUNGKIN BOLEH DI PRAKTIK NEGARA KITA MALAYSIA.

5) DENGAN KELEBIHAN ROHANIAH YANG MENDALAM AKAN KEBESARAN ALLAH S.W.T MUNGKIN KITA LEBIH BAIK MENGGUNAKANNYA SEBAGAI MISI ANTI PEPERANGAN BAK IKAN PAUS JENIS YANG TIDAK MENGANCAM MANUSIA BUKAN SEBAGAI JERUNG YANG GANAS PEMBAHAM MANUSIA.


6) ORANG YANG SABAR TIDAK SUKA PEPERANGAN.

WALLAHUA'ALAM

By milshah  on December 15, 2009 7:15 PM

Assalamualaikum Tun,

I have yet to go to see the LIMA but I am able to see it in tv. I think it is a good event so that Malaysia is recognized worldwide. In terms of our Malaysian military, I think we should develop it in line with our progress in other areas. Although we are a peaceful country, we can see that the military can play a part to participate in peacekeeping mission under the UN. If we are strong enough we can also help other countries or people that need help. For example until to date, whenever the Palestinians are attacked by Israel, all the Islamic nations can do is only condemn Israel and shout out in the streets. After a while, it just cools down with the Israel walking away scot-free. This has been going on for years. To date, no effective strategy is being done by the Organization of Islamic Countries (OIC) to really help the Palestinians. Islamic countries are still not united and weak. They are more concerned about themselves. To help the Palestinians, Islamic countries still rely on the US, which we know is controlled by the Jews.

By al-Din  on December 15, 2009 5:07 PM

Thanks to your foresight Tun. LIMA is your brainchild just like PROTON, KLIA and many other national developments. You have emphasised the tangible and intangible benefits accrued therefrom. For one, there is so much technology involved and required us to catch up with.

To catch up with technology we need to muster English, the language of technology and life. In our day to day activities to go into the internet for example we need English otherwise we cannot fully benefit the cyber information.

To muster English is to enjoy the beauty and splendour of the language. One just can enjoy reading and to understand better life around us. I have for many years in keeping of Encyclopedia Britannica. Now being able to go through a few volumes, I am amazed at the amount of knowledge the West have accumulated and the multitudes of discoveries made. I am humbled by the more I know the less I know.

Knowledge is power and that's proven by their mastery over us from the depths of the ocean to the space beyond.

Our leaderships are acting in a way selfish for themselves. To a great extent they are depriving the younger generations to prepare themselves in whole-life learning from cradle to the grave. If they cannot think far enough ahead for the nation do not hold onto the posts.

The leaders cannot reconcile the constant contradictions of themselves in their speeches. Yes K-economy, yes life-long learning, yes we need to compete with West, so on and so on. English. They have been in and out of the country for umpteenth times, could they see the shift in emphasis in language mastery towards English by the French, Japanese, Vietnamese, Indonesian ...?

If they think the about-turn in PPSMI is Malayish and thus good for (Malay) votes then they have insulted the rakyat's intelligence. If they were influenced by the opinion of a group of saterawans who think that they have the thickest Malay blood in them then they cannot shift between the shaft and the grain .

The other races are laughing for being nitty-gritty and numbskulls. "The Malays like to make life difficult for others" to quote Master Mariner Capt. Rivers aka Kadir.

Nothing to worry, these so called leaders have the means to send their children overseas for an English-based education! When the children come back they have the right(?) to be CEOs of GLCs and high government positions. Rightly so, the local trained are not competent in English and hence cannot go international.

Saya sebagai orang Melayu saya pohon maaf kepada Tun kerana "There are those who give over their lives to conviction and struggle and there are those who stand as critics on the sidelines; they could always do better, but they do nothing" to quote Alijah Gordon (1999) in her dedication page "The Real Cry of Syed Shaykh al-Hady" book, MSRI.


In retirement I am content with the fruits of your policy as Education Minister in the early 70s when Malays in masses were beginning to be sent overseas. Thank you Tun.

By Dess  on [December 15, 2009 4:34 PM](#)

Did the Minister of Education went to LIMA?? Yaiyy... he missed the show.. If not, he must have made another blunder by changing back to PPSMI tomorrow.... he, he...  
My son just came back from his first internal motivational course for students going overseas, in Bangi. The organisers too mentioned about some stupid group of people who are against PPSMI. And.. the funny thing is that the Minister is turning a deaf ear..., as though he is the one who don't like PPSMI.. hmm..Bila lah Melayu nak maju. Bila ada pemimpin yang positif, ada sahaja yang bersikap negatif !!!

By [hannibalceno](#)  on [December 15, 2009 4:15 PM](#)

salam tun..  
maaf terkeluar topik..  
saya cuma nak tanya tun sikit..  
baru ni DSN lancar F1 1malaysia team..  
kata orang 1 race menelan belanja RM 1 juta..  
bila Ceupacs mintak bonus DSN macam marah je....  
katanya ekonomi Malaysia tengah nak pulih..  
ni boleh plak buat macam ni..  
kata orang lagi nama je guna lotus proton tapi pakai enjin cosworth..  
nak untung macam mana ni..  
boleh tun cerita sikit ka..  
macam ada yang tak kena je..  
salam tun

By [zramli](#)  on [December 15, 2009 3:13 PM](#)

Salam TUN!!!

Saya tidak pernah berkesempatan nak melawat LIMA... InsyaALLAH 2011 nie saya boleh kot...

Tahniah Tun atas memperkenalkan LIMA dan ianya berterusan berjaya hingga kini...

By [Kamarul](#)  on [December 15, 2009 3:12 PM](#)

1. We are indeed very honoured to have Tun onboard our first Malaysian Submarine, KD TUNKU ABDUL RAHMAN during LIMA 09 in Langkawi. The captain and I were very impressed with Tun's series of questions, which not only shows his keen interest on the vessel and its capabilities, but also the level of thoughts and knowledge he has. We are therefore very grateful to note that Tun is very impressed with what he saw and experienced during his 1½ hours onboard the vessel.

2. We hope that the MPs not only were impressed with what they saw and experienced, but more importantly, able to now appreciate why we need the submarines, and what it means to have such capability for our Navy and for our the nation. As we have briefed the MPs, "cost is very subjective". Using the English Football League as an analogy – from a mere Division 3 team, the submarines have now positioned RMN and Malaysia to a Division 1 team. However, to be able to do so, and maintain in that position, will not be easy and cheap either. But as a true Maritime Nation, we need to have such deterrence capability.

3. Deterrence capability is an important element of our Defence Strategy, as referred to in Malaysia's Defence Policy. Thus, defence spending is like having an insurance to protect our stake in a business. In this regard, the stake we are referring to, is the Nation's sovereignty and also the huge economic stake and success that has been build over the years. The "premium" (in this context is the defence spending) which the government will need to allocate, will therefore need to commensurate with the value of our economic stake. This security assurance is vital to provide confidence to investors, especially foreign.

4. We are proud to have such competent officers and men as part of the submarine crew. Only those who have been onboard a submarine, will understand and appreciate the challenges and the hardship they had to face as submariners. Imagine how the crew looks at simple things in life which we often take for granted eg. the air that we breath (especially fresh air), the water bathing (simple action of brushing our teeth with running tap water is a great waste to them), colours (being onboard s submarine underwater they are not able to see what's outside, thus its mostly black, white and grey), space (each bunk is just as big as a coffin!), and privacy (the only 2 places which has some privacy is the toilet and Captain's Cabin! I remember when the Captain said to Tun: "You need to be "a little crazy" to be a submariner" – But I suppose, it is about having PRIDE and PASSION in what ever we do! And as Malaysians, we need to instill more of this spirit amongst our youth, if we aspire to be in the "Premier Division"!

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By [leading](#) on December 15, 2009 2:01 PM

**Tun,**


I was there after Form 5 (1978).

After 31 years, I was back there again on 4-6 December 2009.


While 'touring' the island, I told a lengthy story to my 2 teenage children **about you and Langkawi.**

I am **amazed to see** what you have done to Langkawi.

Regards,  
[www.leading.com.my](http://www.leading.com.my)

By mgpunya  on December 15, 2009 1:58 PM  
YABhg Tun,

All those are War Machines...  
Sorry Sir, I do not believe in War !!!

By hesmel  on December 15, 2009 12:33 PM  
Salam..

Dear Tun,

What's more impressive is the participation from the Singapore Defense who had made their debut here in LIMA 09.

Correct me if I'm wrong..

By Tasriff Mokhtar  on December 15, 2009 12:26 PM  
Salam Tun,

Indeed LIMA will always be one of your greatest legacy for the people of Langkawi. Over the years, it has boosted up the Tourism industry as well.

Thank you so very much Tun

By raden  on December 15, 2009 11:47 AM

Dear TUN  
apa komen Tun tentang ucapan Obama bahwa Perang sangat di perlukan

By tokapi  on December 15, 2009 11:46 AM

Tok Det,

I think we can relate your point no. 7 to something... ;p It is very true when we bought something from outside, we rarely ask them to translate them to our own language as it will cause problem and costs more money. And that's why learning foreign language, basically English in term of Science and Technology is important.

May Allah bless you and your family Tok Det..

Wassalam...

By krish  on December 15, 2009 11:12 AM

Salam Tun....

Cakap orang putih.....

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ts\\_87zEZFqk&feature=player\\_embedded](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ts_87zEZFqk&feature=player_embedded)

(Bernama) - Malaysians have an extremely important role of mastering English to acquire knowledge at a faster pace to ensure there is no 're-colonisation' of the country, said Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

Without a good command of English, the former prime minister noted, the people would not acquire knowledge quickly.

He said this would, in turn, open doors to those knowledgeable to dominate and influence them, either directly or indirectly.

"English is the language of the Knowledge Age. Countries which do not master English will not only be left behind but risk being colonised, either directly or indirectly.

"Without knowledge, countries will be oppressed and even invaded," Dr Mahathir told reporters after delivering his keynote address entitled, 'The Leadership and Policy Components for the Knowledge Society: A Proposed Best Practice for Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) member countries at the 17th Islamic World Academy of Sciences (IAS) conference.

The conference was opened by the Sultan of Selangor Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah at a hotel near here.

The four-day conference which began today, is jointly organised by IAS, Universiti Industri Selangor (Unisel) and International Islamic Academy of Life Sciences and Biotechnology.

Mahathir said that only by mastering English, could the people in this country acquire knowledge at a faster pace so as not to be left behind by development.

He said, the people would not lose their identity by seeking knowledge in English.

"English is not only for English people but (it is) a universal language. I am not an Englishman but I speak English," he said.

Meanwhile, Mahathir said the current leadership was "ignoring success" by abolishing the teaching of Science and Mathematics in English (PPSMI) and reverting to Bahasa Malaysia.

"I don't think the government understands the importance of English as a language of knowledge when they decided to switch from English to Malay (in teaching Science and Mathematics)," he said.

Recently, Deputy Prime Minister and Education Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin said the government had decided to reverse the PPSMI policy and revert to Bahasa Malaysia in national schools, and Chinese and Tamil in vernacular schools from 2012.

The PPSMI policy was implemented in phases, beginning with Year One, Form One and Lower Six students in 2003, under Dr Mahathir's administration.

Earlier, when delivering his keynote address, Mahathir said knowledge was expanding rapidly, especially in science, and books and writings on this subject were in English.

He said that possibilities are there to override past beliefs in the field of science, which cannot be done in geography and history.

"Knowledge in science is not static unlike geography and history where facts are structured and limited.

"In science, we can always go back and question the scientific principles and decide whether they are right or not," he said, adding new discoveries are coming out in torrents in English.

By [Shukor](#) on December 15, 2009 9:57 AM

Despite the lower participation, LIMA09 was a success indeed. I just wished the stakeholders ie. hotels, car rentals, retail outlets, etc. would consider not hiking their prices up by a tenfold in the future. Perhaps the Europeans and the Westerners can afford it, but the locals still earn in Ringgit.

Thanks and regards,

Shukor Z. Abidin

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