

Harmony and understanding is first thought of in the home and it is my hope that each and every house in this large block of flats will be turned into a happy Malaysian home in the true spirit of Tun Tan Cheng Lock's own example and also that the many children yet to be born in these homes here will grow up as true Malaysians, irrespective of their racial origin and make their contribution to the unity of future Malaysia.

" DEVELOPMENT IS A TRUST"

The development of our country, one might say, is a trust which is shown between the Government and you, as individual. The Government can plan and undertake a limited number of projects, but the real development of the nation automatically rests with young people like yourselves in the skills which you can give and in the effort which you put forward to take advantage of these opportunities.

The Government is providing you an opportunity here for training. If you have the determination to take advantage of this opportunity you will be able to make an important contribution to the development of our country. Should you view this opportunity merely as a right to a better job you will misunderstand the purpose of this school. When you finish your schooling, you will be better able to take advantage of the many industrial undertakings that exist in the country.

Should you grasp this opportunity with energy and determination the industrial development programme of our country will go forward. Should you accept the training programme as giving you a right to a better job rather than as an opportunity to do of greater service to your country, you will do yourself and our country a disservice.

—Tun Razak to RIDA Students in 1962.