

Annual Report 2021



**TINDAK
MALAYSIA**

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FOREWORD



COVID-19, Electoral Reform Discourse, Snap Elections - These are the key words for Tindak Malaysia for the year of 2021. COVID-19 definitely was both impediment and opportunity for Tindak Malaysia. As we entered the third year in the post GE14 era, it is important what Tindak Malaysia has achieved and challenges it need to overcome for the years to come.

Among all the achievements, the completion of Polling Agent and Counting Agent -PACA (Buku Panduan Ejen Tempat Mengundi dan Ejen Mengira Undi) Booklet remains a pinnacle achievement for the gloomy year of 2021. For the

first time in Tindak Malaysia's history, we manage to produce ISBN publication and hence, this publication will be found in Malaysian National Library records for generations to come. This was made possible through our Tindak Malaysia's Apprenticeship program of 2021 where our student apprentices - Liew Hong Wei and Hew Hoong Liang - studied election law from scratch with the assistance of SV Singam, Jan Chow, Vincent Chin, and Fork Yow Leong and compiled the booklet in record speed. As of now, more than 300 booklets have been issued from Kuala Kedah to Kota Kinabalu and Tanah Rata to Johor Bahru.

While much of Tindak Malaysia's progress remains a huge responsibility for me (as one of the two Directors of Tindak Malaysia), the transition for a new era where I would cease to be a leader has started. To ensure the long-term transition work smoothly, it is important Tindak Malaysia's volunteers are thoroughly equipped with deep understanding of electoral systems and process. From January to June 2021, we started Tindak Malaysia Internal Topic Training sessions where interested volunteers commit once a month session to learn about an electoral topic (e.g., budget transparency, understanding redelineation from law perspective). Out of these training sessions, two major outcomes were produced. First major outcome is a stream of Tindak Malaysia articles via various media channels. Our articles covered anything from strengthening women representation to fixing polling districts. Second major outcome was the start of our public webinar drive. While our Tindak Malaysia Internal Topic Training sessions was catered for Tindak Malaysia's volunteers, it sowed the foundations for our semi open webinars on electoral systems in May and June 2021. With our Apprenticeship program in full swing, our first public webinar was done by our Apprentice - Hew Hoong Liang. 2021 webinars picked up strength in numbers quite quickly. We can't forget that nearly 40 attendees joined our August PACA webinar even though this was done during non-election season.

Besides electoral topics, the month of October was set aside for two webinars about democracy (representative and deliberative democracy).

Building on the regular webinar momentum, we collaborated with UMANY, an allied NGO under Gabungan Bertindak Malaysia for Voter Education Webinar series (for the month of November 2021). While it was geared for preparing young voters to face their new responsibilities (after the implementation of Undi18), we were disappointed with the very low attendance of the webinar. This was a sign to come for our future webinars in 2022.

Building on our success of fielding Ketua Tempat Mengundi (KTM) and Kerani Pengundian (KP) for the by elections of 2019 and 2020, we pushed for a new goal level for the snap Melaka elections. Previously, for a by election, we usually only field one or at most two Tindak Malaysia volunteers to serve as KTM or KP. Melaka election opened the possibility of beating the past record in one go. We were thrown with a new obstacle as Election Commission (EC) cease to assist us in recommending KTM/KP candidates to Returning Officers. We had to quickly scout the Returning Officers that had vacancies and insert our polling staff candidates as soon as possible. By the grace of God and our persistence/ willingness to serve, we manage to field four KTMs and one Kerani Pengundian for two DUN constituencies for Melaka election. In this single election, we beaten our past records. Melaka election experience made us better prepared for greater victory for Johor 2022 elections. Stretching beyond the 2021 elections, we have fielded 16 KTM/KP candidates from 2019 to Johor 2022 elections. Through our continuous fielding KTM/KP candidates, we came to greater realization of the importance of EC to reform the deficient and defective polling staff training. We have written letters, did a zoom call with EC Commissioner and WhatsApp our issues to EC in this matter. The fruits of our sustained efforts came into existence during the Johor 2022 elections.

Tindak Malaysia has gone grown more aggressive in our election reform discourse. In terms of redelineation, we became a stronger advocate of the principle of simple multiple (the number of DUN seats shall be the same or multiple of the number of parliamentary seats of a State) as the basis of equalization. We are more convinced than ever on our stance of placing +/-15% of Electoral Quota (average size of Parliamentary/DUN seat) as the upper and lower limit of constituency electorate sizes. Hence, our views are very different to our parent Coalition, Bersih. We stepped our efforts to build alternative electoral boundary proposals for Pulau Pinang, Melaka, Terengganu, Selangor, and Johor in 2021. Our volunteers were trained on designing fair constituencies and our proposals can be found in our [website](#). Moreover, we have designed two redelineation booklets – how to do technical objections and how to do redelineation objection (organizing element).

Similarly, we have trained our volunteers to learn in depth about electoral systems and methods to manage party hopping. The plague of party hopping or switching affiliations have created so much instability that it impacted voter turnout and in future, any further interest to sign up as PACA. However, party hopping must be understood with depth and breadth first before solutions are proposed. We were aggressive in pushing our narrative of the need of hybrid solutions (recall elections and anti-party hopping law) to manage political defections). We were not afraid to speak to our elected representatives throughout the country to push forward our views.

Moving forward, we must prepare Tindak Malaysia for a new leadership who can take our electoral reform to a new level. Our volunteers must cease viewing Tindak Malaysia's activities as work but as embodiment of a vision that they would like to achieve for Malaysian democracy. Our volunteers must learn how to capture opportunities accorded by Election Commission and Returning Officers as we have unfinished business in reforming polling staff training. The years of 2022 and 2023 are pivotal years as we need to be ready for General Elections and separate state elections. As this report being written, our volunteers are being allocated to different constituencies for GE15 as prospective polling staff candidates. We will step our election reform discourse in different ways in coming years be it in the realm of redelineation or management of political defections. Our student apprentices' program will continue as we need to sow the foundation of next generation of electoral reform activists. We will continue our engagement with EC so that we can help EC restores its public perception.

Our motto, Data Driven, Research Centered and Advocacy Focused should guide Tindak Malaysia's work in bringing electoral reforms for Malaysia.

Danesh Prakash Chacko
Director of Tindak Malaysia

ABOUT US

Tindak Malaysia was established in 2008 with the view to promote free and fair elections through voter education. Since its inception, Tindak Malaysia has conducted trainings for polling agents, counting agents and barung agents (PACABAs) to improve polling practices on polling day. Our training materials for PACABA were also used by other civil groups which conducted PACABA courses. The fruits of PACABA trainings from 2008 to 2018 sealed the change of federal government in GE14.

Sensing that election outcomes can be fixed through rigged electoral boundaries, Tindak Malaysia embarked on voter education on the redelineation process. Starting from 2011 and without any Geographic Information Science (GIS) expertise, our volunteers had to learn redelineation concepts from scratch. Using the slogan 1RUN – ‘Satu Rakyat Satu Undi Satu Nilai (One Person One Vote One Value)’, the redelineation research exercise, which started off as a model to prove that constituencies could be rebalanced, morphed into a mechanism for objecting to redelineation proposals by the EC. We developed the capability to quickly capture images of the fresh proposals by the EC and digitize them so that we could provide counterproposals in time for the public review. This was also a method to motivate people to become PACABAs and a way for PACABAs to expand their involvement in fair elections. We developed the mechanism for organising elector groups to sign up in sufficient numbers and with sufficient documentation to mount effective objections to EC’s proposals within the stipulated time. This work was also carried out in parallel by Bersih. Our efforts contributed towards delaying of the redelineation process which was a long overdue process. Finally, the EC sneaked their proposal into Parliament (and Parliament had it bulldozed through on a simple majority). Though rigged boundaries came to effect in 2018, voting patterns dramatically changed which nullified the rigged effect altogether in GE14.

As we are working in the post GE14 paradigm, Tindak Malaysia has continued to work proactively with the EC on various electoral reform matters such as improvements to the electoral boundaries, strengthening electoral roll integrity and observing the conduct of elections for the by-elections. Over the years, we have also actively assisted researchers who are studying Malaysian politics from the lenses of electoral data and maps. We have started an agricultural initiative called Projek Cinta. Our Founder, Wong Piang Yow has bought 31 hectares of land in Kampar and offered it as a base to implement the initiative. We are an Endorsing Organization to BERSIH 2.0 Coalition, a Member Organization of Gabungan Bertindak Malaysia (GBM) and a Member Organization of Coalition of Malaysian NGOs in the UPR Process (COMANGO).

Website: <http://www.tindakmalaysia.org/home-2>

Facebook: <https://web.facebook.com/TindakActionMalaysia/>
<https://web.facebook.com/chinesetindakmalaysia/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/TindakV2>

ORGANIZATION

Tindak Malaysia is founded by Wong Piang Yow in 2008 and as of 31st December 2021, the collective leadership of Tindak Malaysia consists of Wong Piang Yow, Wong Kuok Yong, Danesh Prakash Chacko, and SV Singam. As Tindak Malaysia is registered as a Limited Liability Partnership (which is regulated by Companies Commission of Malaysia - SSM), we have two directors - Wong Piang Yow and Danesh Prakash Chacko. Officially, we are known as TINDAKMALAYSIA NETWORK SERVICES PLT (LLP0001492-LGN). Throughout the report, this legal entity shall be called as Tindak Malaysia. For our Pemerhati (Electoral Observation) program (which is activated during a by-election or general election), we have designated leaders for selected states. The following are the Pemerhati Leaders with their associated states:

- 1) Yvette Mah - Selangor, Kuala Lumpur, and Putrajaya
- 2) Mike Ismail - Negeri Sembilan
- 3) Jan Chow - Sabah

For all other states where we do not have Pemerhati Leaders, Danesh Prakash Chacko or Wong Kuok Yong take turns to lead Pemerhati activities. We have a group of PACABA/Pemerhati experts who advises us on issues related to Conduct of Elections. They consist of:

- 1) Yvette Mah
- 2) Mike Ismail
- 3) Jan Chow
- 4) Vincent Chin
- 5) Suresh Kumaran

We have a selected number of volunteers who are authorized to register voters on behalf of EC. Our Assistant Registration Officers (ARO) are:

- 1) Suat Meay
- 2) Kiritharan
- 3) Yvette Mah
- 4) Suresh Kumaran
- 5) Mike Ismail
- 6) Jan Chow

* We also collaborate with Kar Weng Chu, another ARO under a different organization, to carry out voter registration exercises.

We have a dedicated Election Analysis Unit which prepares the maps and data for the purposes of Pemerhati, election research and social media purposes. The Unit is headed by Danesh Prakash Chacko. Fork Yow Leong and Liew Hong Wei have served Administrative Assistant to the Tindak Malaysia Leadership team for different periods of time (for the year of 2021). The organization is completely run by volunteers of which the Directors are the only formal members of Tindak Malaysia.

ACTIVITIES OF 2021

TINDAK MALAYSIA'S PUBLIC WEBINARS IN 2021



Picture 1: Webinar Poster of Tindak Malaysia's most popular webinar of 2021

In 2021, Tindak Malaysia organized six virtual public webinars on various topics regarding voter registration, the role of Polling Agents and Counting Agents (PACAs), the role of Redelineation Objectors and other topics of interest with the objective of promoting greater awareness among Malaysians about the electoral process in Malaysia. The speakers who participated in these public webinars consisted of Tindak Malaysia's pool of volunteers and also guest speakers who were invited by Tindak Malaysia.

The following are the six public webinars that was organized by Tindak Malaysia in 2021:

- 1. Voter Registration: What you should know about?** This webinar was organized by Tindak Malaysia on 17 July 2021. The purpose of this webinar was to create awareness among the participants regarding how registered voters need to ensure that their details are correctly stated and updated in the electoral roll. This includes what registered voters should do when someone has objected to your voter registration application or your new address. The speaker for this webinar is Hew Hoong Liang, Tindak Malaysia's Apprentice.
- 2. PACA in the Post GE14 Era:** This webinar was organized by Tindak Malaysia on 28 August 2021. The purpose of this webinar was to create greater awareness

among the participants regarding the important roles of a Polling Agent during the polling process and a Counting Agent during the process of counting the votes in an election in Malaysia. The two speakers for this webinar are Jan Chow and Fork Yow Leong (both served as PACA and subsequently as Ketua Tempat Mengundi) and the discussant of the webinar was Vincent Chin (PACA expert of Tindak Malaysia).

3. **Duty as a Redelineation Objector:** This webinar was organized by Tindak Malaysia on 25 September 2021. The purpose of this webinar was to create awareness among the participants regarding the problems that are related to redelineation process which includes gerrymandering, malapportionment, shortage of polling facilities. This webinar also focused on the important duty of a redelineation objector. The speakers were Danesh Prakash Chacko (Director, Tindak Malaysia) and Theresa Ratnam Thong (former Redelineation Objector Organizer) and the discussant was Lim Fang Hau (former Redelineation Objector Organizer)
4. **Memahami Tatacara Dewan Rakyat:** This webinar was organized by Tindak Malaysia on 23 October 2021. The purpose of this webinar was to create awareness among the participants regarding the procedures in the Dewan Rakyat that all members of Parliament need to comply with. It includes the process that is involved in the tabling of bills in Dewan Rakyat and the etiquette which all members of Parliament need to adhere to during parliamentary proceedings and meetings in the Dewan Rakyat. The guest speaker for this webinar is Dr Nizam Mydin who was the Secretary of the Dewan Rakyat.
5. **Alternative Forms of Democracy:** This webinar was organized by Tindak Malaysia on 30 October 2021. The purpose of this webinar was to create awareness among the participants regarding the other alternative forms of democracy which is Deliberative Democracy (Citizen Assembly) and Participatory Democracy. The guest speakers for this webinar are Sonia Randhawa who is the Australian project manager for the Sortition Foundation, a non-profit organization that is dedicated to deliberative democracy and Arveent Kathirtchelvan who is the Socialist Youth Chief for Parti Sosialis Malaysia.
6. **PACA for Sarawak's Context:** This was the last webinar that was organized by Tindak Malaysia in 2021. It was held on 6 December 2021. The purpose of this webinar was specifically for all the participants who are serving as PACA for the first time and also for all seasoned PACAs who will be serving in the 2021 Sarawak State Elections. The topics that were covered in this webinar includes the basics of PACA qualifications, understanding Polling Process under the Pandemic Period, serving as a PACA in Saluran 1 (which now includes OKU voters), the challenges of serving as a PACA in Sarawak and the do's and don'ts for a PACA. The speakers for this webinar are three Tindak Malaysia volunteers

(Mary Soh, Wang Gee Kiang, and Emmelyn Kuan) who had experiences in the polling process including two of the speakers who had served in the remote and rural parts of Sarawak.

VOTER EDUCATION SERIES: WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW



Picture 2: Tindak Malaysia - UMANY Voter Education Webinar Series Poster

Tindak Malaysia in collaboration with University of Malaya Association of New Youth (UMANY) jointly organized a webinar entitled Voter Education Series: What You Should Know. This webinar consisted of three separate sessions which was held from 6, 13 and 20 November 2021. The purpose of this webinar series was in view of the implementation of the UNDI 18 and automatic voter registration in January 2022 where the number of new voters aged between 18 and 20 is estimated to be increased by 1.3 million. Hence, this webinar was held in order to aid the new voters to be better prepared in fulfilling their obligations as a registered voter.

The three sessions and speakers for this webinar are as follows:

- 6 November: Voter Registration (Speaker: Hew Hoong Liang)
- 13 November: Understanding Election Process (Speaker: Jan Chow)
- 20 November: Redelineation Objection (Speaker: Danesh Prakash Chacko)

TINDAK MALAYSIA'S APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMME

In June 2021, Tindak Malaysia recruited two apprentices from Brickfields Asia College (BAC). They are two law graduates, Hew Hoong Liang and Cornelius Liew Hong Wei from BAC who assisted Tindak Malaysia in the drafting and the production of the Tindak Malaysia's PACA booklet. The two BAC apprentices also assisted Tindak Malaysia in the organization of several public webinars in 2021. The recruitment of the two BAC apprentices is a significant achievement for Tindak Malaysia since it is the first apprenticeship program that Tindak Malaysia had decided to embark on in 2021.

PARTICIPATION IN THE PEMERHATI EXERCISE IN 2021

Despite the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic in 2021, Tindak Malaysia continued to participate in the PEMERHATI exercise with the participation of Lim Fang Hau, our experienced Tindak Malaysia volunteer for the 2021 Melaka State Elections. He served as a PEMERHATI in DUN Duyong. All of our past Pemerhati reports can be found [here](#).

TINDAK MALAYSIA'S INTERNAL TRAINING SESSIONS IN 2021

With a view to enhance the knowledge of Tindak Malaysia's volunteers on the various topics regarding the electoral process, six internal training sessions was held for the benefit of our TM volunteers in 2021. All the internal training sessions had to be conducted virtually due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Various topics was covered in these internal trainings which included the proposed anti-hopping law, recall elections, redelineation, voter education, the alternative electoral systems to the first past the post electoral system, strengthening women's representation in Malaysia among others. Most of the internal training sessions was conducted by Tindak Malaysia's Director, Danesh Prakash Chacko.

ACHIEVEMENTS OF 2021

TINDAK MALAYSIA'S PACA BOOKLET



Picture 3: Cover of the Buku Panduan Ejen Tempat Mengundi dan Ejen Mengira Undi

In May 2021, Tindak Malaysia decided to produce a comprehensive PACA booklet in Bahasa Malaysia specifically for Polling Agents and Counting Agents. It was an extensive undertaking by Tindak Malaysia as part of its ongoing initiative to promote the involvement of Malaysians in the electoral process. The production of Tindak Malaysia's PACA booklet was made possible with the assistance of two apprentices, Hew Hoong Liang and Cornelius Liew Hong Wei from Brickfields Asia College (BAC) who assisted Tindak Malaysia in the drafting of the booklet. The booklet production was done under the supervision of Danesh Prakash Chacko, Fork Yow Leong, and SV Singam. The PACA booklet was reviewed by two Tindak Malaysia volunteers, Vincent Chin, and Jan Chow before it was published in December 2021. The PACA booklet will be

useful guide to enable all Polling Agents, Counting Agents, Ketua PACAs, and PACA trainers to have a proper understanding of the electoral laws, the relevant rules, and procedures that all Polling Agents and Counting Agents need to be aware before and during the electoral process. The PACA booklet was sold to the public in January 2022. For more information, email us at info@tindakmalaysia.com.

MORE VOLUNTEERS SERVING AS POLLING STAFF

2021 was a significant year for Tindak Malaysia with the increased number of our experienced volunteers who was selected to serve as EC polling staff. For the 2021 Melaka State Elections, Tindak Malaysia had managed to secure the participation of a record number of its volunteers to serve as Ketua Tempat Mengundi (KTM) consisting of Yvette Mah, Henry Lim, Wang Gee Kiang, and Emmelyn who all served respectively as KTMs in DUN Kota Laksamana. Mary Soh, our experienced volunteer also served as a Kerani Pengundian (KP) in DUN Kelebang.

Redelineation Website/ Discourse Promotion

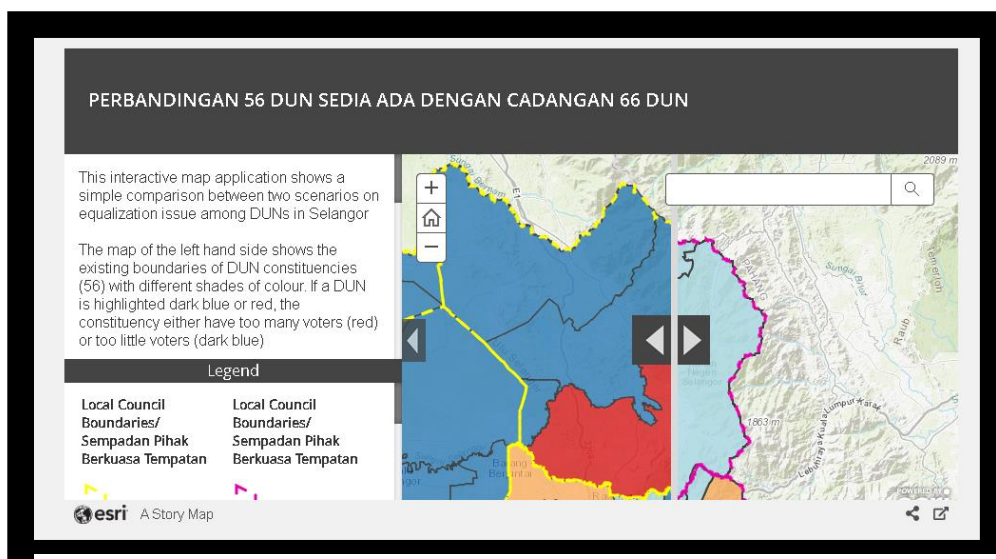


Picture 4: Main image on Tindak Malaysia's Persempadanan webpage

2021 also witnessed the preparation year for Tindak Malaysia volunteers to be ready for redelineation. Building on the research made during Tindak Malaysia's Internal Topic Training Sessions, webinars, and past works, Tindak Malaysia website host a dedicated section for [Persempadanan](#). With four states potentially looking into increasing the State Constituency Count (hence triggering redelineation), our volunteers were trained on how to create fair boundaries using open-source mapping tools. Building on their hard work, we have created interactive map platforms to show how our fair boundaries stands in relation to existing boundaries (which is rigged with malapportionment and gerrymandering). As of now, there are alternative redelineation proposals for Pulau Pinang, Terengganu, Johor, Selangor, and Melaka (though this state is not thinking to increase geographical constituencies) that we have designed and added on the

Persempadanan webpage. Moreover, for each proposal, we have put a call out for prospective Malaysians to sign up as future redelineation objectors.

Redelineation website is not just about showing maps to compare



Picture 5: Example of ArcGIS powered interactive map of before (current boundaries) and after (fair boundaries by Tindak Malaysia) for electoral boundaries

unfair and fair electoral boundaries. In 2021, we produced two PDF booklets about equipping future redelineation objectors:

- (1) OBJECTOR GUIDE SERIES REDELINEATION GUIDELINES (FOR TECHNICAL COUNTER PROPOSALS)
- (2) OBJECTOR GUIDE SERIES (DUTY AS AN OBJECTOR)

Tindak Malaysia has stepped up the promotion of its redelineation stance through media and various engagements with political parties/interested individuals (Refer to Media Coverage of Tindak Malaysia (2021) for specific details on the topic). Specific redelineation research that Tindak Malaysia has carried out are:

- (1) Deficient and defective polling districts – Measures to fix them
- (2) Fair electoral boundaries
- (3) Reinstatement of the principle of simple multiple

MEDIA COVERAGE OF TINDAK MALAYSIA 2021

Below here is the list of Tindak Malaysia articles and interviews which have been published by media portals and other sites:

**The list below may have missing information*

Malaysiakini

1. Five things voters should know on polling day by Danesh Prakash Chacko - <https://www.malaysiakini.com/letters/599930>
2. Choosing your representatives wisely by Danesh Prakash Chacko - <https://www.malaysiakini.com/letters/599307>
3. Root cause of problems or solutions for electoral boundaries by Danesh Prakash Chacko and Fork Yow Leong - <https://www.malaysiakini.com/columns/589508>
4. Hidden violation in redelineation by Danesh Prakash Chacko - <https://www.malaysiakini.com/columns/583542>
5. Updating your voting address is your responsibility by Danesh Prakash Chacko and SV Singam - <https://www.malaysiakini.com/columns/577380>
6. Financing women representation in politics - best way forward by Danesh Prakash Chacko, Fork Yow Leong, and Wan Yue Gong - <https://www.malaysiakini.com/columns/570013>
7. Improving disclosure for election costs by Danesh Prakash Chacko and Fork Yow Leong - <https://www.malaysiakini.com/columns/564416>
8. Press Statement - Electoral redelineation must not be based on race, religion - <https://www.malaysiakini.com/columns/567866>

Other Sites

1. The cost of elections by Danesh Prakash Chacko and Fork Yow Leong - <https://www.themalaysianinsight.com/s/302167>
2. The middle way forward to strengthen female representation in politics by Danesh Prakash Chacko, Fork Yow Leong and Wan Yue Gong - <https://www.themalaysianinsight.com/index.php/s/309433>

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3. Direct democracy options for Malaysia by Danesh Prakash Chacko and Fork Yow Leong - <https://www.themalaysianinsight.com/s/325745>
 4. Direct democracy options for Malaysia: Referendums and recall elections by Danesh Prakash Chacko and Fork Yow Leong - <https://m.aliran.com/thinking-allowed-online/direct-democracy-options-for-malaysia-referendums-and-recall-elections/>
 5. Direct democracy options: Participatory budgeting - <https://m.aliran.com/thinking-allowed-online/direct-democracy-options-participatory-budgeting>
 6. On the Hot Seat: Governance, Parliament, Elections and Democracy in time of Pandemic – Sin Chew Interview with Danesh Prakash Chacko - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LInKyxVeoH4>

BFM Interviews

1. New Year’s Resolution: Engaging with Democracy – Interview with Danesh Prakash Chacko - <https://bfm.my/podcast/evening-edition/evening-edition/new-years-resolution-engaging-with-democracy>
2. The Case for Local Government Elections – Interview with Danesh Prakash Chacko - <https://bfm.my/podcast/evening-edition/evening-edition/the-case-for-local-government-elections>
3. How much Does an election Cost? – Interview with Danesh Prakash Chacko - <https://bfm.my/podcast/evening-edition/evening-edition/how-much-does-an-election-cost>
4. How to push for better government accountability? – Interview with Danesh Prakash Chacko - <https://bfm.my/podcast/evening-edition/inside-story/how-to-push-for-better-government-accountability>
5. Fundings, Not Quotas, to increase Women’s political participation – Interview with Danesh Prakash Chacko - <https://bfm.my/podcast/morning-run/morning-brief/funding-to-increase-womens-political-participation>
6. What do political polls actually achieve? – Interview with Danesh Prakash Chacko - <https://bfm.my/podcast/evening-edition/evening-edition/what-do-political-polls-actually-achieve>

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7. The Future of e-voting in Malaysia – Interview with Danesh Prakash Chacko - <https://bfm.my/podcast/evening-edition/inside-story/the-future-of-e-voting-in-malaysia>
 8. Melaka – Elections or Emergency? – Interview with Danesh Prakash Chacko - <https://bfm.my/podcast/evening-edition/evening-edition/melaka-elections-or-emergency1>
 9. Azalina to push for hybrid anti-hopping bill – Interview with Danesh Prakash Chacko - <https://bfm.my/podcast/evening-edition/evening-edition/azalina-to-push-for-hybrid-anti-hopping-bill>
 10. Local Council Elections too costly? – Interview with Danesh Prakash Chacko - <https://bfm.my/podcast/evening-edition/evening-edition/local-council-elections-too-costly>

Tindak Malaysia’s infographics campaign

With a view to create greater awareness among Malaysians regarding the electoral process and their obligations as a registered voter, Tindak Malaysia embarked on an extensive infographics campaign to educate Malaysian voters. This is part of Tindak Malaysia’s ongoing voter education initiative for the benefit of all Malaysian voters.

For more information regarding Tindak Malaysia’s infographics campaign, please visit our Tindak Malaysia Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/TindakActionMalaysia/photos_albums

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES OF 2021

This section is dedicated to minor activities or updates from Tindak Malaysia for the year of 2021. Below here is the list of activities or events throughout the year of 2021:

1. Tindak Malaysia reactivated Twitter account at the beginning of the year as an alternative social media platform to promote Tindak Malaysia's electoral reform discourse (January 2021)
2. Tindak Malaysia's Director, Danesh Prakash Chacko was invited as an expert for Univerisiti Kebangsaan Malaysia's survey on Electoral System from January to June 2021 (January 2021)
3. Tindak Malaysia's Director, Danesh Prakash Chacko was invited for consultation by two Selangor based PKR MPs on governance reforms for the state of Selangor (e.g., redelineation, measures to manage party hopping)
4. Tindak Malaysia reveal deliberate distortion of EC's Gazetted Plan (Electoral Map) of Bangi via Facebook. Tindak Malaysia also alerted Dr Faisal, EC Commissioner, about the distortion (11/2/2021)
5. Tindak Malaysia launched a [YouTube](#) video educating Malaysian public about the role of Member of Parliament and State Legislative Assemblyperson (ADUN). Video was produced by a small team organized by our Sabah Tindak Malaysia representative, Jan Chow. It is one of the most popular Tindak Malaysia's YouTube video in the post GE14 era (17/3/2021)
6. Tindak Malaysia's Director, Danesh Prakash Chacko, shares his views about election process Malaysia via Institut Demokrasi Ehsan's show - Kafe Demokrasi (25/3/2021)
7. Tindak Malaysia' Director, Danesh Prakash Chacko was invited to speak about Local Democracy and State Identity of Sabah, a webinar organized by Wisdom Foundation (30/3/2021)
8. Tindak Malaysia organized a one-day voter registration exercise at Plaza Activo in Damansara Avenue, Bandar Sri Damansara in cooperation with MyPerintis and Muda Selangor. We collaborated with Assistant Registration Officer, Kar Weng Chu. The purpose of event was to register new voters (1/5/2021)
9. Tindak Malaysia launched its own Telegram Channel to bring electoral reform discourse and broadcast of activities closer to interested subscribers (3/5/2021)
10. Tindak Malaysia launches a wave of Electoral System infographics via social media (Whatsapp, Telegram and Facebook) from May to July (21/5/2021)

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11. Tindak Malaysia releases [a response document](#) to Penang's proposed Top-Up Women Only Additional Seats (TWOAS) and its proposal for alternative solutions (28/7/2021)
 12. Tindak Malaysia's Director Danesh Prakash Chacko was invited to speak for a webinar entitled PENTAS RAKYAT: SELAMATKAN DEMOKRASI by Institut Darul Ehsan (15/8/2021)
 13. Tindak Malaysia's Director Danesh Prakash Chacko [speaks](#) to Environmental Protection Society of Malaysia (EPSM) about the Role of Local Authorities and Local Communities: The Case for Nominated Councillors versus Elected Councillors (29/7/2021)
 14. Tindak Malaysia's Director Danesh Prakash Chacko presents Electoral Boundaries topic for [Hackathon Politik Rules of the Game](#) (competition for electoral reform proposals organized by Architects of Diversity) (4/9/2021)
 15. Tindak Malaysia's Director Danesh Prakash Chacko presents Tindak Malaysia's [stance on recall elections and anti-party hopping law](#) to five PKR MPs via zoom call (6/9/2021)
 16. Tindak Malaysia lobbied EC to add more polling centres for Melaka and Sarawak. Scored a victory for Melaka and Sarawak elections when EC agreed to increase polling centres (October and November 2021)
 17. Tindak Malaysia launched the [Melaka Election Site](#) in preparation for snap Melaka Elections (October 2021)
 18. Tindak Malaysia's Director Danesh Prakash Chacko was invited as one of the commentators for a webinar entitled Politik & Pilihanraya by KAMI MALAYSIA (21/11/2021)
 19. Tindak Malaysia's Director Danesh Prakash Chacko presents his insights about [Melaka Elections](#) for Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS)'s webinar (8/12/2021)
 20. Tindak Malaysia's Director Danesh Prakash Chacko [presented](#) the way forward for fair boundaries of Pulau Pinang to two Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri (ADUN) of Pulau Pinang – YB Dato Abdul Halim and YB Goh Choon Aik

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