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Reflections

2024 - As we pass our 15th-year mark, we enter a season of uncertainty and achievements. 2024 happens to be the year in between major elections (2023 Six State Elections and 2025 Sabah State Elections). The 16th year of this electoral reform journey is beset with challenges and questions of the future.

With our Petugas movement going slowly this year, we have to acknowledge that government bureaucracy (through Returning Officers) and EC have made it difficult for non-civil servants to be Petugas for the various by-elections. We had informal and formal engagements with EC Commissioners on overcoming the obstacles. Up to GE15 2022, we have seen numerous faults with EC's training. However, from 2023, EC training for Petugas has demonstrated great quality but the quality of Petugas candidates is much to be desired. This prompted us to meet with the Parliamentary Special Select Committee on Human Rights, Elections and Institutional Reforms to find ways to democratise the Petugas recruitment. Similarly, we met with Akademi Pilihan Raya to discuss a similar matter while acknowledging Akademi's high-quality training for Petugas candidates. Unfortunately, these meetings showed a lack of appreciation from EC and the legislative side on the need of getting enthusiastic and genuine Petugas candidates from the public. Irrespective of the challenges, we are doing our monthly training and recruitment of candidates on a weekly basis. In November, we formally launched our own Petugas website.



Besides the Petugas program, we have deployed three Pemerhati individuals for Kuala Kubu Bharu by-elections (May 2024) and another three Pemerhati individuals for Mahkota by-elections (September 2024). The Kuala Kubu Bharu by-elections Pemerhati deployment reinforced our call that Petugas candidate recruitment requires much democratisation as obvious mistakes were done during elections. Mahkota by-elections necessitated us to look into the Pemerhati program from a different perspective. We formally launched our public recruitment of Pemerhati candidates and emphasis on training for Pemerhatis. The Pemerhati recruitment kicked-off in the month of November 2024.

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One of the highlights of this year was the key engagements that Tindak Malaysia has done with important stakeholders. As mentioned earlier, there were formal and informal engagements with the EC (at the Commissioner level and Akademi Pilihan Raya level) and the Parliament for Petugas front. Our August 2024 webinar (jointly with our partners, International IDEA) on Poll Worker Recruitment: Challenges and Reforms was a historic milestone when our EC Commissioner, Mrs Zoe Randhawa presented EC's perspective on this topic. This was the first time in Tindak Malaysia's history that EC officially participated in our program. In November 2024, we successfully got an opportunity to carry a long overdue courtesy visit to the Office of the Speaker of the Dewan Rakyat (Tan Sri Johari Abdul). We presented on the topic of electoral systems and case studies of Cambodia, Thailand, and Germany.

Another form of engagement is with the public. Aside from the webinar, we have done public voter education sessions in physical format. One of the highlights was the voter education session at Universiti Malaya (with UM Consti Team) in November 2024. We combined theoretical and practical aspects of elections in a 2 - 3 hour session. Similarly, we collaborated with EMPOWER in December 2023 to carry out the voter education exercise with young adult women participants. Through Bersih's Road to Reform roadshow in October 2024, we delivered practical training on Electoral Redistricting App (ERA) for participants to learn about fair redelineation for the Sarawakian context.

Moving on from the Petugas and Pemerhati realm, we pivot to the topic of redelineation, electoral systems, and law reforms. We continue to carry out regular redelineation training for our volunteers. Moreover, we have started monthly recruitment for Redelineation Objectors and this is combined with the creation of Whatsapp Broadcast List of Redelineation Objectors. Besides that, this year marks another milestone - significant proposal revisions of various election laws (Postal Vote, Registration of Electors, Election Offences Act, Conduct of Elections). We carried out internal polls with our volunteers for the various revisions that we are proposing for the electoral laws. These law reform proposals are submitted to the Parliament Special Select Committee on Human Rights, Elections and Institutional Reforms and the Election Commission.

We have stepped up our efforts in releasing structured election datasets via our Github. The contents range from historical elections to documents pertaining to redelineation exercises. Our open electoral data initiative will hit its 10th year in 2025. We have stepped in the generation of election analytical contents for social media and some of the contents have become very viral.

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Furthermore, we have another major milestone. Tindak Malaysia has created a new role for highly capable young volunteers - Electoral Resource Person. Chia Jia Xuan was appointed as Electoral Resource Person (with a focus on Redelineation, Electoral System, Constitutional Matters) and Stephen Koh Eng Sang was appointed as Electoral Resource Person (with a focus on PACAs, Pemerhatis, Petugas). These new roles are to facilitate transfer of intellectual thinking and building beyond our older volunteer crew. We have also done a Volunteer Apprentice program in the middle of this year where we recruited a data analyst to carry out a by-election study (2023 - 2024). We have diversified who were representing Tindak Malaysia for various engagements (attending talks, presentations etc.).

After leading Tindak Malaysia since 2018, I have decided it is time for me to retire from active leadership at the end of 2025. Next year will be a year of transition and new leaders need to be groomed.

Moving forward from 2024, Tindak Malaysia should focus on transitioning to be under new leadership, having a bigger pool of potential polling staff, deepening engagement with stakeholders and strengthening our social media presence. Not to forget, to be ready for Sabah State Elections and the 70th anniversary of 1955 General Elections of Malaya. Our motto, Data Driven, Research Centred 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 training 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 counter proposals 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 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. Moreover, we are working with the government of the day to lay the foundations of deep electoral reforms.

Over the years, we have also actively assisted researchers who are studying Malaysian politics from the lenses of electoral data and maps. Tindak Malaysia's views on election matters have been sought after by the EC, civil society groups, Members of Parliament and even the Speaker of the Dewan Rakyat. We are an Endorsing Organization to the BERSIH Coalition and a Member Organization of Gabungan Bertindak Malaysia (GBM). ¹

About us



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Organization

Tindak Malaysia was founded by Wong Piang Yow in 2008. As Tindak Malaysia is registered as a Limited Liability Partnership (which is regulated by the Companies Commission of Malaysia – SSM), we have two directors – Wong Kuok Yong and Danesh Prakash Chacko (as of December 2024). Compliance Officer of Tindak Malaysia is Danesh Prakash Chacko.

Pemerhati programs are managed by Danesh Prakash Chacko and assisted by Wong Kuok Yong. For our Petugas program, Danesh led the program from its inception in 2019 till 31st August 2023. Throughout the program, he was assisted by Tindak Malaysia's trainers – Mary Soh, Henry Lim, Suresh Kumaran, Ming Sen Tan, and Ng Kit Yoong. Specifically, for the deployment realm, Danesh was assisted by Chia Jia Xuan (one of our Electoral Resource Persons). From 1st September 2023, Suresh Kumaran has been appointed as the Head of Petugas Program.

Since August 2023, the Tindak Malaysia Apprenticeship program were largely led by the primary supervisor, Danesh. With the implementation of Automatic Voter Registration in 2022 (which took effect in December 2021), the roles of Assistant Registration Officers – helmed by selected Tindak Malaysia volunteers – are now redundant. The organization is completely run by volunteers of which the Directors are the only formal members of Tindak Malaysia.

We are currently still underway to create a new organization that best reflects Tindak Malaysia's aspirations in the post-GE14 era, one of our efforts has been to register a civil society under The Societies Act 1966 in Malaysia.

In 2024, Tindak Malaysia officially appointed two Electoral Resource Person, Chia Jia Xuan and Stephen Koh Eng Sang. The former focuses on redelination matters as well as carrying out Petugas recruitment on a weekly basis and the latter focuses on drafting proposal for electoral law reforms (Conduct of Election, Election Offences Act, Registration of Electors and Postal voting), he is also in charge in supporting the Petugas and Pemerhati program through coordination of recruitment as well as any awareness efforts to the public.

Tindak Malaysia's PETUGAS program.

On 12th January 2012, our founder, **Wong Piang Yow**, submitted a <u>written paper</u> to the Parliament Select Committee on Electoral Reform where Election Officers and KTMs should be drawn from civil society. While this paper was written in the context of high irregularities taking place in past general elections, the aspiration was only able to materialise with the change of government after GE14 (2018). Starting with one KTM and one polling clerk (KP) for the 2019 Semenyih by-elections, this aspiration has progressed into a movement stage. For today's context, the Petugas program serves as the inward push for the EC to train Petugas with great competency and electoral integrity. Since then, Tindak Malaysia has deployed highly capable and trained volunteers to serve as Petugas for:



- 1. DUN Semenyih by elections (2019)
- 2. DUN Rantau by elections (2019)
- 3. DUN Kimanis by elections (2020)
- 4. DUN Slim by elections (2020)
- 5. Melaka State Elections (2021)
- 6. Johor State Elections (2022)
- 7. 15th General Elections (2022)
- 8. Six State Elections (2023)

This year, Tindak Malaysia has not deployed any Petugas to any of the by-elections conducted in Malaysia, regardless, we continue to maintain our efforts in training our existing pool of volunteers to ensure they are ready whenever they are called upon to serve in any elections.

We are able to ramp up our efforts in recruitment and this has materialized through the Petugas website hosted on Google, separate from the Tindak Malaysia website, as well as an online recruitment form to streamline our recruitment process. The form pertains to a number of screening questions to ensure prospective candidates understand what type of role Petugas are in and provide expectations from us to them, ultimately the form is to see whether the candidate has integrity, availability, flexibility and agility.

The form is hosted on our Petugas <u>website</u>, the website serves as a "one-stop" site for Petugas-related matters in Tindak Malaysia, this includes information being provided such as Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) on our Petugas programme. All of these efforts are part of our plan to further digitize our recruitment process and to ease the recruitment process by setting the expectations and requirements needed for those who are interested in joining our programme.

The Petugas training team continues to build on the work done since 2022/2023 when Tindak Malaysia decided to revamp our training and recruitment process where all prospective Petugas candidates must go through our rigorous vetting and training process. This year, our monthly training is all done online with our experienced trainers (Suresh, Mary, Henry, Ming Sen, and Ng Kit Yoong) taking turns to provide training to existing candidates and newly recruited candidates.

Our online training aims to keep our pool of candidates updated on the knowledge of Petugas as most training is done close to an election, we in Tindak Malaysia aim to change this practice and encourage all relevant parties to consistently provide this training to Petugas and start the work early years before any election. As for Tindak Malaysia, our training and recruitment process provide a distinction between us and the typical candidate being recruited as Petugas, this has been shown multiple times in our past deployment and our efforts have not gone unnoticed by the election bodies, particularly EC, which we have maintained a close working relationship with the election body.



Tindak Malaysia's Webinars of 2024:

As part of our ongoing effort to ensure all Tindak Malaysia volunteers are well trained in Petugas matters, we have conducted multiple virtual webinars, which include not just our experienced speakers but also reached out to international organizations such as International IDEA and other experts from across the world such as Grant Masterson, an expert on South Africa's electoral system to provide knowledge sharing on electoral related matters. Tindak Malaysia aims to continue our effort in collaborating with like-minded organizations who are able to provide diverse views from not just in Malaysia, but from across the world as well. Notably, the webinar was jointly held by Tindak Malaysia and International IDEA and for the first time in Tindak Malaysia's history, our webinar was attended by a sitting EC commissioner, Mrs Zoe Randhawa, who participated as a speaker.

Here is the list of webinars conducted by Tindak Malaysia:



Tindak Malaysia Voter education awareness activities (physical)

This year we approached University students and secondary school students in Malaysia to provide knowledge-sharing sessions on electoral history, Petugas duties and interactive experience through a mock election. These efforts are in line with a post-Undi 18 landscape where youth votes are important and cannot be overstated. This is especially so where youth voters do not receive sufficient civil knowledge on our elections from their education, and it is concerning to us as youth voters can be very decisive in an election. We in Tindak Malaysia aim to expand our voter education awareness activities, namely starting with physical sessions and engaging activities with students to fill the gap of voter education among the youth.

In November 5th 2024, Tindak Malaysia organized a knowledge-sharing session in the University of Malaya which was in collaboration with UM Consti Team, a student society under the University of Malaya. The event took four months of planning and preparation, with Tindak Malaysia securing the guest speakers as well as presentation materials while the UM Consti Team is responsible for the logistics of the event which includes securing the location and attendees of the event. Tindak Malaysia supplied two speakers for the event, Danesh and Ming Sen. The first part of the event focuses on electoral history and mechanism, presented by Danesh and the second part is a mock election simulating the process of the election day in Malaysia with a focus on the duties of Petugas.

The session, which was conducted within 3 hours, was successfully held and secured more than 30 student attendees, most of which were involved in the mock election. We have received positive feedback from the attendees largely for the conduct of the mock election where students received a deep immersion of experience of how a Petugas works during polling day.



UM Consti Team also secured a well-known Constitutional expert in Malaysia, **Professor Emeritus Datuk Dr Shad Saleem Faruqi** to provide opening remarks for the event, whom Danesh and Ming Sen had an insightful conversation with before the event started.



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Our trainer Ming Sen carrying out the mock election at University of Malaya in an event jointly held with UM Consti Team.



Our director Danesh speaks about relevant Elections Laws/Acts/Constitutional matters

Tindak Malaysia Voter education awareness activities (physical)

Voter education Desa Mentari

In March 9th 2024, Tindak Malaysia has carried out a smaller-scale engagement activity with limited participants in Desa Mentari. Our Petugas trainers, Mary and Danesh, have provided a session on how elections work and an overview of Petugas duties.

Participation in Women's Political Participation Workshop Programme

In December 8th 2023, Tindak Malaysia supplied two speakers for the Women's Political Participation Workshop which was organized by another civil society group, EMPOWER. The two speakers were Danesh Prakash Chacko (Director of Tindak Malaysia) and Dr Ng Kit Yoong (Tindak Malaysia's Petugas trainer). Danesh spoke about the Election Process and Formation of Government. Subsequently, there was a session where participants (in various groups) formed a campaign manifesto and presented campaign speeches. Dr Kit led the polling process simulation where participants thoroughly immersed themselves in the process (either as voters or Petugas).





Tindak Malaysia Pemerhati Program

Tindak Malaysia Pemerhati program predates the Petugas initiative by one month. After the change of EC's composition after GE14, especially with more reformist commissioners, more organizations were invited by the EC to be Election Observation Teams (Pemerhati). Tindak Malaysia initially joined as Pemerhati under the Bersih Pemerhati flag in 2018. Starting with Cameron Highlands 2019 by-elections, our Pemerhati program (now distinct from Bersih) is usually manned by individuals who come from PACA or Petugas backgrounds. Tindak Malaysia works closely with ENGAGE and BERSIH for every Pemerhati program that Tindak Malaysia participates in.

Following are the elections that Tindak Malaysia participated in for the Pemerhati program before 2024:

- Parliamentary Seat of Cameron Highlands by elections (2019)
- DUN Seat of Semenyih by elections (2019)
- DUN Seat of Rantau by elections (2019)
- Parliamentary Seat of Tanjung Piai by elections (2019)
- DUN Seat of Chini by elections (2020)
- DUN Seat of Slim by elections (2020)
- Sabah State Elections (2020) covering one DUN.
- Melaka State Elections (2021) covering one DUN.
- Johor State Elections (2022) covering one DUN.
- 15th General Elections (2022) covering four Parliamentary seats.
- Six State Elections (2023) covering five DUNs.
- Parliamentary Seat of Pulai by Elections (2023)

Pemerhati deployment in 2024

- DUN Seat of Kuala Kubu Bharu by elections
- DUN Seat of Makhota by elections



Tindak Malaysia Pemerhati Program

Tindak Malaysia has continued our previous goals in our Pemerhati programs in adopting new responsibility through our Pemerhati deployment which is to assess Tindak Malaysia Petugas candidates and rather than merely to assess the EC Petugas candidates. This has proven to be very successful among Tindak Malaysia's circle, as we have produced detailed observations and published them on our website. The goal is to hold our volunteers accountable and maintain the highest quality of service as expected from Tindak Malaysia. The Pemerhati deployed in multiple elections has maintained that our Petugas are diligent, professional and knowledgeable compared to other Petugas typically sourced from the civil service, in some instances our Petugas Ketua Tempat Mengundi are even being consulted during elections on several matters.

Our Pemerhati deployment also serves as a stepping stone to increase our reach out in constituencies where Tindak Malaysia had minimal or no working relationship, this ensures we continue to build our awareness with EC as well as maintain a presence where such constituencies typically have low manpower and may need to engage our services.

In light of the success of the abovementioned, on Nov 8th 2024, Tindak Malaysia officially launched our Pemerhati program along with a comprehensive registration **form** and a Pemerhati know-how guidebook produced by us.

Tindak Malaysia Pemerhati reports are currently stored **here**



Tindak Malaysia's education materials

We have added our updated proposals on key electoral laws to our repository namely:

June 2024

Cadangan-Cadangan Pindaan Peraturan (Pendaftaran Pemilih) 2002

July 2024

Cadangan-Cadangan Pindaan Peraturan (Pilihan Raya (Pengundian Pos) 2003

August 2024

Akta Kesalan Pilihan Raya 1954

December 2024

Cadangan-Cadangan Pindaan Peraturan (Pilihan Raya (Penjalanan Pilihan Raya) 1981







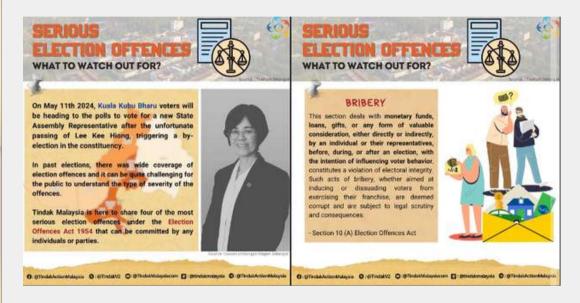


Tindak Malaysia's education materials

Election related graphics mainly to promote and increase election awareness to the general public, click **here** for full post:

May 8th 2024

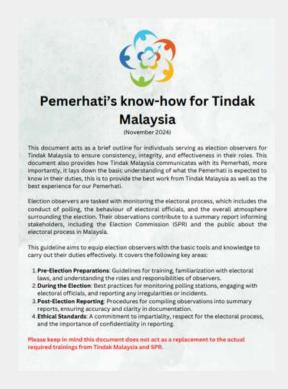
Infographics on serious election offences for the Kuala Kubu Bharu by-election



November 2024

There is also a new guidebook on Pemerhati by our Electoral Resource Person Stephen Koh in conjunction with the launch of our Pemerhati program, here:





Tindak Malaysia's engagement with government

We continue our efforts in engaging and maintaining a good working relationship with government officials, especially Members of Parliament in order to push the idea of electoral reforms in Malaysia. Areas of engagement were:

August 20th 2024

Meeting with Parliament Special Select Committee on Human Rights, Elections and Institutional Reforms: Presentation to the members of the committee on the key areas of reforms on polling workers. Tindak Malaysia sent a delegation that included Danesh, Ng Kit Yoong, Jia Xuan and Stephen Koh. Danesh spoke about the Petugas program and the need of opening Petugas roles to the public (up to 50% of the roles to be filled by non-civil servants). Dr Kit spoke about changing the training methods and reemphasised the changes required for recruitment. Jia Xuan spoke about details on how Petugas candidates are deployed during the election process and the challenges faced. Meeting with Parliament Special Select Committee on Human Rights, Elections and Institutional Reforms. Full post here-needed-committee on Human Rights, Elections and Institutional Reforms. Full post here-needed-committee on Human Rights, Elections and Institutional Reforms. Full post here-needed-committee on Human Rights, Elections and Institutional Reforms. Full post here-needed-committee on Human Rights, Elections and Institutional Reforms. Full post here-needed-committee on Human Rights, Elections and Institutional Reforms.



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November 8th 2024

Meeting with the Speaker of the Dewan Rakyat, Tan Sri Dato' Johari Abdul. At the initiative of the Office of the Speaker of the Dewan Rakyat, the Director of Tindak Malaysia, Danesh gave a 45-minute presentation to the Speaker and his officer, Abdul Hadi on the theory of electoral systems and three case studies - Cambodia, Thailand and Germany. Subsequently, the discussion pivoted with downsides of the First Past the Post system and how Malaysia can explore other electoral systems. Full post here.



Tindak Malaysia's engagements with EC

The road to electoral reforms will not be successful without the involvement of the EC, since GE14, the largely reformist mindset in EC has been open to dialogue with civil societies such as Tindak Malaysia. We have been consistently maintaining a working relationship with EC to provide feedback and suggestions to EC. In 2024, we engaged with Akedemi Pilihan Raya through a meeting with its head of program, Mr Nik Aminudin bin Nik Shahar Shah and a few APR staff in discussing the Petugas program. The discussion provided our director, Danesh, an opportunity to present a case on Tindak Malaysia's Petugas program and how EC is able to strengthen and democratize the Petugas program done by EC. We have consistently reflected our recruitment methods and training in providing the best of the best Petugas candidates to EC and communicated that Tindak Malaysia is ready to provide assistance in building a lineup of Petugas that has integrity and high caliber.

July 18th 2024

Pengumunan Khas: Tindak Malaysia bertemu dengan Akedemi Pilihan Raya (SPR)



Tindak Malaysia's engagements with EC

Other engagements with EC:

- Submission of alternative proposal boundaries of Sarawak to EC Commissioners (Dr Azmi, Dr Faisal and Mrs Zoe) (March 2024). The link to our proposal.
- Submission of law reform proposals to our EC Commissioners (June to December 2024). The **link** to our law reform proposals.
- Submission of notice of errors of locality locations of DUN Sungai Bakap (June 2024)
- Submission of a letter to EC Commissioners (Dr Azmi, Dr Faisal and Mrs Zoe) to democratise the Petugas recruitment (June 2024)
- Submission of proposal to improve polling centre allocations for DUN Sungai Bakap (July 2024)



Achievements of 2024

Although no Petugas have been deployed in 2024, Tindak Malaysia has made successful recruitment and deployment of Pemerhati to Kuala Kubu Bharu and Makhota by-elections. As a result of increased interest in the post of Pemerhati, we have launched our Pemerhati program with a sharper focus on recruiting individuals interested in becoming election observers.

Additionally, we have set up the <u>Petugas website</u> and released the website on November 11th 2024. The goal is to further propel the public's interest in joining Tindak Malaysia's Petugas program. As of now, we have 43 in our pool of volunteers signing up to become Petugas.



Here are some more achievements being done along side with our partners:

September 9th

Joint statement with Bersih, Sarawak ROSE, Engage and Tindak Malaysia and submission of the statement to YB Datuk Sharifah Hasidah Deputy Minister in the Premier's (of Sarawak) Office Law, MA63 & State-Federal Relations. Click <u>here</u> for full posts.

October 18th

Paper of Tindak Malaysia on the question of One-Third Representation of East Malaysia in the Dewan Rakyat. Click <u>here</u> to access the paper.

Media Coverage of Tindak Malaysia 2024

As we move into 2024, Tindak Malaysia is active in media coverage, especially, since our director, Danesh Prakash Chacko, has been consistently attending various media interviews to provide his expertise and views in the electoral space. Tindak Malaysia has also been quoted in multiple local media portals in Malaysia providing views on electoral matters, and including calls for reforms in electoral laws.

Media interview;

- Why East Malaysia Should Not Be Allocated 1/3 Parliamentary Seats (BFM interview) (January 3rd)
- Tindak Malaysia Advocates for Fair Electoral Boundaries in Sarawak (March 20th)
- Kuala Kubu Bharu Constituency Voting Trends (BFM Interview) (April 30th)
- Astro Awani Consider This: EC Appointments Choosing Custodians of the Vote (May 28th)
- Sg. Bakap Demographics In Play In By-Elections (BFM Interview) (June 23rd)
- <u>Equal Constituency Development Funds: Legislation Not MOU (BFM interview)</u> (September 5th)

Articles

- What's next if Putrajaya is serious about reviving third vote? Amending law comes first, proponents say (Tindak Malaysia dataset used) (Jan 9th)
- <u>Infrastructure Allocation in Hulu Selangor: A Wrong Timing and Wrong Move</u> (April 20th)
- <u>Calls for new amendments of Elections (Registration of Electors) Regulations 2002</u> (<u>amended in 2021</u>) (June 7th)
- Speaker's decision not in spirit of anti-party hopping law, says group (July 11th)
- Lessons from 1974 electoral delineation of Peninsular Malaysia (July 31st)
- <u>LETTER | Reform Election Offences Act to enhance fairness</u> (September 3rd)
- <u>Joined statement with Bersih, Sarawak Rose and Tindak Malaysia</u> (September 22nd)
- <u>Tindak Malaysia pushes for electoral reform to ensure fair elections</u> (October 3rd)
- <u>Electoral watchdog wants PM's aide to clarify Bagan Datuk claims</u>² (October 16th)
- Chow under fire: should supporter sentiment dictate fairness in allocations? (December 4th)













Miscellaneous Activities of 2023-2024

- Tindak Malaysia's 15th anniversary celebrations (December 2023)
- Tindak Malaysia's participation in the Empower workshop (December 2023)
- The Launch of 1954 Delineation Story Map (April 4th 2024)
- Appointment of JiaXuan as electoral resource person. (April 6th 2024)
- Appointment of Stephen Koh Eng Sang as electoral resource person (April 13th 2024)
- Delegation attending and presenting resolutions for the Bersih Congress (May 25th 2024)
- <u>Joined Sokong initiative and the launch of Tindak Malaysia as an official registered</u> <u>beneficiary for sokong, the platform is developed by MalaysiaKini.</u> (September 12th 2024)
- Sabah delineation of 1966, interactive story map (Oct 5th 2024)
- Fundraising event with GBM (Oct 13rd 2024)
- Launch of Pemerhati Recruitment Program (Nov 8th 2024)
- "Road to Reform (R2R)" roadshow organized by BERSIH in Miri, Sarawak, which drew nearly 150 participants from over 20 civil society organizations and political parties in the state. The roadshow featured three key programs that delved into subsequent issues: a youth empowerment workshop, an electoral constituency redelineation workshop, and a public forum titled "Veto Power for East Malaysia: Dewan Rakyat or Dewan Negara." On October 8th, Tindak Malaysia's director, Danesh, was invited to join the roadshow under the capacity of presenting the use of Electoral Redistricting Application developed by International IDEA, to the participants of the roadshow.
- Ongoing work with open Electoral Datasets of Tindak Malaysia (2015 present) https://github.com/TindakMalaysia
- Volunteer Apprentice Program for Data Analyst (June July 2024)
- Special Albums on Selected Election Analysis via Facebook and other social media platforms
 - a. <u>By-Elections Trends of Peninsular Malaysia</u> (July August 2024)
 - b. <u>Economic Indicators and Voting Choices (GE14 and GE15)</u> (October November 2024)
 - c. <u>By-Elections of 2023 and 2024 (Updated Study)</u> (ongoing)
 - d. <u>GE-15 2nd Anniversary: Thought provoking maps and charts of GE15</u> (November 2024)
 - e. Four Case Studies on State Election DUN Flips (January February 2024)



Tindak Malaysia Deployment

Since GE-14, Tindak Malaysia has been rapidly expanded to recruit like-minded individuals interested in serving the nation through elections.

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Tindak Malaysia's leadership hopes that our volunteers will be able to serve the electoral reform cause and realize our goals: free and fair elections and the transition to a new electoral system.

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