

Nationalism Awareness Indonesia-Malaysia in the 20 Century

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ABSTRACT

Malaysia is one of Indonesia's 'neighbors' which has many similarities and close ties that existed long before colonialism. Until now, the two of them are still in a harmonious relationship for the common interest. This study aims to (1) know the relationship between Indonesia and Malaysia before the 20th century, (2) know about the formation of national consciousness between Indonesia and Malaysia in the 20th century, and (3) describe the relationship between Indonesia and Malaysia after gaining their respective independence. -Each. This type of research is a historical based descriptive qualitative research. Bogdan (1975: 5) states that qualitative research is a social, cultural, philosophical research procedure that produces descriptive data in the form of words or notes relating to meanings, values, and understandings. Furthermore, according to Kuntowijoyo, there are five stages in historical research, including: topic selection, source collection, verification, interpretation, and historiography / history writing.

The results of this study reveal that (1) Indonesia and Malaysia have many similarities in historical backgrounds, national groups, and cultures so that the two countries have a relationship that has existed since pre-independence until now, (2) the growing nationalism between Indonesia and Malaysia can actually be said almost the same, namely starting from resistance to colonialism and diplomatic efforts, and (3) the relationship between Indonesia and Malaysia had experienced a lack of harmony in the old order era, to be precise when the Prime Minister of Malaysia, Tunku Abdul Rahman, declared the formation of the Federation of Tanah Melayu on September 16, 1963. However, the situation began to improve after the transfer of leadership to Suharto's hands due to the changing political situation. Today, Indonesia and Malaysia are cooperating in various fields, one of which is education.

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