

Ombak Perubahan: Pergerakan Sosial di Malaysia ("Waves of Change: Social Movements in Malaysia")

Introduction:

This documentary seeks to trace activism and the emergence of various issue-based NGOs post-Reformasi in 1998 in Malaysia. This is arguably one of the starting points of many social activism in the country. This will be a first-of-its-kind documentary undertaken by an independent entity.

The documentary directed by *The S-ploited* (2 individuals from Kuala Lumpur – Seira Sacha Abu Bakar and Sherrie Razak Dali) who are full-time lawyers and moonlight as film directors.

Their first documentary was *No Silver Lining: The Perak Crisis* which documented the constitutional crisis in the state of Perak in 2009. They recently completed their second documentary *Death in Dilemma: The Final Curtain*, a documentary on the death penalty in Malaysia.

They are collaborating with Wayang LoyarBurok, the film production arm of LoyarBurok, for the production of this film. They are currently assisted by a team of volunteers sourced from the campaigners within LoyarBurok.

Objectives:

To document the evolution of social justice movements in Malaysia as a historical reference for social, political and human rights studies.

To study and learn how a movement is activated and how one can sustain the movement.

To inspire youths and show that if they care about a certain issue, they can participate and start their own action groups.

Comparison with other country (Indonesia and Philippines):

This documentary made a brief comparison with some of the social justice movements in Indonesia and Philippines. We interviewed some of the activists in the respective countries on how social justice movements started in their country and their views on the movements.

List of people interviewed in this documentary:

Woon King Chai- UKM4

Nalini Elumalai- Suaram

Hishammuddin Rais – Former student activist

Fahmi Reza- OccupyDataran

Zakiah Koya-Journalist (Malaysia)

Nany J. Haron- Activist, UndiMsia

Rheinhardt Sirait- Aliansi Masyarakat Adat Nusantara (AMAN), Liga Mahasiswa Nasional untuk Demokrasi (LMND) (Indonesia)

Hilmar Farid- Team Relawan untuk Kemanusiaan, Sejarahwan (Indonesia)

Haziqah Nasirah- Malaysian Centre for Constitutionalism and Human Rights (MCCHR)

Harry Roque- Attorney (Philippines)

Ellen Tordesillas- Journalist (Philippines)

Eric Jude Alvia- The National Citizens' Movement for Free Elections (NAMFREL) (Philippines)

Dammy Magbual- Asian Network for Free Elections (ANFREL) (Philippines)

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