

Book Review ‘Di Bawah Sinar Matahari’ (Malay Version)

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REVIEW VERSION

Written by Shaharom Husain, this novel is based on pieces of paper and official records released by the Japanese. In this novel infused images are not very bright because it has been sixty years in the author storage but very meaningful to the author. Locale is in Singapore (Syonan-To), Johor, Melaka and Negeri Sembilan. Names and characters in this novel are fictitious except for the official name of which according to the government official broadcast time. During the Japanese military rule is not all that is happening is wrong. In fact, there is a good and useful can be followed. Because in it there is also a compassionate tyranny, there is a lesson, an example, conversion to bring the Malays finally realizes and fight for independence from the occupation. Those who live under the government of Japan had to work together with Japan to learn the language, culture and way of life of Japan. They also become civil servants, soldiers and laborers served in Japan in addition to gardening and agriculture companies to add the food item. If not they are conscripted into forced labor, making Death Railway at Siam-Burma border. In addition to violence, injustice and suffering of life, there is also the advantage of Japan introduced the spirit of Yamato Damashii, namely life discipline, loyalty to the king and religion, to work hard, willing to work overtime and work together, always thinking, creating and productive. The author himself experienced this painful event. From the first Japanese people are known as a people who valiantly. People who are not afraid to die when facing the enemy, as long as the sacrifice for the emperor, the nation and homeland. This treatment can be seen during the Second World War that all Japanese soldiers trained to become spirited and enthusiastic like Samurai. Bushido is the spirit or soul of the Japanese people. Warrior spirit that exists in the souls of their ancestors since time immemorial. Samurai spirit is the spirit that their inheritance from Samurai who became Emperor armies. The Samurai was ranked high and noble as the spirit of courage, bravery and loyalty to their Emperor. For Japan, the country consists of Shinto-Confucian principles. This understanding has evolved over several centuries, especially in the feudal era 250 years ago. This ideology has become a political philosophy of Tokugawa Shogunate ruling(1603-1608 A.D.). The history of Japan aged 2603 years has never been broken since the reign of Jimmu Tenno until now. The country has never been colonized since the world is growing. History of the monarchy during the 26th centuries was very strong because the spirit of the nation and a very strong allegiance to the Emperor who ruled Japan. People think that all the descendants of Emperor Jimmu Tenno is a descendant of the gods of heaven.