

# Development of Chinese Association in Modern Malaysia: A Case Study of Selangor Kim Mooi Association Tan Li Yuan

Selangor Kim Mooi Association located at Klang, a royal town in the state of Selangor, Malaysia. It was first built in 1947, after the World War II ended and the British colonial returned to Malaya by a group of immigrants who originally come from Quemoy (also named Kinmen, an island located South Fujian) island. As there were many Quemoy people immigrated into the Klang area, the association built to unite the Quemoy community. Soon, the Kinmen island become a hot zone of the cold war in 1949 and the Malaya became fully independent in 1957.

This research attempts to analyze the development of the Selangor Kim Mooi Association in different periods, and try to explore the role of the association, and understand the contribution of the association to society. Although the association keeps developing and changing, the spirit of the association has maintained, which unites the Quemoy community. In addition, this article also discussed how the Selangor Kim Mooi Association and its native land Quemoy can establish close relationship through a communication network. Quemoy is the only native land of overseas Chinese in Taiwan, and the association serves as a bridge to communicate between the locals and their native land Quemoy, strengthening the relationship between Taiwan and Malaysia.

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