MALAYSIAN BRANCH OF THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY
PERSATUAN ASIA DIRAJA BAHAGIAN MALAYSIA

ANNUAL REPORT
For the period 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2014

PATRONS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
The 133rd Annual General Meeting was held on 28 June 2014 at the Badan Warisan Malaysia, 2 Jalan Stonor, Kuala Lumpur. Tun Mohammed Hanif bin Omar, the President of the Society, presided at the meeting and 23 members of the Society were present.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL
The following members of the Society, having been nominated under Rule 21, were elected to the Council.

President
Tun Mohammed Hanif bin Omar
re-elected

Vice-Presidents
P.M. Dato Shariffuddin
re-elected
Dr. Cheah Boon Kheng
re-elected
Tengku Mohd. Fauzi bin Tengku Abdul Hamid
re-elected
Prof. Dr. Tan Tai Yong
re-elected
Miss Patricia Regis
re-elected

Councillors
Datin Dr. Kobkua Suwannathat-Pian
re-elected
Dato’ R.R. Sethu
re-elected
Dr. Paul H. Kratoska
re-elected
Dr. Loh Wei Leng
re-elected
Prof. Emeritus Dr. Ahmat Adam
re-elected
Prof. Dato’ Abu Talib bin Ahmad
re-elected
Dato’ Seri Nazir Ariff
elected

Hon. Secretary
Dr. Neil Khor Jin Keong
re-elected
Hon. Treasurer  
Dato’ H.S. Barlow re-elected

Hon. Editor  
Dr. Cheah Boon Kheng re-elected

Hon. Review Editor  
Dr. Kobkua Suwannathat-Pian re-elected

Gomez & Co were re-appointed Auditors for the year 2014. Messrs Moores Rowland were re-appointed the Society’s Accountants.

MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL
The Council met on four occasions during the year.

a) On 29 March 2014 at Badan Warisan Malaysia, 2 Jalan Stonor, Kuala Lumpur.
c) On 4 October 2014 at the Singapore National Library Building, 100 Victoria Street, level 16, the Pod, Singapore.

GOVERNMENT SUBVENTIONS FOR THE YEAR 2014

- Malaysian Government RM15,000
- Brunei Darussalam RM6,000

SALES OF PUBLICATIONS
The total sales of MBRAS publications for the year 2014 were as follows (2013 figures within brackets):

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LECTURES

a) Talk by Dr Particia Sloane-White entitled “Gender at Work: Sexualized banter and ‘Polygamy talk’ in Malay-Muslim corporate space” at Badan Warisan Malaysia on 29 March 2014.

b) Talk by Mr Ng Tze Shiung entitled “The Raffles Paradox: Liberal, Autocrat, or something else?” at Singapore National Library Building on 4 October 2014.


MEMBERSHIP

The number of new applications received and approved by the Council during the period of this report was 32. The total number of members of the Society on 31.12.2014 was 400.

The total number under different categories on that date was:

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PAYMENT OF SUBSCRIPTIONS IN LOCAL CURRENCY

The Society’s Representatives in the United Kingdom, the North America and Australia continued to receive annual subscriptions in local currencies from members resident in those territories. Their assistance was greatly appreciated.
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Date: 16 March 2015

Dr. Neil Khor Jin Keong
Hon. Secretary MBRAS