



INSTALLATION OF THE 12th YANG DI-PERTUAN AGONG

Supplement



Regalia fit for royalty

THE royal regalia are reserved for important ceremonies of state such as the Royal Installation Ceremony, the opening of Parliament, the Conferring of Royal Awards and other functions of equal stature.

The royal regalia comprise several pieces of exquisitely worked items - *Tengkolok Diraja* (the Royal Headdress), *Pending Diraja* (Waist buckle), *Cogan Alam* (Sceptre of the World), *Cogan Agama* (Sceptre of Religion), *Cokmar* (Maces), *Keris Panjang Diraja* (Long Keris), *Keris*

Pendek Diraja (Short Keris), *Sundang* (Sword Keris), *Payung Ubur-Ubur Kuning* (Yellow Umbrella), *Tombak Berambu* (Tasselled Lances), *Panji-Panji Diraja* (Royal Standard), *Gendik* (the Tiara) and *Kalung Diraja* (the Royal Necklace).

Personal ornaments, various weapons symbolising power and the authority of Malay rulers, and robe of office (the Muskat) are all part of the regalia.

These items are made of precious metals, fabrics, ivory and precious stones of rare and high quality.

TENGGOLOK DIRAJA

It is part of the ceremonial attire of the Malay Rulers.

It is worn by the Yang di-Pertuan Agong during his installation. Made of black fabric embroidered with gold thread (songket), the *Tengkolok Diraja* is folded in the style called *Dendam Tak Sudah*, which originates from Negri Sembilan.

Fixed at the front of the *Tengkolok Diraja* is a crescent and fourteen-pointed star signifying the 14 states in Malaysia.

This platinum ornament is studded with 66 diamonds. In the centre of the star is the colourful crest of the Government of Malaysia.



PENDING DIRAJA

It is made of 24 carat gold and decorated with the crest of the Federal Government. The accompanying waist-band is made of woollen cloth embroidered with floral motifs in gold thread.



KERIS PANJANG DIRAJA

The *Keris Panjang Diraja* is the State Keris, a symbol of power and authority.

The hilt and the sheath of the *Keris Panjang Diraja* are completely gilded and the crosspiece of the sheath is engraved with the crests of the Federal Government and the 11 states of Peninsula Malaysia.

The blade is forged from steel, taken from the 11 keris of the 11 states.



KERIS PENDEK DIRAJA

The *Keris Pendek Diraja* is forged from the blades of antique keris, with its hilt and sheath made of ivory decorated with gold.

Its hilt is called *Hulu Perkaka* and is shaped like the legendary *Garuda*.

The crosspiece of the sheath is embossed with the crest of the Federal Government.

The *Keris Pendek Diraja* is part of the Royal Regalia and like the *Keris Panjang Diraja*, is carried or worn by the Yang di-Pertuan Agong.



PANJI-PANJI DIRAJA

The *Panji-Panji Diraja* is in royal yellow. In the centre is the Coat of Arms of Malaysia flanked by two sheaves of paddy. The gold-coloured sheaves represent abundance and prosperity.

COGAN ALAM AND COGAN AGAMA

They are part of the royal regalia symbolising the royal authority of the Government of Malaysia.

The *Cogan Alam*, which is made of silver, measures five feet four inches in length. At the head of the sceptre is an orb, which is mounted with a crescent and 11-pointed star in gold.

The crests of 11 states of the Peninsula Malaysia, fabricated from gold, decorate the orb. The orb is supported by four tigers standing upright while the shaft is decorated with six stalks of padi in gold.

The *Cogan Agama*, which is made of silver, measures five feet four inches in length and has a large conical head.

At the top of the head are a crescent and five-pointed star in gold. Verses of the Holy Quran are engraved on the head and around the shaft.



COKMAR

They come in a pair and are made of silver. Each mace measures five feet eight inches in length and has a bulbous fluted head.

