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SYNOPSIS

This study examines the social mobility and education of the Chinese in Sabah. It is divided into two sections - macro and micro level. The macro level focuses on the social mobility of the Chinese in Sabah from 1970 to 1980. The micro level is a case study which concentrates on the relationship of educational attainment and social mobility of the six Chinese residential areas in Tawau in 1992.

There are eight chapters in this study. The First is an introductory chapter. It gives a general background of the Chinese in Sabah, the concept involved in the study of social mobility and education. The chapter also contains a literature review, the purpose of study, the hypothesis, research methodology, method and the sampling of population, problems of study, and model analysis.
Chapters Two to Four are macro studies of educational attainment, occupational status and income of the Chinese in Sabah from 1970 to 1980. The examination of these three variables will reflect their social mobility movement during this period.

Chapters Five, Six and Seven are case studies of the six Chinese residential areas in Tawau. This case study is to examine the stratification, consequences of each social class, relationship of educational attainment and social mobility, and influence of ascriptive and achievement factors in status achievement.

Chapter Eight is a concluding chapter. The chapter lists out the main findings of the study and ends with a few suggestions on future research in a similar field.
SIMPOMOSIS


Kajian ini terdapat lapan bab. Bab Pertama adalah bab pengenalan. Ia memberi satu pengenalan am tentang latar belakang orang Cina di Sabah, serta konsep yang terlibat dengan mobiliti sosial dan pencapaian pendidikan. Selain itu, perbincangan juga melibat peninjauan kajian lepas (literature review), tujuan kajian, hipotesis kajian, kaedah kajian, kaedah persampelan dan populasi sampel, masalah kajian dan analisis model.

Bab Lima, Enam dan Tujuh merupakan satu kajian kes di enam kawasan kediaman Orang Cina di Tawau. Kajian kes ini memeriksa stratifikasi sosial, akibat berada di setiap kelas sosial, perkaitan antara pencapaian pendidikan dengan mobiliti sosial, dan pengaruh faktor pencapaian dan warisan dalam pencapaian status pekerjaan.

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