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~Dedication~

To my best friend, the late Joanne Teh,
My Parents, sisters and brother,
friends, and those who LOVE and
CHERISH their Motherland... .

Everything that is done

in the world

is done by

***HOPE***

~ *Epigraph* ~

‘What we see depends mainly on
what we look for
..... .’

- John Lubbock -

‘We don’t see things as they are,
We see things as we are.’

- Anais Nin -

‘What Malaysia needs are *moderates of ends*
and not *moderates of means* in simple
terms, it means the objective of creating not
a Chinese Malaysia, a Malay Malaysia,
an Indian Malaysia but a
Malaysian Malaysia where the different
races, languages, religions and culture
can flourish in Malaysia.’

- Lim Kit Siang -

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ABSTRACT

The main focus of this thesis is to portray the significance and efficacy of Lim Kit Siang's personality and his politics. In the chapter on 'The Man', we try to analyze the background and personality of Kit Siang. This section is important for us to gain an insight into, and to understand Lim Kit Siang as he really is, and to portray the characteristics, strengths, leadership style and charisma of a formidable man, known as "Mr. Opposition", in the local political arena.

In "His Politics", the different roles, the extensive influences, and the diversity of experiences of Lim Kit Siang is presented and analyzed. This section highlights his basic political ideologies and his basic viewpoints that provides the foundation stone of his political philosophy, election campaign and political commitment..

In the chapter on 'The Status Quo', we try to analyze the current status of Lim Kit Siang's politics and his party, the Democratic Action Party (DAP). Various weaknesses of Kit Siang and DAP are reviewed and analyzed. The concluding chapter, providing the latest insight into Lim Kit Siang through a personalized interview, capsulates the essence of a political veteran who remains dedicated to his cause and committed to making the DAP a continuing political force in the years to come.

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