The Surviving Indonesian Traditional Healing Practices

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Abstract

Although a large majority of Indonesians are aware and already have access to modern medicine, quite a large number of them still resort to traditional medicine to cure certain sicknesses that modern medicine has remained unable to explain. The primary purpose of this paper is to discuss some of the surviving Indonesian traditional healing practices that are still prevalent amongst a group of Indonesian immigrant workers living in the Malaysian Bornean state of Sabah. In addition, the paper shall also discuss the impact of rapid modernization and change on these healing practices.