YOGYAKARTA IN DECENTRALIZED INDONESIA: Integrating Traditional Institutions into a Democratic Republic

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Three Issues of Keistimewaan

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Local Direct Election for Governor

• Prodemocracy movements reject the idea that Sultan will automatically become a governor.
• Pro-Sultan loyalists and opportunists support the idea.
• The draft is placing Sultan and Pakualam as Pararadya, while governor is democratically elected.
• Pararadya is dealing mainly with cultural business.
Jajak Pendapat "Kompas" tentang Preferensi Kepemimpinan DIY

- Sultan Hamengku Buwono X ditetapkan menjadi gubernur DIY: 1,8%
- Gubernur dipilih melalui pilkada: 36,1%
- Tidak tahu/tidak jawab: 62,1%

- 24 Oktober 2008, N = 442: 76,5%
- 25 September 2008, N = 329: 72,3%
- 12 September 2008, N = 324: 79,9%
- 27-28 Maret, N = 351: 80,7%
- 31 Januari 2008, N = 369: 64,2%
- 21-28 Februari 2008, N = 399: 60,7%
- 13-14 Maret 2008, N = 351: 76,1%

Metode Jajak Pendapat

Sumber: Litbang Kompas
Langkah Raja Jawa
Menuju Istana

Arwan Tuti Artha
Penulis buku Baktiiker Duniya Spiritual, Soerianto dan Safari Pintar

Assalamualaikum wr.wb.
Salam sejuntera bagi kita bersama.
Saudara & Sebangsa dan setanah air.
Dengan Mohon betunjuk
Kepada Tuan Yang Maha Essa
dan dengan Pantas & Tulus
Membentuk pandangan baju
Ibu Pertiwi, dengan ini
Saya menyatakan 
"Siap Maju menjadi
Presiden 2009"

Assalamualaikum wr.wb.
Yogjakarta 28 Okt 2008
H. Menk-
Hamengku Buwono X
Kraton Assets

- *SG* and *PAG* is reduced from time to time to only approx 5 square km.
- Sultan and Pakualam haven’t held the certificate of ownership for the land.
- Many people who granted *Kekancingan* (used right of Sultan’s land), have declared as theirs or sold to third parties.
- The Government has not financed Kraton and Sultan sufficiently as a traditional institutions.
Mataram 1622-1645

Robert Cribb, Historical Atlas of Indonesia p. 90
Mataram 1931-1942

Robert Cribb, Historical Atlas of Indonesia p. 126
The Role of HB IX

1 August 1945: Sultan took Patih responsibilities.
18 August 1945: telegrams of greetings for Soekarno.
19 August 1945: Piagam penetapan for four kingdoms.

1 Sept 1945: Both Surakarta Kings proclaimed as a part of Indonesia and their land is a special territories.
2 Sept 1945: The Government established 8 provinces, Yogyakarta and Surakarta are part of Central Java Province.
5 Sept 1945: Both Yogyakarta Kings proclaimed as part of Indonesia and their land is a special territories.
• 1946: Surakarta could not maintain its special status.
The Role of HB IX

• 4 Jan 1946: Yogyakarta became the Indonesian Capital for three years.
  – Social changes in Yogyakarta, 18 ministers opened and Kota Yogyakarta was directly managed by central government.
  – Pilot Project for new republic. Eg: KNI establishment and first election in 1951.

• Uncompromised to the Dutch which promised HB IX as Sultan of all Java.

• Mastermind of *Serangan Oemoem* 1 March 1949
Conclusion

The Central Government should consider the three issues of *Keistimewaan* very seriously in order to maintain a stable political condition in Yogyakarta.
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