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# **The Islamization of the Malay Worldview: A Cultural Transformation**

*Ismail bin Mamat*

## **Introduction**

The Malay history has been well-documented and much is written by Malays, non-Malays and Orientalists. They wrote on various genres of literature, culture and other aspects of the Malays. Some of their findings and conclusions are acceptable. As for some others, because of their adoption of various Western social theories, their application to the study of the Malay society yield untenable results. Syed Muḥammad Naquib al-Attas, in his influential works such as the *Preliminary Statement on a General Theory of the Islamization of the Malay-Indonesian Archipelago*, has argued that some of the theories and elaborations, particularly by Orientalists pertaining to Islam and the Islamization of the Malay Archipelago, cannot be considered as having achieved the scientific rank of theory, or in some cases, even of hypothesis. As argued by him, the coming of Islam was the most momentous event for the Malays. It constitutes a new period in their history. This process of Islamization generally refers to the process that brought about the phenomenon of historical and cultural impacts of Islam on the