

SIP History (182 Timeline)

Rise

- Geographic location
- Involvement in trade
- Fall of Srivijaya
- China - SEA trade (T)

Decline

- Climate change
- Economy crash (CHINA)
- SG loses income
- Ext. Threats
- Founding of Melaka

Melaka

- weakened from INTERNAL CONFLICT
- Portuguese took over them.

Arrival of Europeans

- Interest in Spice Trade
- Overpowered Dutch
- Maintain steady supply of I & C items

Rise of Temesek (S)

- Fall of Melaka
- 1511 (before 1819)

British Choosing + Est. of SINGAPORE (Jun 1819)

- Dutch Counter + Solutions (1819 - 1824)

Geog. location:

- Along main I-C trade route
- Southern tip of MALAY PENINSULA
- Silk road (became obsolete)
- many traders used maritime trade passages.

Trade involvement

- Convenient stop for ships headed to Srivijaya / Melaka Sultanate
- They were significant kingdoms.

Fall of Srivijaya

- Used to thrive: strong defense & good trade
- Fell to ext. threats (Chola of Siamese Kingdoms, Majapahit)
- Trade shifted Northeast (Towards SG)

Climate Change:

- Big change in weather patterns
- (China had droughts & famine)
- collapsed economy
- we lost source of wealth
- Ext. Threats
- Majapahit, Ayutthaya (small islands like SG are commonly targeted)

Founding of Melaka

- Good location
- safe & convenient
- Para meru Muslim princess
- attract Muslim traders
- Pay tribute to China for protection.

IC trade

- I: Cotton/Opium
- C: rice/silk/spice
- Steady import & export
- Overpowered Dutch
- They came some also came to heat them!

Spice Trade

- (1400s) high demand for SEA spices
- opportunity
- Europeans competed to control spice trade.

Reasons

- SG Pull F. (Push factors)
- Existing ports not good
- Penang too far North
- Natural sheltered Deep harbor
- easy for big ships & big hauls

Geog. location

- IC trade route

HOW?

- Succession Dispute (Bringing Tengku Abdul Rahman to SG)
- Promised protection + financial help
- Supply of drinking water (a lot of it)
- Monsoon winds caused traders most at the year.

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