



IN MEMORIAM OF OUR REPUBLIC
INDONESIA S

ECOND PRESIDENT H.MOEHAMAD
SOEHARTO

(1921 – 2008)



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“Our Former President R.I. H. Moehamad Soeharto From My Point Of View”

Soeharto was finally Rest In Peace on Sunday, in January 27th 2008 at 13.10 WIB – RSPP(Rumah Sakit Pertamina Pusat).

H. Moehamad Soeharto I knew him just only he's R.I. 2nd President just that not more then that, I never actually know him or I've never met him. But for the first time I cried over someone that I really don't know all my life. I've known him because of news papers/magazine, Tv, radio etc.

It's Odd but I think was natural and when I talked with my friends that day and saw others at the mall or from Tv, I'm not alone there's happened with everyone else to, I mean what I've felt (upsad, cried) it's just not me whom went through emotion like that, there's also felt by the rest of Indonesian people around the archipelago.

After I heard about that very sad news, right away I was bend down on my knee prayed to Allah S.W.T for our ex President. Not just prayed but also I was actually crying.

The question is “Why me and the rest of Indonesian people was cried when our ex president Soeharto pass away ?” the fact is he's not related to me at all and he didn't have any relationship with any of my family.

Before I personally answered that,...I want to explain about this. After a couple of hours from the time I've heard that bad news, straight away I opened my laptop and made a brief review about his political career "IN MEMORIAM FOR Soeharto" (I've already published that at <http://hotnews.pm2legalconsultant.com>)

Why I went through all of that because he was part of the R.I. history and he's the only one president that when he still took the lead. In fact there's a lot of great things that he's already done for this country such as :

❖ **What he's already done and served to this country :**

- Indonesia became one of the ASEAN founders;
- Build our economic open relations with foreign countries;
- Control the inflation and stabilize our currency;
- Finished the communist in our parliament body;
- KUD-KOPERASI UNIT DESA;
- KB called Keluarga Berencana (Government urged people to have children only 2) – Family planning to take control the population of Indonesia people, the purpose was so people could live prosperous;
- AMD – ABRI MASUK DESA army / military went into the village around Indonesia to help develop the village and help the people;
- GN – Gerakan Orang tua asuh (GN OTA) parents take care the children whom might need to be supported so children could go to school;
- Transmigration – move people there were live in areas that already crowded to the areas that still have empty spaces, to open work fields, to develop new industrial areas, and open new areas for farmers;
- Built Taman Mini Indonesia Indah that officially launched April 20th 1975 - TMII is an area for sight seeing all Indonesian areas in miniature;
- Taman Buah Mekarsari, one of the inherited Mekar sari Fruit Garden Mekarsari was built because of an idea from the First Lady. Which is to rise up Indonesian farmers through industrial development;
- Modest Way Of life, one of Soeharto's strategy to reach out the poor and the rich to make the gap between the poor and the rich and because of that March 5th 1974 he's announced that all Indonesian people can live modest and limited. Functionaries can not do business in private sector;
- Build A mosque in Bosnia;

- Swasembada pangan – food self sufficiency (in rice field) around year 1984;
- In the year 1976 Soeharto decided to build communication system via satellite. And Indonesia was 1st country that launched satellite;
- Made Irian Barat Free - TRIKORA;
- East Timor Integration, Soeharto never had an ambition to invade other country, nevertheless he's very anti in any form of invasion;
- Became a world ambassador, he's fought not just for Indonesia but also for other underdog countries;
- Build foundations to help Indonesian people etc.

For just a note there's many great things and rewards that he's already got.

❖ **His Management and strategies :**

- In his career he's got full general same gift that General Nasution and Abdul Haris got;
- He lead based on Java philosophy;
- Management Hasta Brata mean is Hasta is eight (8) and Brata is attitude, the meaning is a leader must know how to act as a good leader;
- A person with discipline;
- Trilogy, Soeharto introduced (**REPELITA I**) his Principle as his foundation as the way his work;
- He created a concept known as GBHN "Garis-Garis Besar Haluan Negara" connected with REPELITA and development;
- Made a decision to limit the political party in Indonesia;
- Made GOLKAR as a strong political party;
- Always succeed executed an election;
- And he made his way of doing thing very clear that he forbid MILITARY as a political party and an army didn't have a right to vote. The only purpose is to guard national security;
- REPELITA I until V as plan for development;
- Military Dwi Function to guard Indonesia still in one peace as an NKRI;
- Very good in strategy ;
- There's no such thing as Civil military;
- He could reach out Indonesian people very nice to people and he made an event "TEMU WICARA" through that TEMU WICARA event he heard his people voice, their needs, listened to their demands etc;
- A good Democrat;

- He also created regeneration or what we called kader kepemimpinan;
- Politik Bebas Aktif;
- He build and gave full attention to micro economy, he give an intention with low class business;
- Mysterious Sniper (Penembak misterius we called it PETRUS); etc

❖ **His leadership personalities and characteristics :**

What was President Soeharto the way that I remembered and all the Indonesian people (before I put this I made questioner about soeharto I asked them what kind of leader he was in your mind ?) me and all the Indonesian people :

- Nice and friendly can touch our hearth-that's why he's been titled with 'smiling general';
- A leader that very modest;
- He's very quite man 'silence is golden';
- When he ruled there's few philosophy that still we can use now which is "padi makin berisi makin merunduk"
- As a leader he was very brave never doubt to made a decision;
- He's focus on agriculture;
- He very focus in education (people could went to school because the price of education was cheap);
- He's made our culture to known by foreign countries, them we've very proud of that;
- A good listener;

And I think there's many more that not all even though after he died many of his political enemies still talking this and that (bad thing) about him but, Indonesian people has a special memories about him "In his era everything was cheap there's nothing that we can't buy and all of the (things was cheap) things was reachable by all Indonesian people. And when we went out safe, we didn't have to worried that might a BOM. And when foreign country want to toke anything from us,...he could make very clear and keep it made a strong decision once again never had a doubt when toke any decision.

But take a look now what **MALAYSIA** has toke from us :

- **BATIK;**
- **REOG PONOROGO;**
- **OUR TERETORY HAD BEEN TOKE FROM INDONESIA;**
- **OUR MALUKU SONG "RASA SAYANGE";** etc

Maybe there's many more that have been taken from INDONESIA but we never know unless Our Government made a decision to protect all of our treasures.

Please stop said but thing about Soeharto it'll be better if you don't say bad about others but please prove your self that you could be better, ...our politicians now they only can make Indonesia more worst, they only know how to get into the position that he/she wanted but after he/she got what they wanted they didn't know how to solve the problem, don't know how to handle the problem.

I'm very fed up to see Indonesian politicians, ***"Our politicians now they only can deceive one and another to get the position that they want, in fact is they can't make change for Indonesia at all"***.

From the questioner that we've got, Indonesian people hope and miss from a leader are a leader that could make an explicit decision, could bring Indonesia from the poorness to richness, and could guard the stability not only economic but also the stability of the country (make us feel safe) could when every where with out scare in our mind and hearth, also could buy anything with cheap price. Hope Our politicians that rule now could be like that.