



**“A STUDY OF FACADE DETERIORATION AT THE OLD SHOP HOUSES
IN IPOH, PERAK”**

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ABSTRACT

Old shop house is one of the country's history that is very valuable. The effects of historical relics such as old shop house can be used as reference material for future generations. Old buildings can give us a sense of impressed and makes us want to know more about the people and culture that produced it. The effects of changes in the facade of the building is also an issue that is rarely highlighted as many think local communities are not aware of the benefits of a monument, or a historic building located in the area Accordingly, this paper discusses the façade deterioration of the old shop houses and architecture style that are used in old shop houses at Ipoh. The facade deterioration have a major impact on the performance and condition of the building, stabilization and structural features of the building. The approach used in this study is the observation in the study area and also used questionnaires to identify issues and problems that exist in the study area.. Therefore, based on these conditions, the study of the facade of the building and the role of conservation measures put forward and give the best recommendation in solving the problem because it gives visual impact to the formation of the image of a city.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Malaysia is a country that is emerging and developed economies. The government of Malaysia has introduced the Vision 2020 to develop and enhance Negara Malaysia, in the pursuit era of national development. We should not forget the tradition and history that remains fundamental to the development of the country on this day.

The remains of the traditional old shop house should not be forgotten and left to be swallowed damage. The old shop houses need to be maintained and cared for history of past events prove our Country. According to Ken Yeang (1992), there are three types of shop houses which is neo classical, art deco and utilitarian that brought by English colonists to our country. This is a legacy or history should be preserved and maintained for seen in the future.

In this research, researcher will discover about the existing architectural influences at shop house around Ipoh town. Besides that, researcher also will identify deterioration that occurs on the facade of the shop houses and ways to overcome that problem.

The conclusion through this research will show clearly all parties should display their awareness to maintain the aesthetics of this valuable asset. This research can also be used as a reference for researchers or students in the future on the silver remains the country's history.