

... the largest district in Sarawak ..

# About Sarawak

KAPIT has 100 years of history and is the largest district in Sarawak. It has rich natural resources and adequate basic infra-structure. Hence it is ideal for investment.



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### *Renovated Lily Pond*

Based on record, Hokkien Chinese came to Kapit in 1880 to open up virgin forest in Kapit followed by Ka Chinese in 1906 and later Foochow Chinese in 1919. They came to Kapit initially to try their luck and to find fortune there. Life then was simple. They grew rubber trees and pepper and traded treated rubber sheet, rotan, and forest tree seeds.



### *New Commercial Centre*

They treated education of their future generation as priority. Hence in 1929, they built the only Chinese primary school known as FuNam Primary School. In 1935, They set up the "Tai San Tin" association to take care of the welfare of chinese there.

In 1941, during Japanese Invasion, Kapit only had two rows of 37 shophouses. But during landing of allied force the 37 units of shophouses were flattened by bombs. Chinese had to built temporary atap houses (houses made of atap leaves) to continue doing business.

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