

ABSTRACT

Batam is one of the areas in riau islands. Based on the ge-ografisgraphic location of Batam directly adjacent to neighboring countries namely Malaysia and Singapore. Singapore is a neighboring country that has an important role for the national interest. Geographically, the two countries have direct borders, resulting in the realization of relations and cooperation in various fields. Such a role is important as one of the gateways and spearheads of the national economy. Batam has its own specialty, which is to be an international trade route. So Batam is used as one of the Free Trade Zone (FTZ) areas for foreign investment and high competitiveness.

The purpose of this research is to find out the Indonesia-Singapore Free Trade Zone cooperation framework, then to find out the ba-tam industrial area, and to find out the implementation of the Indonesia-sia-Singapore Free Trade Zone Cooperation on the development of batam international industrial area.

In this study, the author uses the descriptive-analytical method, which is a method that has the function of providing an overview or description of the object under study through data or samples that have been collected as they are without conducting analysis and making conclusions that apply to the general problem at hand..

Bilateral relations between Indonesia and Singapore are established not only because of geo-graphic factors, but also the nature of mutual need for each other. The main objective of cooperation between the two countries is to create good relations and achieve national interests, especially in the economic field.

Batam continues to progress with mixed results with some leading investors moving to neighboring countries. The central government has upgraded Batam's status from Free Trade Zone to Special Economic Area.

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