

# IDENTITIES & COHESION

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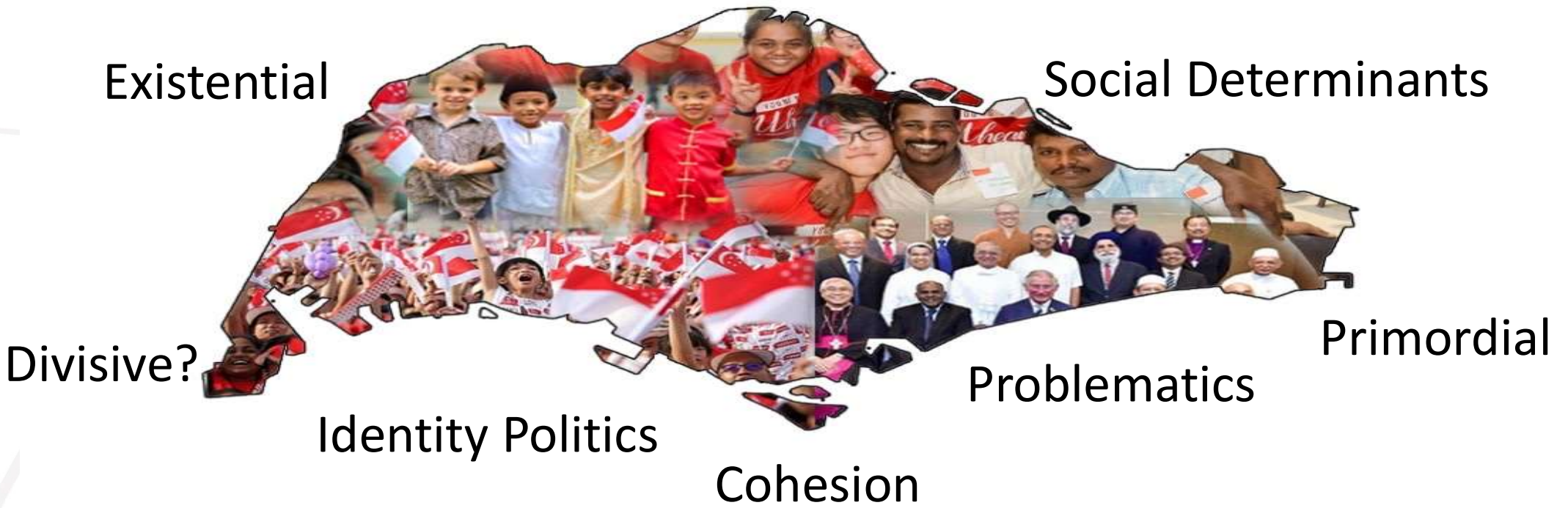
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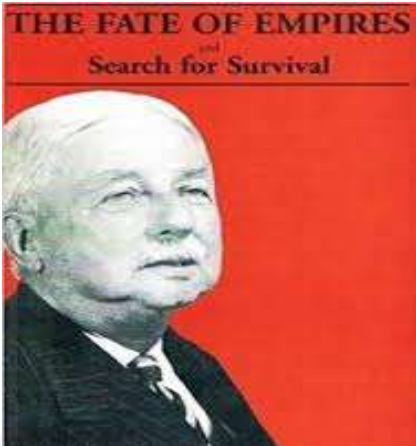
(2) Singapore 2030  
- Less or More Cohesive

(3) Three Ideas  
for Future

# IDENTITY & COHESION



# RISE & FALL OF NATIONS



“Sir John Bagot Glubb”

Greatness

Perished

Economic Factors

Social Determinants

Ascending Curve

Economic

Social

**250  
Years**

Unbridled

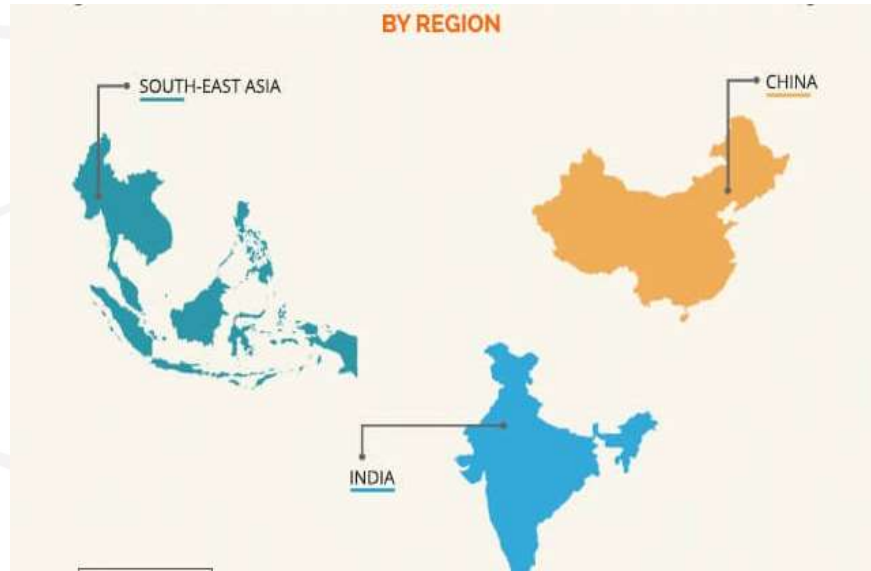
Diversity

Conflictual

# EXCLUSIVISM & INTOLERANCE



- Superiority
- Cancel Culture



- Mutually constraining
- Social Norming



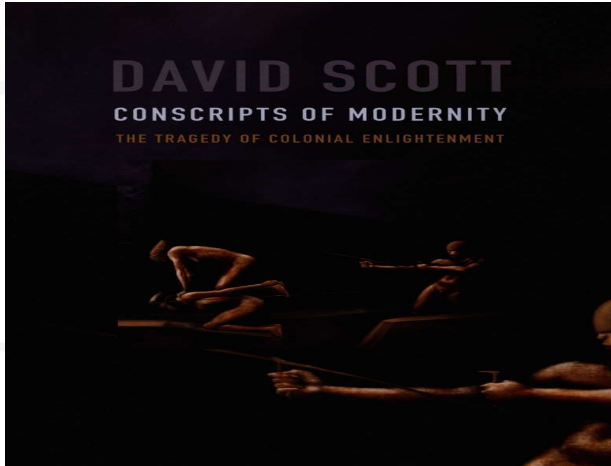
- Politicisation of Religion
- Theologising of Politics

Repressions & Intolerance  
Radicalism & Extremism



- Competition

## RELIGION - STATE



Challenging Trajectory

Problem - Space

Dividing Lines

Encroachment

Common Space

Concessions



RELIGION – NON RELIGION

Social Space

Wisdom

New Spirituality

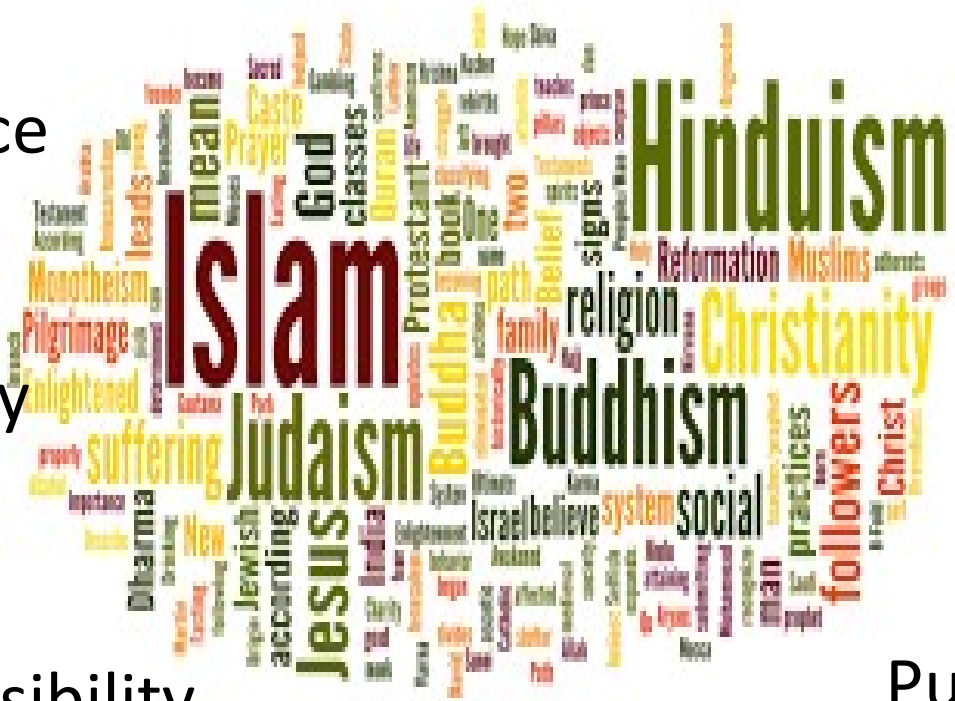
Supreme Text

Moral Sensibility

Social Order

Public Morality

Public Reason



# SUB-CULTURAL DIVERSITY

Dominant Culture

Multi-Culturalism

Live & Let Live



Societal Norms

Culture War

Custodian

Push- back



# PERSPECTIVAL DIVERSITY

Primary Actors

Intersectionality

“Woke”

Social Justice



Racial Justice

Liberty /Human Rights

Unfair Treatment

Alienation/ Prejudice

# COMMUNAL DIVERSITY

Cultural Differences

Bandwidth

Ethnic Other

Cultural Other



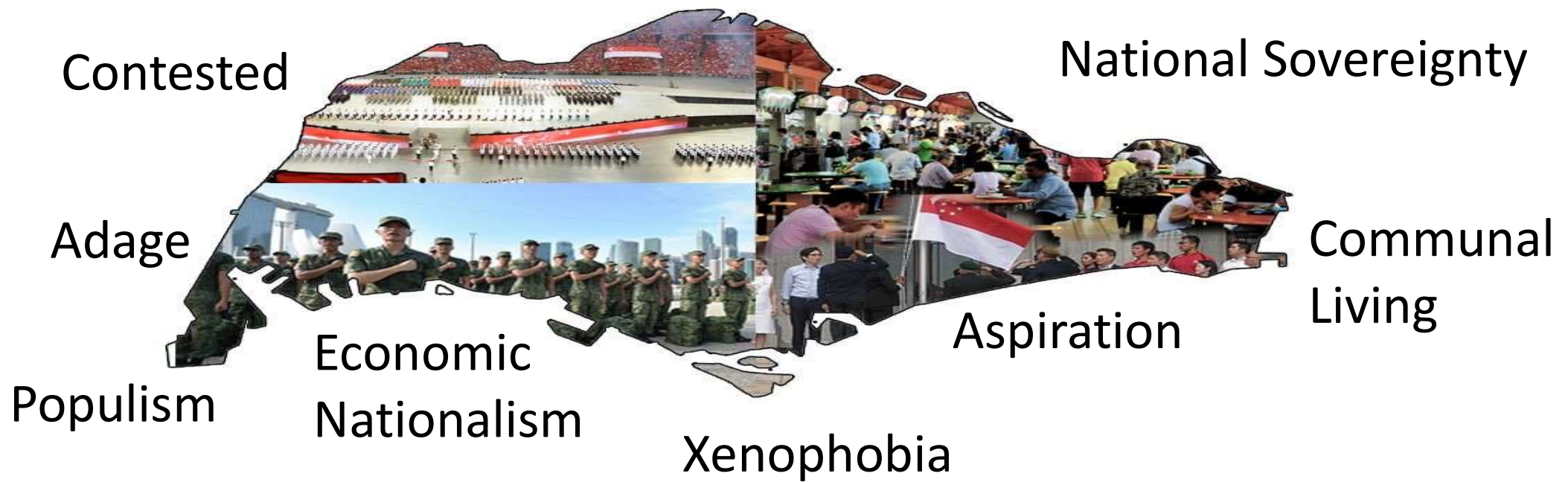
Social divide  
Stratification  
Fault lines

Rising Curve  
Asset

National Happiness

Driving Force  
Rising Income  
Gene Coefficient

# NATIONAL IDENTITY



# SINGAPORE 2030 & BEYOND

Polarisation, Mutuality, Social  
Norming

A DIALOGICAL  
SOCIETY

Pragmatic, Public Space,  
Common Good

NEGOTIATED &  
MEDIATED  
SECULARISM

Unknown Unknowns,  
Frames of Mind, Transform

ENRICHED  
MODUS  
VIVENDI



Thank you