

# **THE SARAWAK DICTIONARY OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS**

## **Introduction**

The Sarawak Dictionary of Acronyms & Abbreviations is a collaboration effort between Pustaka and the author, Dr. David J. Jones. Acronyms are formed by taking the initial letters or parts of a group of words, thereby creating another word. Example of acronyms is Unimas (Universiti Malaysia Sarawak). Abbreviations are simply the shortened form of a word or number of words, such as Bhd. for Berhad or En. for Encik.

The dictionary will assist students, professional writers, journalists, civil servants and others seeking generally accepted abbreviations. It is hoped that it will encourage consistency in the way phrases, departmental and programme names are shortened.

The dictionary is available in two (2) formats that is printed and digital version. Users are encouraged to add acronyms and abbreviations via online version of this dictionary.

## How to search for acronyms or abbreviations from *The Sarawak Dictionary of Acronyms and Abbreviations*?

At the homepage, you will see the screen below:

To search acronyms or abbreviations, you may enter the acronyms/abbreviations or the full description in the search box below, then click on Search button. Otherwise, you can browse for acronyms or abbreviations by alphabet.

**Search Acronyms and Abbreviations:**

Acronym  Description

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**Browse Acronyms and Abbreviations:**  
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**Example 1:** Search by acronym/abbreviation.

**Search Acronyms and Abbreviations:**

ADA

Acronym  Description

What does ADA stand for?

Acronyms / Abbreviations	Full Description
ADA	Authorized Depository Agent
ada	average daily allowance
adag	adagio
adapt	adaptation
FORMADAT	Forum Masyarakat Adat
IADA	Integrated Agriculture Development Area
NADA	National Anti-Drug Agency
PEMADAM	Persatuan Mencegah Dadah Malaysia
Persada	Permuafakatan Siswa Siswi Felda
SCADA	Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition

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**Example 2:** Search by description.

**Search Acronyms and Abbreviations:**

persatuan

Acronym  Description

**What are the Acronyms/Abbreviations with the description contains: persatuan?**

Acronyms / Abbreviations	Full Description
DPMM	Dewan Persatuan Melayu Melanau
EXPOAM	Persatuan Bekas Pegawai Penjara Malaysia
GAPENA	Gabungan Persatuan Penulis Nasional
IKHLAS	Persatuan Usahawan Industri Perikanan Sarawak
KILAS	Persatuan Seni Silat Kilas Maut Kuching
PA	Persatuan Alumni
PABBBM	Persatuan Angkat Berat dan Bina Badan Miri
PADE	Persatuan Pembangunan dan Pendidikan Masyarakat Penan Sarawak
PAIMM	Persatuan Akademi Industri Muzik Malaysia
PAM	Persatuan Autistik Miri

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ii) Otherwise, you can browse for acronyms or abbreviations by alphabet.

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**Example:** Click A to browse Acronyms/Abbreviations starts with Letter A.

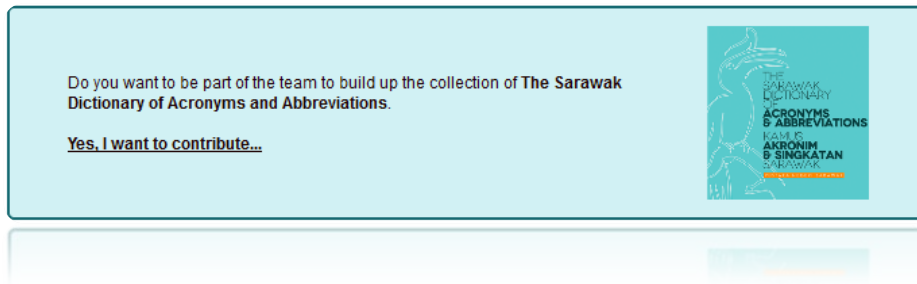
**Acronyms/Abbreviations that start with the letter: A**

Acronyms / Abbreviations	Full Description
A	acting
A	active
A	Ampere
A	answer
A	Assistant
AA	Administrative Assistant
AA	Alcoholics Anonymous
AA	anti-aircraft
AA	Asia-Afrika
AAA	anti-aircraft artillery
AADK	Agensi Anti Dadah Kebangsaan
AAEC	ASEAN Australian Engineering Congress
AAM	Automobile Association of Malaysia
A&E	Accident and Emergency
AAR	automatic air re-circulation
AAS	Advocates Association of Sarawak
AB	Able Seaman
AB	able-bodied
ab	about
a/b	airborne

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- Email \***: A text input field.
- Acronyms/Abbreviations\***: A text input field with a "Check list" button to its right.
- Full Description \***: A text input field.
- Language**: A dropdown menu currently set to "English".
- Source**: A text input field.
- Image**: A "Browse..." button with the text "(File size must not be bigger than 50kb)" below it.
- Notes**: A large text area.
- History**: A large text area.
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- A "Submit Contribution" button at the bottom.

To the right of the form is a large teal graphic featuring a white line-art bird and the text: "THE SARAWAK DICTIONARY OF ACRONYMS & ABBREVIATIONS KAMUS AKRONIM & SINGKATAN SARAWAK PUSTAKA NEGERI SARAWAK".

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