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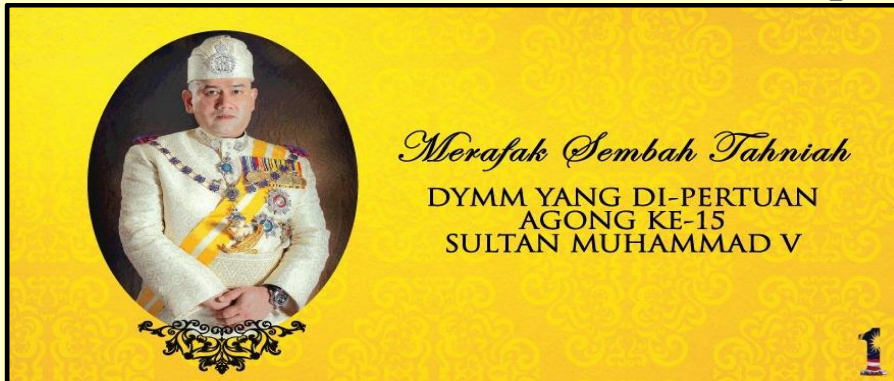
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HIS MAJESTY XV SULTAN MUHAMMAD V THE YANG DIPERTUAN AGONG

The Sultan of Kelantan, Sultan Muhammad V (pic), has taken the oath of office as the 15th Yang di-Pertuan Agong in a ceremony steeped in tradition and customs at Istana Negara (National Palace) on 13 December 2016. The Sultan of Perak, Sultan Nazrin Shah, also took the oath of office as the Deputy Yang di-Pertuan Agong. Their Majesties were elected by the Conference of Rulers at its 243rd (Special) Meeting at Istana Negara on October 14, 2016 and will reign for five years. Sultan Muhammad V, 47, succeeds the Sultan of Kedah, Sultan Abdul Halim Mu'adzam Shah.



YANG DI-PERTUAN AGONG (1957-present)			
1 NEGERI SEMBILAN Yang di-Pertuan Agong Almarhum Tuanku Abdul Rahman ibni Almarhum Tuanku Muhammad 11/08/1957 - 1/04/1960	2 SELANGOR Yang di-Pertuan Agong Almarhum Sultan Hisamuddin Alam Shah Aladdin Sulaiman Shah 14/04/1960 - 1/09/1960	3 PERLIS Yang di-Pertuan Agong Almarhum Tuanku Syed Putra Al-Haj ibni Almarhum Syed Hassan Jamalullail 21/09/1960 - 20/09/1965	4 TERENGGANU Yang di-Pertuan Agong Almarhum Tuanku Ismail Nasruddin Shah ibni Almarhum Sultan Zainal Abidin 21/09/1965 - 20/09/1970
5 KEDAH Yang di-Pertuan Agong Al-Sultan Almu'tasimu Billah Muhammad ibni Almarhum Sultan Badlishah 21/09/1970 - 20/09/1975	6 KELANTAN Yang di-Pertuan Agong Almarhum Tengku Yahiya Petra ibni Almarhum Sultan Ibrahim 21/09/1975 - 29/01/1979	7 PAHANG Yang di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Haji Ahmad Shah Al-Mustafa'in Billah ibni Almarhum Sultan Abu Bakar Ri'ayatuddin Al-Muadzam Shah 26/04/1979 - 23/04/1984	8 JOHOR Yang di-Pertuan Agong Almarhum Sultan Iskandar ibni Almarhum Sultan Ismail 26/04/1984 - 25/04/1989
9 PERAK Yang di-Pertuan Agong Almarhum Sultan Azlan Muhibbuddin Shah ibni Almarhum Sultan Yassuf Izuddin Ghafarullahu-lah 6/04/1989 - 25/04/1994	10 NEGERI SEMBILAN Yang di-Pertuan Agong Almarhum Tuanku Ja'afar ibni Almarhum Tuanku Abdul Rahman 26/04/1994 - 25/04/1999	11 SELANGOR Yang di-Pertuan Agong Almarhum Sultan Salahuddin Abdul Aziz Shah Al-Haj ibni Almarhum Sultan Hisamuddin Alam Shah Al-Haj 26/04/1999 - 21/11/2001	15 KELANTAN Seri Paduka Baginda Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Muhammad V 13/12/2016 - 12/12/2021
12 PERLIS Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Syed Sirajuddin ibni Almarhum Tuanku Syed Putra Jamalullail 13/12/2001 - 12/12/2006	13 TERENGGANU Yang di-Pertuan Agong Al-Wathiqu Billah Sultan Mizan Zainal Abidin ibni Almarhum Sultan Mahmud Al-Muktafi Billah Shah 13/12/2006 - 12/12/2013	14 KEDAH Yang di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Almu'tasimu Billah Sultan Al-Haj ibni Almarhum Sultan Badlishah 13/12/2011 - 12/12/2016	

Source: Istana Negara

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❖ FROM THE HEAD OF MISSION'S DIARY



(A). Visit by Hon. E.N. Moyo (MP), Minister of State for Provincial Affairs, Bulawayo Metropolitan to the Embassy on 9 February 2017.



(B). Mr. Amarjit Singh Sarjit Singh, CDA Embassy of Malaysia Harare – Winner of Outstanding Contribution to Diplomacy (CDA category) by Diplomacy Appreciation Trust & Diplomat Magazine, Zimbabwe. The Annual Diplomat of the Year Awards Ceremony was held at Cresta Lodge, Harare on 10 March 2017.



(C). Chargé d' Affaires officiated at the Prefects Investiture of Westridge High School Harare on 3 February 2017.



(D). Group photo at National Defence University during the visit of the Prof. Dato' Seri Dr. Mohamed Mustafa Bin Ishak, Vice Chancellor of University Utara Malaysia to Zimbabwe, 6-10 March 2017.



(E). Signing of MoU between University Utara Malaysia (UUM) and National Defence University on 7 March 2017.



(F). Chargé d' Affaires flanked by General Constantino Chiwenga Commander of the Zimbabwe Defence Forces and military top brass at the National Defence University on 7 March 2017.



(G).Mr. Amarjit Singh Sarjit Singh, CDA paid a courtesy call on Governor, Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe, Dr. J.P. Mangudya on 15 March 2017.



(H).Mr. Amarjit Singh Sarjit Singh, CDA paid a courtesy call on Deputy Foreign Minister Hon Edgar Mbwembwe on 15 March 2017.



(I). Embassy of Malaysia and Ladies Association (PERWAKILAN Harare) participated at the annual 24 Hour Run of the Harare International School on 6 April 2017.



(K&L)Mr. Amarjit Singh Sarjit Singh, CDA was featured on the The Diplomatic Encounter program of Zimbabwe Broadcasting Corporation (ZBC) which was aired, on 13 April 2017.



(J).Harare Diplomatic Spouse Association April Gathering at Malaysia House, on 12 April 2017

❖ UPCOMING EVENTS IN MALAYSIA



Kuala Lumpur International Book Fair is a 11 day event being held from 27th April to 7th May 2017 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. This event showcases a wide range of publications and associated services



ITEX 2017 is set to return on the 11th-13th May 2017 at Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre, Malaysia with one goal in sight: empowering entrepreneurs to transition from scientific discovery to commercial application. In line with the Malaysia Commercialization Year, as championed by the Ministry of Science Technology and Innovation, ITEX 2017 will continue to strive on this theme and aims to make great ideas commercially viable.



4th Dream Car Expo is a 3 day event to be held from 12th to 14th May 2017 at the Mid Valley Exhibition Centre in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. This event will showcase products like cars, accessory and related services.



17 June 2016, Malaysia: The first ever Malaysia Coffee Fest will celebrate everything that is wonderful about Malaysia's vibrant coffee culture. From top class baristas to talented local artisan roasters, to fiercely independent coffee shops and more, it will all happen in Kuala Lumpur from 5 to 7 May 2017. The iconic Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre (KLCC) will take center stage as the venue of the inaugural Malaysia Coffee Fest 2017

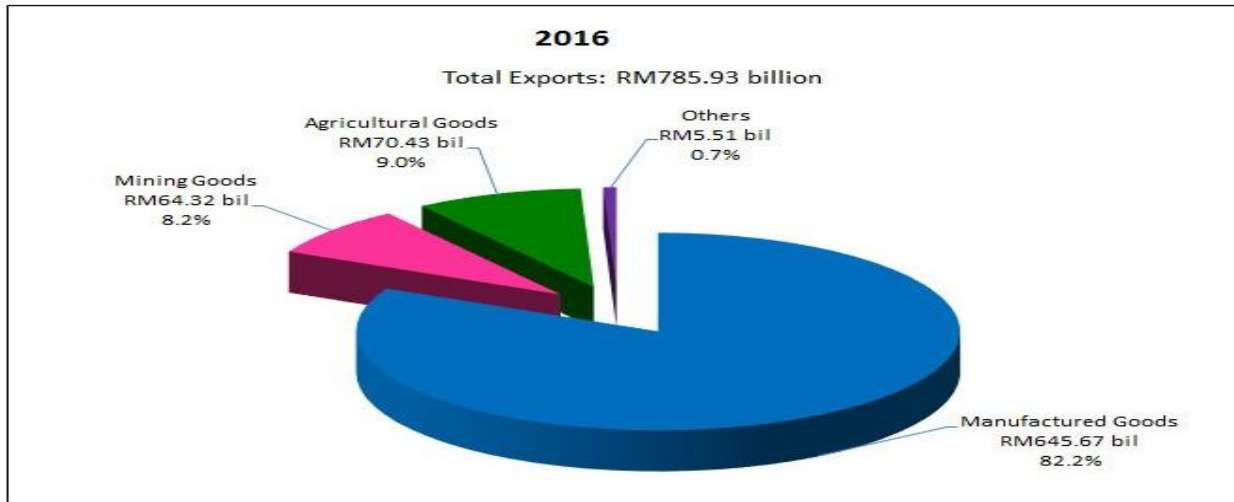


METALTECH which will be held on 24-27 May 2017 at Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC) enables exhibitors to meet some 25,000 decision makers and leaders in related industries such as Aerospace, Automotive, Marine/Offshore, Metalworking, Energy, Electrical and Electronics, and even Medical. Both buyers and sellers can take this opportunity to network; learn and source new technology, to grow together with the industry and to reach new heights in business status.



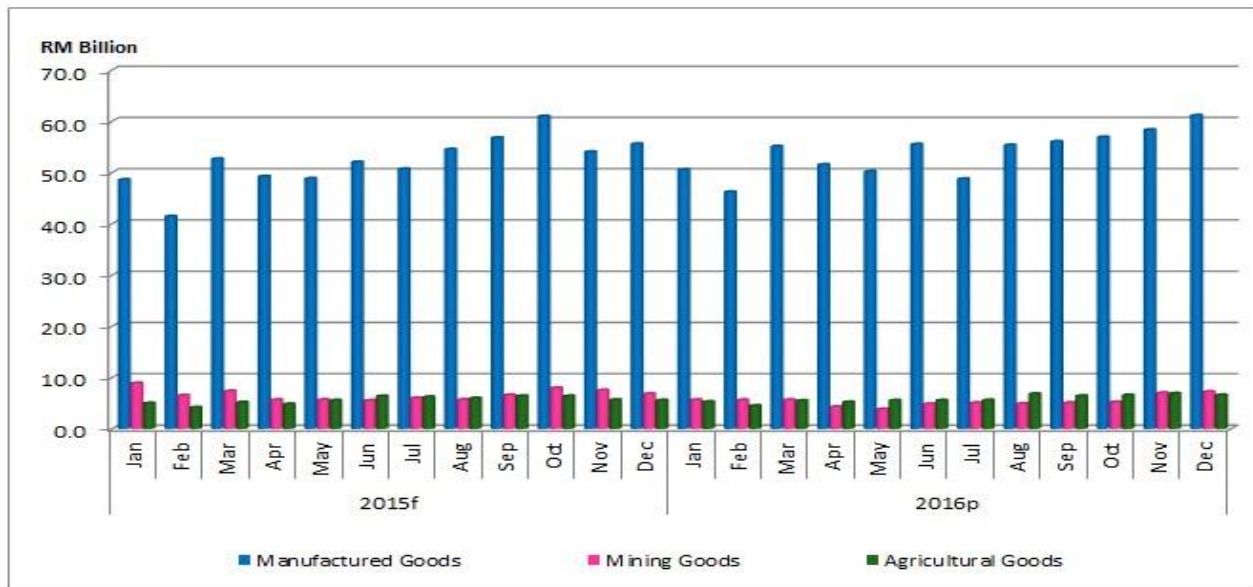
5th Malaysia's premier Shared Services & Outsourcing Conference will be held on 16-17 May 2017 at Pullman Kuala Lumpur City Centre Hotel and Residences.

Components of Malaysia's Exports 2016



Source: Department of Statistics, Malaysia
Compiled By: MATRADE

Malaysia's Exports by Main Sectors, 2016



❖ TRAVEL MALAYSIA – JOHOR

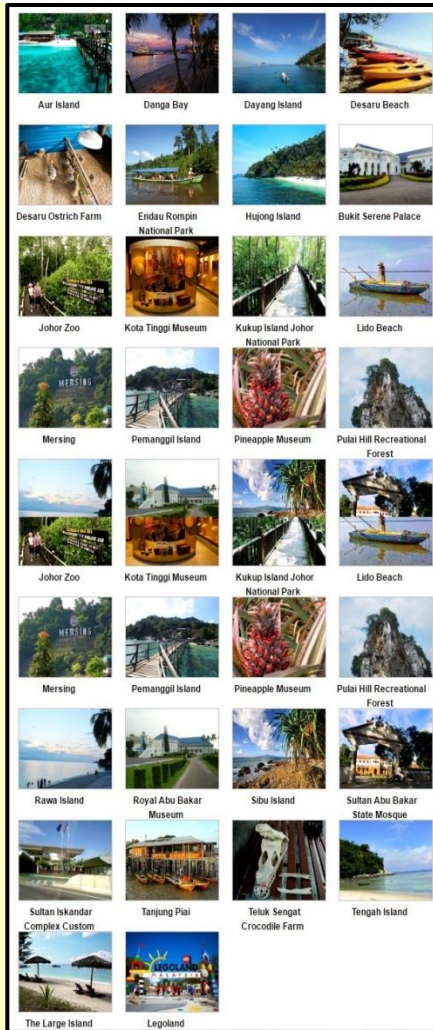


The name “Johor” originated from the Persian word Jauhar, “gem/jewel”. Malays tend to name a place after natural objects in great abundance or having visual dominance. Before the name of Johor was adopted, the area south of Muar River to Singapore Island was known as Ujong Tanah or “land’s end”, due to its location at the end of the Malay Peninsula. Coincidentally, Johor is the most southern point of the Asian continental mainland.

Geography - Climate and Weather. Johor, like most parts of west Malaysia is generally hot and humid due to the location of Malaysia that is near to the equator. It has a mean temperature ranging from 27 to 30 degrees. It is wet in Johor during the inter monsoon periods which is from April to October. However, during other times of the year, Johor is usually dry with occasional showers.

Shopping Guide - Shopping is a must in Johor. There are several shopping malls that one must visit. There are the City Square Johor Bahru, Aeon Tebrau City, Holiday Plaza and Plaza Pelangi. These malls offer various brands and range at affordable prices. The latest addition to the malls in Johor would be the Johor Premium Outlet which is a haven for those to crave for designer brands. Here you will be able to find brands like Coach, Fossil, Nike, LV and many more at a lower price. The Johor Premium Outlet is very packed on the weekends. Be sure to get there early if you plan to go there.

Dining / Restaurant - The Grand Straits Garden Seafood Restaurant is one of the most reputable Chinese restaurants in Johor. This is the place



to go to for fresh seafood. The variety of seafood here is incredible. You can pick your own seafood as they are live seafood placed in tanks on display. The restaurant is a large one and can fit many people at a time. Dining here does cost a little more but it is worth the service and taste of the dishes. Another famous place which locals usually frequent is the Ark Restaurant. This is an all-you-can-eat steamboat restaurant. You can try various types of foods here at only RM17 per pax. For western food, the place to go is the George & Dragon café. Many claim that the best steaks in town can be found here at George & Dragon café. The appetizers as well as the desserts are simply to die for. If you are in Johor, do drop by at this café.

Activities - Danga Bay is the largest recreational park in Johor. The park is situated close to the Istana Bukit Serene. Danga Bay is usually the choice of location for events during the festive season. Danga Bay is expected to be the next exclusive waterfront development as it

offers high-end outlets, luxurious properties as well as entertainment. The Danga Bay is easily accessible through the network of main roads, which makes this place a frequently visited spot by the locals. The Pulau Desaru Beach is a 22-kilometer long beach that is well maintained. The beach offers the beautiful scenery of the South China Sea with tropical rainforest in the background. Another great place for sun and fun would be at the Sibul Islands. It is actually made of an archipelago of several islands that make up the Sibul Islands.



There are numerous activities at the Sibul Island. They include fishing trips, jungle trekking and many more. If you like the outdoors, the Endau Rompin National Park is a must. This is the second national park after the Taman Negara in Pahang. The Endau Rompin is an 80,000 hectares of land occupied with lush greenery and a diverse group of fauna. A trek into the national park will give you the opportunity to watch the rare sights of the leaf monkeys, white-handed gibbons, long-tail macaques, tapirs and many more. Entry into the park will require a special permit from the Johor National Park Corporation. Thus, do make sure you have that before you visit the park.

Transport - Public transport is available here but it is limited to only taxis and buses. It would be best if you have your own car to drive around to visit the places of interest.

Getting there by air:

Senai International Airport
Domestic and international flights are provided by: Malaysia Airlines; with direct flights to and from Kuala Lumpur-KLIA; AirAsia, +60 85 9999, 7AM-7PM; with direct flights to and from Kota Kinabalu, Kuala Lumpur-KLIA, Kuching, Miri, Penang, Sibul, Jakarta, Bandung, Surabaya, Medan. Firefly, ☎ +60 3 7845 4543, daily 8AM-9PM, with direct flights to and from Kuala Lumpur's Sultan Abdul Aziz Shah Airport Subang Skypark terminal (formerly known as Terminal 3). Firefly also offers direct flights between Johor Bahru and Kota Bharu in Kelantan and Pekanbaru, Indonesia. Malindo Air, +603 7841 5388 (8AM-9PM daily) [5] with direct flights to and from Kuala Lumpur-KLIA, Kuala Lumpur's Sultan Abdul Aziz Shah Airport Subang Skypark terminal (formerly known as Terminal 3), and Kota Kinabalu.

❖ MALAYSIA EDUCATION FAIR 2017

Organised by the Embassy of Malaysia, the Inaugural Malaysia Education Fair 2017 from 14 to 15 January 2017 attracted 300 students and parents. 10 Malaysian Universities were represented at the event namely HELP University, INTI Int. University, LIMKOKWING University, MAHSA University, QUEST Int. University, SUNWAY University, MANIPAL Int. University, USCI University, Asia Pasific University of Tech & Innovation



Malaysia enrolls 700 Zim students annually

AT LEAST 700 Zimbabwean students enrol at Malaysian universities each year, according to the Malaysian Embassy in Harare.

Ivan Zhakata
Suburban Reporter

Speaking at the inaugural students fair held recently at Cresta Lodge, which saw 10 Malaysian universities showcasing their programmes, Malaysian head of mission, Amarjit Sarjit Singh said the fair was aimed at increasing the number of Zimba-

bwean students studying in Malaysia.

"Annually, we have about 153 000 international students studying in Malaysia and about 700 of them are from Zimbabwe.

"This fair is aimed at increasing the number of Zimbabweans studying in Malaysia and if successful, we will be holding such fairs twice a year since it is seasonal.

"Malaysia is world class (in terms of) education and is cheaper since the currency is in favour of Zimbabwe. The students will also have a Malaysian experience and the main

reason for this fair is that most parents want to see the university representatives and talk to them about the safety of their children.

"We are happy that there is quite a number of enquiries from parents, some who want to transfer their children to Malaysia," he said.

Singh said in Malaysia they have home grown government and private universities and branch campus of international universities which cater for international students.

Event organiser, Jiten Shah of Conceptarian Worx said the event

was held after the realisation that many parents and students were failing to get proper information about studying abroad.

"We realised that there were so many people who were failing to get information about the education system outside Zimbabwe.

"Most students have been looking at the United Kingdom, United States of America, Canada, Australia and South Africa but now we want them to also look at Malaysia as an option," he said.

Representatives from various universities were present at the fair.



❖ **NATIONAL TRANSFORMATION 2050**



The 2050 National Transformation or *Transformasi Nasional (TN50)* is a new 30-year transformation plan for Malaysia. It is a new vision for Malaysia, announced by the Prime Minister of Malaysia during the 2017 Budget. TN50 aims to transform Malaysia into a nation of caliber with a new mindset. TN50 will span three decades, and the youths of all races will form the core of this new transformation plan.

On 19 January 2017, the Malaysian Prime Minister, Dato' Sri Mohd Najib Tun Razak, launched the first series of national discourse to chart the nation's direction on a new canvas as the 2050 National Transformation with some 500 youth leaders at Dewan Tunku Canselor, University Malaya.

The general goal for TN50 is for Malaysia to become a top 20 country in the world by the year 2050.

In the run up to the unveiling of TN50 in 2019, there will be a series of discussions on what the Malaysian identity should be by 2050 – in terms of how Malaysians view themselves as diverse Malaysians.

The Ministry of Youth and Sports is tasked to collect views from youths in the first few months of this year, before moving on to other groups.

The year 2017 will be spent collecting views from public with 2018 the year for the Government to have more focused discussions with experts to see whether the views and suggestions are realistic. Near the end of the next year or early 2019, the Government will form a policy document on TN50 to be announced by the Prime Minister.

“Let TN50 bear witness; (let it) be recorded in history that we are responsible citizens and forefathers, to leave behind the best and he greatest legacy to be inherited by future generations. “From now on, TN50 is our lucky charm. Let the old legacy pass. The future of Malaysia, we will recreate” - Prime Minister of Malaysia, Dato’ Sri Mohd Najib Tun Abdul Razak, 21 October 2016.

❖ **RECIPES**



Chicken Rendang
Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 pound boneless and skinless chicken breasts or thighs, cut into cubes
- 1/3 cup cooking oil
- 1 cinnamon stick
- 3 cloves
- 3 star anise
- 3 cardamom pods
- 1 lemongrass, white part only, pounded and cut into strips
- 1 cup coconut milk
- 1 cup water
- 5 kaffir lime leaves, bruised
- 5 tablespoon toasted grated coconut (kerisik)
- 1 tablespoon sugar or to taste
- Salt to taste

Spice Paste:

- 6 shallots
- 1-inch piece galangal
- 3 stalks lemongrass, white part only
- 4 cloves garlic
- 1-inch piece ginger, peeled
- 10 dried chilies (chili arbol), and seeded



Method:

Add all the ingredients of the Spice Paste in a food processor. Blend well.

Heat the oil in a skillet, add the Spice Paste, cinnamon, cloves, star anise, and cardamom pods and stir-fry them until aromatic.

Add the chicken and lemongrass, stir to combine well with the spices. Add the coconut milk, water, and simmer on medium heat, stirring frequently until the chicken is almost cooked.

Add the kaffir lime leaves, toasted coconut, stir to blend well with the chicken. Lower the heat to low, cover the lid and slowly simmer for 30 minutes or until the chicken is tender and the gravy has dried up. Add sugar and salt to taste. Serve immediately.

***Contributed by Ladies Association of the Embassy (PERWAKILAN Harare)**



❖ MALAYSIAN TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMME (MTCP)



Programme (MTCP) was first initiated at the First Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) for Asia Pacific Region in Sydney in February 1978. It was officially launched on 7 September 1980 at the Commonwealth Heads of State Meeting in New Delhi to signify Malaysia's commitment to South-South Cooperation, in particular Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries (TCDC).

In line with the spirit of South-South Cooperation, Malaysia through the MTCP shares its development experiences and expertise with other developing countries.

The programme forms part of the commitment of the Malaysian Government towards promoting technical cooperation among developing countries, strengthening of regional and sub-regional cooperation, as well as nurturing collective self-reliance among developing countries.

The MTCP was first formulated based on the belief that the development of a country depends on the quality of its human resources. The programme forms part of the commitment of the Malaysian Government towards the promotion of technical cooperation among developing countries, strengthening of regional and sub-regional cooperation, as well as nurturing collective self-reliance among developing countries.

The MTCP emphasises the development of human resources through the provision of training in various areas which are essential for a country's development such as public administration, good governance, health services, education, sustainable development, agriculture, poverty alleviation, investment promotion, ICT and banking. More than 100 short-term specialised courses are offered by 79 MTCP training institutions, many of which are centres of excellence for training. Since its launching, more than 25,000 participants from 140 countries have benefited from the various programmes offered under the MTCP.

Objectives of MTCP:

- To share development experience with other countries;
- To strengthen bilateral relations between Malaysia and other developing countries;
- To promote South-South Cooperation (SSC); and
- To promote technical cooperation among developing countries (TCDC).

Type of Assistance:

- Short-term specialised courses;
- Long-term courses (Scholarships);
- Study visits and attachments;
- Services of experts;
- Socio-economic development projects; and
- Supply of equipment and materials.

For information on MTCP:

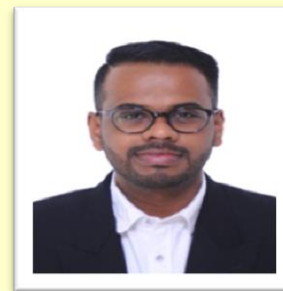
Website: <http://mtcp.kln.gov.my/>



❖ PERSONALITIES



The Embassy's longest serving locally-recruited staff is Mrs Fungai Cecilia Bechani. Starting at the Embassy (then, High Commission) as a Clerk cum typist in 1990, she has steadily scaled the ladder to her current designation as Senior Administrative Assistant. Having served nine Heads of Mission for the last 27 years and counting, Mrs Bechani enjoys reading and cooking as hobbies. Married to an army officer for 34 years now, the couple is blessed with four daughters and four grandchildren. While she enjoys roti jala (lace pancake) with chicken curry, her favourite Malay phrase is baju baru (new clothes). Asked on her impression of Malaysians, she described Malaysians as "result-oriented". Mrs Bechani hopes to travel to Malaysia at least once before her retirement.



Aged 30, Mr Mohan Dass Sivanason hails from Kuala Lumpur and took up his assignment in Zimbabwe in late 2016. He is leading the transformation of one of Zimbabwe's largest agro-processing firms. Mohan enjoys visiting safari parks and he is no stranger to the continent. This adventurous bachelor (not for too long, perhaps) misses riding his superbike which has taken him to many parts of Malaysia. "I like the balance of modernity and nature that prevails in Zimbabwe. The absence of a communication barrier is an added attraction," he said. Mohan also enjoys singing and misses his regular doses of Malaysian culinary delights. In the meantime, he practices his culinary skills at home in Harare on weekends.