

**Malaysia, Indonesia to review recruitment of foreign workers**  
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Malaysia and Indonesia agreed to review the mechanism of recruitment and management of Indonesian workers in a bilateral meeting in Kuala Lumpur today.

In a statement, the Home Ministry said the bilateral meeting involving Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Ahmad Zahid Hamidi and Indonesian Manpower and Transmigration Minister Hanif Dhakiri had focused on the management of Indonesian workers in Malaysia.

"Based on the cooperation and close relations between both countries, the Malaysian government and Indonesia are taking initiatives to review the mechanism of hiring and managing Indonesian workers in Malaysia.

"It is hoped this will bring a positive impact to both nations and benefit both Indonesian workers and employers in Malaysia," the statement said.

Meanwhile, Hanif said the review would look at benefits for the Indonesian workers, including domestic workers here.

"Today, we agreed to relook issues related to our workers in this country, including the return of our illegal workers and re-hiring of those already having working permits."

Hanif said officers from both countries would meet in the middle of this month to review and refine the mechanism of re-hiring and managing Indonesian workers here. – Bernama, October 1, 2015.

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