

**Malaysian Delegation Attends 24<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Labour Ministers Meeting in Laos**  
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KUALA LUMPUR, May 10 (Bernama) -- Human Resource Minister Datuk Seri Richard Riot Jaem will lead the Malaysian delegation to the week-long 24th ASEAN Labour Ministers Meeting (ALMM) ke-24 in Vientiane, Laos, beginning today.

According to a ministry statement, the meeting themed, 'Transition from Informal Employment to Formal Employment towards Decent Work Promotion in ASEAN', is expected to approve several documents on ASEAN labour and issue a joint statement by the ASEAN Labour Ministers.

Riot, who will be accompanied by the ministry's secretary-general and senior officials, as well as senior staff of the Malaysian Embassy in Vientiane, is due to present a statement at the meeting on the programme for ALMM 2016-2020, as well as touch on the issue of informal employment to formal employment.

"The ALMM meeting will be preceded by several meetings at senior official levels such as the Ninth Meeting of the ASEAN Committee on the ASEAN Declaration on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights of Migrant Workers, as well the 12th Meeting of Senior ASEAN Labour Officials," said the statement.

The ALMM is held every two years and this year, it will be attended by more than 200 delegates from ASEAN member countries as well as China, Japan and South Korea, ASEAN secretariat, International Labour Organisation, International Organisation for Migration, United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women and Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung.

The Meeting of ASEAN +3 Labour Ministers which was founded in 2001 will also be held through the collaboration of ASEAN with +3 nations, namely China, Japan and South Korea.

During the meeting, Riot will share Malaysia's experience in the area as well as discuss the collaboration and discussions with the +3 nations to maximise common benefits.

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