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AUSTRIAN AT&S CHOOSES MALAYSIA AS ITS FIRST PRODUCTION PLANT IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

AT&S, the Austria-headquartered global manufacturing leader of highend printed circuit boards (PCB) and integrated circuit (IC) substrates, has chosen Malaysia as its frst production plant in Southeast Asia. Mr. Andreas Gerstenmayer, Chief Executive Offcer (CEO) of AT&S met with YAB Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin, the Prime Minister of Malaysia, yesterday during a video conference to convey the offcial announcement.

AT&S' new facility in Kulim Hi-Tech Park, Kedah, to produce high-end PCBs and IC substrates involves a proposed total investment of RM8.5 billion (€1.7 billion) and will create 5,000 high-tech and high impact jobs. The construction of the facility is scheduled to begin in the second half of 2021 with commercial operations targeted to come on stream in 2024. This project is among the investments attracted by the Malaysian Investment Development Authority (MIDA) under the National Short-Term Economic Recovery Plan's (PENJANA) investment scheme, launched on 5 June 2020.

AT&S' high end PCB and IC substrates are used in mobile devices, industrial electronics, automotive applications as well as medical and health technology. As an international enterprise, the company has production facilities in Austria, India, China and South Korea.

At the meeting, I expressed optimism that the investment also holds out bright prospects for our local SMEs to beneft from the supply chain generated. The meeting was also attended by Mr. Arham Abdul Rahman, CEO of MIDA and AT&S Chief Operating Officer (COO) Mr. Ingolf Schröder. Also present were Malaysian Ambassador to the Republic of Austria Dato' Ganeson Sivagurunathan and Dr. Michael Postl, Austrian Ambassador to Malaysia, joining from Vienna and Kuala Lumpur, respectively.

Welcoming AT&S into Malaysia's vibrant electrical and electronics (E&E) ecosystem, the Prime Minister said, "AT&S' decision to invest here speaks volumes of its confdence in the Malaysian economy's capacity and promise of sustainable growth."

The Prime Minister expressed confidence that Malaysia's E&E industry's skilled talent pool, facilitative investment environment, as well as deep integration with international supply chains, offer the ideal mix for high-tech stakeholders. "Working hand in hand, AT&S' footprint in Malaysia will also further boost the development of our semiconductor ecosystem, enable opportunities for our local vendors in the feld of advanced electronics and spur high-tech employment for Malaysians," the Prime Minister added.

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In congra tula ting A T&S on the ir significant move to Malaysia for the business expansion, the Prime Minister applauded AT&S' commitment to Malaysia, with MIDA having worked closely with the Company since November last year to secure the project. "The Government of Malaysia will ensure timely approval of the implementation of the project and in this regard, AT&S is welcome to utilise the facility provided under the One Stop Centre (OSC) for Business Travellers," the Prime Minister said. Commending the hard work put in by MITI and MIDA to attract more quality investments globally, particularly in the areas of technology and innovation, the Prime Minister said, "This investment announcement represents a key win for Malaysia in proving our efforts to source for high-quality investments from international companies."

In explaining the choice for their strategic decision, AT&S CEO Mr. Andreas Gerstenmayer said, "After very intensive location scouting globally, Malaysia has emerged as the country in which we want to push ahead with our 'More than AT&S' strategy," adding that, "AT&S brings the latest generation of high-end technologies to the country and builds up a whole new technology sector.

Beside manufacturing of high-tech products, a significant amount of R&D activities will be executed at this new location. Malaysia can beneft its position as a technology-country and can strengthen the region as a high-tech manufacturing hub in Asia."

Pointing out the perfect win-win-situation, AT&SCOO Mr. Ingolf Schröder said, "The location in the Kulim Hi-Tech Park, Kedah is a perfect match to our expansion plans. Beside the excellent infrastructure and stable supply chain, the whole ecosystem has been aligned in the last decades, the semiconductor industry has been in Malaysia for more than 30 years and the overall environment is very well developed."

No doubt, AT&S' latest investment is a testament to the confidence of foreign investors in Malaysia's economic prospects as well as the human capital resource available to cope with the high-tech demands of high-impact industries. Coupled with the strong showing of investment approvals for the frst quarter (Q1) of this year, totalling RM80.6 billion in the manufacturing, services and primary sectors, AT&S' investment bodes well for Malaysia's recovery efforts from the economic challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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MONTHLY MANUFACTURING, APRIL 2021

Malaysia's Manufacturing sales in April 2021 stood at RM130.6 billion, grew 72.5 per cent as compared to RM75.8 billion reported a year ago. On month-on-month growth, the sales value went up by 2.9 per cent (RM3.7 billion) while in a seasonally adjusted terms, the sales value increased by 6.6 per cent. The year-on-year increase in April 2021 was driven by Transport Equipment & Other Manufactures Products (332.4%), Electrical & Electronics Products (80.2%) and Petroleum, Chemical, Rubber & Plastic Products (49.1%).

Malaysia posted the highest ever growth of 72.5 per cent in April 2021 with Manufacturing sales value amounting to RM130.6 billion



72.5%

Mar. 2021 : 15.3% MoM : 2.9%



NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

2,235,004 persons 3.0%

Mar. 2021 : -1.1% MoM : 0.1%

MoM: -13.1%



RM7,385.6 million

8.2%

Mar. 2021 : 0.8% MoM : -1.7%



RM58,454

Mar. 2021 : 16.5% MoM : 2.9%

67.4%

SALES VALUE BY SUB-SECTOR

Food, Beverages & Tobacco



Non-Metallic Mineral Products, Basic Metal & Mar. 2021 : 5.1% Fabricated Metal Products MoM: -2.6% 80.2% **Electrical & Electronics** Mar. 2021 : 17.0% **Products** MoM : -3.6% 332.4% Transport Equipment & Mar. 2021 : 34.2% MoM: 0.2% Other Manufactures **49**.1% Petroleum, Chemical, Rubber Mar. 2021: 15.3% & Plastic MoM: 5.7%

Note: Percentage growth refers to Year-on-Year (YoY) and Month-on-Month (MoM) changes

Source : Monthly Manufacturing Statistics, Malaysia April 2021 Department of Statistics Malaysia

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEX, APRIL 2021

The Industrial Production Index (IPI) grew 50.1 per cent in April 2021 as compared to the same month of the previous year. The growth of IPI in April 2021 was driven by the increment in all indices; Manufacturing index (68.0%), Electricity index (22.9%) and Mining index (14.3%).

Malaysia's Industrial Production Index (IPI) soared 50.1 per cent in April 2021, driven by strong performance of Manufacturing sector which grew 68.0 per cent



IPI:50.1%

Mar. 2021 : 9.3% MoM : -4.5%



Mining: 14.3%

Mar. 2021 : -1.9% MoM : -5.7%



Manufacturing: 68.0%

Mar. 2021 : 12.7% MoM : -4.3%



Electricity: 22.9%

Mar. 2021 : 10.3% MoM : -3.4%

MANUFACTURING



Mar. 2021 : 7.2% MoM : 6.3%



Food, Beverages & Tobacco

230.6% Mar. 2021 : 9.1%

MoM : -19.6%



Textiles, Wearing Apparel, Leather Products & Footwear

212.6%

Mar. 2021 : 11.1% MoM : -8.5%



Wood Products, Furniture, Paper Products & Printing

37.5%

Mar. 2021 : 14.1%



Petroleum, Chemical, Rubber & Plastic Products

141.0%

Mar. 2021 : 8.0% MoM : -7.4%



Non-metallic Mineral Products, Basic Metal & Fabricated Metal Products

70.1%

Mar. 2021 : 13.8% MoM : 5.3%



Electrical & Electronics Products

275.2%

Mar. 2021 : 20.9% MoM : -2.8%



Transport
Equipment
& Other
Manufactures



Crude Oil & Condensate 2.7%

MoM: -8.4%

Mar. 2021 : -9.4%

MINING

Natural Gas 23.9%

Mar. 2021 : 4.3% MoM : -3.7%



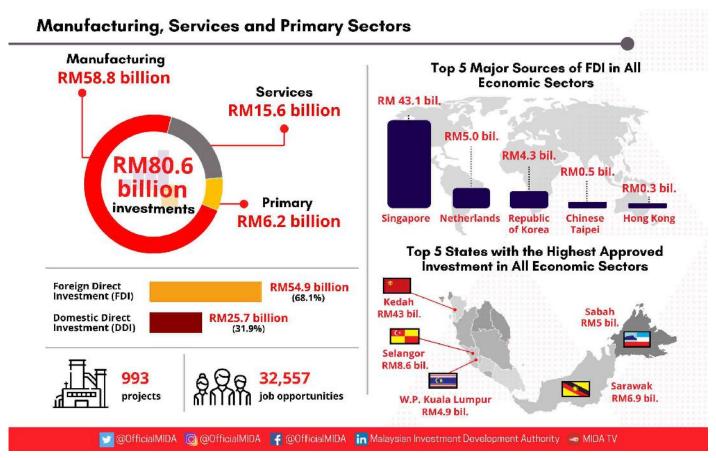
Note:

Percentage refers to the change in Month-on-Month (MoM) and Year-on-Year (YoY)

Source:

Index of Industrial Production Malaysia, April 2021 Department of Statistics Malaysia

APPROVED INVESTMENTS, Q1 2021



Malaysia recorded a total of RM80.6 billion worth of approved investments in the manufacturing, services and primary sectors in the Q1 2021 a surge of 95.6 percent from the same period last year (RM41.2 billion).

The continued aggressive strategies to attract high level investments from both foreign and domestic investors is exhibiting promising results. These approved investments involved 993 projects and are expected to generate 32,557 job opportunities.

Malaysia remains a competitive investment location for foreign investors despite the multiple headwindson the global front. To talapproved foreign direct investments (FDI) in the manufacturing, services and primary sectors increased by 383.4 per cent to RM54.9 billion for the period of January – March 2021 from RM11.4 billion in the same quarter last year. Singapore (RM43.1 billion), the Netherlands (RM5.0 billion), the Republic of Korea (RM4.3 billion), Chinese Taipei (RM0.5 billion) and Hong Kong (RM0.3 billion) were the top five countries in accordance to reporting by immediate source of FDI. Investments from Singapore include one 100 per cent Chinese owned mega project, where the source of funding is made through its affliate located in the country.

Meanwhile, domestic direct investments (DDI) made up the rest of RM25.7 billion, contributing 31.9 percent to the total approved investments in all the three sectors. Five (5) states; Kedah, Selangor, Sarawak, Sabah and W.P. Kuala Lumpurcontributed RM68.4 billion (84.9 percent) to the total approved investments for January – March 2021.

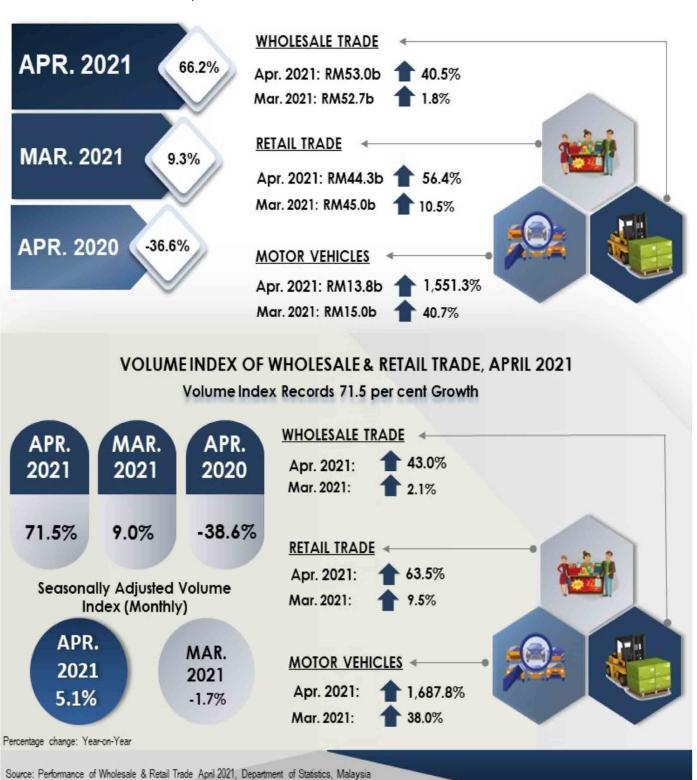
The manufacturing sector leads the investments for the Q1 2021, recording RM58.8 billion, followed by the services sector at RM15.6 billion and the primary sector at RM6.2 billion.

Source: MIDA

DISTRIBUTIVE TRADE, APRIL 2021

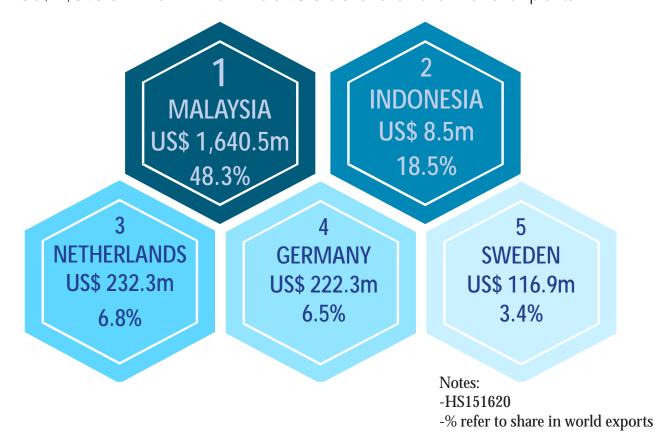
Sales value of Wholesale & Retail Trade recorded RM111.1 billion in April 2021, registered positive growth of 66.2 percent year-on-year (Chart 1). The growth was a ttributed by Motor Vehicles which increased 1,551.3 percent. Similarly, Retail Trade and Wholesale Trade rose 56.4 percent and 40.5 percent respectively.

In terms of volume index, Wholesale & Retail Trade registered a growth of 71.5 per cent year-on-year to record 127.9 points. The increment was due to the increase of 1,687.8 per cent in Motor Vehicles. Retail Trade and Wholesale Trade also recorded a positive growth to register 63.5 per cent and 43.0 per cent respectively. As for sea sonally adjusted volume index, it surged 5.1 per cent month-on-month in April 2021.



WORLD LARGEST EXPORTER OF VEGETABLE FATS AND OILS AND THEIR FRACTIONS, PARTLY OR WHOLLY HYDROGENATED, INTERESTERIFIED, RE-ESTERIFIED OR ELAIDINISED, WHETHER OR NOT REFINED, BUT NOT FURTHER PREPARED

In 2020, Malaysia's export of Vegetable fats and oils and their fractions, partly or wholly hydrogenated, inter-esterifed, re-esterifed or elaidinised, whether or not refned, but not further prepared recorded US\$ 1,640.5 million which was 48.3% share of the world exports.

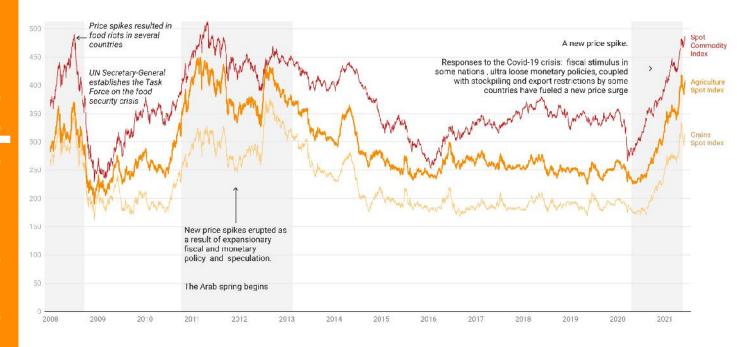




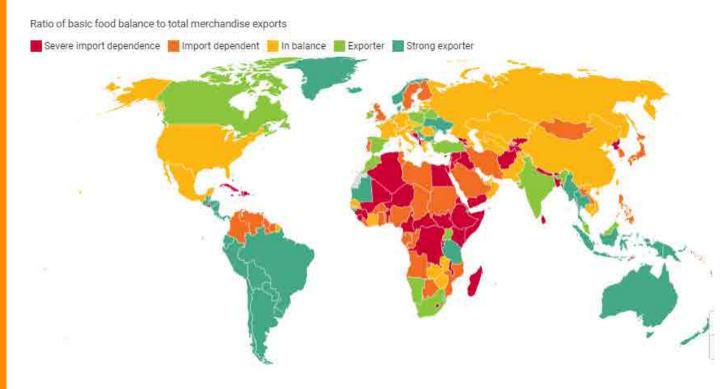
WORLD TRADE AND FOOD SECURITY

In 2020, 155 million people faced severe food insecurity. And the situation could deteriorate further. Food prices are perilously climbing to heights like those that have sparked food crises and riots in many parts of the world during the last two decades.

COMMODITY AND FOOD PRICES DYNAMICS, JAN 2008 - JUNE 2021



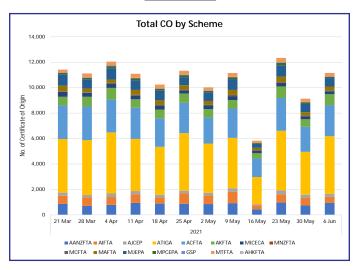
TRADE DEPENDENCE FOR BASIC FOOD, 2019



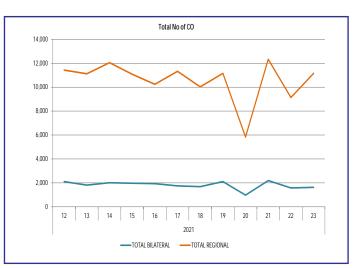
Source: http://unctad.org/

Number of PCO as at 6 June 2021 Weekly / Monthly/ Annually

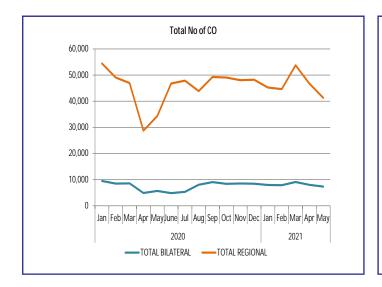
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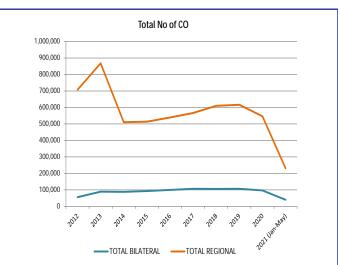
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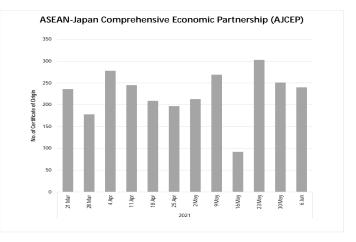
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Regional FTA Number of Preferential Certificates of Origin (PCOs)





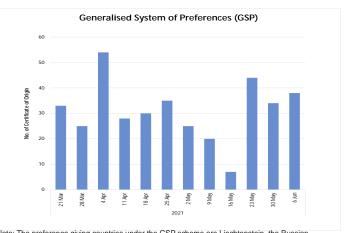












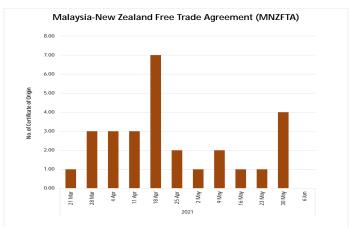
Note: The preference giving countries under the GSP scheme are Liechtenstein, the Russian Federation, Japan, Switzerland, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Norway and Cambodia

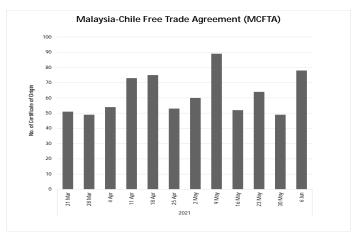
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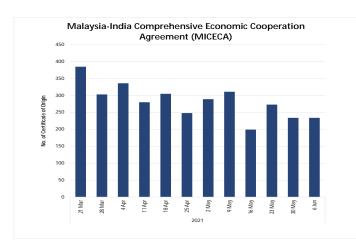
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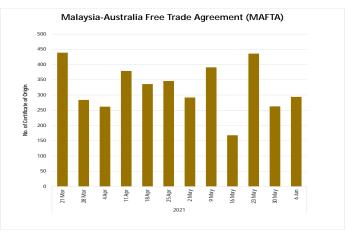


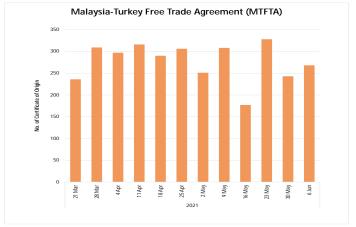








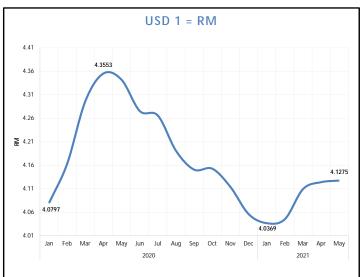




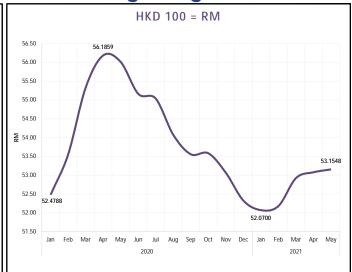
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Malaysian Ringgit Exchange Rate with Selected Countries, January 2020 - May 2021

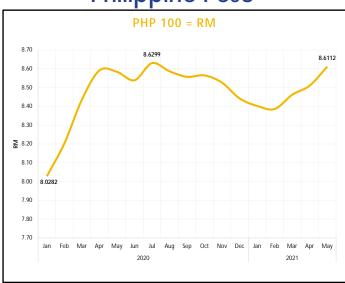
US Dollar



Hong Kong Dollar



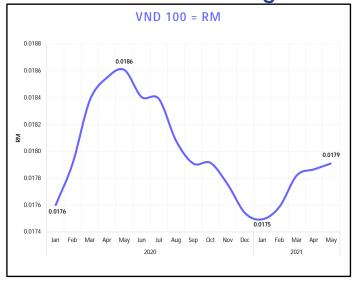
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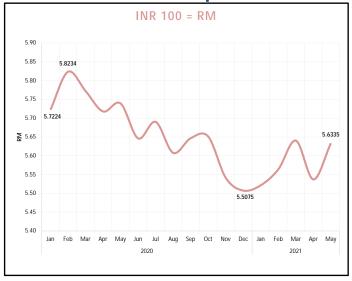
Indonesian Rupiah



Vietnamese Dong



Indian Rupee



Source: Bank Negara Malaysia

Commodity Prices

CRUDE PETROLEUM (BRENT) -per bbl-



11 June 2021

Highest 2020/2021

4 Jun 2021: US\$71.9 03 Jan 2020 : US\$68.6

15 Jan 2021 : US\$55.1 24 Apr 2020: US\$21.4

> Lowest 2020/2021

Average Price 2020 : US\$43.5

CRUDE PALM OIL -per MT-



US\$972.7

11 June 2021

Highest 2020/2021

7 May 2021 : US\$1,156.0 24 Dec 2020: US\$944.2

22 Jan 2021: US\$884.7 8 May 2020: US\$473.0

> Lowest 2020/2021

Average Price 2020ⁱ: US\$668.3

RUBBER SMR 20 -per MT-



US\$1.633.5 11 June 2021

Average Price 2020 i: US\$1,333.4

COCOA SMC 2 -per MT-



ÙS\$1.469.3 11 June 2021

Average Price 2020 : US\$1,576.6

SUGAR -per lbs-



11 June 2021



Average Price 2020 : USC12.9

COAL -per MT-



8.6%* US\$110.0

11 June 2021

Average Price 2020 i: US\$47.7

SCRAP IRON HMS -per MT-



S\$520.0 (high)

(=) %* **US\$498.0** (low)

11 June 2021

Average Price 2020 : US\$307.9 (high) Average Price 2020 : US\$284.7 (low)

Domestic Prices 11 June 2021



Billets (per MT) RM2,700-RM2,800

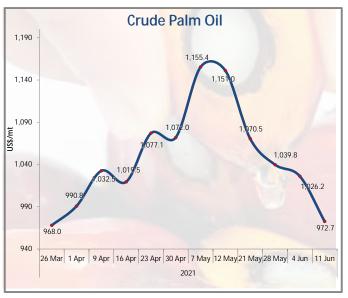
Steel Bars (per MT) RM3,100 - RM3,250

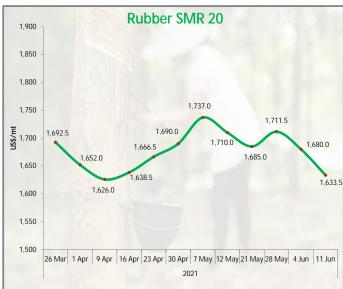
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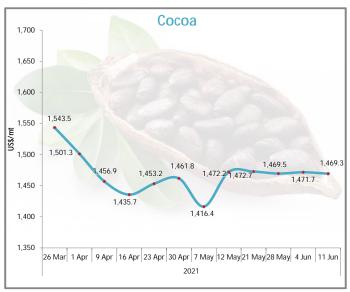
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- i Average price in the year except otherwise indicated

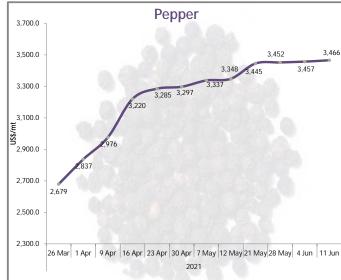
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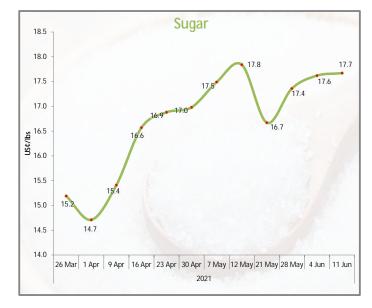
Commodity Price Trends

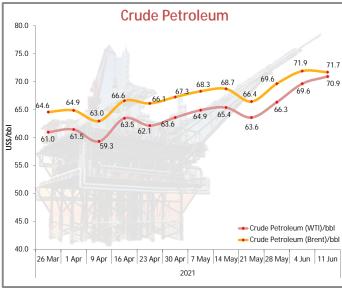






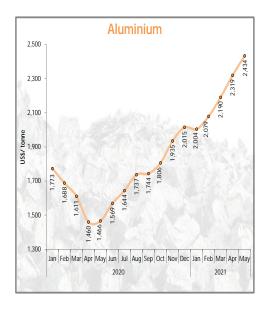


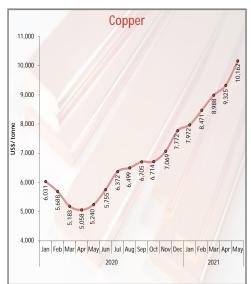


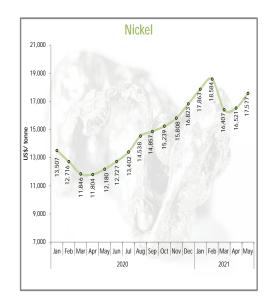


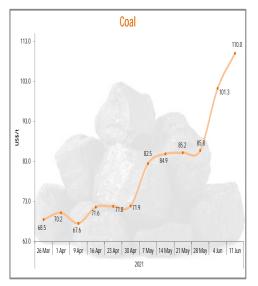
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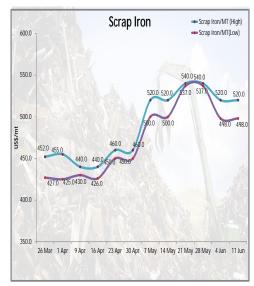
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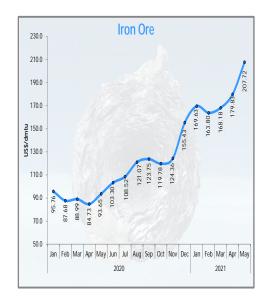




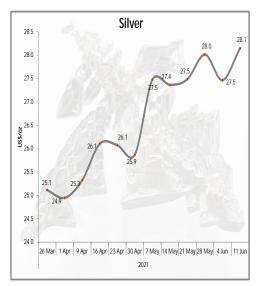


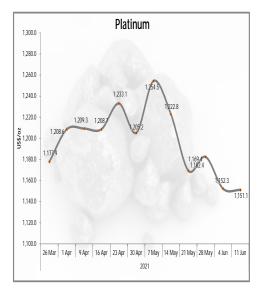












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- · 60:40 matching grant

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Who is eligible?



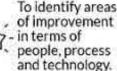


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 Business Act (1956)
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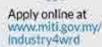
Be entitled to apply for financial incentives.

Incentives for RA

- 500 SMEs will be selected for free assessment.
- Others will get tax exemption on RA fees up to RM27k.







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Process Flow

A FEW SIMPLE STEPS

// Evaluation by Committees



Onsite Assessment



Receive RA Report

Enquiries

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- RA: industry4wrd@m pc.gov.my







Develop Intervention Proposal



Apply for Financial Incentives



Implement the Intervention Plan

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MCO LOCKDOWN (15 JUNE - 28 JUNE 2021)

- 1. MCO LOCKDOWN MEDIA RELEASE
 - 2. MITI MEDIA RELEASE ON CIMS
 - 3. ALL THE CONTACTS YOU NEED



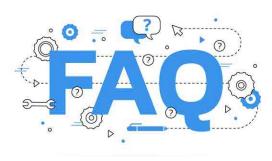
4. REGISTRATION FOR BUSINESS OPERATION



5. SOPs



6. FAQ & ENQUIRY





ALL AGENCIES INVOLVED











BUSINESS DURING TOTAL LOCKDOWN











PIKAS

(PROGRAM IMMUNISASI KERJASAMA AWAM DAN SWASTA)

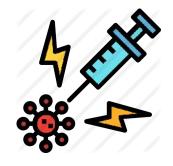
1. PIKAS MEDIA RELEASE

2. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

3. REGISTRATION



4. LIST OF PIKAS PPV



5. FAQ



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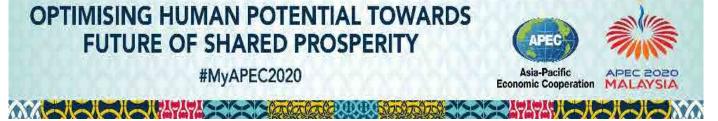


Bagi sebarang pertanyaan/aduan berkaitan operasi sektor ekonomi, sila hubungi talian hotline MITI seperti di atas.



For more information, please contact:





For more information, kindly click the following links: https://www.myapec2020.my/en/

TMPLEMENTATION OF ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE AND SEAL THROUGH THE EPCO SYSTEM EFFECTIVE FROM 13 APRIL 2020

For more information, kindly click the following links: https://bit.ly/2RUyG81

HOW COMPANY CAN CHECK THE STATUS OF ATIGA E-FORM D TRANSACTIONS IN THE ELECTRONIC PREFERENTIAL CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (EPCO) SYSTEM

For more information, kindly click the following links: https://bit.ly/2ZhxmRp







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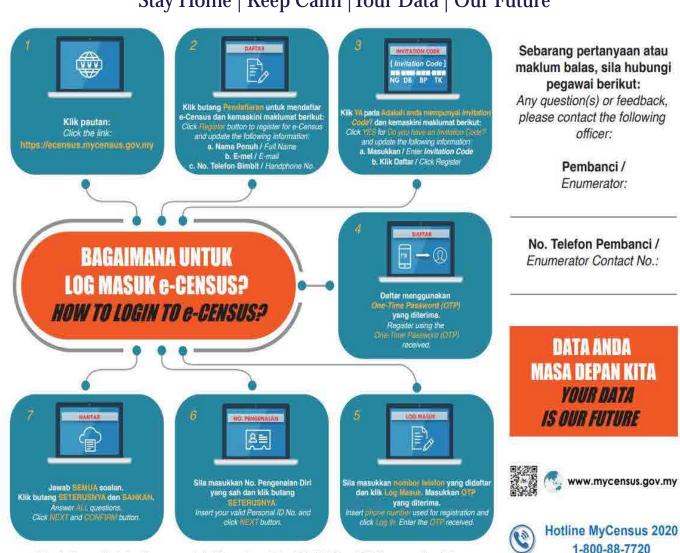
Due to the recent announcement of Movement Control Order (MCO/PKP) 3.0 by the Government, the Population and Housing Census 2020 will continue online until 30th June 2021. Please be counted by participating in e-Census at:

http://ecensus.mycensus.gov.my

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