

EXTERNAL TRADE, APRIL 2023

TOTAL TRADE RM198.0 bil. ▼ 14.5%	TRADE BALANCE RM12.8 bil. ▼ 45.3%
EXPORTS RM105.4 bil. ▼ 17.4%	IMPORTS RM92.6 bil. ▼ 11.1%



SECTORIAL PERFORMANCE OF EXPORTS & IMPORTS

Manufacturing RM90.9 bil. ▼ 15.5%	Manufacturing RM78.8 bil. ▼ 7.0%
Mining RM6.6 bil. ▼ 28.9%	Mining RM7.1 bil. ▼ 38.6%
Agriculture RM7.2 bil. ▼ 29.2%	Agriculture RM5.5 bil. ▼ 11.4%

IMPORTS FOR BEC & END USE

Intermediate Goods 48.9%	Intermediate Goods RM45.3 bil. ▼ 24.2%
Capital Goods 11.0%	Capital Goods RM10.2 bil. ▲ 11.8%
Consumption Goods 8.8%	Consumption Goods RM8.2 bil. ▼ 1.6%

TOP 3 TRADING PARTNERS



TRADING WITH ASEAN

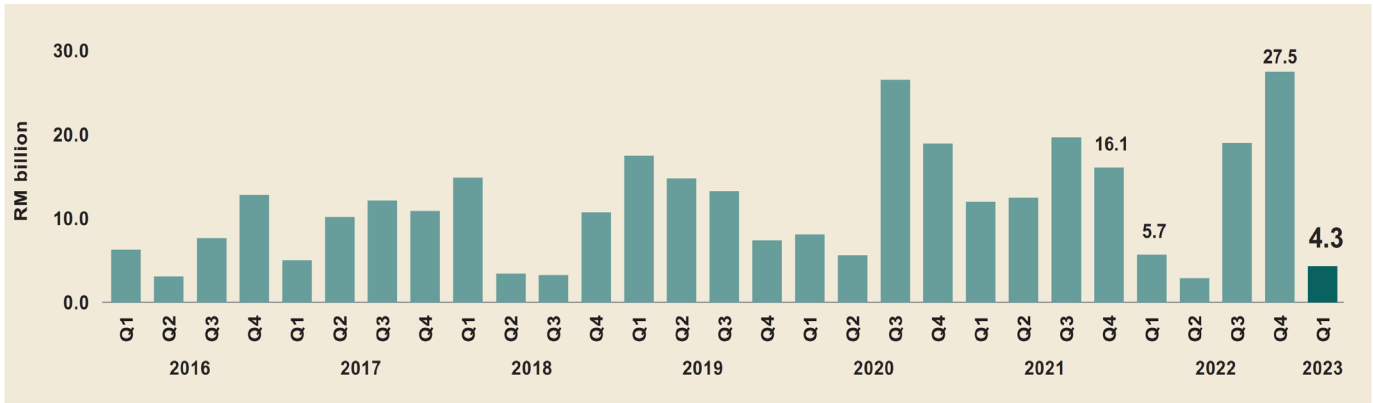


Note:

- ▲ ▼ All changes are based on year-on-year (y-o-y) comparison
- The April 2023 data is preliminary and subject to revision in later issues.
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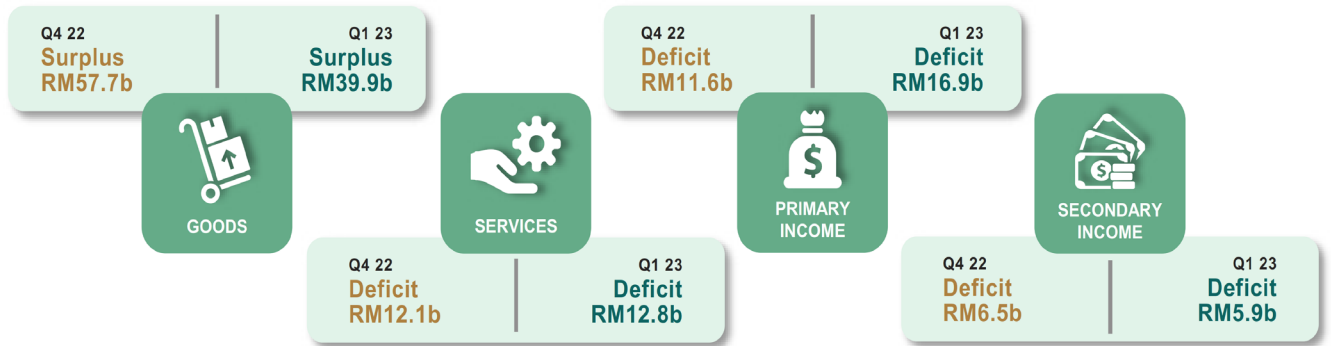
Source : Monthly External Trade Statistics, April 2023, Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS, Q1 2023



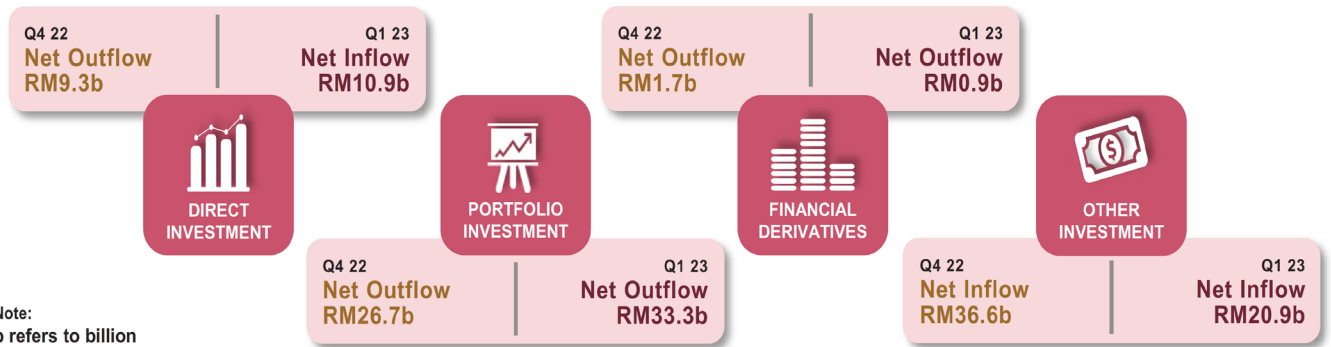
CURRENT ACCOUNT

Malaysia's current account balance posted a **surplus** of **RM4.3 billion** supported by net exports of **Goods**



Financial account registered a **net outflow** of **RM2.4 billion** mainly due to a higher outflow in **Portfolio investment** and a lower inflow in **Other investment**

FINANCIAL ACCOUNT



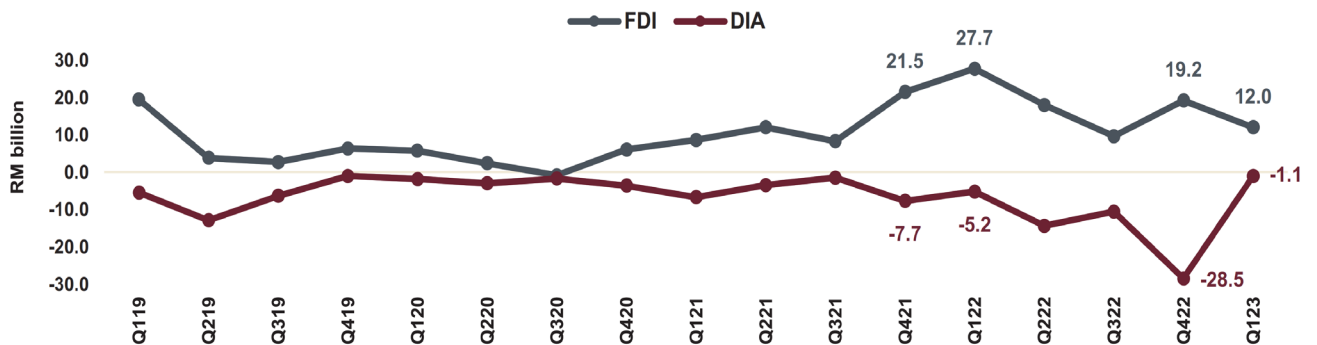
Note: b refers to billion

FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT

FDI recorded a net inflow of **RM12.0 billion**

DIRECT INVESTMENT ABROAD

DIA recorded a net outflow of **RM1.1 billion**



Note: Negative value refers to outflow

Source: Balance of Payments, Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)

INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT POSITION, Q1 2023

TOTAL ASSETS

Q123
 ▲ **RM2,275.4b**

Q422
 RM2,221.1b

TOTAL LIABILITIES

Q123
 ▲ **RM2,190.9b**

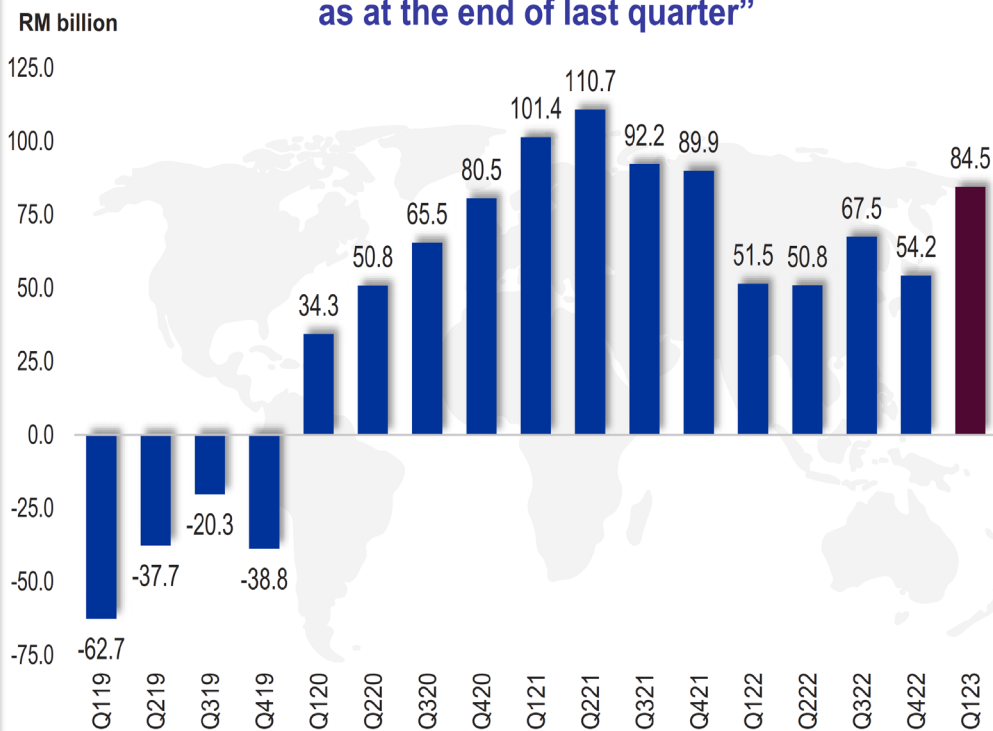
Q422
 RM2,166.9b

NET ASSETS

Q123
 ▲ **RM84.5b**

Q422
 RM54.2b

“Malaysia’s IIP registered higher net assets position of **RM84.5 billion** from RM54.2 billion as at the end of last quarter”

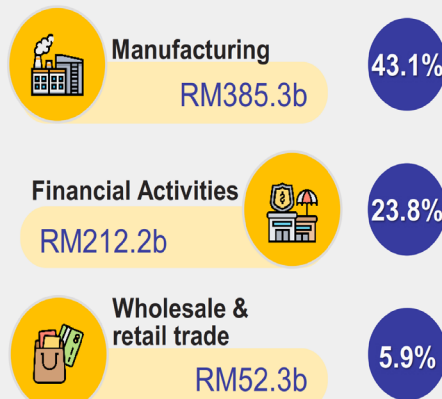


TOP COUNTRIES

TOP SECTORS

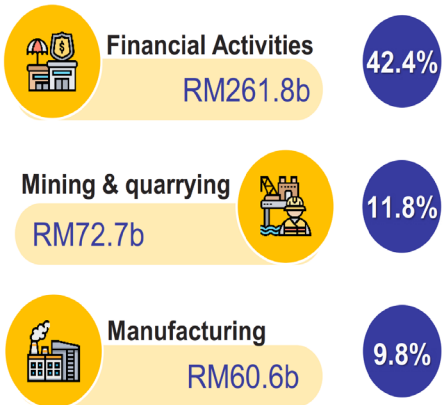
FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT (FDI)

RM893.2b ▲



DIRECT INVESTMENT ABROAD (DIA)

RM617.0b ▲



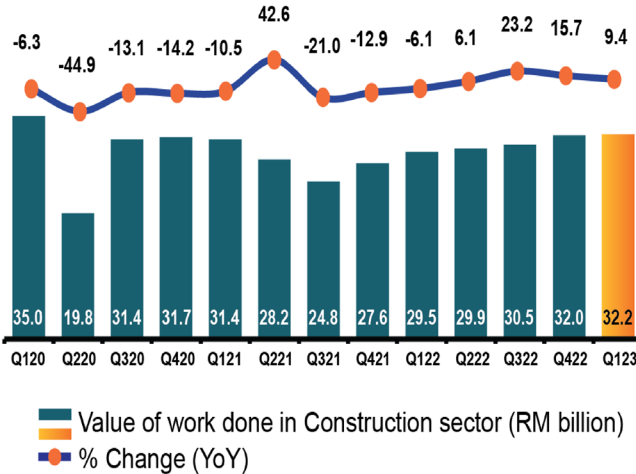
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 2. (%) refers to share

Source: International Investment Position (IIP), Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)

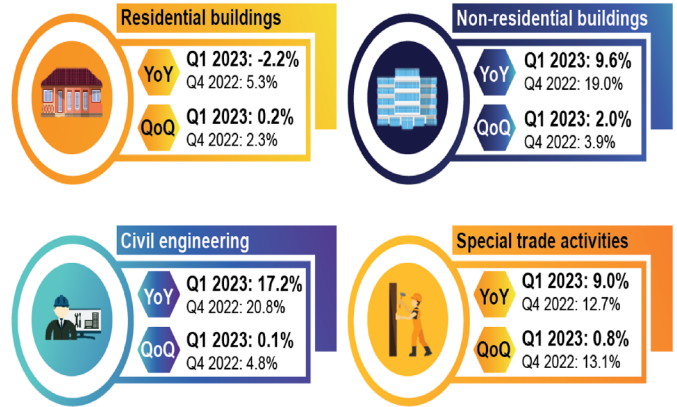
CONSTRUCTION, Q1 2023

The Construction sector sustained its positive momentum in the first quarter of 2023, registering a growth of 9.4 per cent

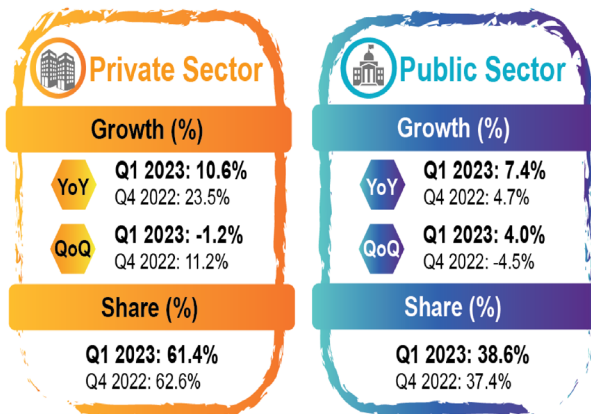
The value of work done in Construction sector
Q1 2020 - Q1 2023



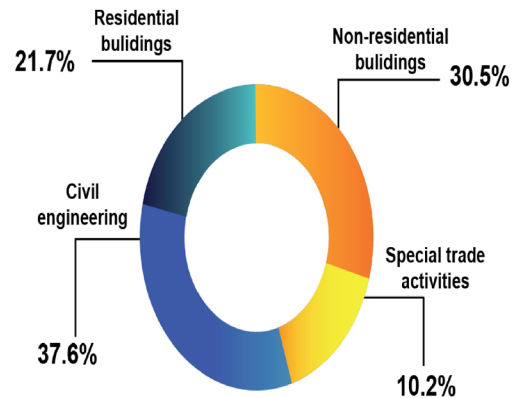
The **Civil engineering** sub-sector recorded the highest growth at 17.2 per cent followed by **Non-residential buildings** sub-sector which increased by 9.6 per cent in Q1 2023



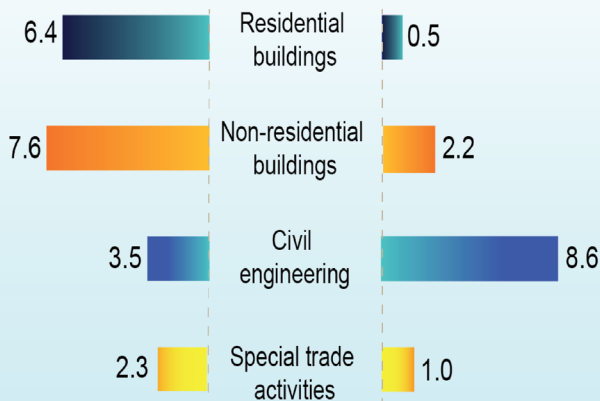
Private sector remained as the main impetus to the growth of the Construction sector in Q1 2023



The **Civil engineering** and **Non-residential buildings** sub-sectors represented over two-thirds of the total value of work done in Q1 2023

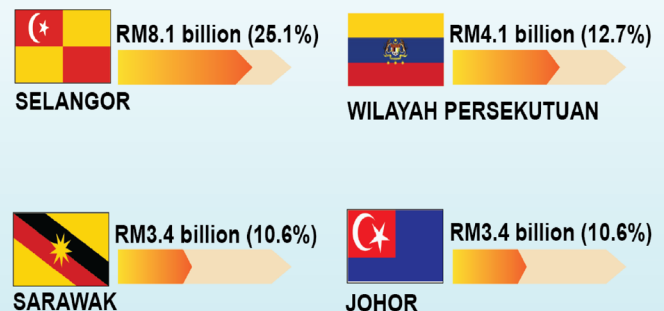


Value of work done of private sector (RM bil.)



Value of work done of public sector (RM bil.)




More than half of the work done value in Q1 2023 was concentrated in **Selangor**, **Wilayah Persekutuan**, **Sarawak** and **Johor**







Source: Construction Statistics, First Quarter 2023
Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)

SERVICES SECTOR, Q1 2023


Revenue for Services sector in first quarter 2023 increased **13.1 per cent** to record **RM560.3 billion**

	Q1 2023	YoY		QoQ	
		Q4 2022	Q1 2023	Q4 2022	Q1 2023
 Revenue	RM560.3b	15.7%	13.1%	2.2%	1.0%
 Number of Persons Engaged	4.4j	2.7%	2.1%	0.5%	0.3%
 Salaries & Wages	RM31.3b	6.1%	4.6%	1.1%	0.7%

PERFORMANCE OF SERVICES SECTOR BY SEGMENT

	Revenue	Number of Persons Engaged (persons)	Salaries & Wages
 Wholesale & Retail Trade, Food & Beverages, and Accommodation	RM428.2b Q1 2023: 13.1% Q4 2022: 15.0%	2,891,148 Q1 2023: 2.0% Q4 2022: 2.6%	RM16.3b Q1 2023: 4.1% Q4 2022: 5.3%
 Information & Communication and Transportation & Storage	RM77.8b Q1 2023: 12.0% Q4 2022: 13.1%	502,949 Q1 2023: 4.3% Q4 2022: 5.9%	RM5.1b Q1 2023: 6.4% Q4 2022: 7.8%
 Private Health, Private Education, Arts, Entertainment & Recreation and Personal Services & Other Activities	RM19.0b Q1 2023: 11.5% Q4 2022: 15.5%	399,395 Q1 2023: 1.1% Q4 2022: 1.3%	RM3.0b Q1 2023: 4.6% Q4 2022: 4.9%
 Professional, Real Estate and Administrative & Support Services	RM35.3b Q1 2023: 16.5% Q4 2022: 32.1%	577,798 Q1 2023: 1.4% Q4 2022: 1.7%	RM6.8b Q1 2023: 4.6% Q4 2022: 7.2%

PERFORMANCE OF E-COMMERCE INCOME

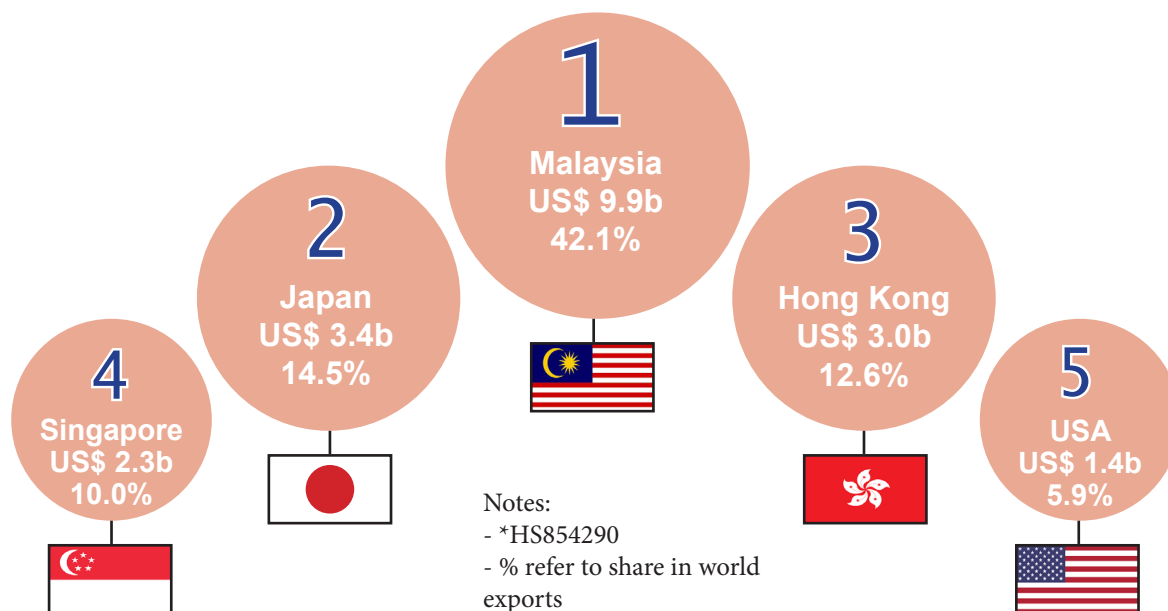
	Q4 2022	Q1 2023
 RM billion	302.3	307.2
YOY (%)	4.1	10.4
QoQ (%)	4.5	1.6

Percentage Change: Year-on-Year

Source: Quarterly Services Statistics, First Quarter, 2023
Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)

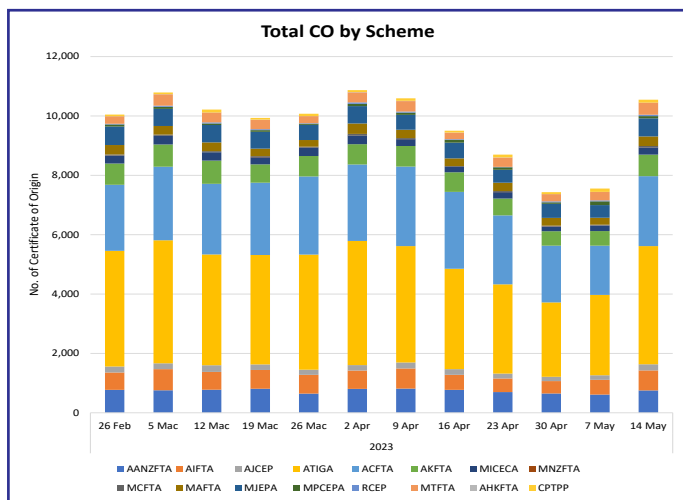
WORLD LARGEST EXPORTERS OF PARTS OF ELECTRONIC INTEGRATED CIRCUITS

In 2022, Malaysia's export of Parts of electronic integrated circuits, n.e.s. recorded US\$ 9.9 billion which was 42.1% share of the world exports.

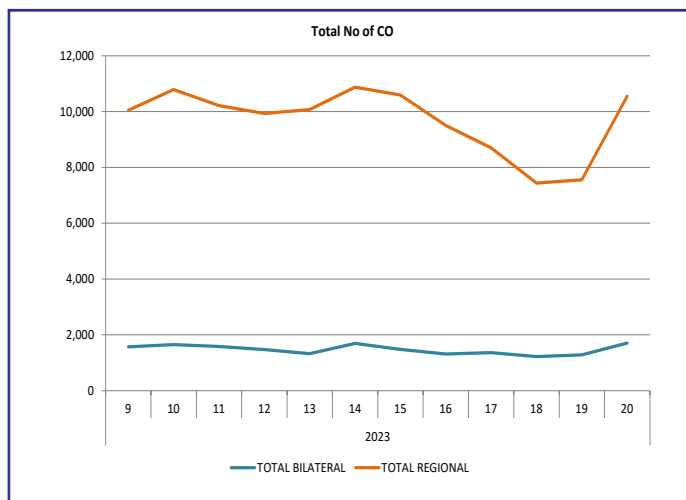


Number of PCO as at 14 May 2023 Weekly / Monthly/ Annually

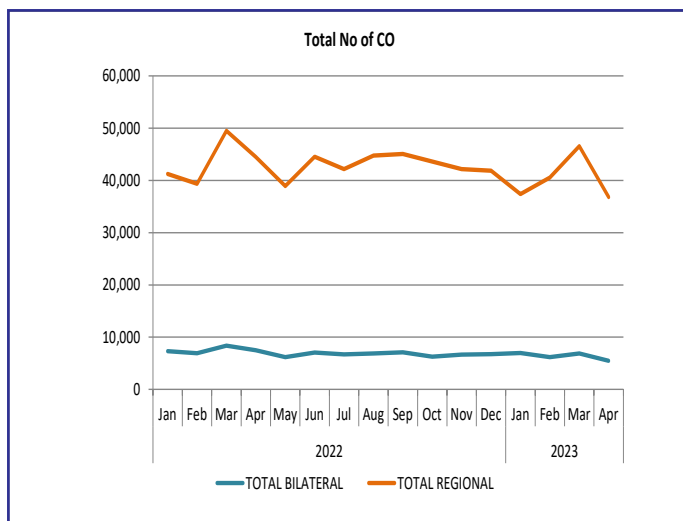
Weekly Total Scheme



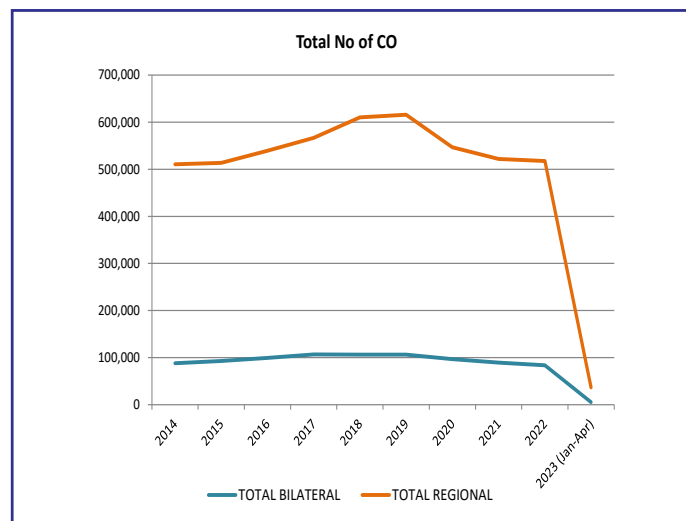
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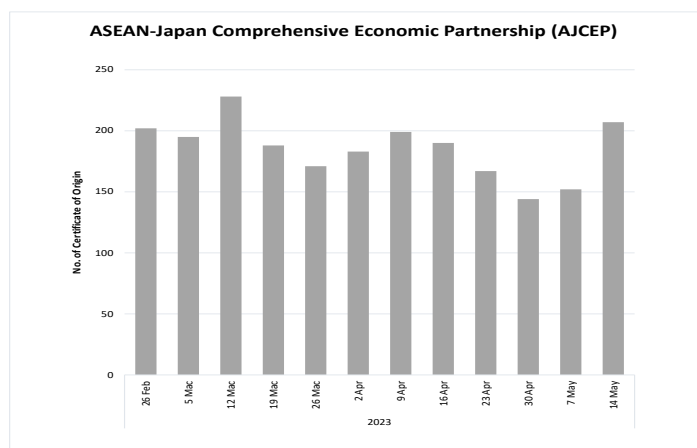
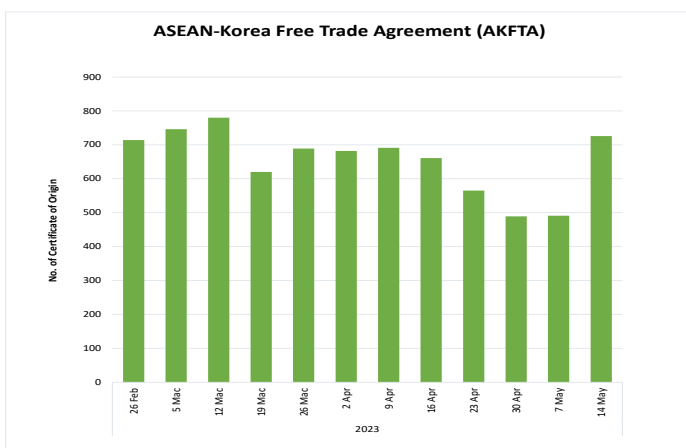
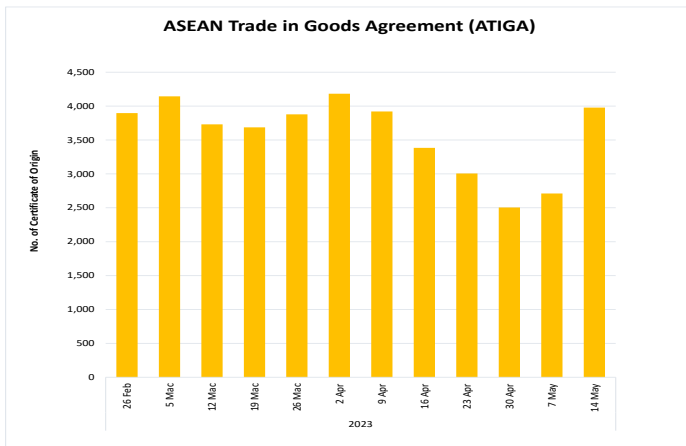
Annually



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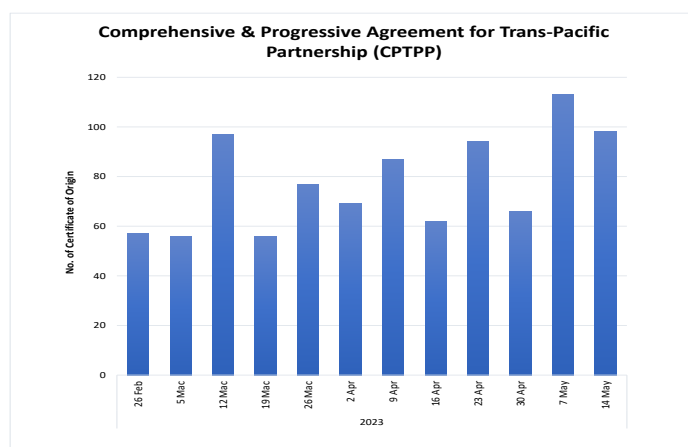
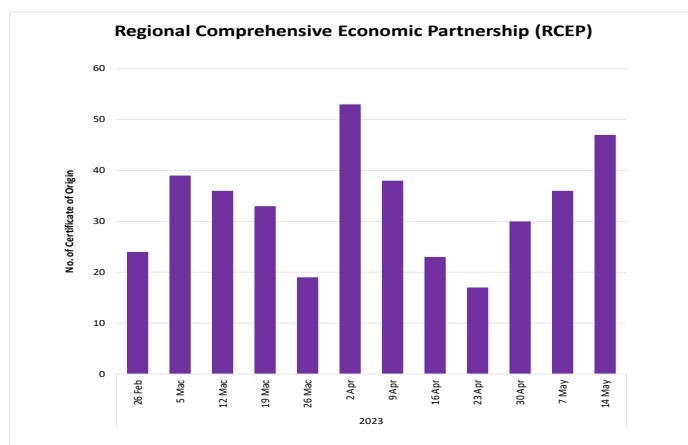
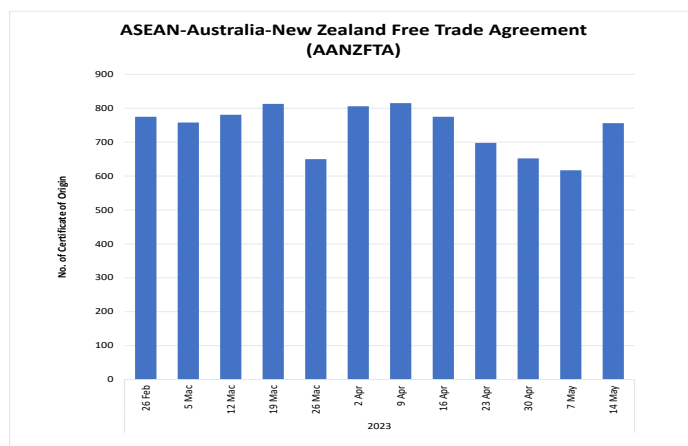
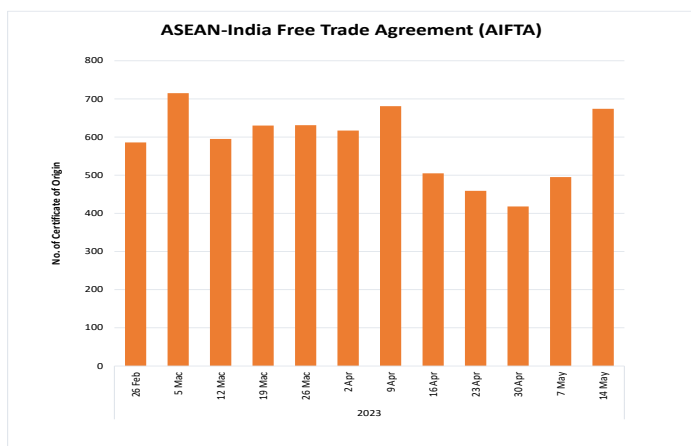
Regional FTA

Number of Preferential Certificates of Origin (PCOs) as at 14 May 2023



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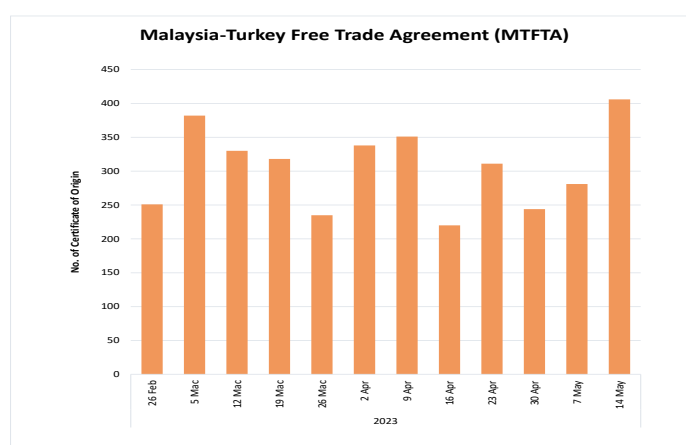
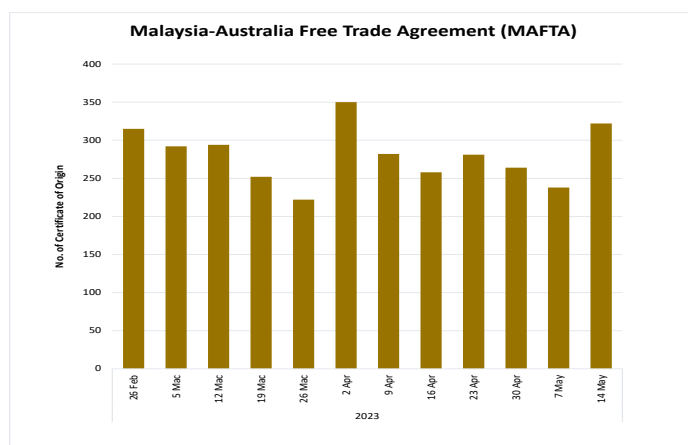
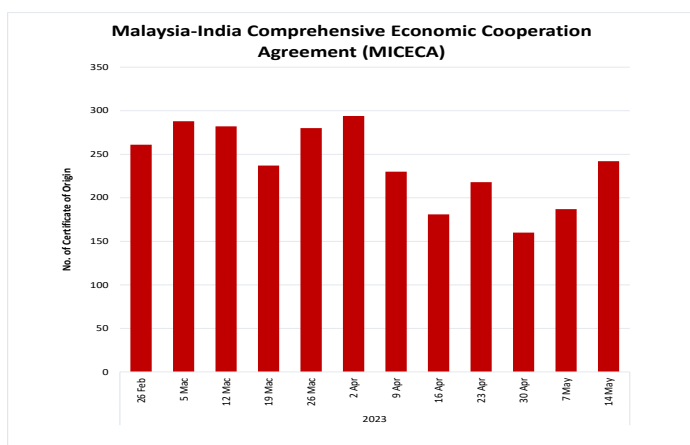
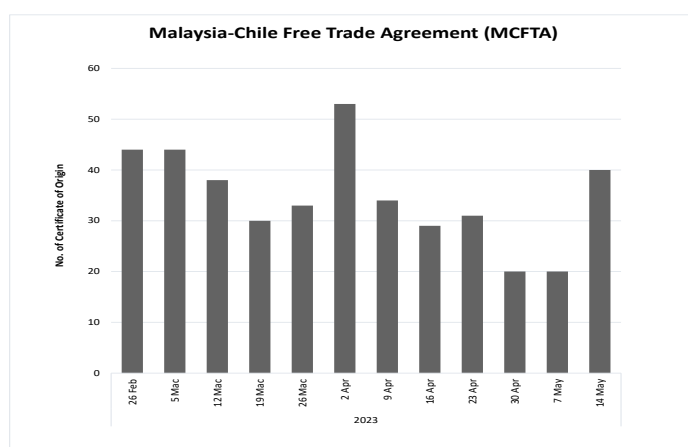
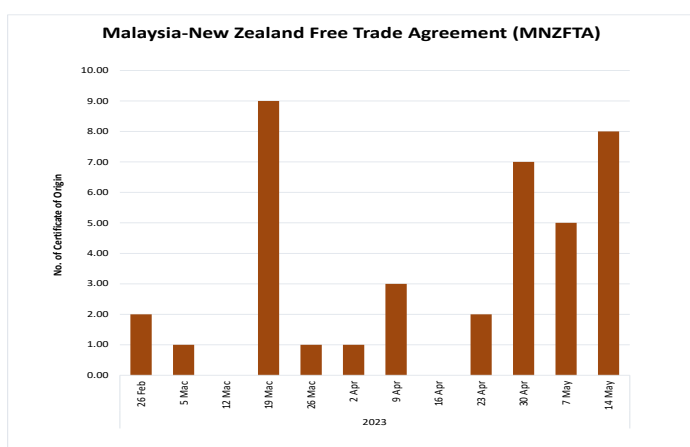
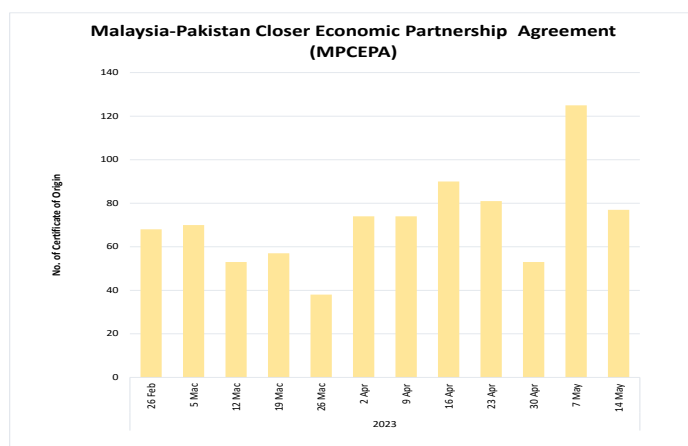
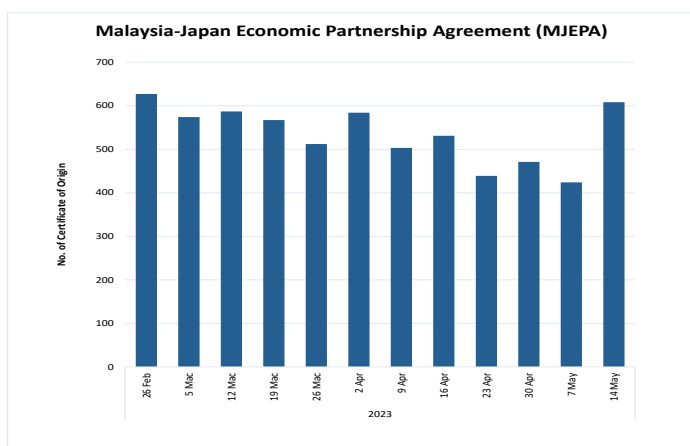
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Bilateral FTA

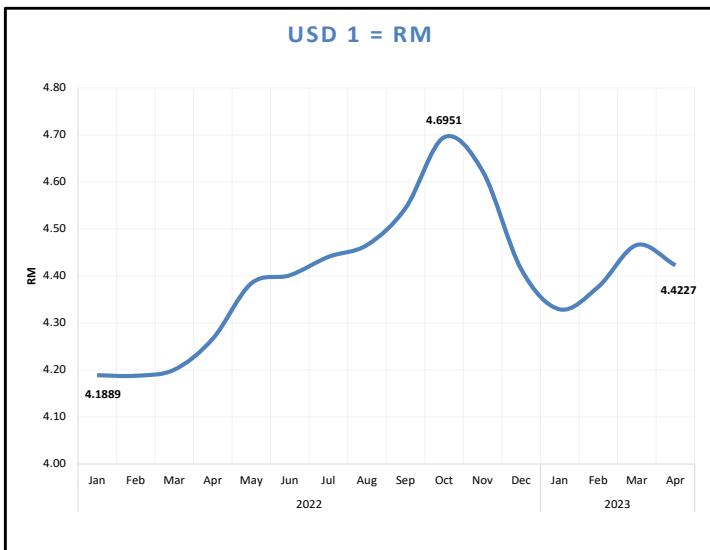
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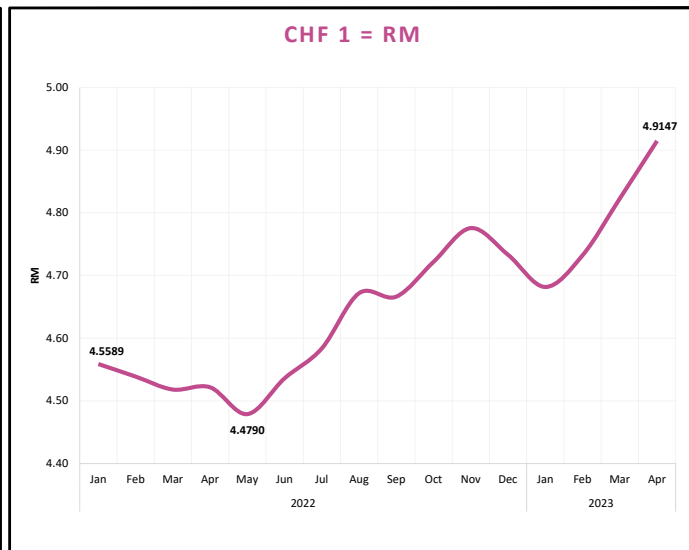
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Malaysian Ringgit Exchange Rate with Selected Countries, January 2022 - April 2023

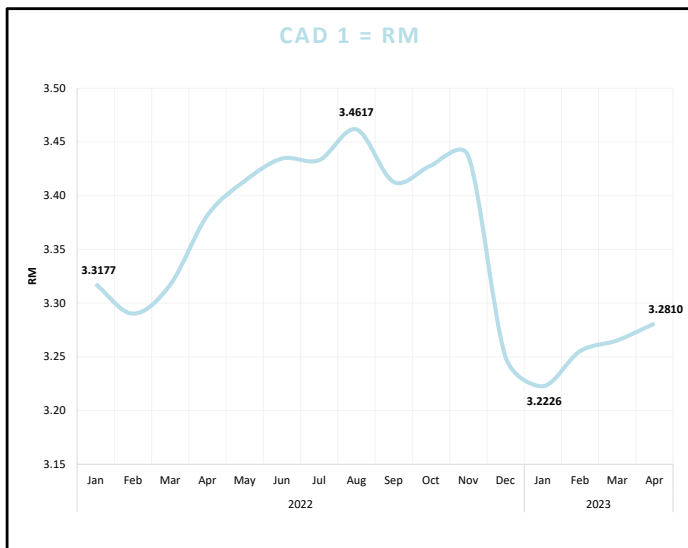
US Dollar



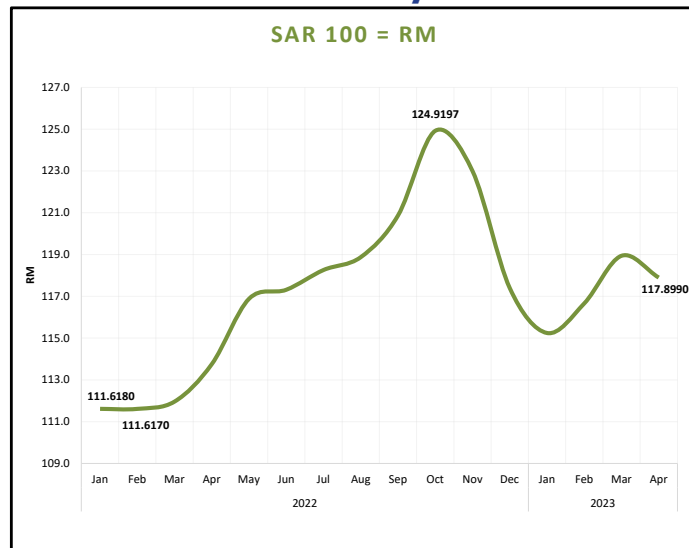
Swiss Franc



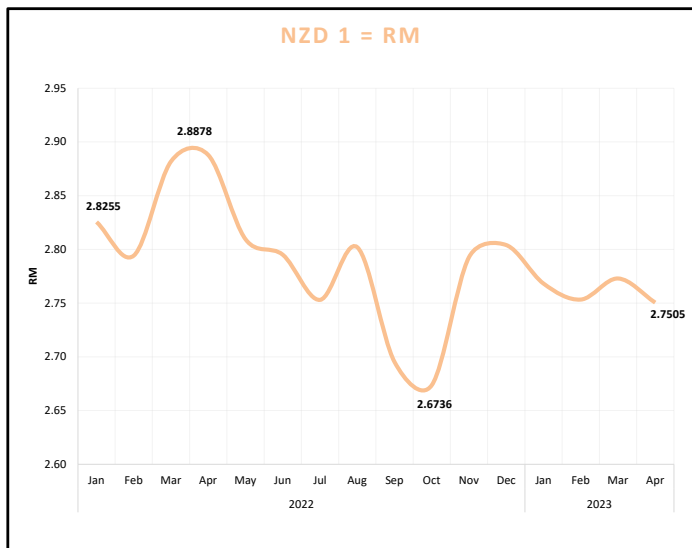
Canadian Dollar



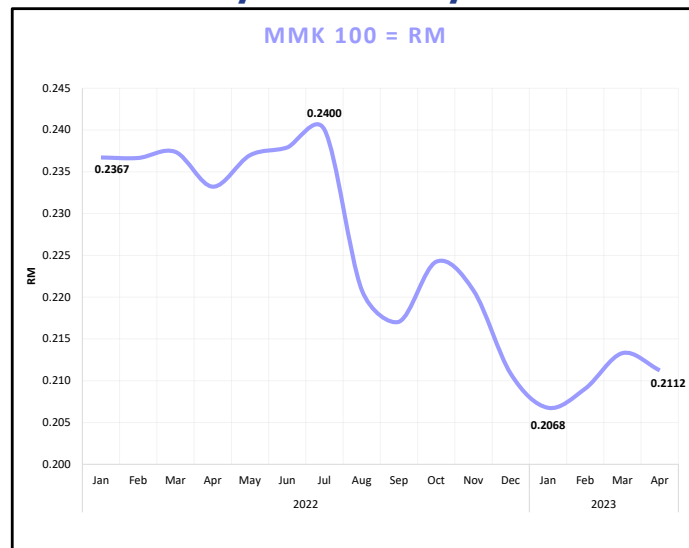
Saudi Riyal



New Zealand Dollar



Myanmar Kyat



Source : Bank Negara Malaysia

Commodity Prices

CRUDE PETROLEUM (BRENT) -per bbl-



▲ 1.9%*
US\$75.6
19 May 2023

Highest
2022/2023
20 Jan 2023 : US\$87.6
10 June 2022 : US\$122.0
17 March 2023 : US\$73.0
9 Dec 2022 : US\$76.1
Lowest
2022/2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$99.4

CRUDE PALM OIL -per MT-



▼ 4.2%*
US\$814.5
19 May 2023

Highest
2022/2023
3 Mar 2023 : US\$964.5
11 Mar 2022 : US\$1,774.7
19 May 2023 : US\$814.5
30 Sep 2022 : US\$715.6
Lowest
2022/2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$1,171.6

RUBBER SMR 20 -per MT-



▲ 0.1%*
US\$1,378.5
19 May 2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$1,549.9

COCOA SMC 2 -per MT-



▲ 2.0%*
US\$1,993.2
19 May 2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$1,564.5

SUGAR -per lbs-



▼ 2.3%*
US\$25.8
19 May 2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$18.8

COAL -per MT-



▼ 0.6%*
US\$118.7
19 May 2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$290.8

SCRAP IRON HMS -per MT-



▲ 0.9%*
US\$419.2
(high)
March 2023

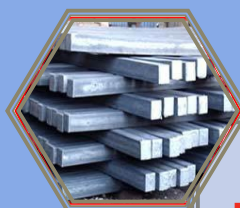
▲ 0.6%*
US\$387.1
(low)

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$469.9 (high)

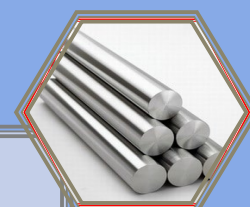
Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$426.3 (low)

Domestic Prices

March 2023



Billets
(per MT)
RM2,715 - RM2,723



Steel Bars
(per MT)
RM2,975 - RM3,131

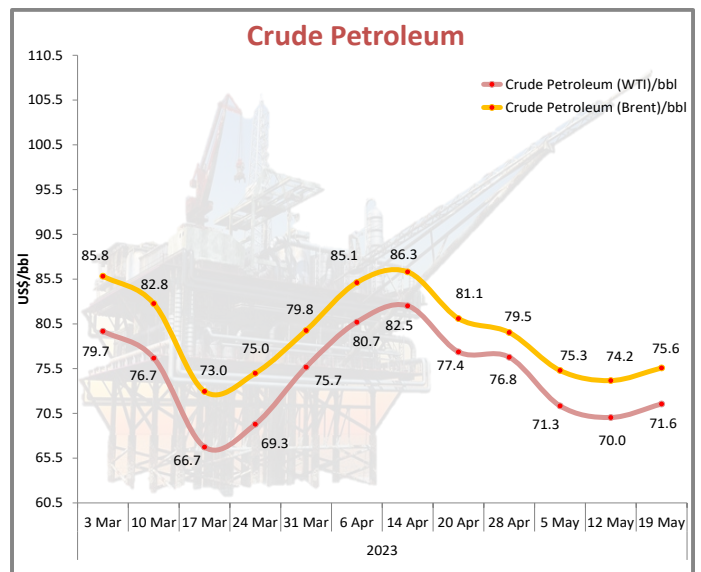
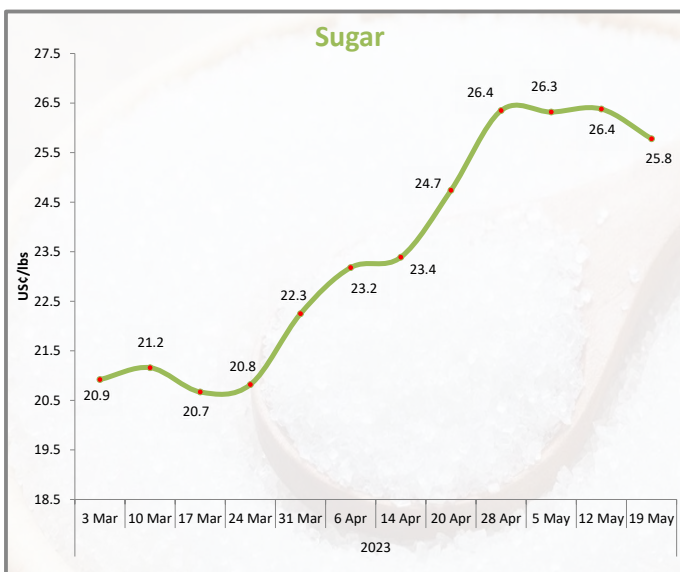
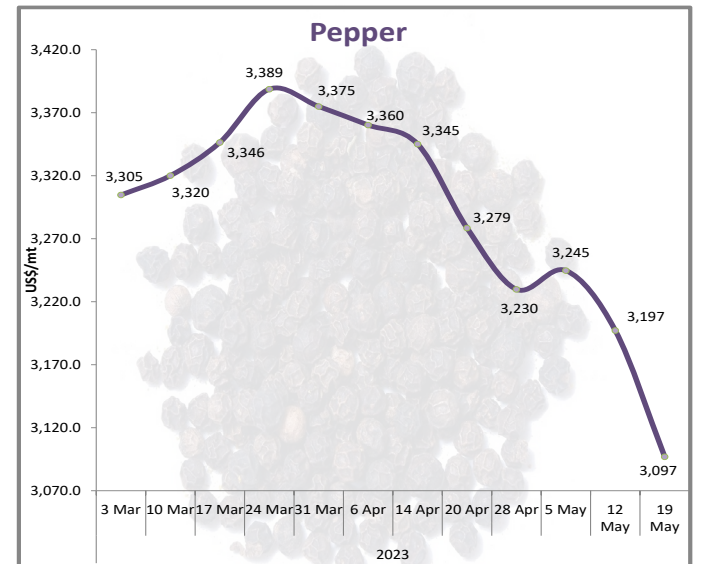
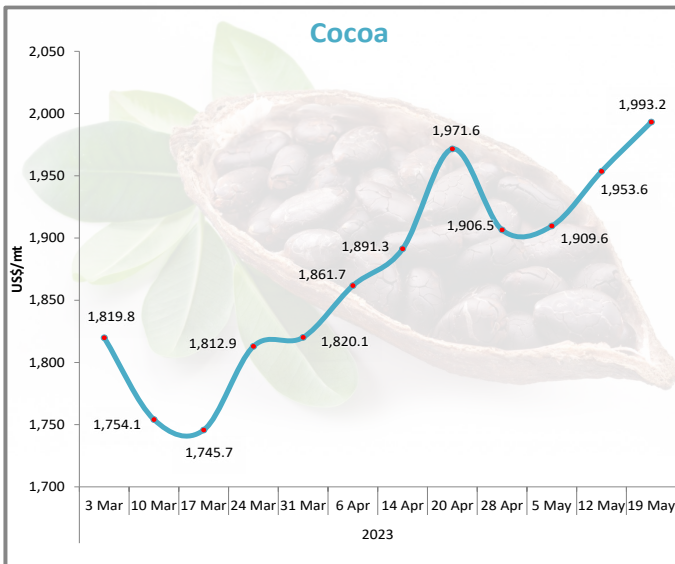
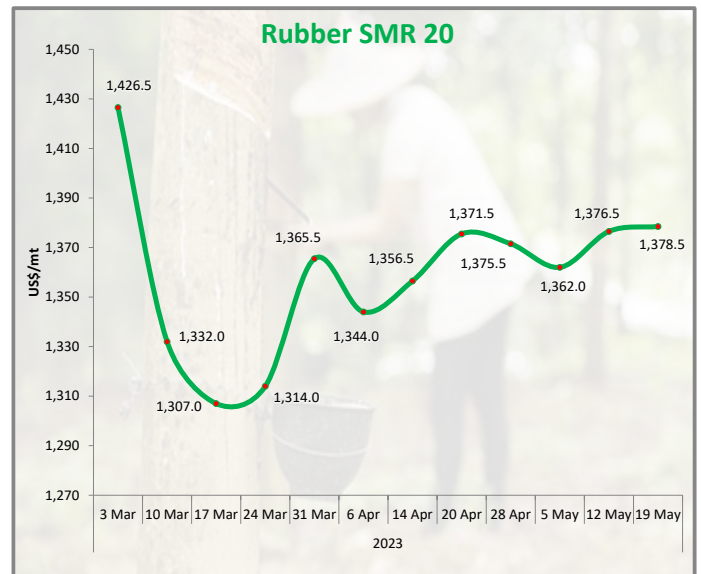
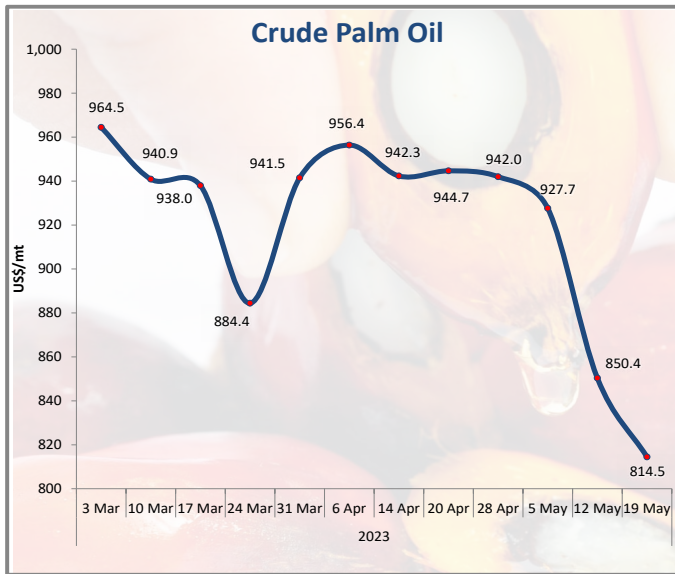
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* Refer to % change from the previous week's price

ⁱ Average price in the year except otherwise indicated

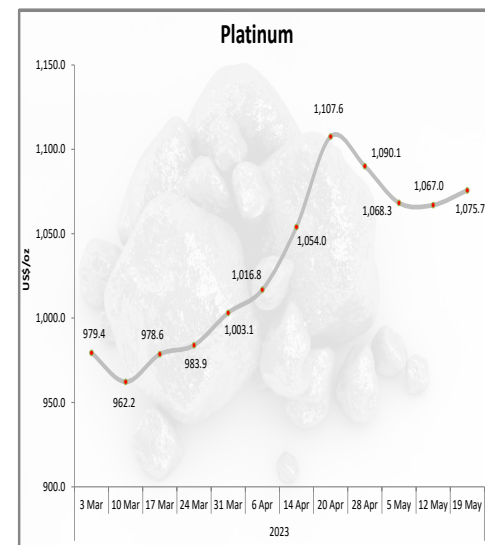
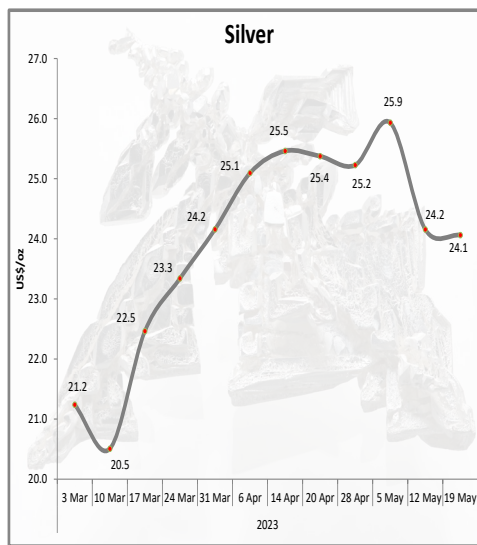
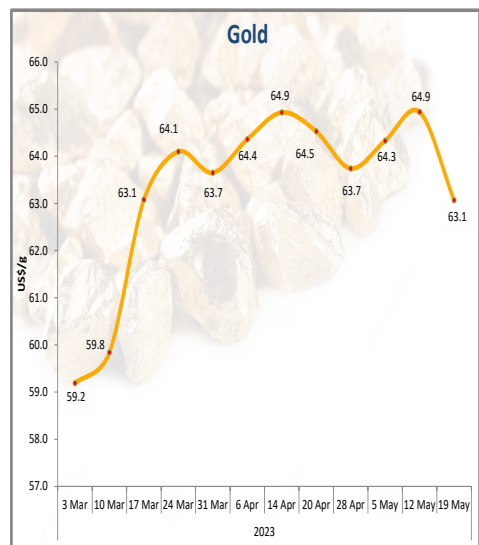
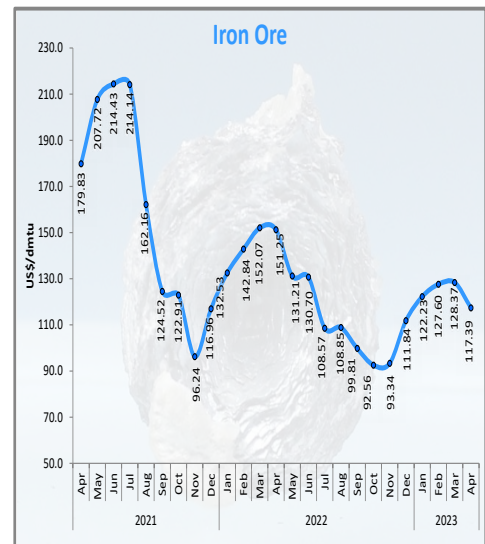
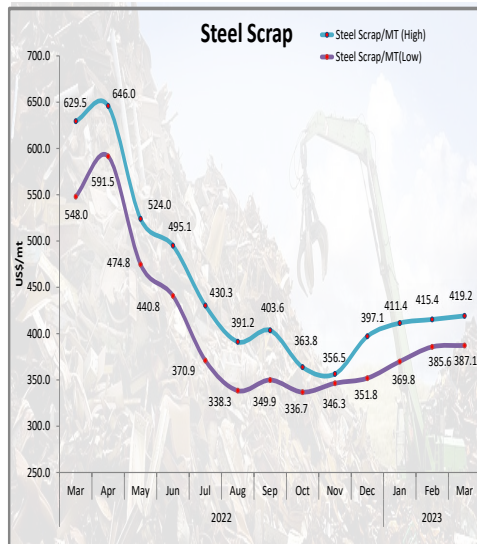
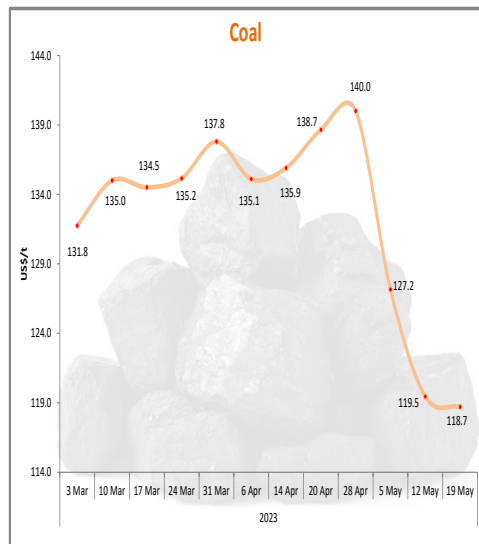
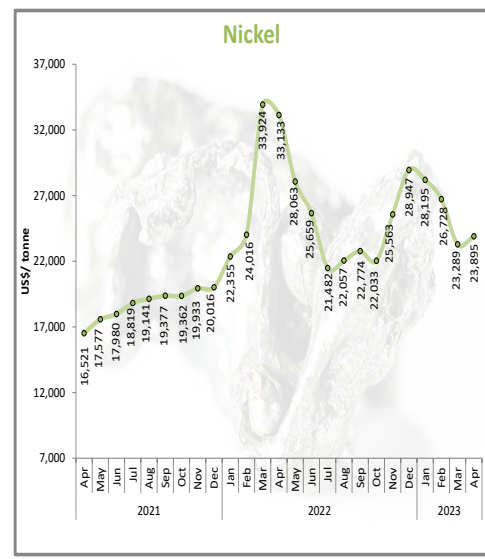
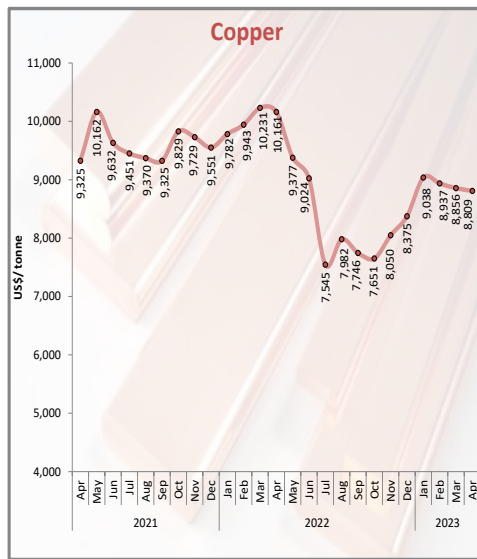
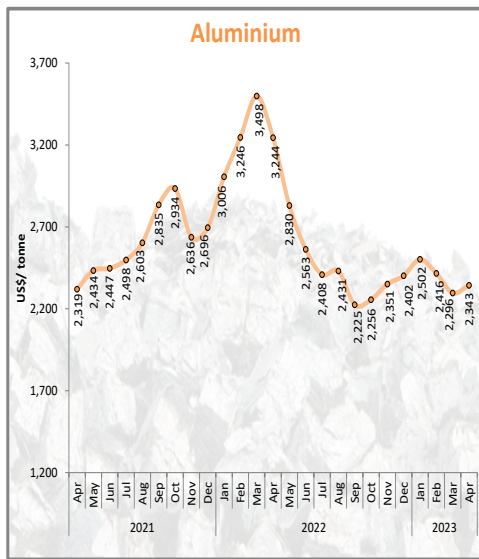
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Commodity Price Trends



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RCEP

REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP (RCEP)



THE RCEP COVERS:

- 1 Elimination or reduction of import duties
- 2 Promotion, facilitation, protection and investment liberalisation
- 3 Protection of intellectual property rights, facilitation in e-commerce
- 4 Economic and technical cooperation

RCEP CONSISTS OF

- 10 ASEAN member countries
- 5 ASEAN FTA Partner countries

MAIN OBJECTIVES OF RCEP

- 1 Strengthening regional value chain
- 2 User friendly and easy to use
- 3 Modern, comprehensive and high quality

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW

RCEP

Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP)

The Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement is designed to broaden and deepen ASEAN's engagement with Australia, China, Japan, Korea and New Zealand. The objective of the trade agreement is to establish a modern, comprehensive, high-quality, and mutually beneficial economic partnership that will facilitate the expansion of regional trade and investment and contribute to global economic growth and development in the region.



2012

The decision to initiate the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement begins at the 21st ASEAN Summit

2020

The RCEP is officially signed by 10 ASEAN member countries along with five ASEAN FTA partner countries after 31 rounds of formal negotiations

Total Population
2.2 billion

Total GDP US\$24.8 billion
28.9% of the world's GDP

PRIMARY OBJECTIVES

The RCEP Agreement is created to establish a modern, comprehensive, high-quality, and mutually beneficial economic partnership that will facilitate the expansion of regional trade and investment and contribute to global economic growth and development amongst RCEP member countries.

The single regional free trade agreement (FTA) is also intended to strengthen regional value chain for businesses in the region, particularly the Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs).

It is designed to create and support an open, inclusive, and rules-based multilateral trading system, which will in turn create avenues for market and employment opportunities for businesses and people within the region.

The trade agreement will allow businesses in RCEP member countries to gain access to a much wider regional market. Progressive elimination and reduction of customs duties for trade in goods as well as facilitation of export and import of goods among the RCEP countries will serve to enhance inter and intra-regional trade and investment whilst strengthening regional value chains.

To serve as a vital economic tool to spur economic growth in the region. It will also allow more seamless opening of markets whilst creating uninterrupted supply chains within the region. The trade agreement is also intended to help facilitate transparency, information exchange and better compliance for technical regulations and standards amongst RCEP member countries.

KEY FEATURES OF THE RCEP



Trade In Goods

Progressive elimination of tariff and non-tariff barriers on substantially all trade in goods including the related chapters of rules of origin, customs procedures, sanitary and phytosanitary measures, standards, technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures and trade remedies in order to establish a free trade area among the parties.



Trade In Services

Liberalisation of services sectors, including financial services, telecommunications services and movement of natural persons. The RCEP will be comprehensive, of high quality and substantially eliminate restrictions and/or discriminatory measures with respect to trade in services between the RCEP participating countries. Rules and obligations on trade in services under the RCEP will be consistent with the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS).



Investment

Promotion, facilitation, protection and liberalisation of investment. The RCEP will aim to create a liberal, facilitative, and competitive investment environment in the region based on these four pillars in order to create an enabling investment environment in the region along with improved investment facilitation provisions as well as investor aftercare.

Economic & Technical Cooperation

The economic and technical cooperation provisions in the RCEP will build upon existing economic cooperation arrangements between ASEAN and ASEAN's FTA partners to narrow the development gaps amongst member countries. Under the RCEP agreement, cooperation activities will also include trade activities such as include e-commerce and other areas that would be mutually agreed upon by the RCEP participating countries.



Protection Of Intellectual Property Rights

Aimed at reducing IP-related barriers to trade and investment by promoting economic integration and cooperation in the utilization, protection and enforcement of intellectual property rights amongst RCEP member countries.



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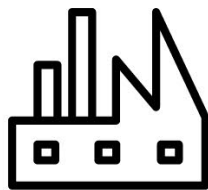


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Get your firm assessed. Be ready for Industry 4.0.

All you need to know about Industry4WRD RA



What is it?

Trained assessors will help you to understand your readiness for Industry 4.0 and make recommendations on where to start your transformation.

Who is eligible?



- ✓ Manufacturing and its related services sector
- ✓ Valid registration and business licences
- ✓ Company has at least 60% local equity
- ✓ In operation for more than 3 years

What are the benefits?



Identify areas of improvement in terms of people, process and technology.



Receive comprehensive readiness report.



Be entitled to apply for financial incentives.

Process Flow

A FEW SIMPLE STEPS

- ### Incentives for RA
- Government-funded assessment for eligible SMEs.
 - Others will get tax exemption on RA fees up to RM27k.



- ### Enquiries
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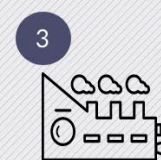
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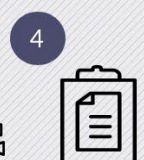
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Evaluation by Committees



Onsite Assessment



Receive RA Report

Business Intervention



Develop Intervention Proposal



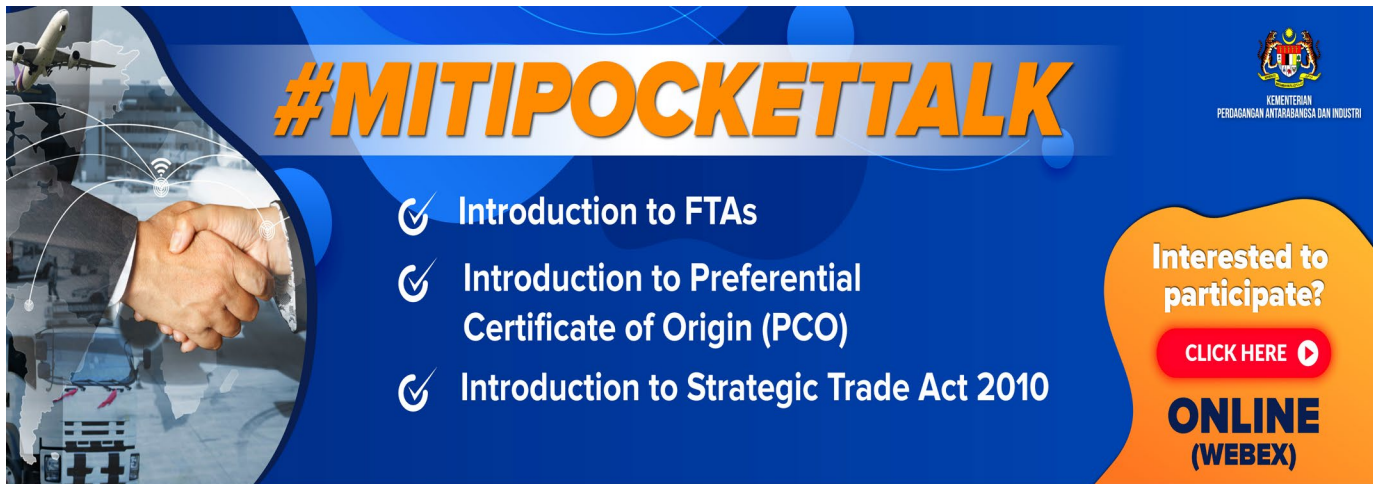
Apply for Financial Incentives



Implement the Intervention Plan

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- ✓ Introduction to Preferential Certificate of Origin (PCO)
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