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**SEMPENA ISTIADAT PERTABALAN
KE BAWAH DULI YANG
MAHA MULIA SERI PADUKA BAGINDA
YANG DI-PERTUAN AGONG XV
SULTAN MUHAMMAD V**

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24 April 2017 bersamaan 27 Rejab 1438H



MALAYSIA

MANUFACTURING SECTOR PERFORMANCE

FEB 2017

Trade

Exports
RM114.2b ↑17.9%



Imports
RM108.8b ↑17.3%

Sales



RM59.4b

↑15.7%

Employment



1,042,949

↑1.4%

Manufacturing Index



128.5

↑6.5%

(Jan-Feb 2017) Major Exports

E&E Products
RM49.4b (↑16.6%)

Petroleum Products
RM11.3b (↑65.9%)

Chemicals & Chemical Products
RM10.9b (↑26.3%)

Major Imports

E&E Products
RM37.1b (↑12.6%)

Machinery, Equipment & Parts
RM12.1b (↑25.7%)

Chemicals & Chemical Products
RM11.9b (↑15.6%)

(Jan-Feb 2017) Major Industry

E&E Industry
RM40.5b
↑9.2%

Chemicals Industry
RM34.4b
↑20.5%

Metal Industry
RM9.0b
↑12.7%

(Jan-Feb 2017) Major Industry

E&E Industry
324,773
↑1.4%

Chemicals Industry
127,592
↑1.9%

Wood & Wood Products Industry
95,657
↓2.2%

(Jan-Feb 2017) Major Industry

Chemicals Industry
124.2
↑2.5%

E&E Industry
148.2
↑7.4%

Metal Industry
130.9
↑2.9%

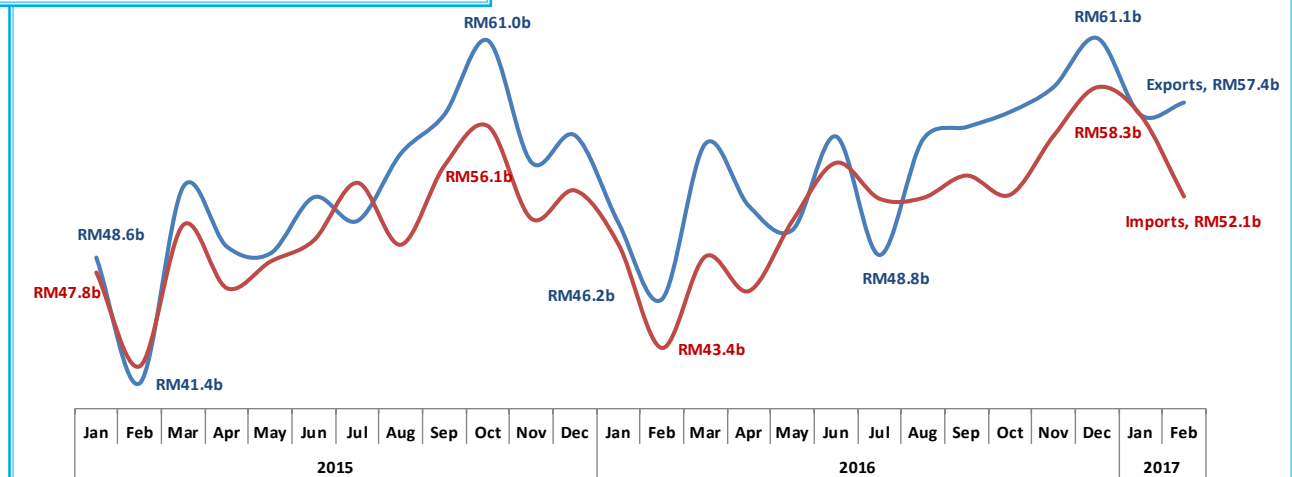


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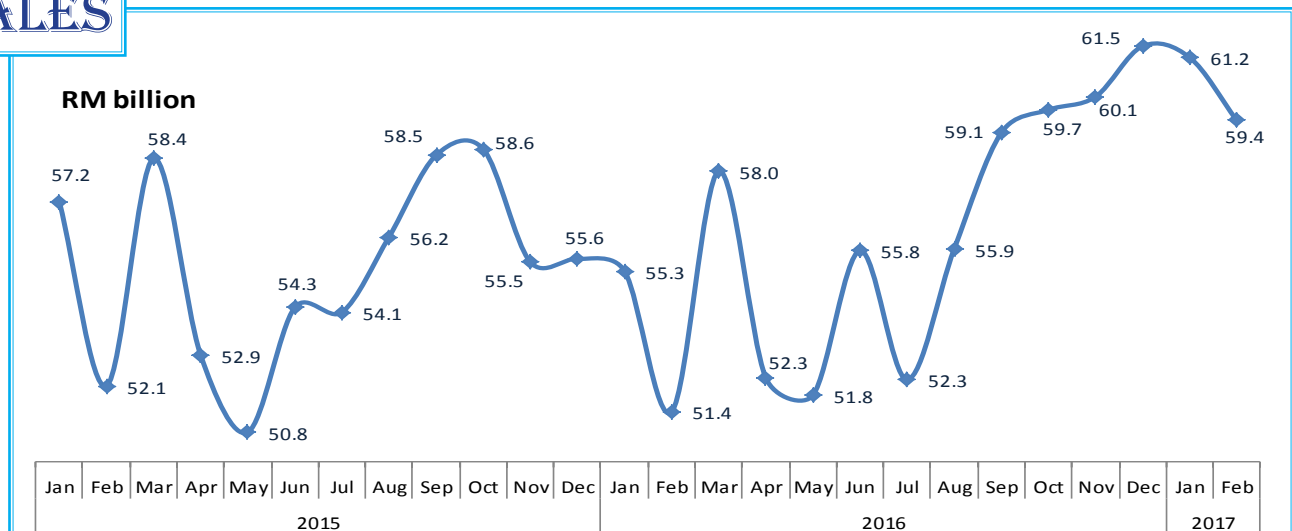
Source: Department of Statistics, Malaysia

MANUFACTURING TRENDS, JANUARY 2015 - FEBRUARY 2017

EXPORTS & IMPORTS

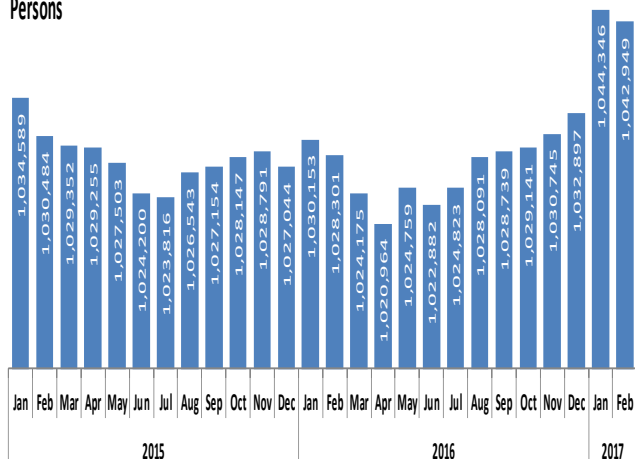


SALES



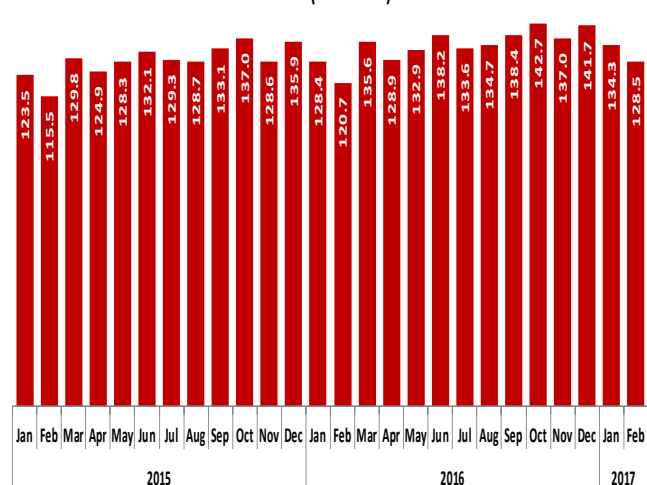
EMPLOYMENT

Persons



PRODUCTION INDEX

Index (2010=100)

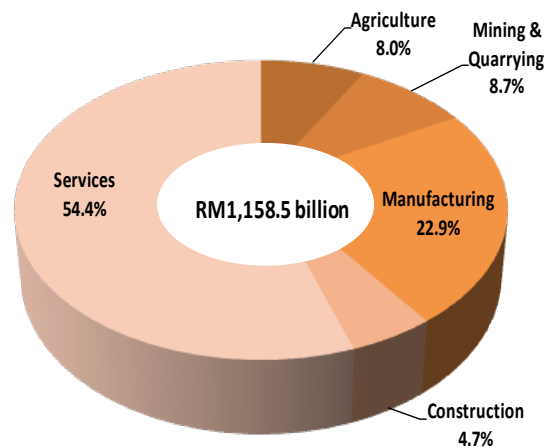


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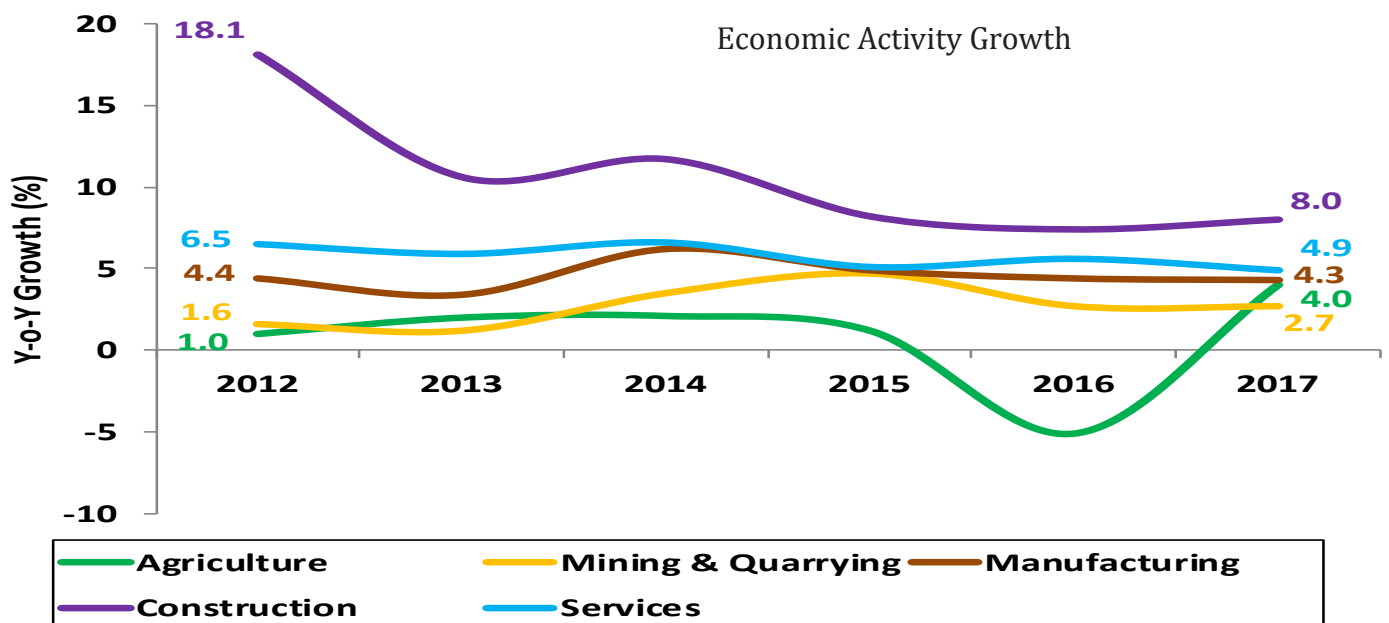
ECONOMIC FORECAST 2017

GDP by Economic Activity at Constant 2010 Prices

Economic Activity Share to GDP

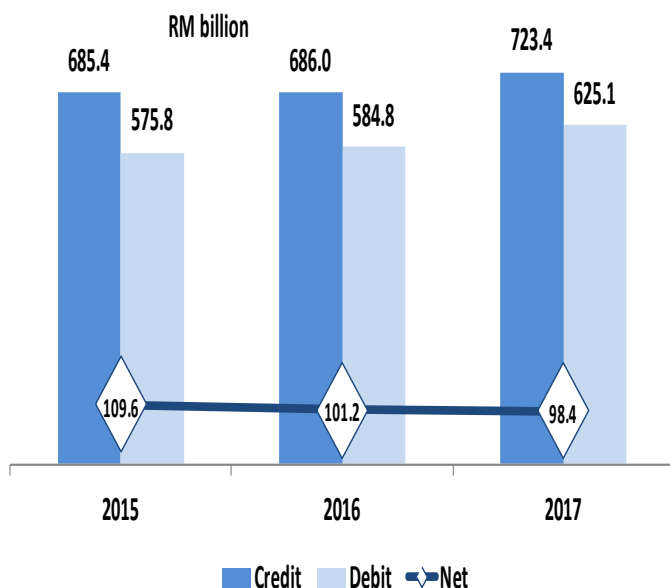


Economic Activity Growth

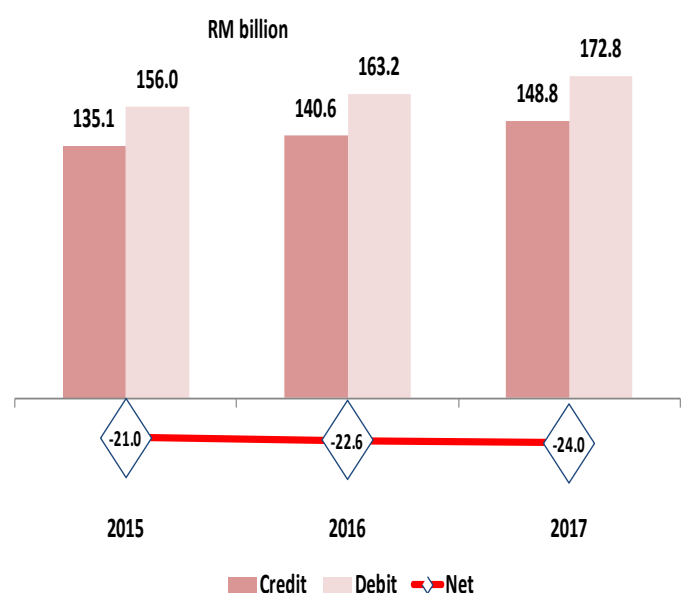


Balance of Payment

Trade in Goods



Trade in Services

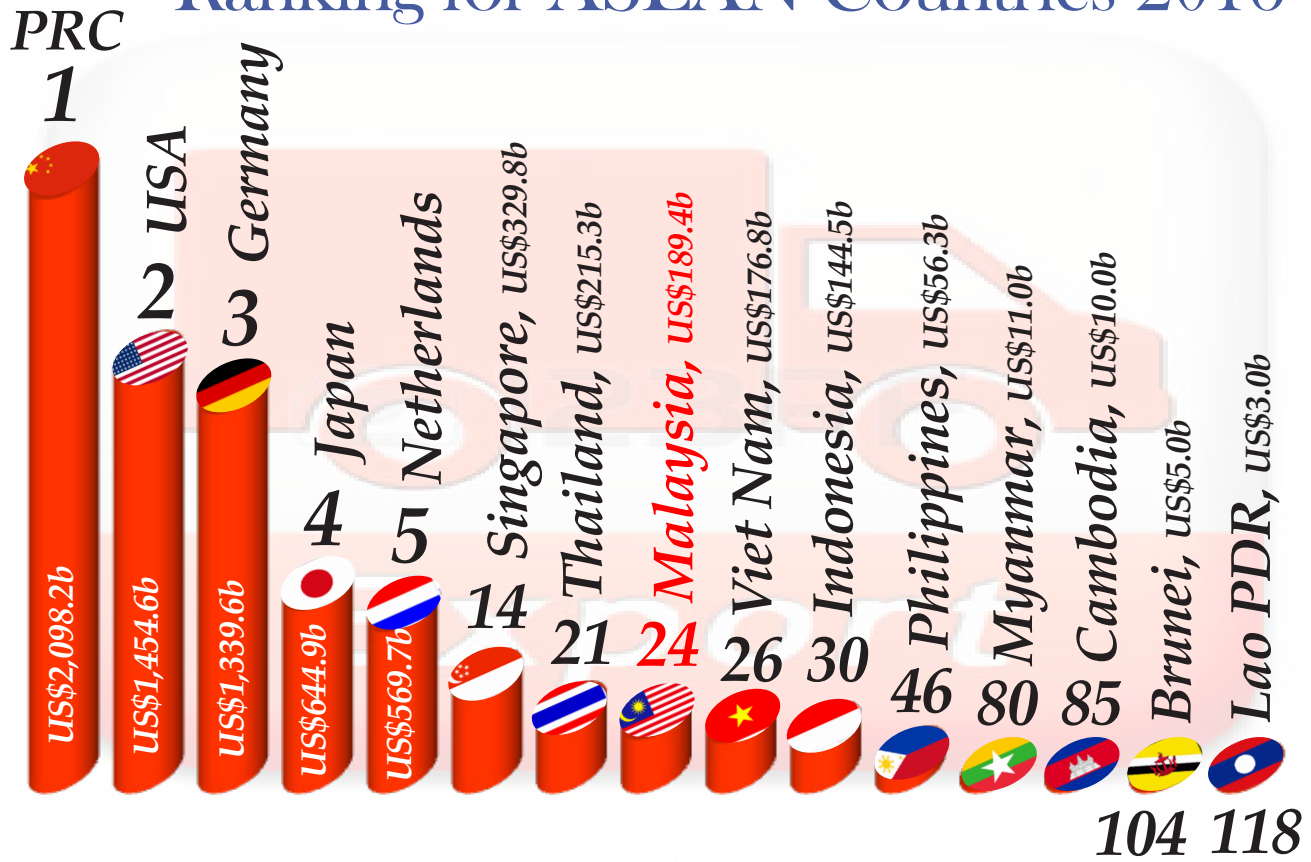


Source: BNM Annual Report 2016

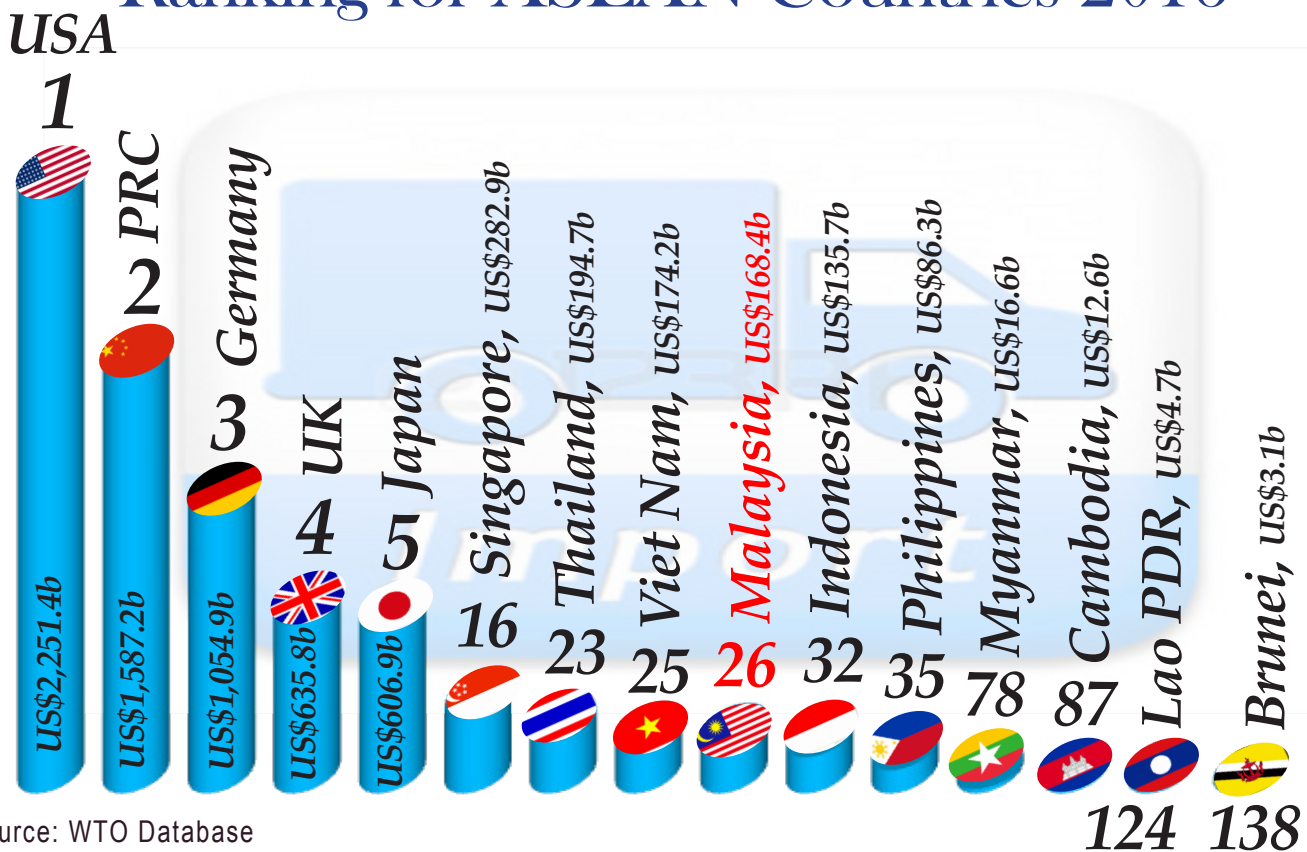


INTERNATIONAL REPORT

Top Five Exporters and Ranking for ASEAN Countries 2016



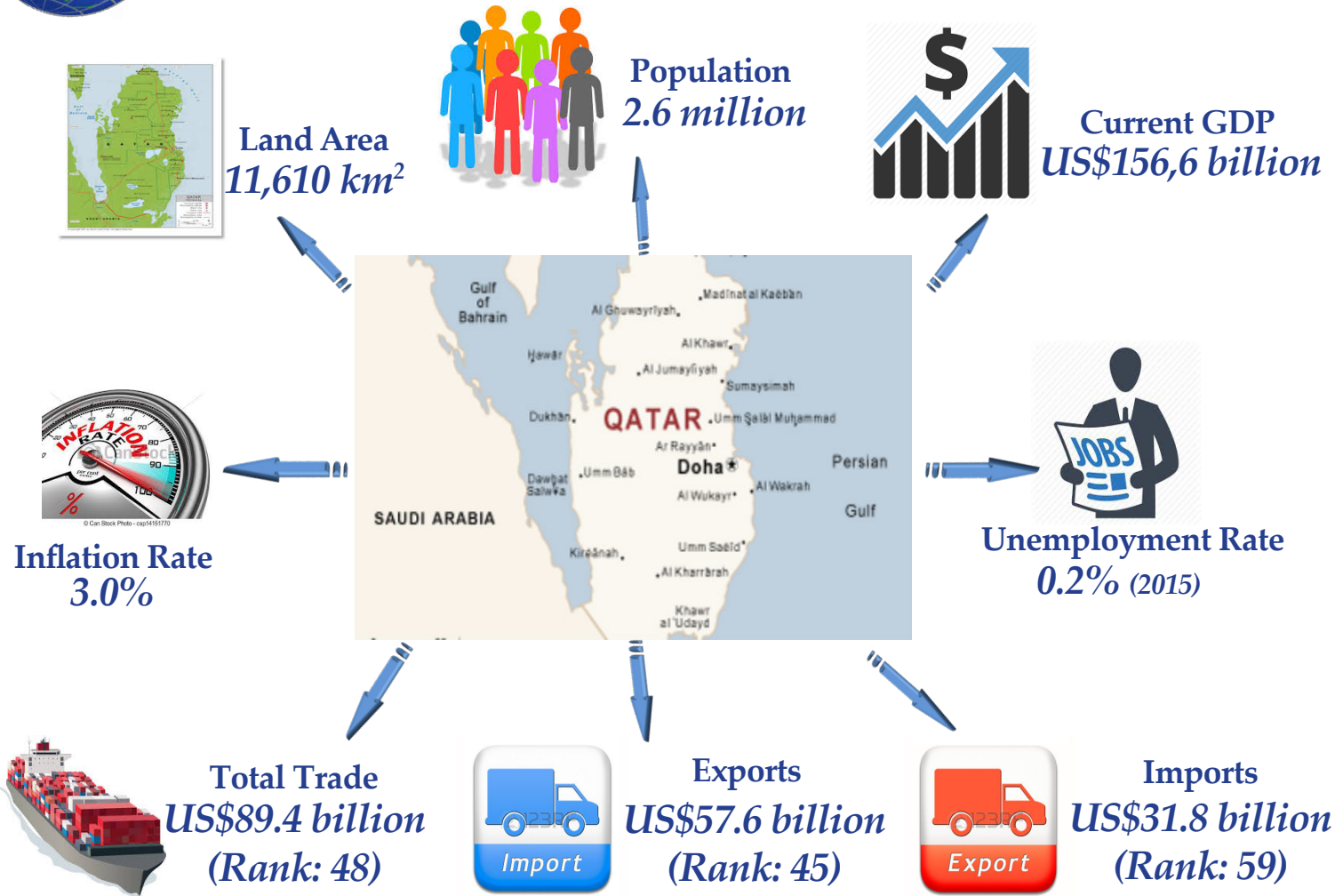
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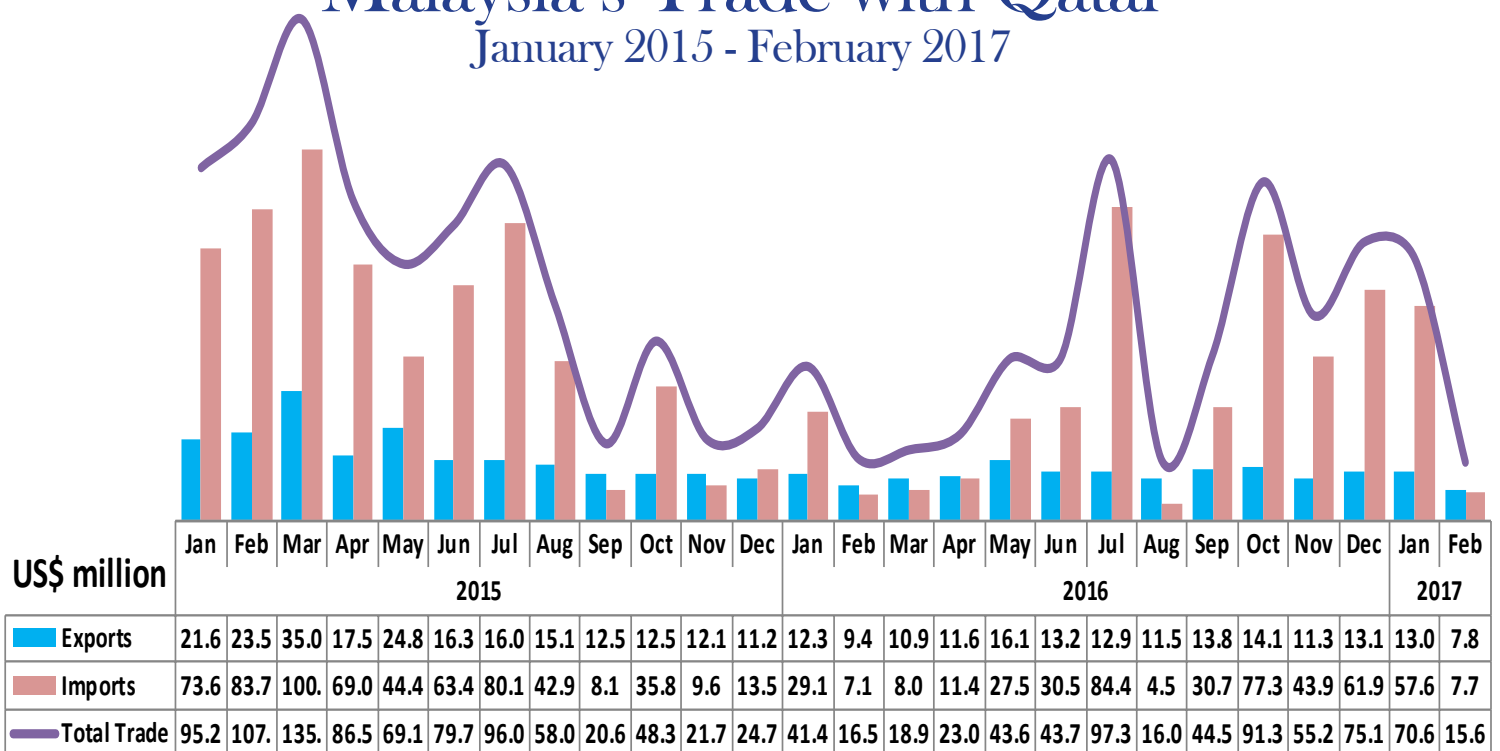
Qatar Economic Indicators 2016



Source: IMF, World Bank, Ceicdata and WTO

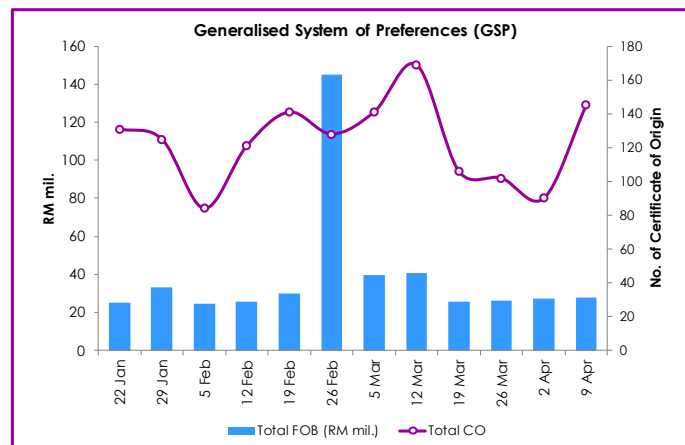
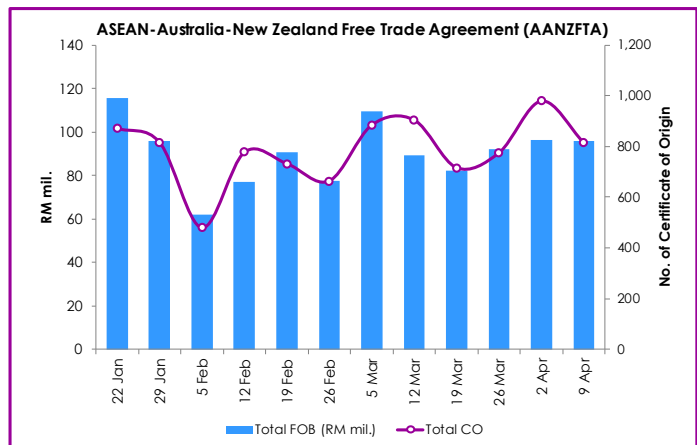
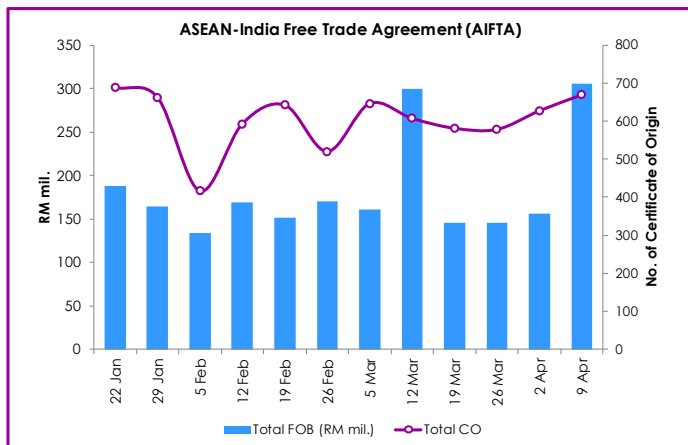
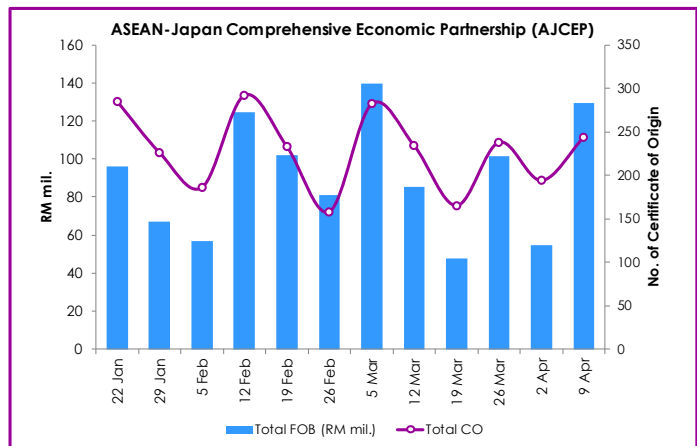
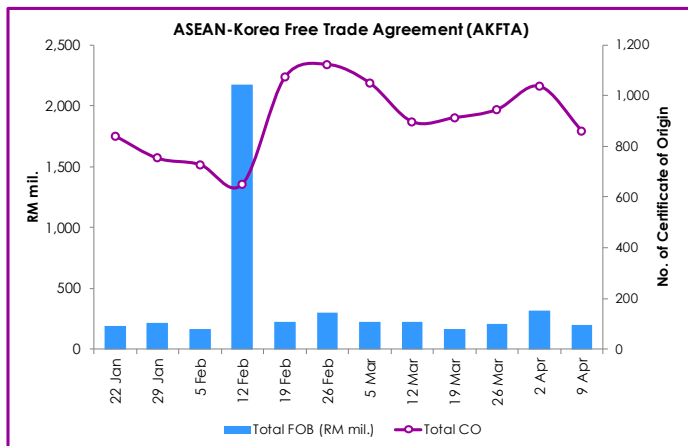
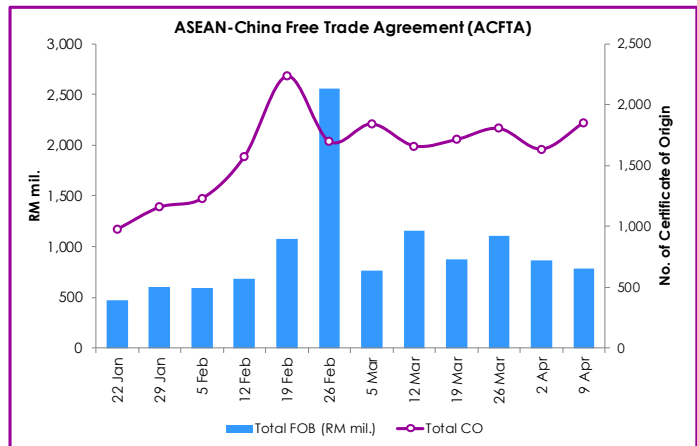
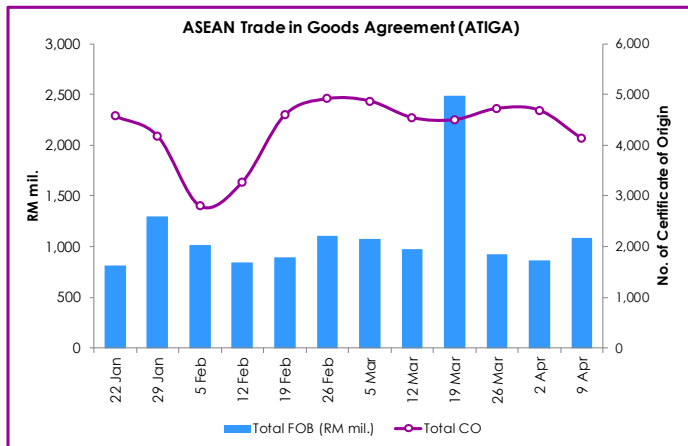
Malaysia's Trade with Qatar

January 2015 - February 2017



Source: Department of Statistics, Malaysia

Number and Value of Preferential Certificates of Origin (PCOs)

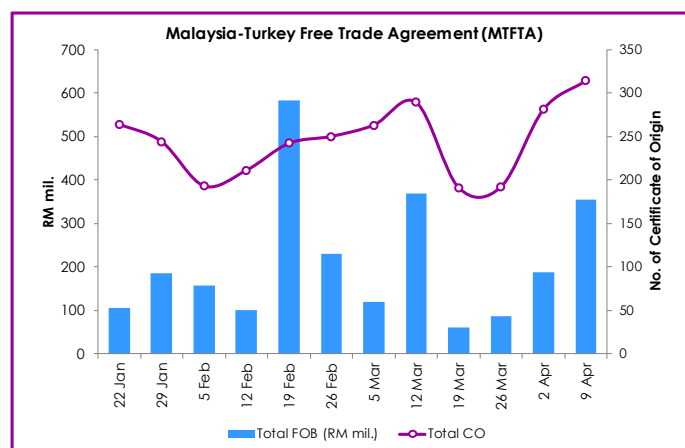
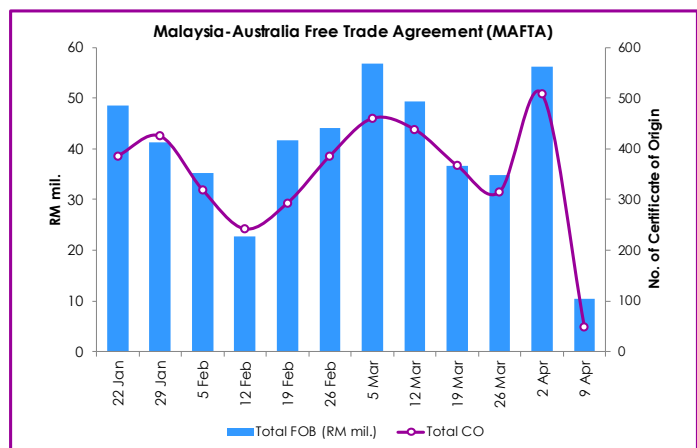
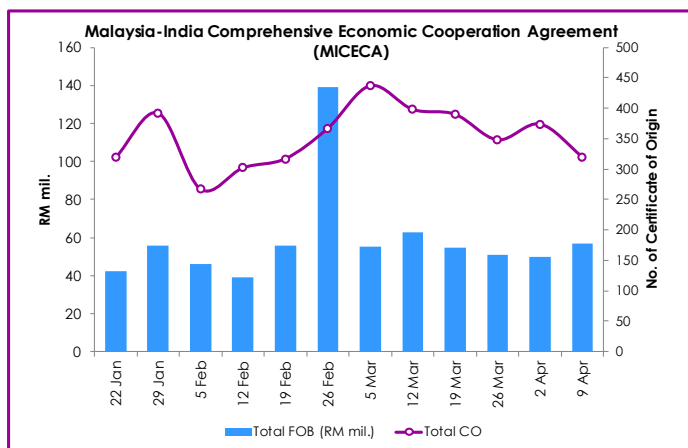
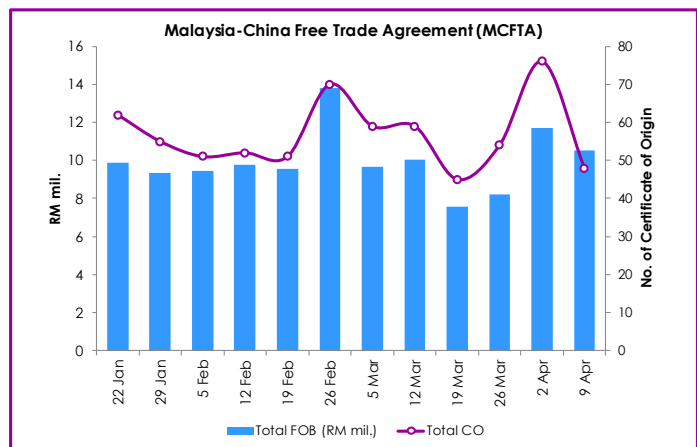
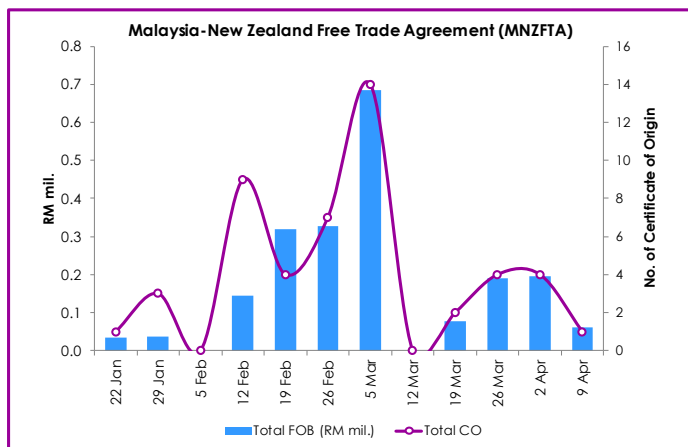
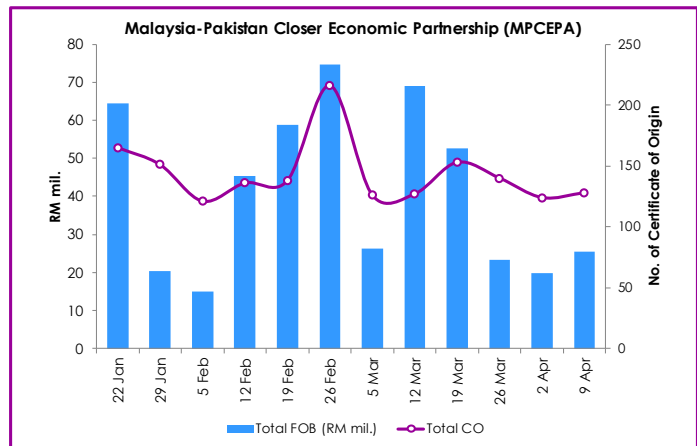
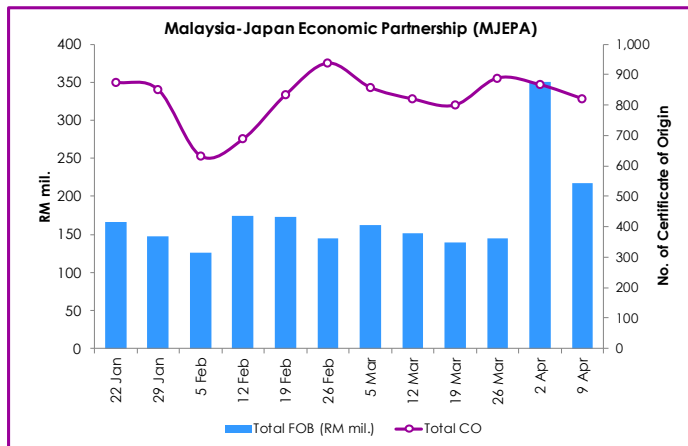


Note: The preference giving countries under the GSP scheme are Liechtenstein, the Russian Federation, Japan, Switzerland, Belarus, Kazakhstan and Norway.

Note: * Provisional data

Source: Ministry of International Trade and Industry, Malaysia

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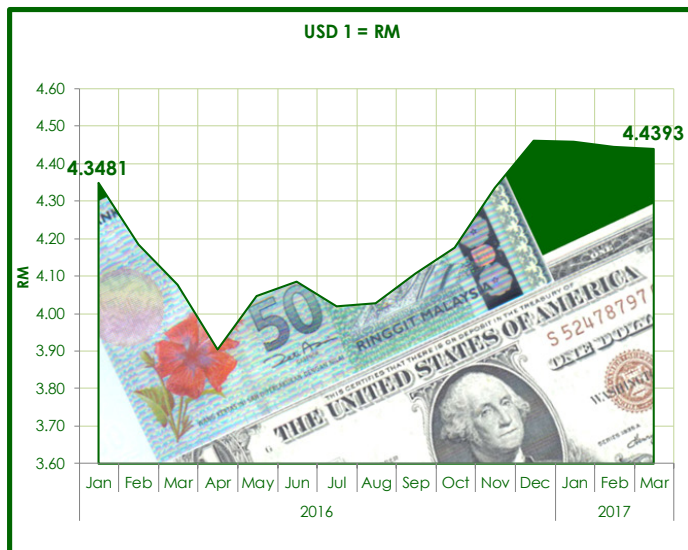


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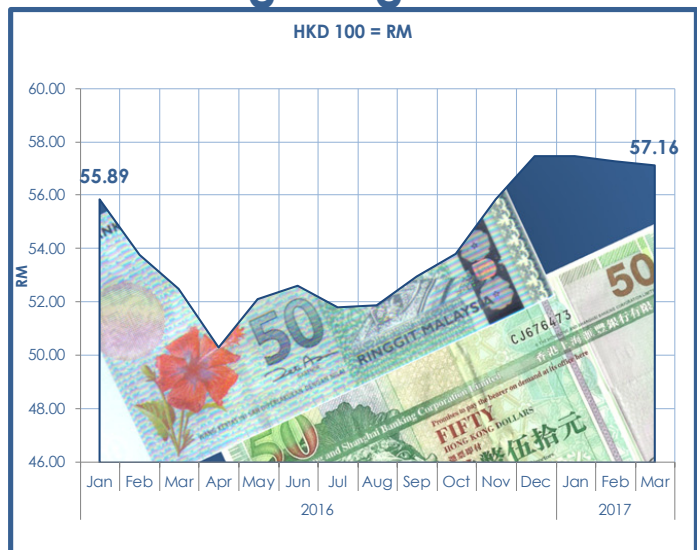
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Malaysian Ringgit Exchange Rate with Selected Countries, January 2016 - March 2017

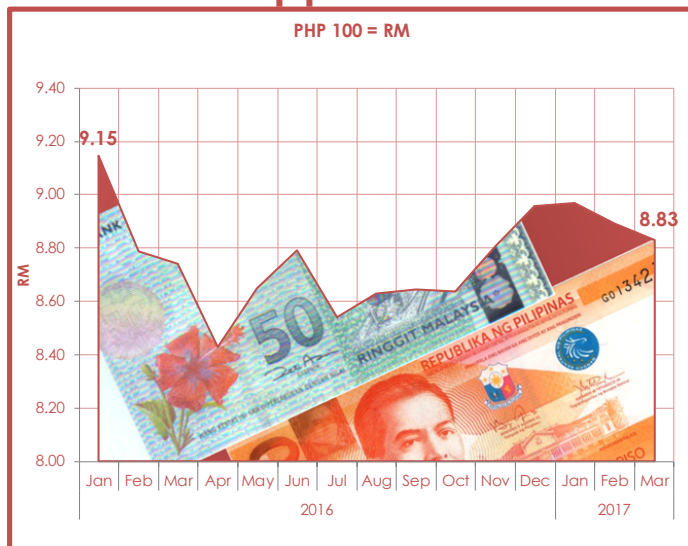
US Dollar



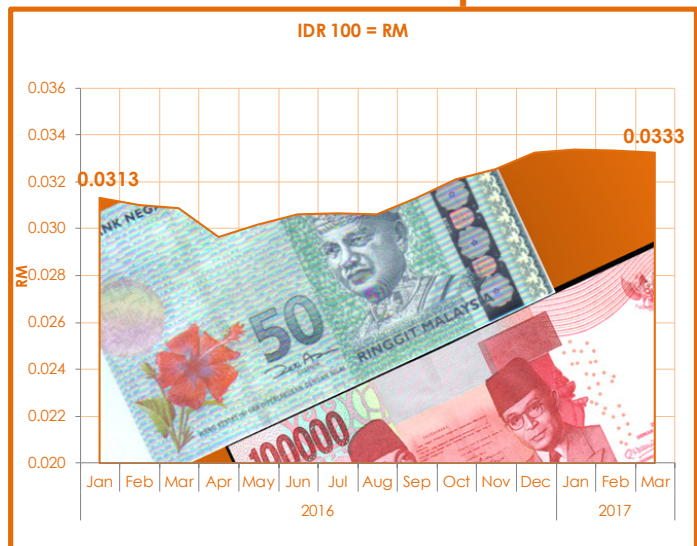
Hong Kong Dollar



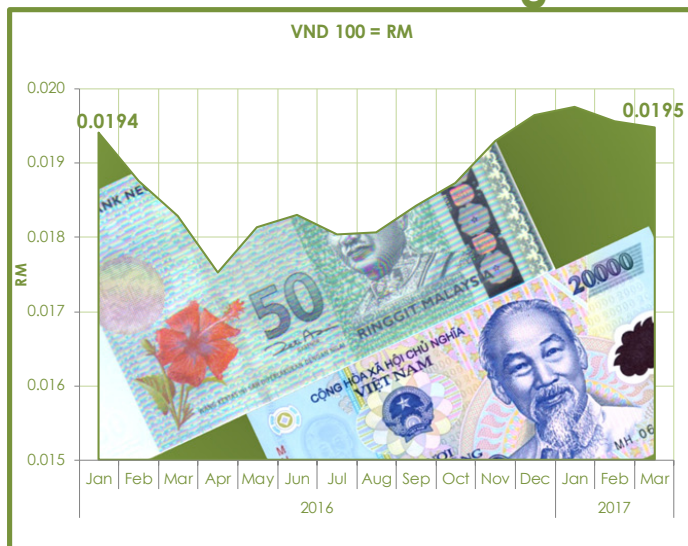
Philippine Peso



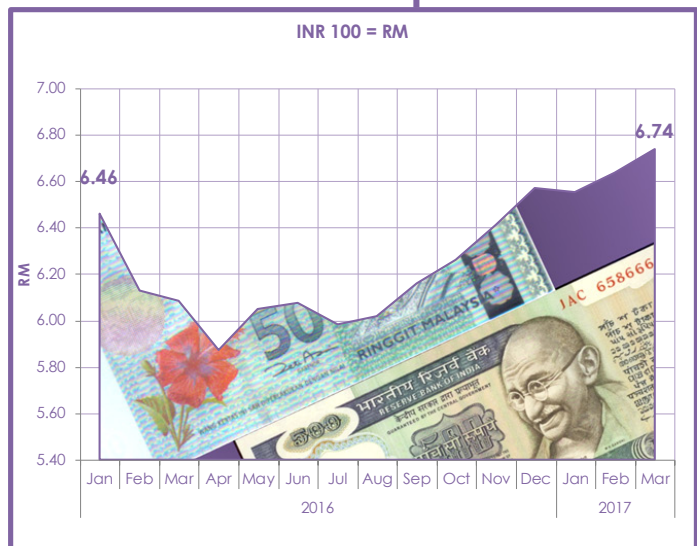
Indonesian Rupiah



Vietnamese Dong



Indian Rupee



Source : Bank Negara Malaysia

Commodity Prices



CRUDE PETROLEUM (BRENT) -per bbl-

13 Apr 2017 : US\$55.9, ▲ 1.2%*
Average Priceⁱ : 2016: US\$45.3
2015: US\$53.6



CRUDE PALM OIL -per MT-

13 Apr 2017 : US\$693.0, ▲ 0.3%*
Average Priceⁱ : 2016: US\$702.2
2015: US\$616.9



SUGAR -per lbs-

13 Apr 2017 : US¢ 16.6, ▼ 1.2%*
Average Priceⁱ : 2016: US¢18.2
2015: US¢13.2



RUBBER SMR 20 -per MT-

13 Apr 2017 : US\$1,627.5, ▼ 7.3%*
Average Priceⁱ : 2016: US\$1,394.5
2015: US\$1,364.3



COCOA SMC 2 -per MT-

13 Apr 2017 : US\$1,424.2, ▼ 7.1%*
Average Priceⁱ : 2016: US\$1,609.8
2015: US\$2,077.0



COAL -per MT-

13 Apr 2017 : US\$44.1, unchanged
Average Priceⁱ : 2016: US\$45.6
2015: US\$49.9



SCRAP IRON HMS -per MT-

14 Apr 2017 : US\$300.0 (high), unchanged
US\$290.0 (low), unchanged
Average Priceⁱ : 2016: US\$243.2
2015: US\$239.6

HIGHEST and LOWEST 2016/2017

Crude Petroleum (Brent) -per bbl-



Highest

6 Jan 2017 : US\$57.1
30 Dec 2016 : US\$56.8

Lowest

24 Mar 2017 : US\$50.8
15 Jan 2016 : US\$28.9

Crude Palm Oil -per MT-



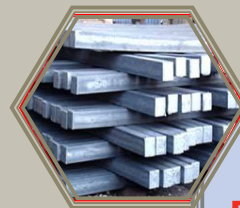
Highest

20 Jan 2017 : US\$843.0
30 Dec 2016 : US\$797.5

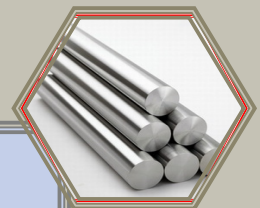
Lowest

7 Apr 2017 : US\$691.0
15 Jan 2016 : US\$545.5

Domestic Prices 14 April 2017



Billets
(per MT)
RM2,000 – RM2,050



Steel Bars
(per MT)
RM2,100 – RM2,250

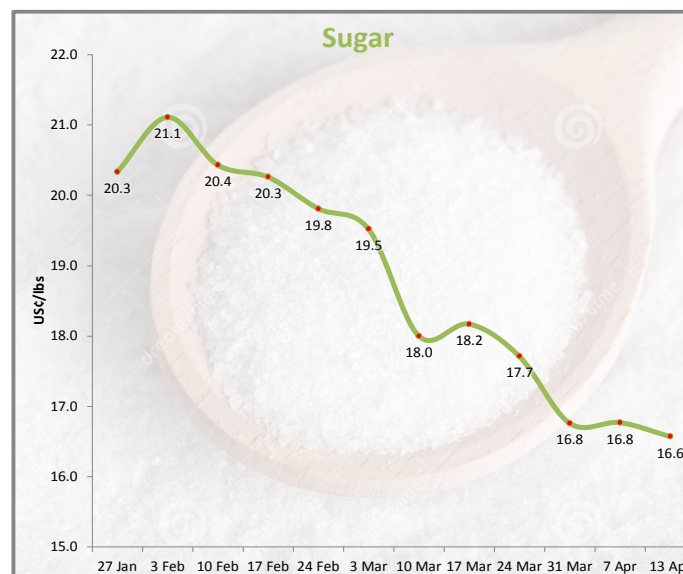
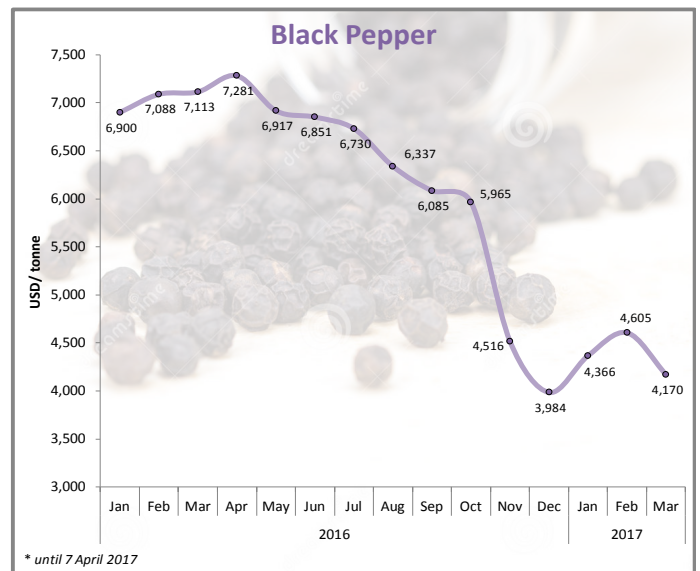
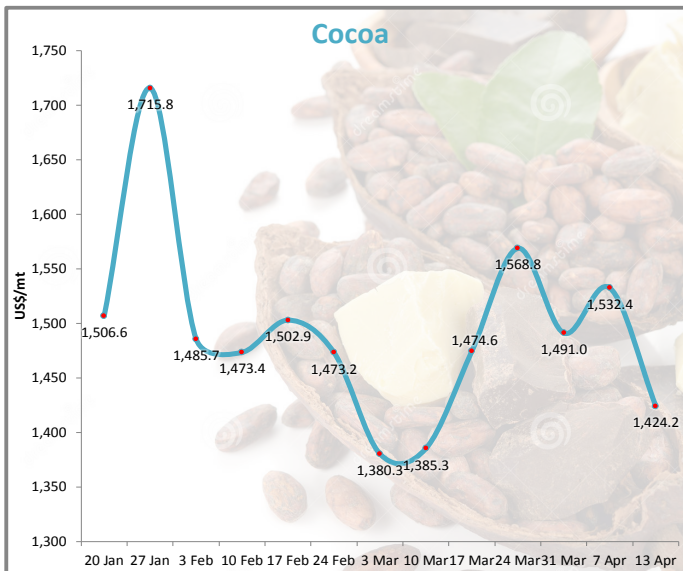
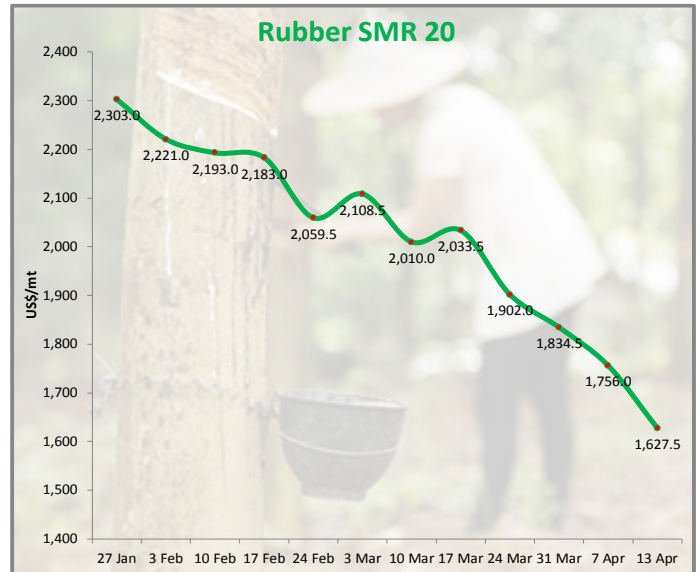
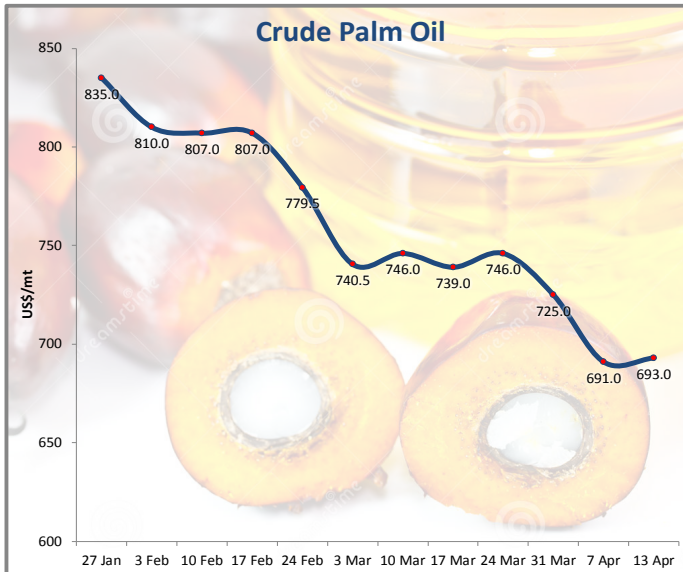
Notes: All figures have been rounded to the nearest decimal point

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

i Average price in the year except otherwise indicated

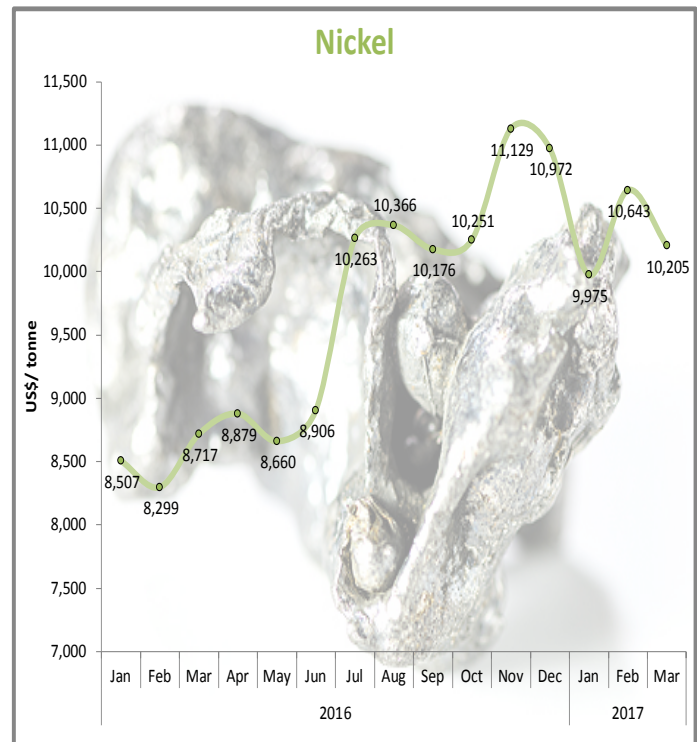
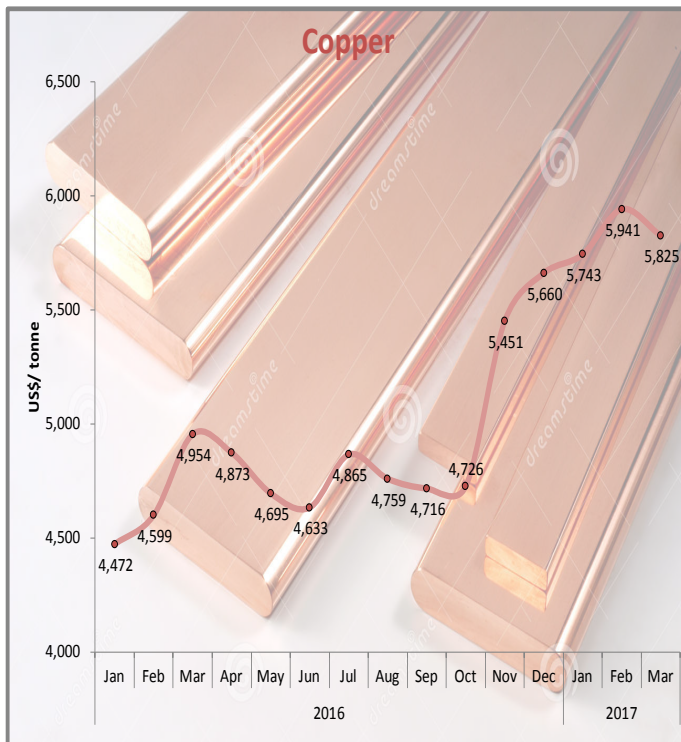
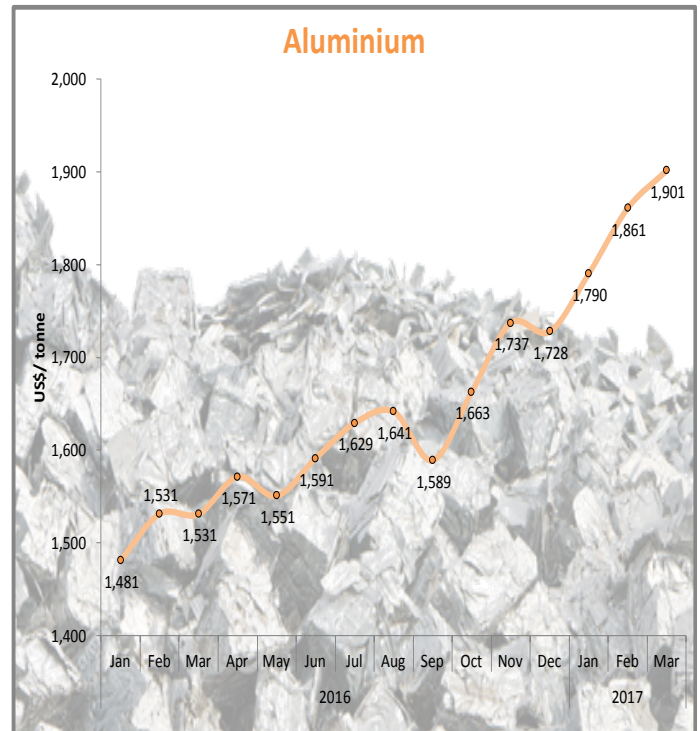
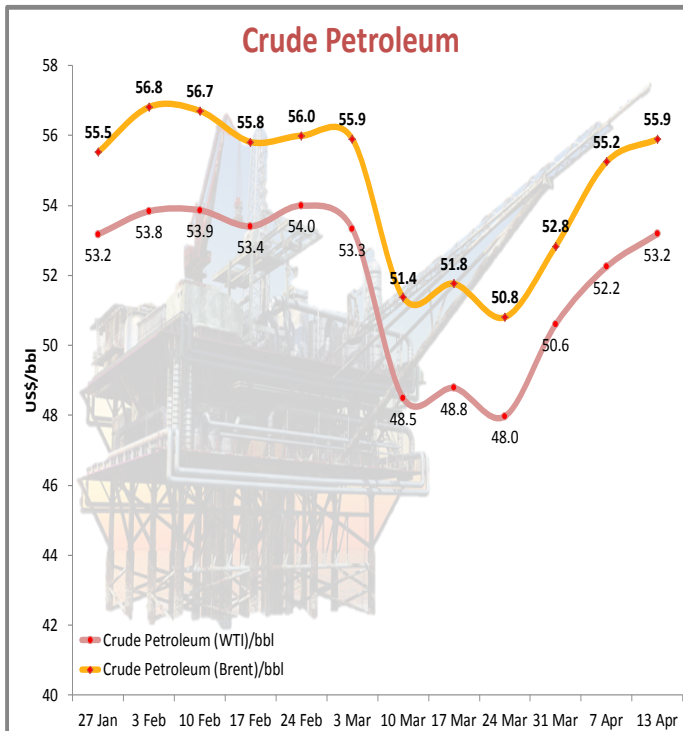
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Commodity Price Trends



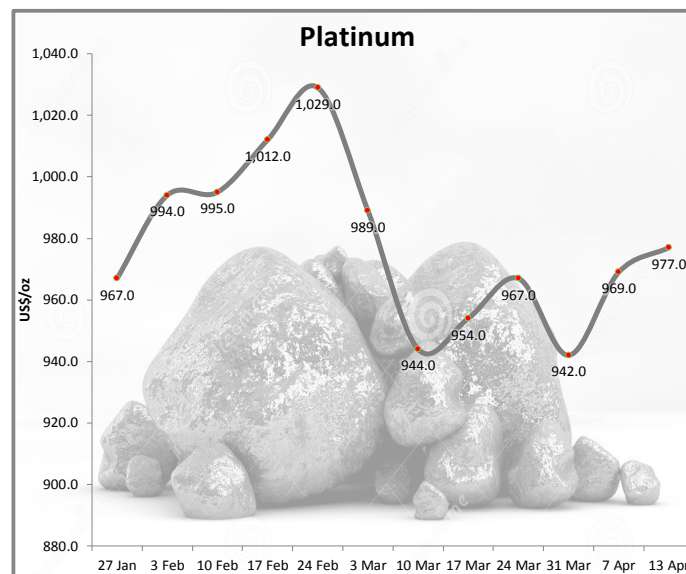
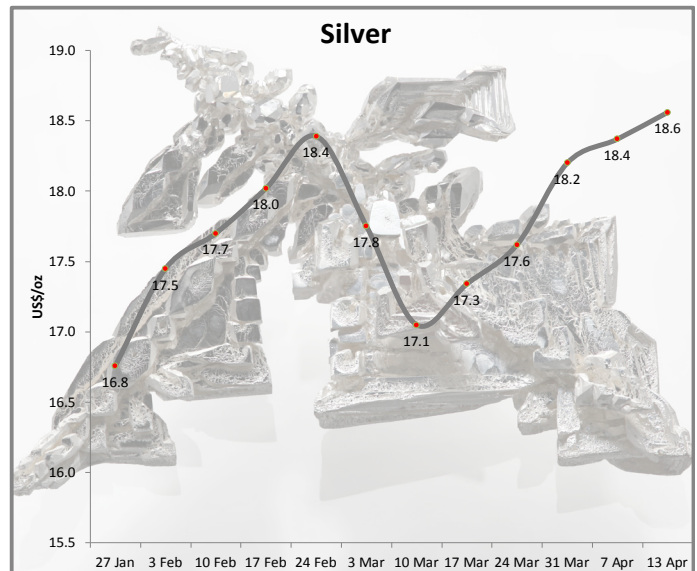
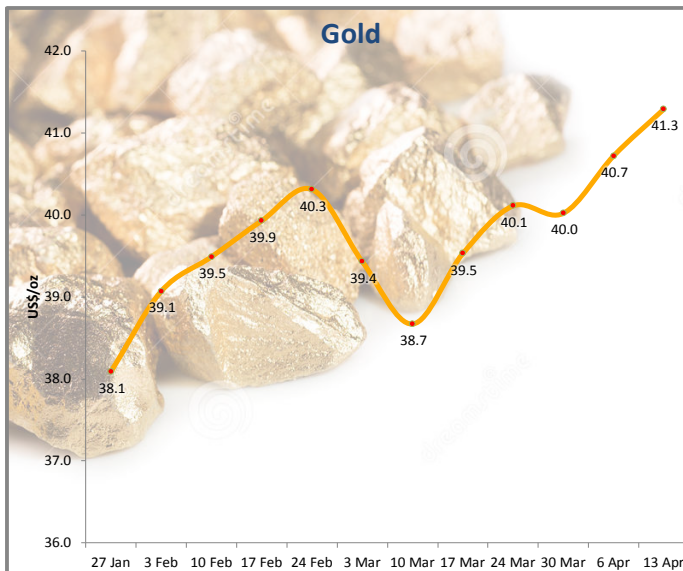
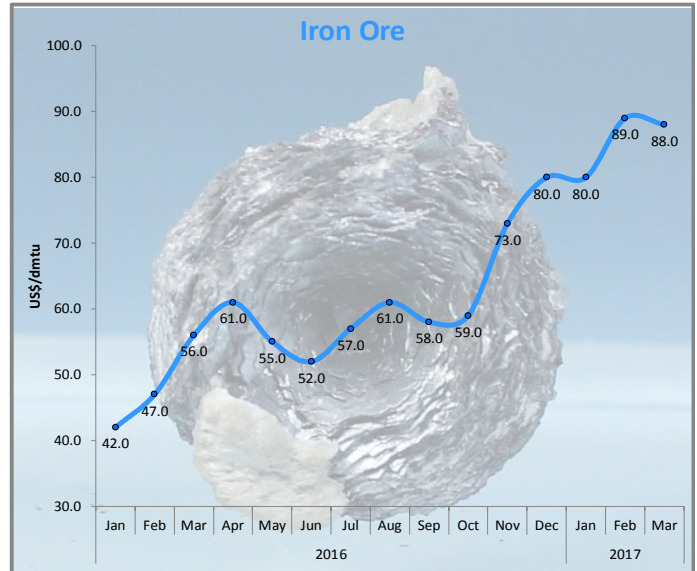
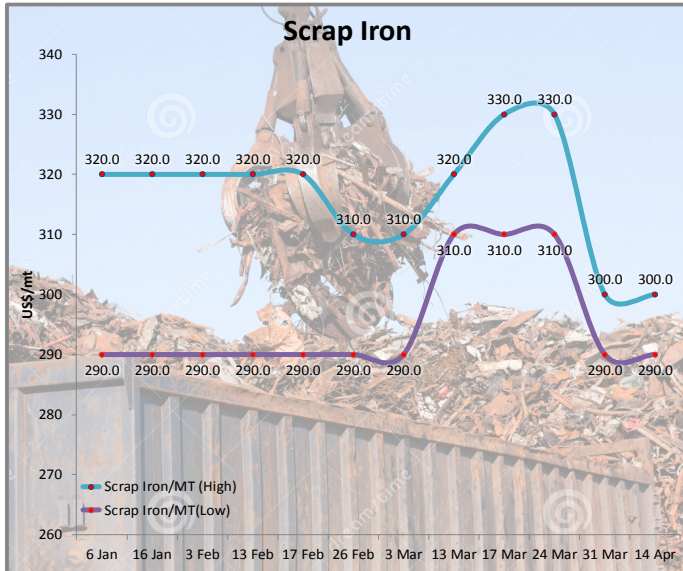
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MITI PROGRAMME

Engagement Session with Regulatory Coordinators on the Implementation of Good Regulatory Practice, 17 April 2017



MITI PROGRAMME

Malaysia - South Korea Business Forum Seoul, Korea, 14 April 2017



ANNOUNCEMENT

Final Determination of Safeguard Investigations with Regard to the Imports of Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar (Rebar) and Steel Wire Rods & Deformed Bar in Coils (Swr & Dbic) into Malaysia under the Safeguards Act 2006

The Government initiated two (2) safeguard investigations on imports of Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar (REBAR) and Steel Wire Rods & Deformed Bar in Coils (SWR & DBIC) on 28 May 2016 and 29 May 2016 respectively based on petitions filed by Malaysia Steel Association (MSA) on behalf of the domestic industry. The Petition alleged that the increased importation of both products into Malaysia had seriously injured the domestic industry.

In accordance with Section 25 of the Safeguards Act 2006, the Government made a final determination to impose definitive safeguard duties on imports of REBAR and SWR & DBIC for the period of three years as follows:

i) REBAR:

Duration	Definitive Safeguard Duty
14 April 2017 – 13 April 2018	13.42%
14 April 2018 – 13 April 2019	12.27%
14 April 2019 – 13 April 2020	11.10%

ii) SWR & DBIC:

Duration	Definitive Safeguard Duty
15 April 2017 – 14 April 2018	13.90%
15 April 2018 – 14 April 2019	12.90%
15 April 2019 – 14 April 2020	11.90%

For SWR & DBIC, the definitive safeguard duties will exclude:

1. products with carbon content of 0.60% or more, or diameter greater than 16.0 millimetres;
2. products imported for the end-usage purposes of automotive, electrical and electronic, oil and gas; and
3. DBIC imported for the end-usage purposes of earthquake proof construction industries of all grades and specifications.

Source: Ministry of International Trade and Industry, Malaysia

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EU Tariff and Non-Tariff Barriers

The EU is a Customs Union with its 28 member countries forming a single territory for customs purposes. It all applies a common customs tariff for goods imported from outside the EU and goods that have been legally imported can circulate throughout the EU with no further customs checks.

The import duties, import quotas and other related rules and regulations are devised, agreed and decided upon at EU level with inputs from individual member states. They constitute the legal framework for the 'Internal European Market'. Malaysian companies interested in exporting their products to the EU should take note of all tariffs and trade regulations which are in place in the EU, which are same throughout the EU.

Tariff Classification:

Legislation	Description of Barrier	Remarks
TARIC	<p>The EU Integrated Tariff (TARIC) provides information on all measures relating to EU trade policy and customs tariffs applicable to specific goods in the EU (incl. temporary suspension of duties, antidumping duties, quota, etc.).</p> <p>(http://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/dds2/taric/taric_consultation.jsp?Lang=en)</p>	TARIC gives Malaysian manufacturers the exact tariff information of their products.

Non-Tariff Barriers:

No.	Legislation	Description of NTBs	Remarks
1	CE marking	<p>CE marking is a part of the EU's harmonisation legislation and it is a mandatory conformity marking for certain products sold within the European Economic Area (EEA).</p> <p>(https://ec.europa.eu/growth/single-market/ce-marking_en)</p>	This is manufacturer's declaration that the product complies with the essential requirements of the relevant European health, safety and environmental protection legislation.
2	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)	<p>REACH sets requirements for manufacturers in the EU and importers of chemicals and products containing chemical substances. Registration is compulsory for related products.</p> <p>(http://ec.europa.eu/environment/chemicals/reach/reach_en.htm)</p>	<p>The system covers all chemicals, such as:</p> <p>those used in industrial processes, and also those we encounter in our everyday lives. i.e. cleaning products, paints, clothing, furniture and electrical appliances.</p>

3	Environmental Requirements	<p>Goods imported into the EU must meet the EU environmental requirements to protect consumers and the environment.</p> <p>(http://exporthelp.europa.eu/thdapp/display.htm?page=rt%2frt_EnvironmentalRequirements.html&docType=main&languageId=en)</p>	<p>The main requirements can be classified in the following sectors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chemicals; Ozone-depleting substances (ODS); Fluorinated greenhouse gases, Endangered species; and Wastes.
4	Technical requirements	<p>Goods imported into the EU must meet the EU technical requirements to protect consumers.</p> <p>(http://exporthelp.europa.eu/thdapp/display.htm?page=rt%2frt_TechnicalRequirements.html&docType=main&languageId=en)</p>	<p>The main requirements can be classified in the sectors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Product safety, Technical standardisation, Packaging; and Labelling.
5	EU Customs Code: The Economic Operator Registration and Identification (EORI)	<p>EORI code is a unique identifier, assigned by a customs authority in an EU country to all economic operators (both companies and individuals) engaging in activities covered by EU customs legislation.</p> <p>Importers established outside the EU will be assigned an EORI the first time they lodge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a customs declaration an entry summary declaration (ENS) an exit summary declaration (EXS) <p>(http://exporthelp.europa.eu/thdapp/display.htm?page=rt/rt_EUImportProcedures.html&docType=main&languageId=EN)</p>	<p>The EORI number must also be quoted in the framework of approval procedures conducted by the Federal Office of Economics and Export Control and/or the Federal Agency for Agriculture and Food. It is also required for recording the import turnover tax payable to the tax office as accessed via the paperless ATLAS IT procedure.</p>
6	Sanitary and phytosanitary requirements	<p>Goods imported into the EU must meet the EU sanitary and phytosanitary requirements to protect human and animal health.</p> <p>(http://exporthelp.europa.eu/thdapp/display.htm?page=rt%2frt_SanitaryAndPhytosanitaryRequirements.html&docType=main&languageId=en)</p>	<p>The main requirements can be classified in the sectors: Food and feed safety, Animal health, Plant health and Public health.</p>
7	Entry Summary Declaration (ENS)	<p>The ENS declaration contains advance cargo information about consignments entering the EU. It must be lodged at the first customs office of entry into the EU by the carrier of the goods (by the carrier of the goods, although in some cases it can be done by the importer-consignee, or a representative of the carrier or importer) - even if the goods are not going to be imported into the EU (transit).</p>	<p>The ENS requires information contained in documents originating with the exporter (bill of lading, commercial invoices, etc.).</p> <p>These documents need to reach the party responsible for lodging the declaration on time.</p>

8	Marketing standards	<p>Goods imported into the EU must meet specific standards concerning quality.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marketing standards for agricultural and fishery products • Production and labelling of organic products <p>(http://exporthelp.europa.eu/thdapp/display.htm?page=rt%2ft_MarketingStandards.html&docType=main&languageId=en)</p>	The EU countries conduct documentary and physical checks to ensure that imported products comply with the marketing standards, i.e. agricultural and fishery products supplied fresh; and a strict certification process for producing and marketing organic products with labels and logos on the EU market.
9	EU Directives on the imports of fishery products Directive 2006/88/EC	<p>Aquaculture and aquaculture products imports into the EU must comply with animal health requirements and the exporting establishments must be approved by the Commission before the consignment arrives at EU entry points.</p> <p>(https://ec.europa.eu/food/animals/live_animals/aquaculture_en)</p>	The EU Food and Veterinary Office (FVO) undertakes inspection visits to approve such establishments.
10	Directive on batteries and accumulators and waste batteries and accumulators	<p>This directive applies to all batteries and accumulators sold or imported into the EU including automotive, industrial and portable batteries.</p> <p>(http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2006:266:0001:0014:en:PDF)</p>	The main purpose of this directive is to protect the environment by restricting the sale of batteries and accumulators that contain mercury or cadmium (with an exemption for emergency and alarm systems, medical equipment and cordless power tools) and by promoting a high level of collection and recycling.
11	Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive	<p>The Directive requires Malaysian exporters to register relevant products with a national WEEE authority or arrange for this to be done by a local partner.</p> <p>(http://ec.europa.eu/environment/waste/weee/index_en.htm)</p>	The WEEE Directive was revised on 4 July 2012, where the scope of products was expanded to include all E&E equipment. This revised scope will come into force on 14 August 2018.
12	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)	<p>The ROHS Directive imposes restrictions on the use of certain chemicals in E&E equipment where manufacturers must self-certify that their products are compliant.</p> <p>(http://ec.europa.eu/environment/waste/rohs_eee/index_en.htm)</p>	The revised Directive in 2013 will include medical devices, monitoring and control equipment in addition to all other E&E equipment once the transition period has ended on 22 July 2019.
13	Cosmetics Regulation	<p>This notification regulation requires that the responsible persons and, under certain circumstances, the distributors of cosmetic products submit through the Cosmetic Products Notification Portal (CPNP) some information about the products they place or make available on the European market.</p> <p>(https://ec.europa.eu/growth/sectors/cosmetics_en)</p>	On 11 March 2013, the EU imposed a ban on the placement on the market of cosmetic products that contain ingredients that have been subject to animal testing.

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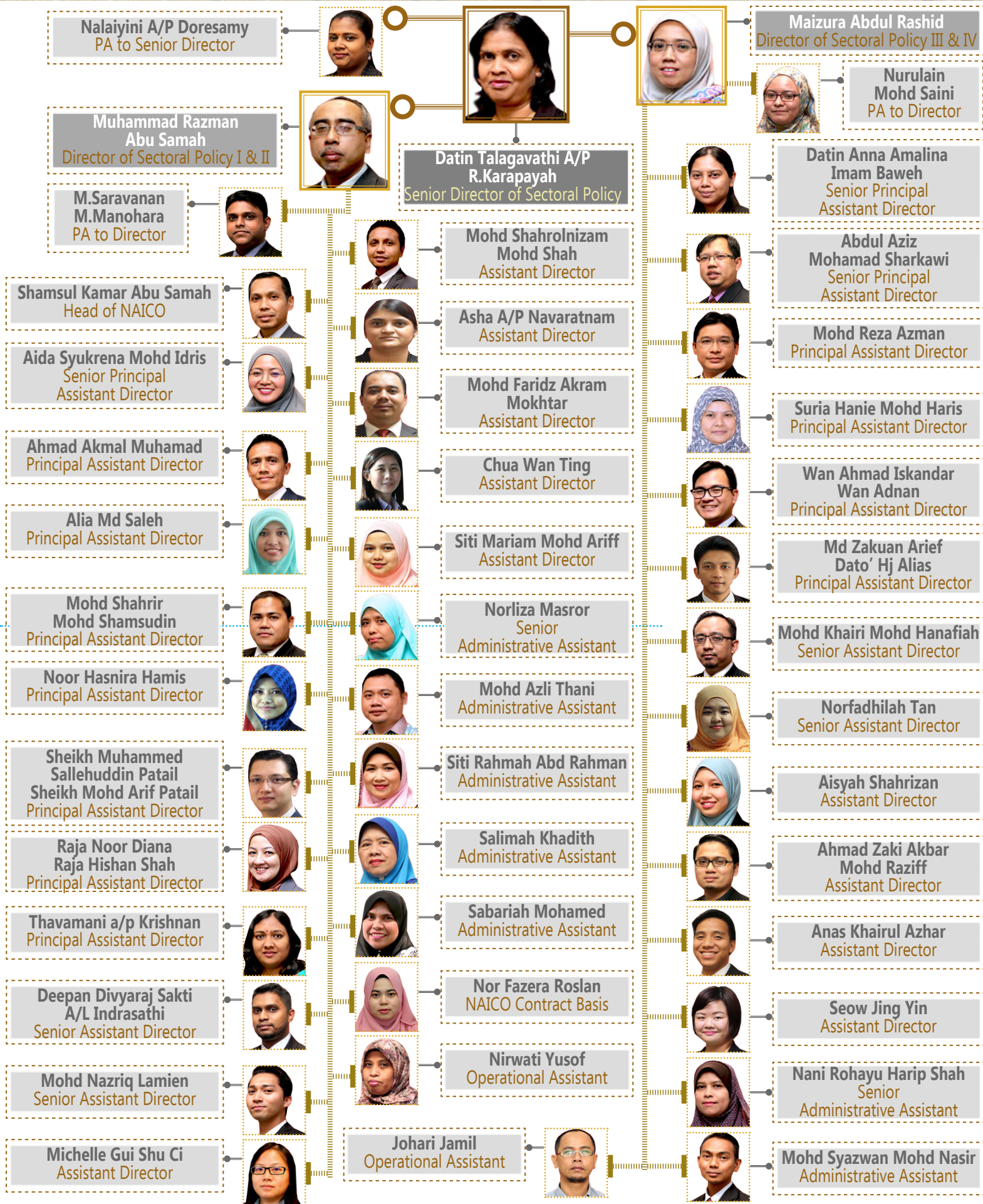


TIME	PROGRAMME	VENUE
8.00 am	Arrival of Guests & Registration	Hotel Lobby
9.00 am - 5.00 pm	Showcase MITI & Agencies	Foyer AJCC
	MIDA Career Fair	Foyer Level 1
	MIDA Career Fair Interview	Casuarina Rooms 3 & 4
	BUMIPUTERA CAPSULE	AJCC 2
	Autoshow and Car Care by MAI	Amanjaya Roundabout & Hotel Parking
	Joint Training and Education Program for SMEs with Google	Casuarina Rooms 5 – 7
	Perak SME Week 2017 organized by UPEN Perak and SME Corp.	Amanjaya Roundabout
9.00 am - 1.00 pm	Food Truck Park, organized by Perak State Government	Amanjaya Roundabout
	Halal Business Transformation Program by HDC	Casuarina Room 1
9.00 am - 12.00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Halal Certification Facilitation Program - "Industries Preparation Towards Halal Certification" • "MAKE YOUR MARK" - Interactive session with TESCO - Product Pitching 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cilik HDC by HDC • HALAL Briefing • Quiz • In-house Treasure Hunt 	AJCC 3
10.00 am - 11.00 am	Career Talk by MIDA	Casuarina Rooms 3 & 4
10.00 am - 1.00 pm	'Catur BISTARI' by SME Bank	Casuarina Room 2
12.30 pm - 2.00 pm	Opening Ceremony by the Minister of MITI and Chief Minister of Perak	AJCC 1
2.00 pm - 2.30 pm	Lucky draw	AJCC 1
2.30 pm - 3.30 pm	Dialogue with YB Minister MITI on The Benefits of ASEAN Economic Community (AEC)	AJCC 3
3.30 pm - 5.30 pm	MITI Tea Talks	AJCC 1
	a) The Route Towards Being a Global Company: The Opportunity and Challenge by MIDF	
	b) "e-Commerce Marketing: New Export Strategy" by Matrade	
5.30 pm	Programme Ends	

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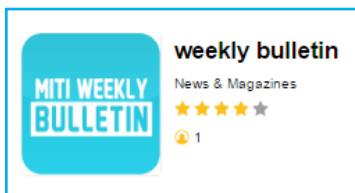
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