

#### Launching of MITI Report 2018

YB Datuk Darell Leiking, the Minister of International Trade and Industry, launched the MITI Report 2018 at MITI Tower, on 25th of June 2019, together with the Productivity Report 2018/2019. Malaysia leveraged on the improved trend of private investments, underpinned by businessfriendly policies and clear economic direction. Despite the challenging external environment, Malaysia managed to attain gross domestic product (GDP) growth of 4.7% in 2018, compared to 5.9% in 2017, which was largely supported by strong domestic demand and well-diversified economy.

On the investment front, Malaysia's private investments in the manufacturing, services and primary sectors recorded RM201.7 billion in 2018, a 0.55% increase



against RM200.6 billion recorded in 2017. Total foreign investments more than doubled at RM58 billion last year, against RM21.5 billion in 2017; accounting for 66.4% of approved investments. In 2018, total trade continued to be resilient; expanding by 5.9% to RM1.88 trillion compared with RM1.771 trillion in 2017. Malaysia witnessed the greatest achievements in terms of trade surplus in 2018, which widened by 22.3% to RM120.52 billion, registering the fastest growth rate in 10 years, as well as the largest trade surplus since 2012. This was the 21st consecutive year of trade surplus since 1998, driven by total exports almost reaching the RM1 trillion mark. Despite uncertainties in the global environment, exports rose by 6.8% to reach a value of RM998.28 billion whereas imports increased by 4.9% to RM877.76 billion.

In 2019, Malaysia aims to achieve steady economic growth of between 4.3 and 4.8 percent for 2019, supported by private sector activity, stable income and employment growth, coupled with sustained business capacity expansion. In terms of investments, the first quarter of 2019 showed encouraging signs whereby approvals increased by 3.1 percent to RM53.9 billion, driven primarily by the robust performance of the manufacturing sector. The approved investment is forecasted to create a total of 41,200 job opportunities in manufacturing (22,970 jobs), services (18,000 jobs) and primary sectors (240 jobs). Concurrently, realised investments for FDI in the first quarter of 2019 increased to RM21.7 billion as compared to RM12.9 billion in the last quarter of 2018. Trade rebounded in April 2019, whereby total trade expanded by 2.6 percent to RM159.55 billion. After two months of negative year-on-year growth, exports for the month of April 2019 increased by 1.1% to RM85.2 billion.

MITI and Agencies remain committed to our mandate to attract quality investments, increase trade, and create employment opportunities for the rakyat. In this regard, we will double our efforts to promote investments in more high-value, diverse and complex products driven by the catalytic sub-sectors namely chemicals, E&E and machinery & equipment and also industries with high potential growth particularly aerospace and medical devices. In addition, high-tech industries such as the automotive sector and high-value knowledge-intensive services will also be promoted.

MITI will intensify efforts to strengthen sectoral growth, facilitate structural reforms and provide quality infrastructure. Towards this, MITI launched the Industry4WRD National Policy to transform local companies in the manufacturing sector and manufacturing related services through systematically embracing Industry4.0. Moreover, the inclusion of new agencies under MITI, namely the Department of Standards Malaysia, SIRIM Berhad, MIMOS Berhad, Export-Import Bank of Malaysia Berhad and InvestKL, will further complement as well as bring about diverse capabilities and institutional strengths.

Ministry of International Trade and Industry, 25 June 2019

# Malaysia's Labour Productivity remains strong by 2.2% in 2018

Malaysia registered a labour productivity growth of 2.2% at RM91,971 in 2018 as compared to RM89,925 in 2017. The growth in productivity contributed to the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of 4.7%, while employment grew at 2.4%.

The Productivity Report 2018/2019 is the 26<sup>th</sup> Edition published by Malaysia Productivity Corporation (MPC) with the theme "Driving Productivity of the Nation". The findings and analysis in this report are based on productivity data released by the Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM).

According to the report, the services sector recorded the highest performance with growth in labour productivity at 3.5% that is equivalent to RM86,921, followed by construction at 3.4% (RM43,882), manufacturing at 2.4% (RM121,841) and mining and quarrying 2.1% (RM1,494,710). While, agriculture sector registered a contraction of 0.2% at RM53,943. Among the sectors, productivity levels of mining and quarrying and manufacturing had surpassed the national productivity level.

In terms of productivity level (labour productivity per person employed in 2017 USD), Malaysia remains ahead of selected Asian countries. Malaysia at USD68,321 is ahead of Thailand (USD33,839), China (USD32,848), Indonesia (USD28,057) and the Philippines (USD21,300). However, compared with selected developed countries, Malaysia lagged behind Singapore (USD 145,864), USA (USD 126,979) and Korea (USD76,850).



The nine priority subsectors Productivity Nexus have strengthened productivity through the 43 sectorlevel initiatives by encouraging collaborations between industry players, associations, academicians and relevant agencies. Such public-private sector cooperation has created awareness, better understanding and facilitated the adoption of productivity enhancement programmes including Productivity Champion, Industry Productivity Specialists (IPS), Recognition for High Productivity Enterprise (HPE) using local talent, ezBE Assessment Tool, e-Productivity Gain Measurement (ePGM) and Best Practices Online Database (BOND).

MPC has also undertaken various initiatives to support Government's agenda in providing conducive business environments through Good Regulatory Practice (GRP), which work to enhance transparency, predictability and accountability. Under GRP, various programmes were carried out such as Modernising Business Licensing (MBL), Regulatory Impact Analysis (RIA), Cutting Red Tape (MyCURE), Reducing Unnecessary Regulatory Burdens (RURB), and removing Non-Tariff Measures (NTMs) that impede business growth.

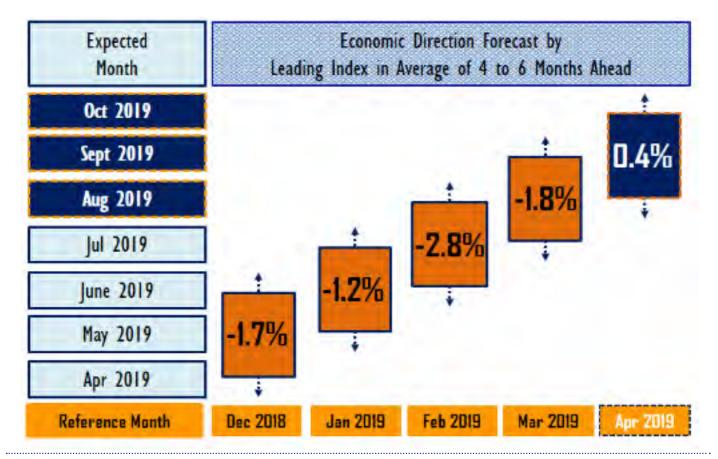
MPC has assumed the principal role of a Delivery Management Office (DMO) to ensure successful implementation of the initiatives by coordinating, monitoring and evaluating performance of productivity strategies by both the public and private sector players. MPC continues to work together with the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) and Ministry of Economic Affairs (MEA) as well as other relevant ministries, agencies and other stakeholders in monitoring the progress of productivity efforts, initiatives and strategies that are implemented under the Malaysia Productivity Blueprint (MPB).

The Productivity Report 2018/2019, can be accessed through www.mpc.gov.my and Nexus Productivity Portal <u>www.wayup.my</u>

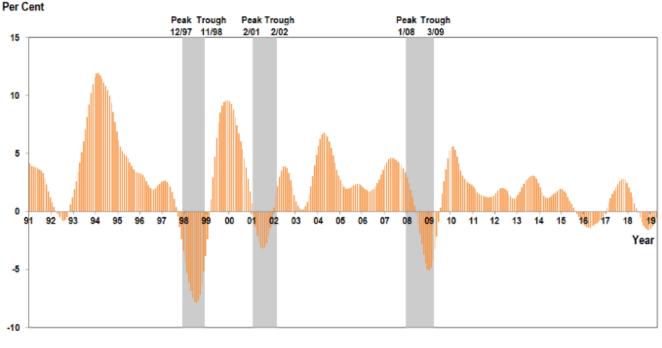
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#### Economics Indicators: Leading, Coincident & Lagging Indexes, April 2019

#### Stronger Leading Index in April indicates a better economic performance in August to October 2019

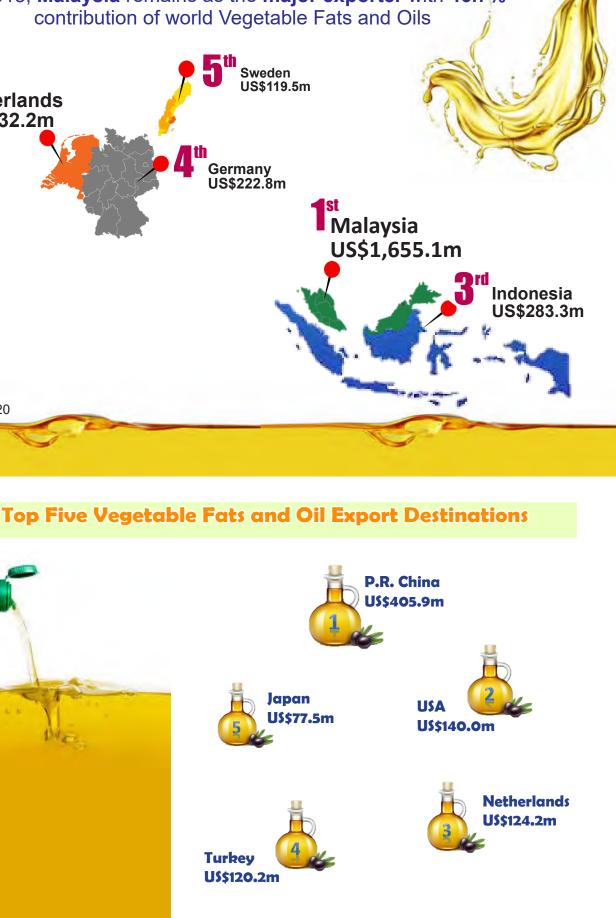


Annual growth rate of leading index (smoothed) and business cycle (grey shaded areas), January 1991 to April 2019



Source: Department of Statistics, Malaysia

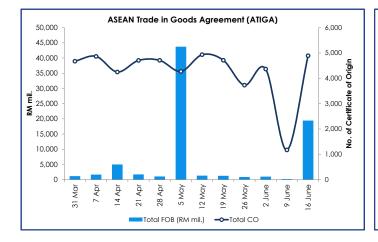


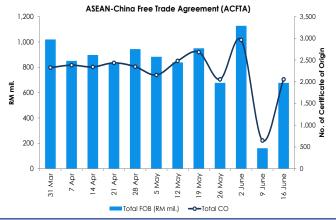


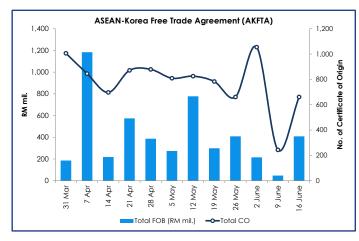
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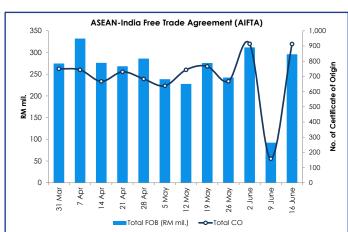
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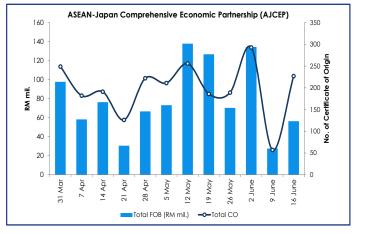
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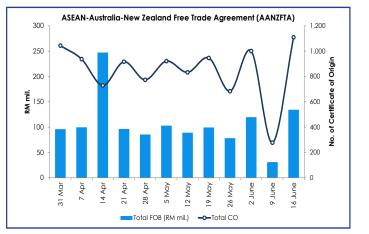


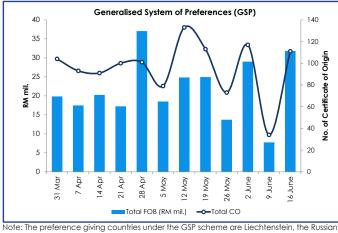










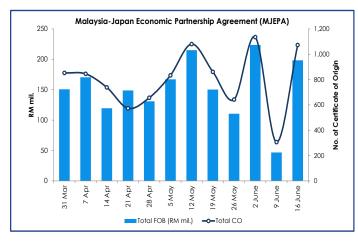


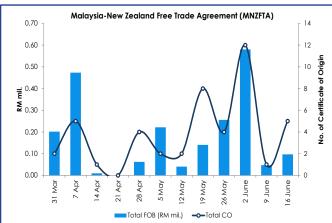
e: The preference giving countries under the GSP scheme are Liechtenstein, the Russian Federation, Japan, Switzerland, Belarus, Kazakhstan and Norway.

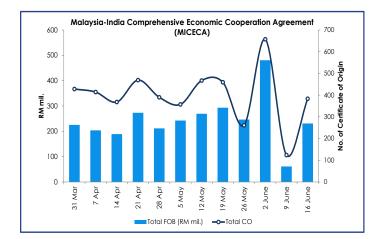
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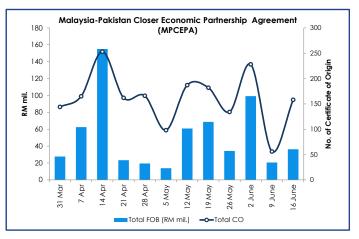
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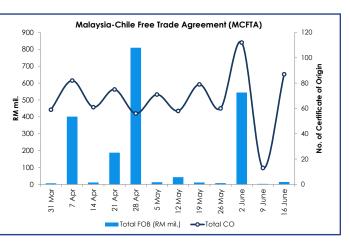
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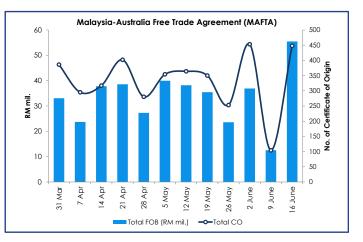


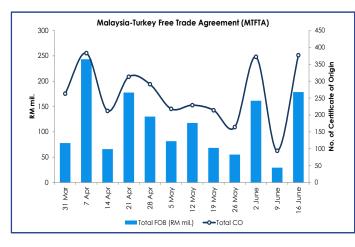










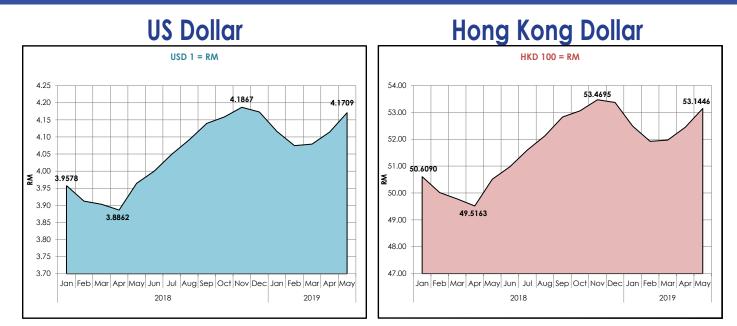


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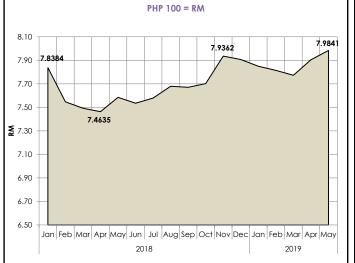
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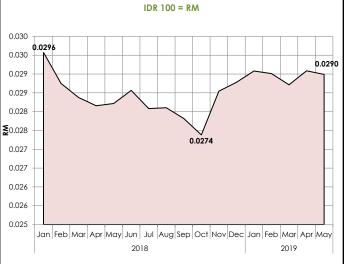
# Malaysian Ringgit Exchange Rate with Selected Countries, January 2018 - May 2019



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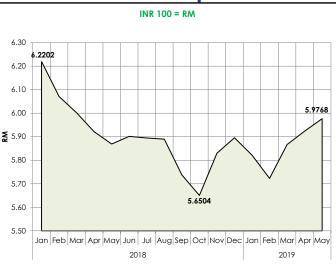
# Indonesia Rupiah



# Vietnamese Dong



# Indian Rupee



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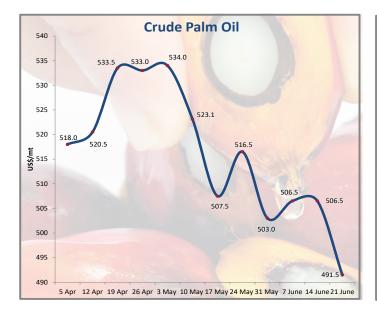
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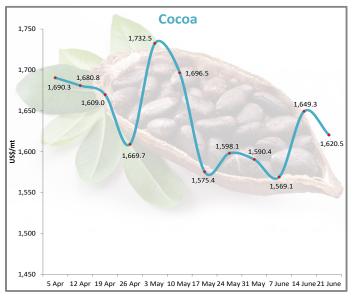
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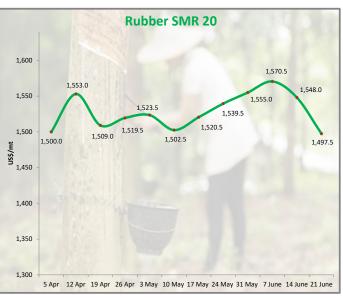
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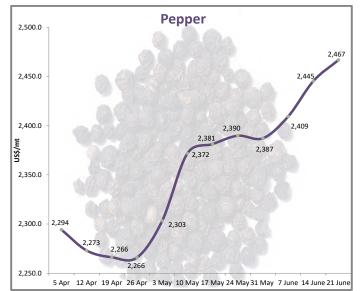


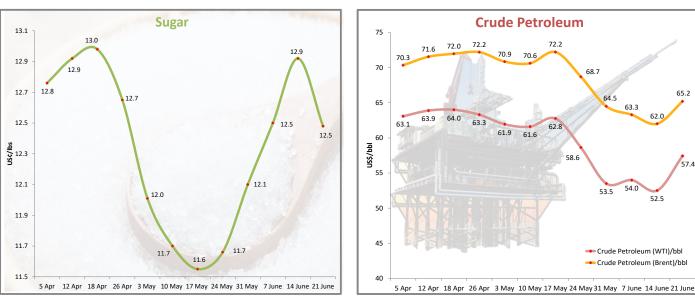
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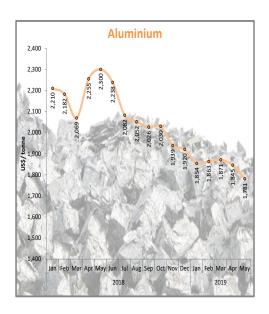


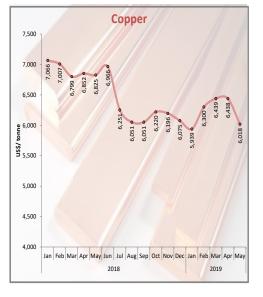


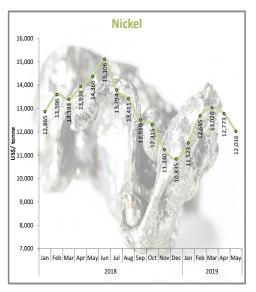


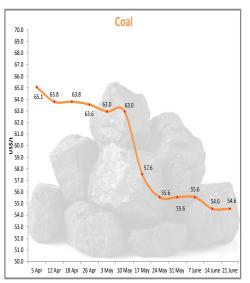
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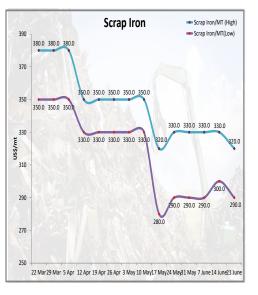
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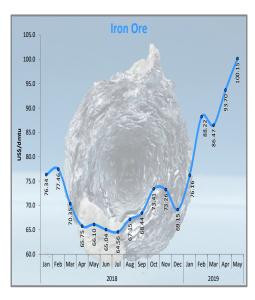


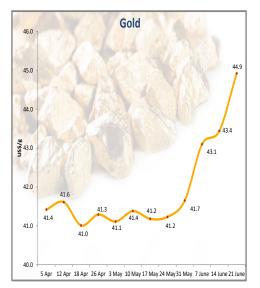


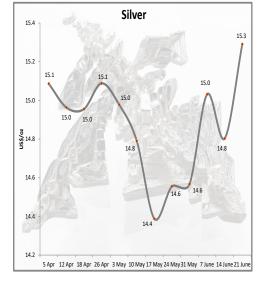


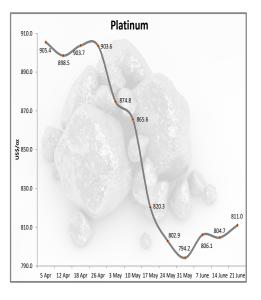












Sources: Ministry of International Trade and Industry Malaysia, , Malaysian Iron and Steel Industry Federation, Bloomberg and Czarnikow Group, World Bank, World Gold Council, The Wall Street Journal.

#### YB Minister attended Officiating Ceremony of Malaysia Fest 2019 by Prime Minister in Bangkok, Thailand 21 June 2019



#### MITI Minister attended the 34<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Summit 21-23 June 2019





#### MITI Deputy Minister addressed the opening reception of China International SME Forum (CISMEF), 23 June 2019



#### Majlis Networking MITI dan Agensi bersama Sektor Swasta 24 Jun 2019









#### Launching of MITI Report and Productivity Report 25 Jun 2019



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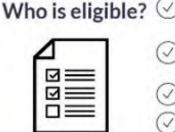


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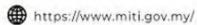


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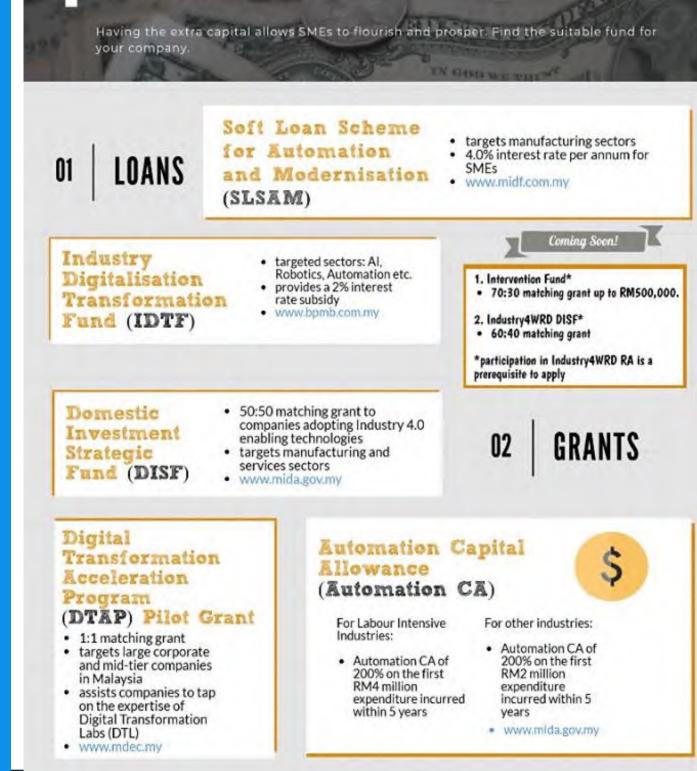
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#### **Gross Value Added**

Gross value added is the value of output less the value of intermediate consumption; it is a measure of the contribution to GDP made by an individual producer, industry or sector.

Source : National Accounts Source Detail : Gross Domestics Product (GDP), DOSM

#### **Gross Value Added at Basic Prices**

Gross value added at basic prices is output valued at basic prices less intermediate consumption valued at purchasers' prices.

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#### **Gross Value Added at Producers Prices**

Gross value added at producers prices is output valued at producers' prices less intermediate consumption valued at purchasers' prices.

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#### Ground Level Ozone (O3)

A pungent, colourless and toxic gas that contributes to photochemical smog. O3 is formed as a result of chemical reaction in the air between Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) and Nitrogen Oxide (NOx). By the late afternoon or early evening, usually O3 concentration is high and dominating API readings in some areas. Under the sunlight influence, and reaction between NOx and VOC that released from motor vehicles exhaust and industrial which form the O3 in the earth's surface. Under the influence of sunlight, Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) and Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) emitted from motor vehicle exhaust and industry react to form O3 in the earth's surface.

Source : EnvironmentSource Detail : Compendium of Environment Statistics Malaysia,DOSM

#### **Groundwater Run-off**

Groundwater that is discharged into a stream channel as spring or percolated water.

Source : Environment Source Detail : Compendium of Enviroment Statistics, DOSM

#### Habitat

Place where an organism or population (human, animal, plant, micro-organism) lives.Source : EnvironmentSource Detail : Compendium of Environment Statistics, DOSM

#### **Hazardous Wastes**

Wastes that, owing to their toxic, infectious, radioactive or flammable properties pose a substantial actualor potential hazard to the health of humans and other living organisms and the environment.Source : EnvironmentSource Detail : Compendium of Environment Statistics

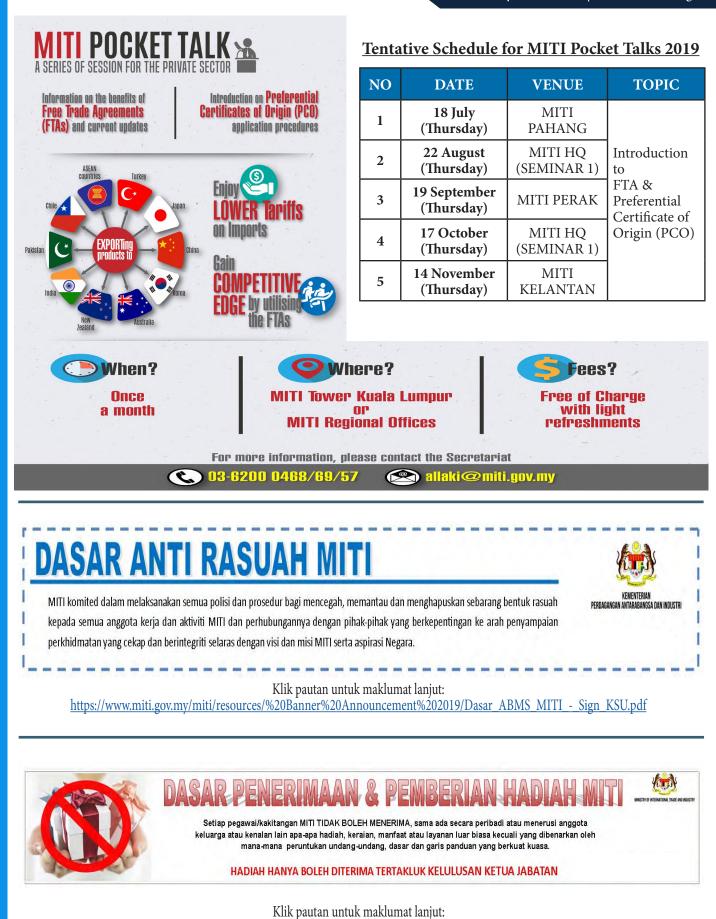
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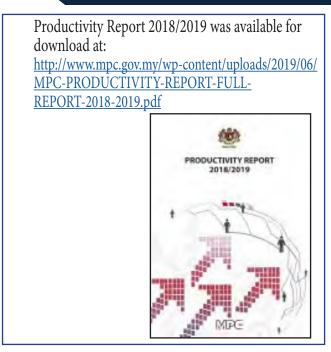


For more information, kindly visit http://www.isi2019.org/



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This survey is open until **14 July 2017 (Sunday)**. Please be assured that the information provided will be used solely for the purpose of this survey. Your feedback is important for us to enhance the Portal and serve you better.

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