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MITI BANTU TINGKAT PENGLIBATAN PKS BUMIPUTERA SABAH DALAM RANTAIAN BEKALAN GLOBAL

Menteri Kanan dan Menteri Perdagangan Antarabangsa dan Industri YB Dato' Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali dalam sesi libat urus bersama industri di Sabah menyatakan komitmen Kementerian Perdagangan Antarabangsa dan Industri (MITI) serta agensi-agensinya untuk terus bekerja keras bagi memastikan pertumbuhan dinamik Perusahaan Kecil dan Sederhana (PKS) Bumiputera di Sabah yang terlibat di dalam sektor pembuatan.

Kagum dengan inisiatif, dedikasi dan kerja kuat PKS Bumiputera di Sabah, Dato' Seri Azmin berkata inisiatif untuk memperkasakan perusahaan di negeri ini adalah penting bagi mewujudkan lebih banyak peluang pekerjaan dan pendapatan untuk rakyat Sabah. Perusahaan milikan wanita di Sabah juga mempunyai prospek untuk memberi anjakan kepada pertumbuhan ekonomi di negeri ini. MITI dan agensi-agensinya akan membantu memberi fasilitasi dalam bentuk pembangunan kapasiti, insentif pemotongan cukai untuk automasi serta program padanan perniagaan dengan pengimport luar negara," kata Dato' Seri Azmin.

Beliau yang mengetuai delegasi MITI dalam sesi libat urus bersama pemain industri ini turut memberi pencerahan tentang program-program MITI dan agensi dalam memudah cara peralihan PKS Bumiputera Sabah ke arah automasi dan pendigitalan. Penerangan yang disampaikan juga adalah respon kepada isu-isu yang dibangkitkan PKS di sesi libat urus tersebut yang dihadiri 100 peserta daripada sektor-sektor seperti Makanan & Minuman, Agrikultur, Automotif dan tidak ketinggalan sektor Gas & Minyak, Pelancongan dan lain-lain perkhidmatan. Antara isu-isu yang diketengahkan PKS dan wakil-wakil industri adalah berkaitan dengan penaiktarafan mesin, program sokongan akses pasaran luar negara untuk PKS termasuklah untuk usahawan muda, pensijilan halal serta halangan import berikut sekatan pergerakan produk di rantaian bekalan dunia yang terjejas akibat pandemik COVID-19.

Antara maklumat program-program yang dikongsi sewaktu sesi libat urus ini adalah Program Penilaian Kesediaan Industry4WRD (RA) dan Intervensi Perniagaan Industry4WRD dari MITI; Dana Pelaburan Strategik Tempatan (DISF) dan Accelerated Capital Allowance dari Lembaga Pembangunan Pelaburan Malaysia (MIDA); serta Program eBizMatch, eTRADE dan Geran Pembangunan Pasaran (MDG) dari Perbadanan Pembangunan Perdagangan Luar Malaysia (MATRADE).

Menurut Dato' Seri Azmin PKS Bumiputera di Sabah perlu segera mengambil langkah untuk memulihkan operasi perniagaan mereka yang terjejas akibat pandemik COVID-19. "PKS Sabah perlu mengambil peluang ke atas program-program yang disediakan MITI dan agensi agar mereka dapat mengembalikan produktiviti mereka seperti sebelum COVID-19, dan memulakan transformasi yang mempersiapkan penglibatan mereka di dalam rantaian bekalan global. Ini adalah penting bagi memastikan manfaat daripada inisiatif-inisiatif Pakej Rangsangan Ekonomi PENJANA mendapat kesinambungan dan isu-isu utama pengoperasian seperti aliran tunai dan penempatan pekerja dapat diatasi segera," kata beliau.

Beliau turut memetik bahawa usaha-usaha daripada PENJANA telah berjaya membentuk satu ekosistem yang kondusif bagi PKS di Malaysia. Bantuan-bantuan yang diberikan seperti subsidi upah dan pelanjutan tempoh moratorium telah mengurangkan impak ekonomi kepada perusahaan tempatan.

"Penurunan kadar pengangguran negara daripada 5.3 peratus kepada 4.9 peratus selepas pembukaan semula hampir kesemua sektor ekonomi pada awal bulan Mei adalah petanda awal kepada pemulihan ekonomi negara," terang Dato' Seri Azmin. Lawatan kerja ini adalah program berterusan MITI yang diketuai Dato' Seri Azmin untuk meninjau dengan lebih menyeluruh impak ekonomi kepada industri-industri di seluruh Malaysia akibat penularan wabak COVID-19. Ini adalah susulan lawatan kerja beliau ke Johor dan Melaka pada bulan Julai. Pada lawatan ke Sabah kali ini, delegasi MITI juga telah melawat sebuah Syarikat Peringkat Pertengahan di Sabah, Life Water Industries Sdn Bhd yang terletak di Kota Kinabalu Industrial Park.



Kementerian Perdagangan Antarabangsa & Industri (MITI)
Ahad, 9 Ogos 2020

MEDIA RELEASE



STRONGER PRIVATE-PUBLIC PARTNERSHIP IS NEEDED TO BOLSTER ECONOMIC RECOVERY



MEDIA RELEASE

A stronger private and public sector collaboration is needed to boost economic activities impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. This was what I championed at the inaugural virtual Indo ASEAN Oceanic Business Summit & Expo, organised by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) held yesterday, where I was invited as the Guest of Honour for the virtual summit.

The event was participated by representatives from both the government and private sector from the Indo-ASEAN-Oceanic region namely from Malaysia, India, Australia, Cambodia, Myanmar, Fiji, Papua New Guinea, the Philippines and Viet Nam.

In my speech, I underlined the importance of private sector's role in supporting the government's agenda in sustaining trade and development as well as strengthening intra-regional supply chains, instil investment confidence - both domestic and abroad - as well as promoting business opportunities within this region. In addition, I also welcomed and encouraged investors and businesses from within this region to come and visit Malaysia and start choosing Malaysia as their preferred investment and business destination.

No one is spared from the ravaging effects of this pandemic. The COVID-19 pandemic has adversely impacted the well-being of the people and global socio-economic growth, that has brought disruptions on the economy and trade, such as travel and tourism, manufacturing, retail and other services sectors, as well as the supply chains and the financial markets. It is a major wakeup call for all of us to rethink and reshape our global supply chain model, to foster greater economic resilience and sustainability in the long-run, especially within this region.

During my speech, I shared the measures taken by Malaysia in strengthening the recovery of our economy, minimising unemployment, protecting livelihoods of Malaysians and securing the

economic sustainability of the nation. I also took the opportunity to highlight the importance to capitalise on the emerging trends, resulted from the new normal in doing business, some of which include digital trade and e-Commerce transactions. Countries within this region should venture on ICT and new technologies such as automation and leverage on the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

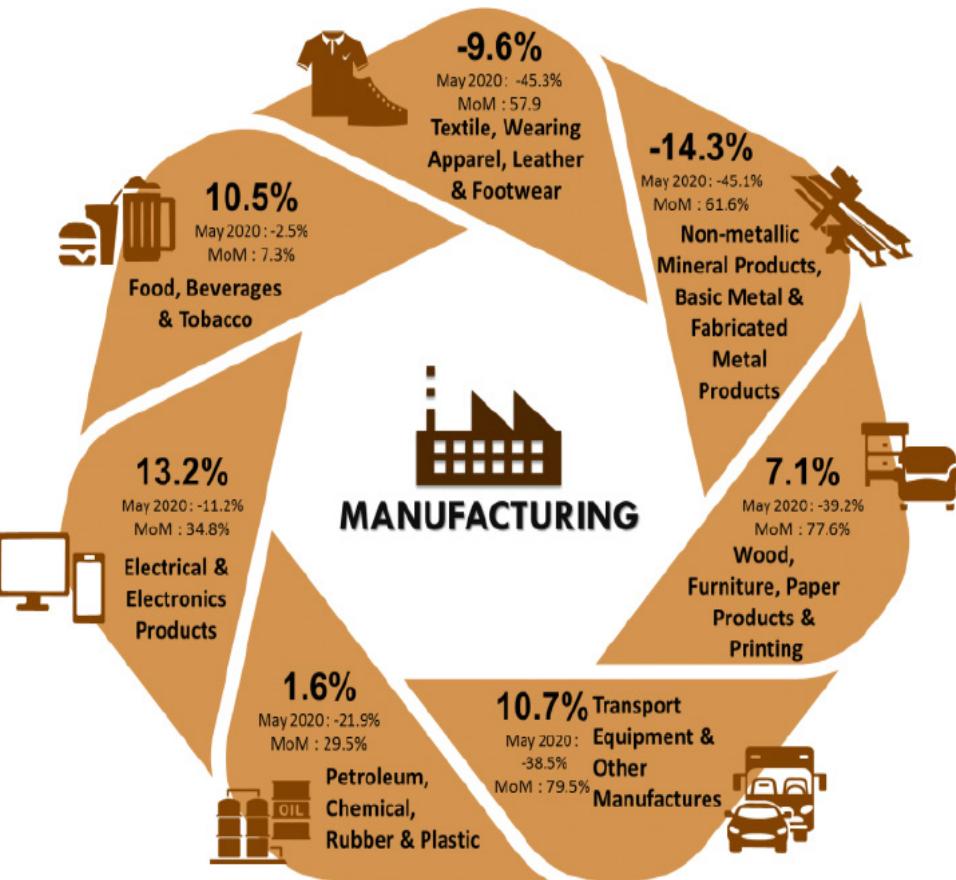
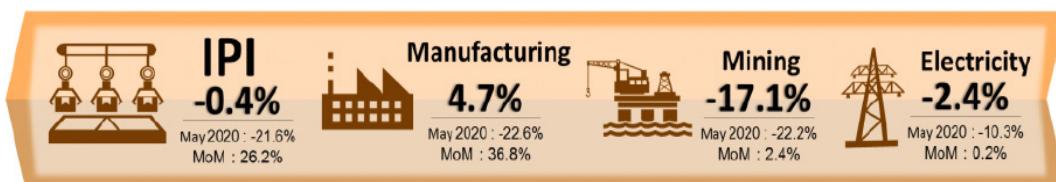
I also commended the efforts by CII in materialising the Indo ASEAN Oceanic Business Summit & Expo and considered the initiative as timely in helping business community cope with living and trading while battling the COVID-19 outbreak. The Indo ASEAN Oceanic Business Summit & Expo is the first of its kind trilateral business summit involving prominent countries from ASEAN and Oceanic Region. In addition to the summit, the CII has also internally built a world class Virtual Platform – “CII HIVE” for this Virtual Business Summit and Expo. This platform provides a virtual networking platform focusing on B2B sessions, showcasing products and services through the virtual exhibition section, attend conference, seminars, Country Sessions as well as accessing its knowledge / library section.

The CII is a non-government, not-for-profit, industry-led and industry-managed organization, with about 9,100 members from the private as well as public sectors, including SMEs and MNCs, and has an indirect membership of over 300,000 enterprises from 288 national and regional sectoral industry bodies. The CII works to create and sustain an environment conducive to the development of India, partnering industry, Government and civil society, through advisory and consultative processes.

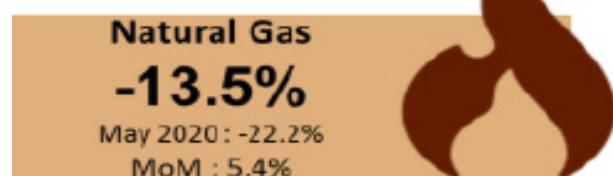
YB Datuk Lim Ban Hong
Deputy Minister
Ministry of International Trade and Industry
5 August 2020

INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION (IPI), MALAYSIA, JUNE 2020

**Malaysia's IPI increased 26.2% in June 2020
compared to May 2020**



Mining



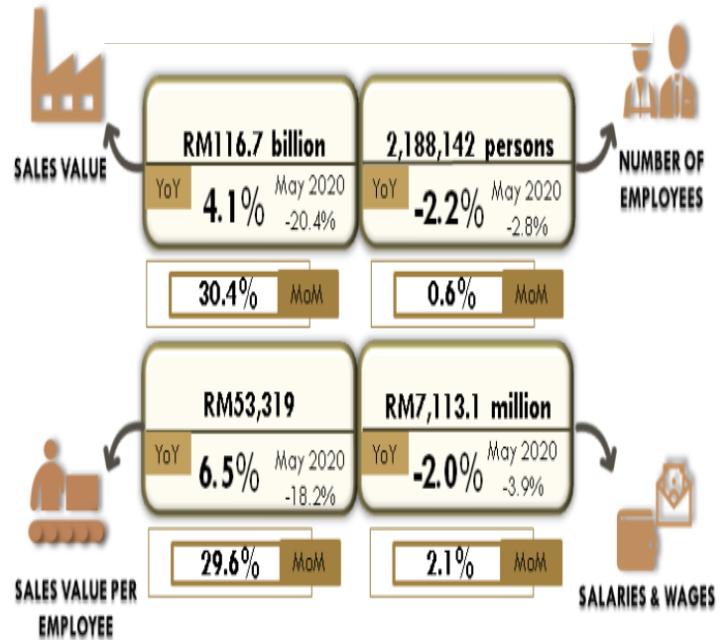
Note:
Percentage shown refers to Month-on-Month and
Year-on-Year changes

Source: Index of Industrial Production, Malaysia
June 2020

MONTHLY MANUFACTURING STATISTICS, JUNE 2020

Malaysia's Manufacturing sales continued to record favourable growth of 30.4 per cent in June 2020 as compared to May 2020

Malaysia's Manufacturing sales in June 2020 stood at RM116.7 billion, expanded to 30.4 per cent as compared to previous month. On year-on-year basis, the sales value rebounded to 4.1 per cent.



Performance of Sales in Manufacturing Sector

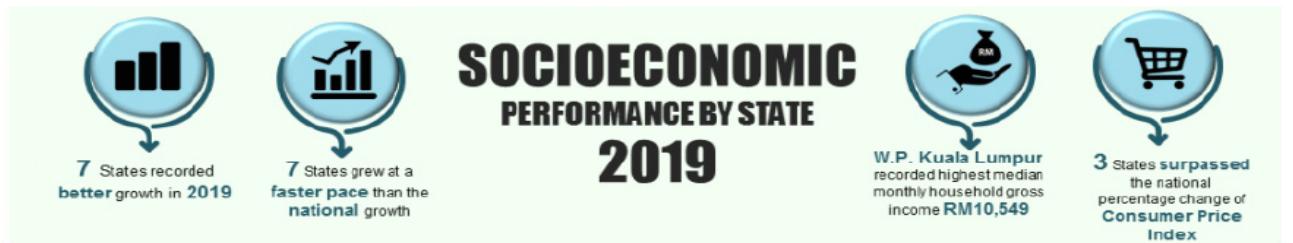


Note : Percentage growth refers to Year-on-Year (YoY) and Month-on-Month (MoM) changes

Source : Monthly Manufacturing Statistics, Malaysia June 2020
Department of Statistics Malaysia

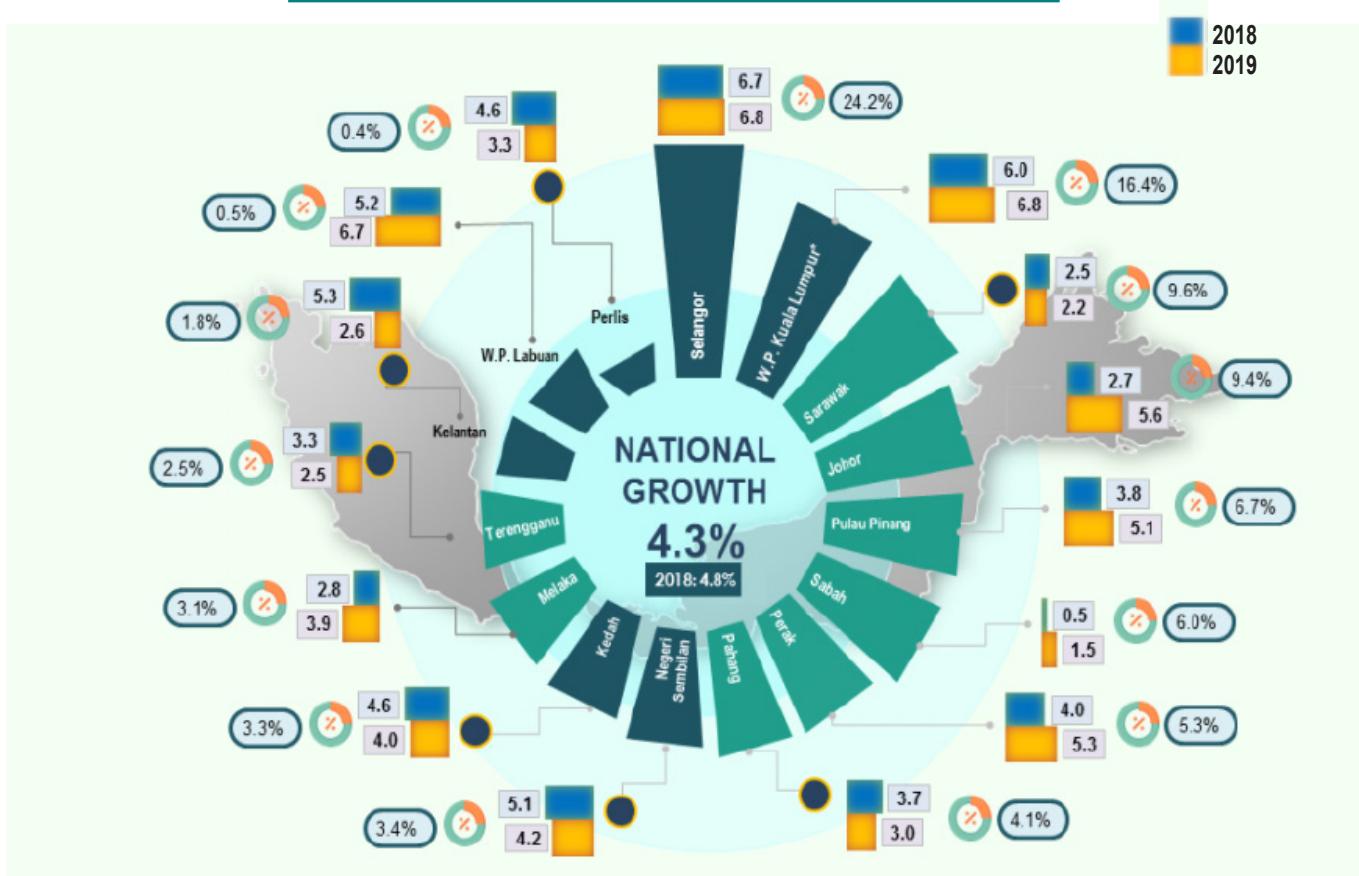
STATE SOCIOECONOMIC REPORT 2019

In 2019, the Malaysia economy grew at a moderate rate of 4.3 per cent as compared to 4.8 per cent in the previous year. All sectors posted positive growth with the exception of Mining & quarrying. In momentum point of view, Agriculture and Mining & quarrying posted a better growth while other sectors registered slower performance than the previous year.



Malaysia Statistics

GROWTH AND SHARE OF GDP BY STATE CONSTANT PRICE 2015 (%)



NOTES:

- Better growth
- Faster pace than the national growth
- Share

Source: Department of Statistics, Malaysia

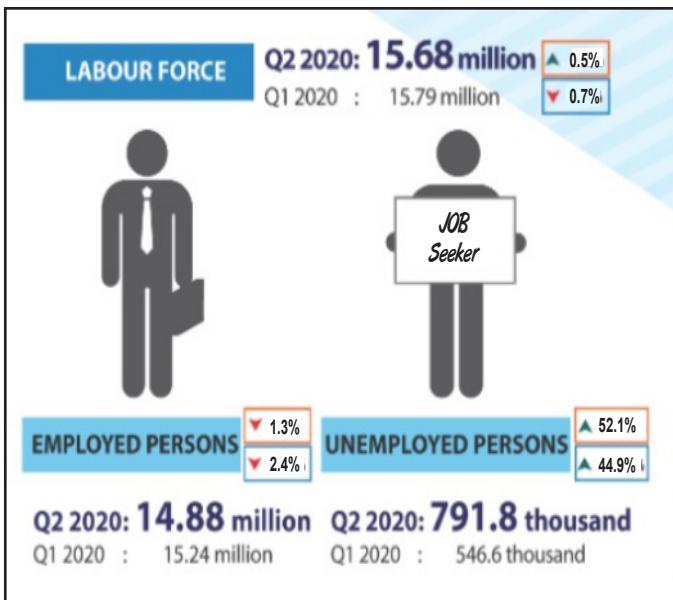
STATE SOCIOECONOMIC REPORT 2019

SELECTED SOCIAL STATISTICS, 2019



Source: Department of Statistics, Malaysia

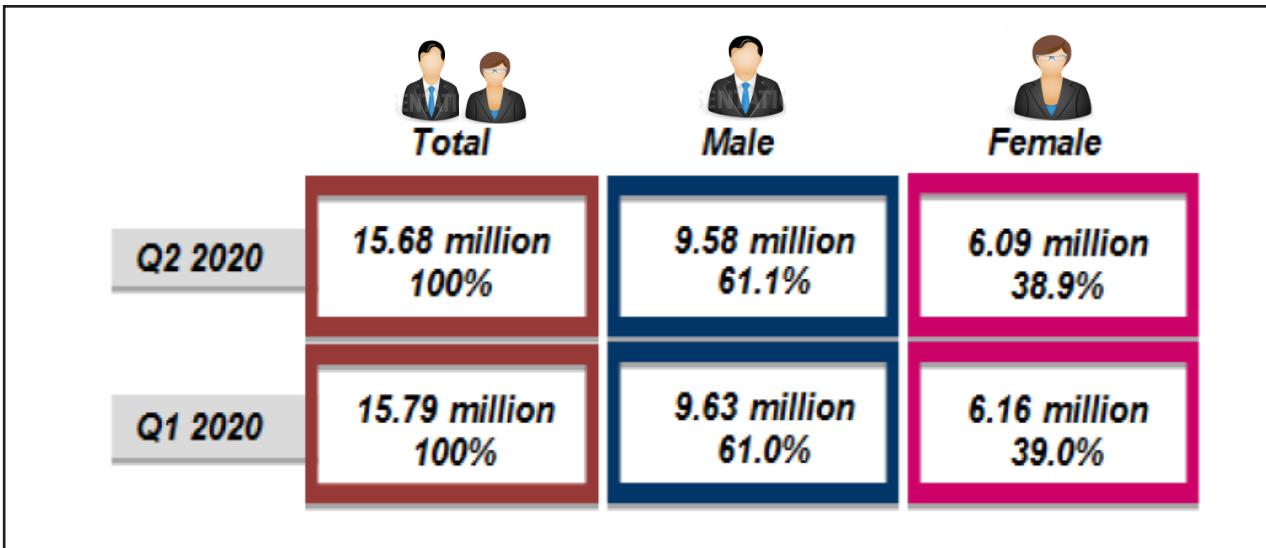
Labour Force, Second Quarter 2020



Labour force in Malaysia increased at a slower rate of 0.5 per cent while employed persons decreased by 1.3 per cent to 15.68 million persons and 14.88 million persons respectively as compared to the second quarter 2019.

The quarter-on-quarter comparison showed that labour force and employed persons decreased by 0.7 per cent and 2.4 per cent respectively as compared to the previous quarter.

Labour Force by Sex



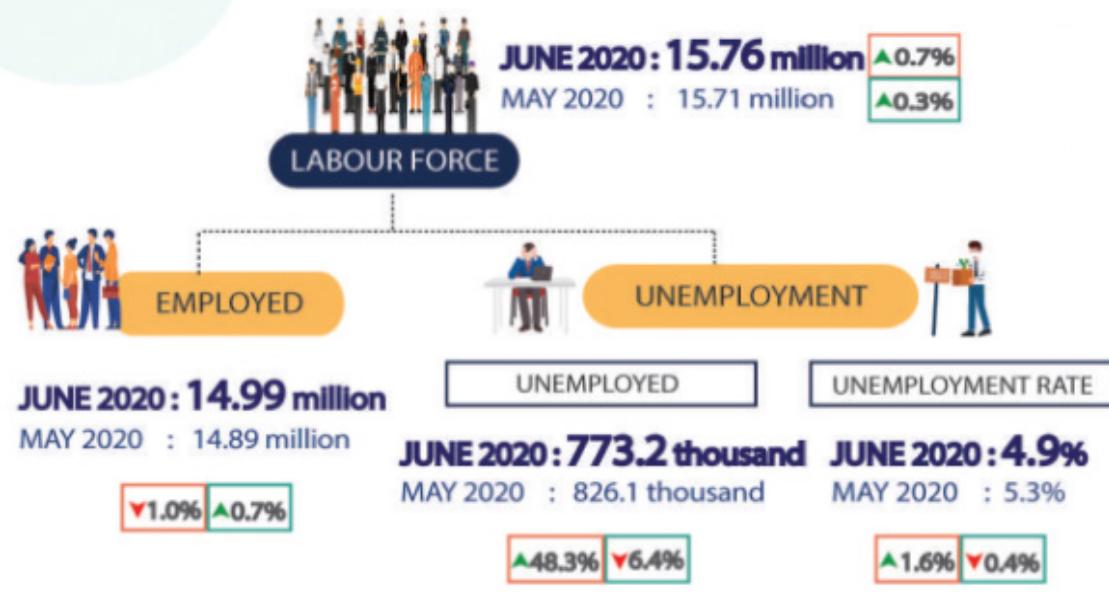
Females represented 38.9 per cent of the labour force. In the second quarter of 2020, the labour force comprised 61.1 per cent males (9.58 million persons) and 38.9 per cent females (6.09 million persons).

The number of labour force for males and females decreased by 0.05 million persons and 0.07 million persons respectively as compared to the first quarter of 2020.

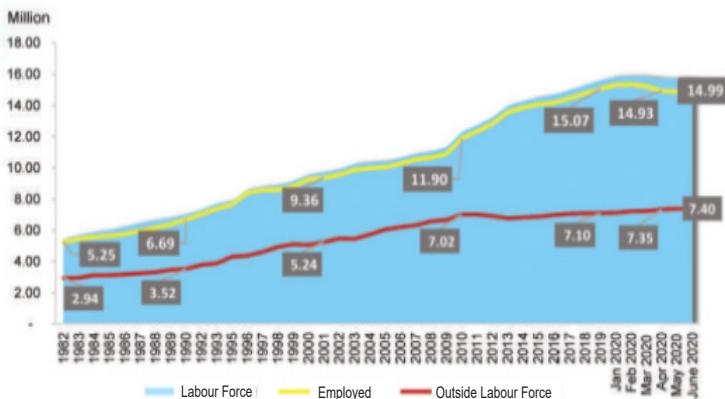
Source: Department of Statistics, Malaysia

Labour Force, June 2020

The number of employed persons in June 2020 increased marginally by 0.7 per cent (May 2020: -03%) while unemployment rate declined by 0.4 percentage points to 4.9 per cent (May 2020: 5.3%).



NUMBER OF LABOUR FORCE, EMPLOYED PERSONS AND OUTSIDE LABOUR FORCE, MALAYSIA, 1982-2019 AND JANUARY-JUNE 2020

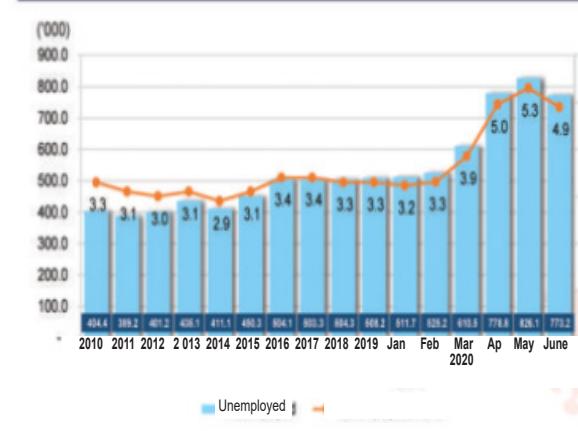


The number of employed persons recorded an increase to 14.99 million persons in June 2020 from 14.93 million persons in the previous month. Besides outside labour force recorded an increase to 7.40 million persons as compared to May 2020.

NUMBER OF LABOUR FORCE AND LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE, 2010-2019 AND JANUARY - JUNE 2020



UNEMPLOYED AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, 2010-2019 AND JANUARY - JUNE 2020



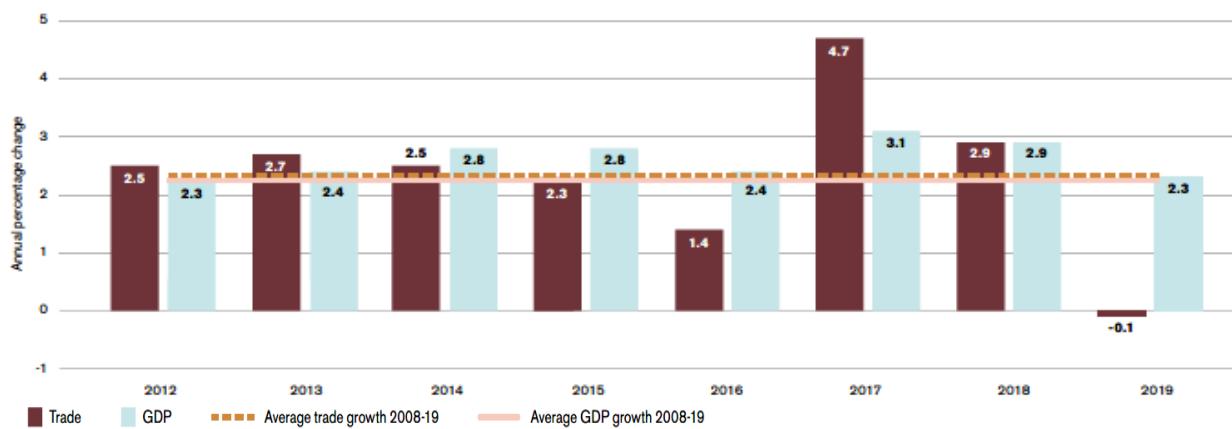
Source: Department of Statistics, Malaysia

WORLD TRADE STATISTICAL REVIEW 2020

World trade and GDP

The volume of world merchandise trade declined in 2019 for the first time since the financial crisis of 2008-09, weighed down by rising trade tensions and weakening economic growth.

World merchandise trade volume and real GDP growth, 2012-19
(Annual percentage change)



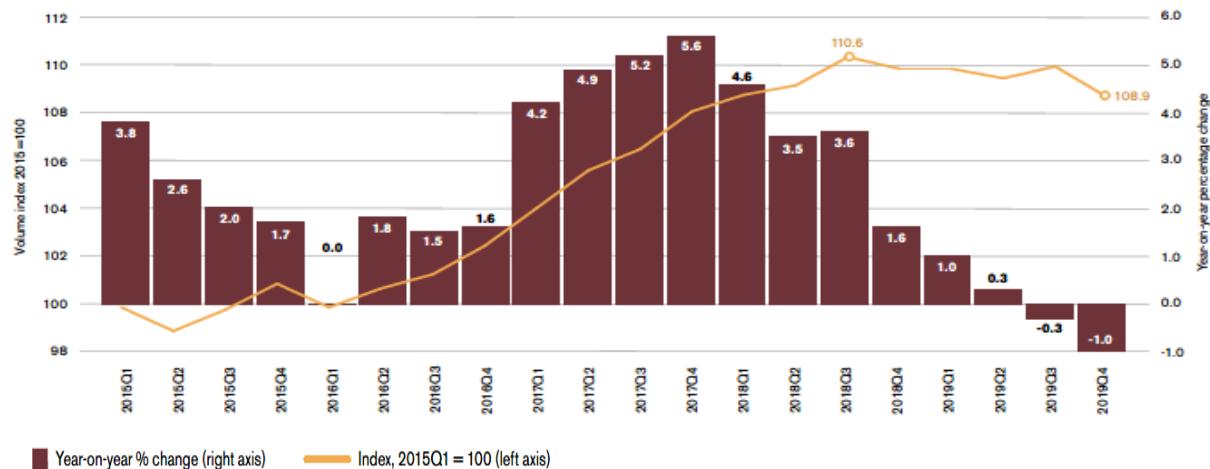
Source: WTO Secretariat for trade, consensus estimates for GDP.

Note: GDP growth is calculated with market exchange rate weights.

Merchandise trade volume

Global merchandise trade volume peaked in the third quarter of 2018 before stalling for several months and turning down in the fourth quarter of 2019.

World merchandise trade volume, 2015Q1 – 2019Q4
(Volume index 2015=100 and year-on-year percentage change)



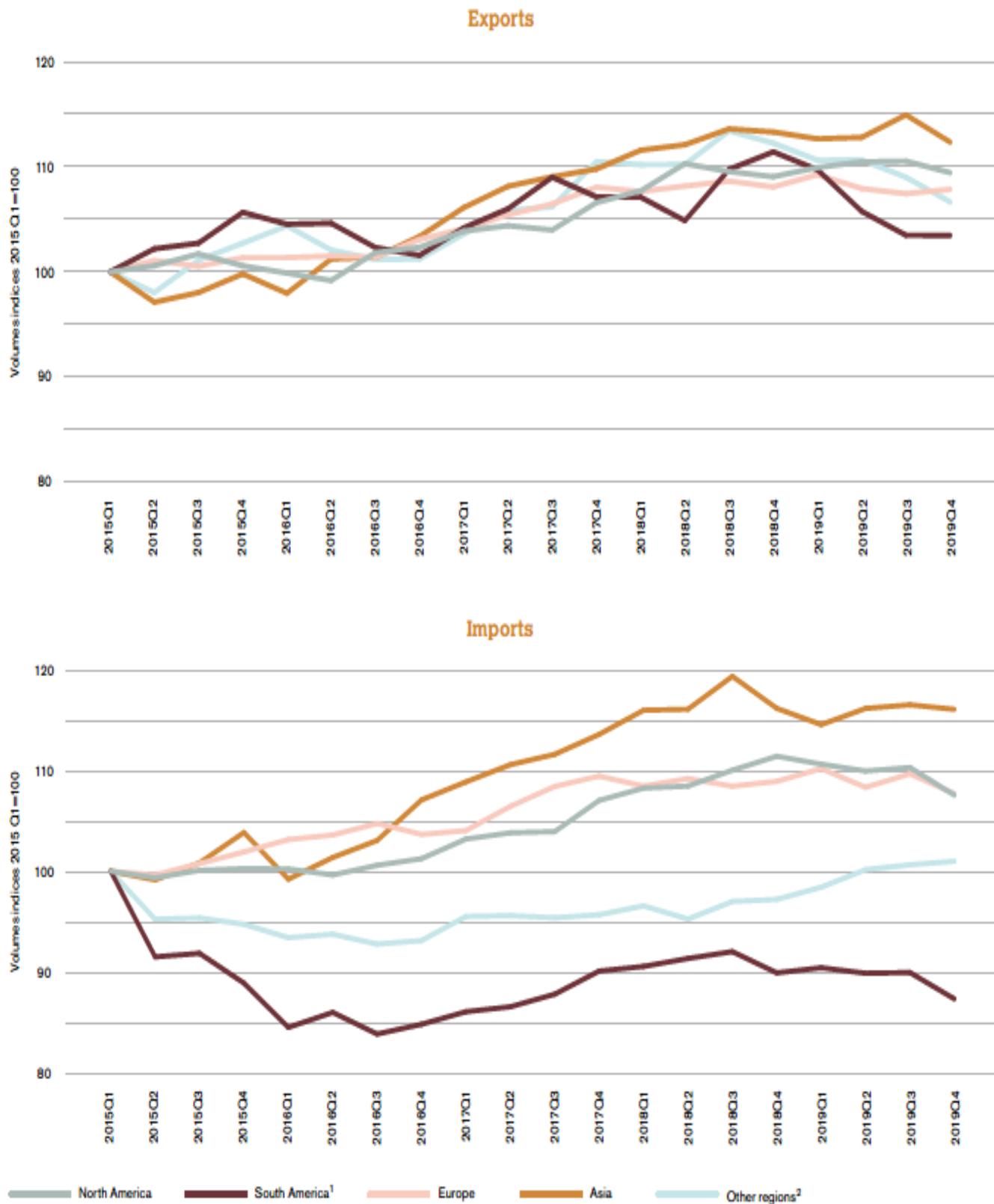
Sources: WTO-UNCTAD.

Source: WTO (https://www.wto.org/english/news_e/news20_e/publ_31jul20_e.htm)

International Report

WORLD TRADE STATISTICAL REVIEW 2020

Merchandise exports and imports by region, 2015Q1 – 2019Q4
(Volume indices 2015 Q1=100)



¹ Refers to South and Central America and the Caribbean.

² "Other regions" comprise Africa, Middle East and the Commonwealth of Independent States, including associate and former member states.

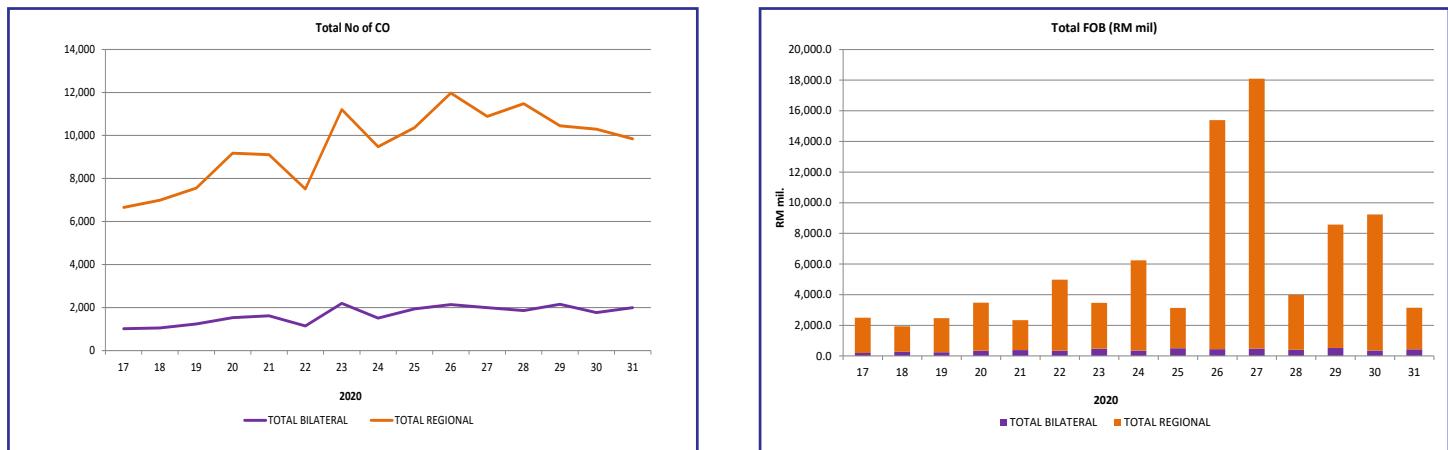
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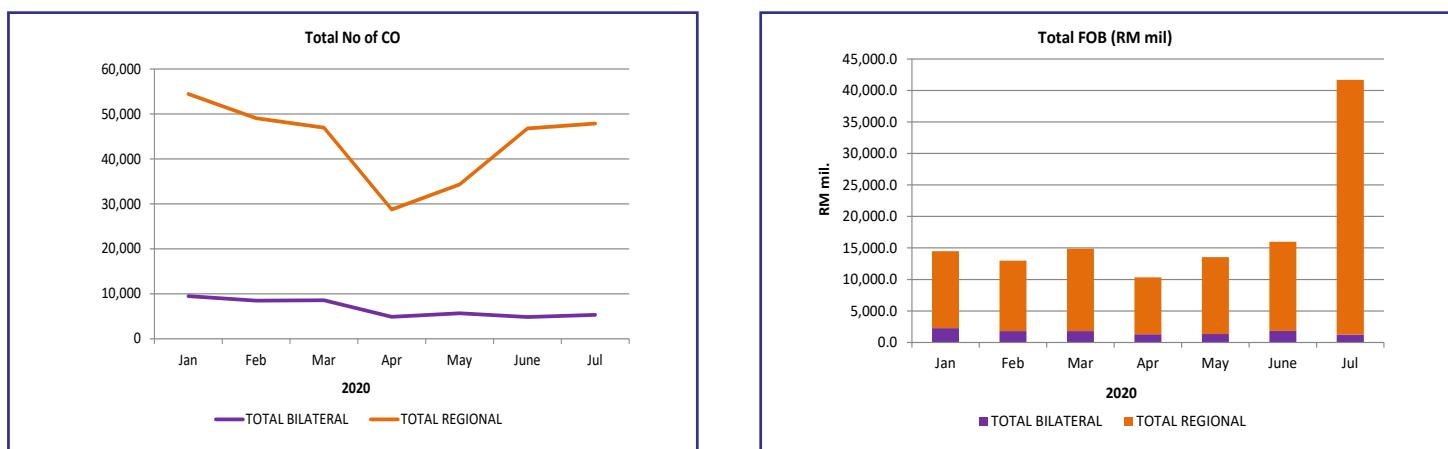
Number and FOB Value of PCO as at 2 August 2020

Weekly / Monthly/ Annually

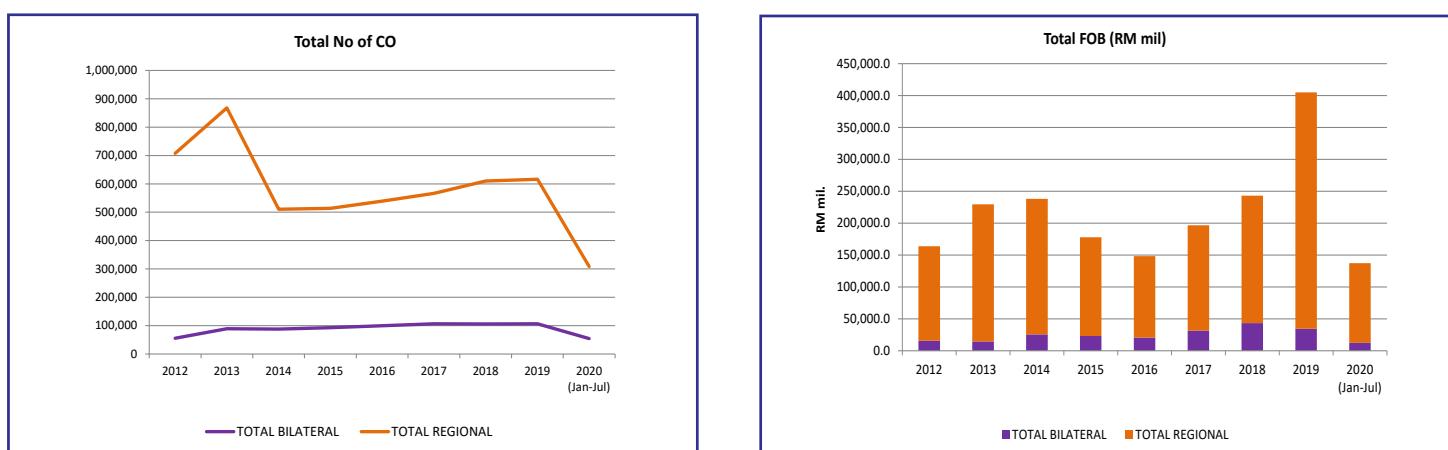
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Monthly



Annually



Regional FTA

Number and Value of Preferential Certificates of Origin (PCOs)

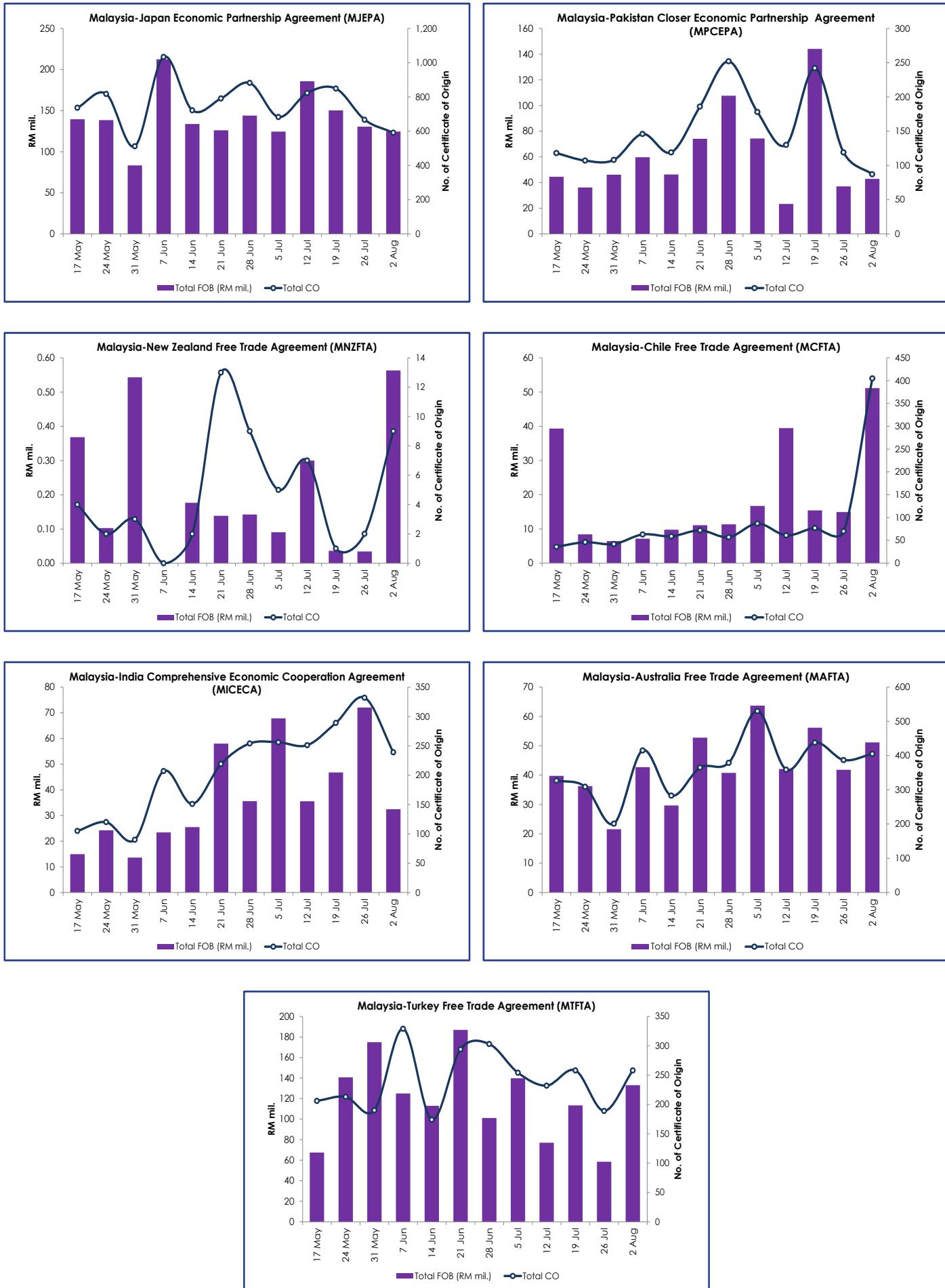


Note: The preference giving countries under the GSP scheme are Liechtenstein, the Russian Federation, Japan, Switzerland, Belarus, Kazakhstan and Norway.

Note: *Provisional Data
Source: Ministry of International Trade and Industry, Malaysia

Bilateral FTA

Number and Value of Preferential Certificates of Origin (PCOs)

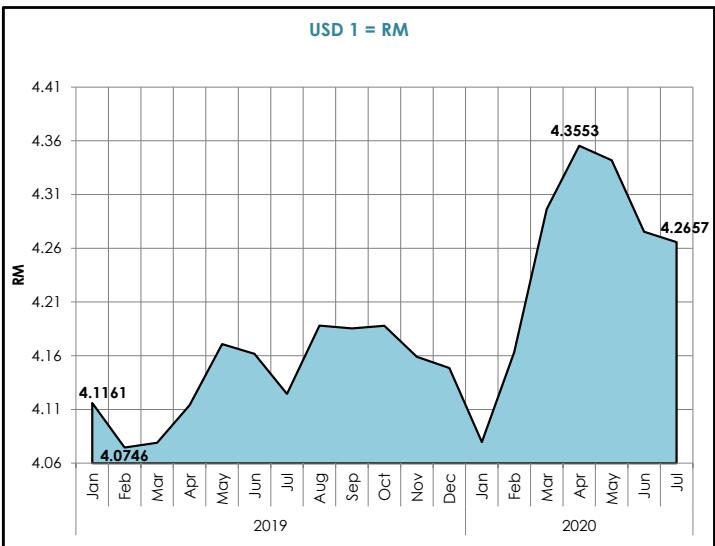


Note: *Provisional Data

Malaysian Ringgit Exchange Rate with Selected Countries, January 2019 - July 2020

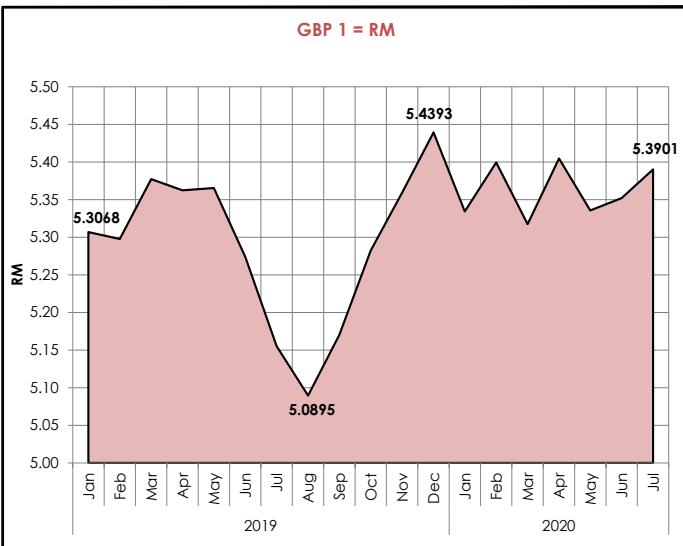
US Dollar

USD 1 = RM



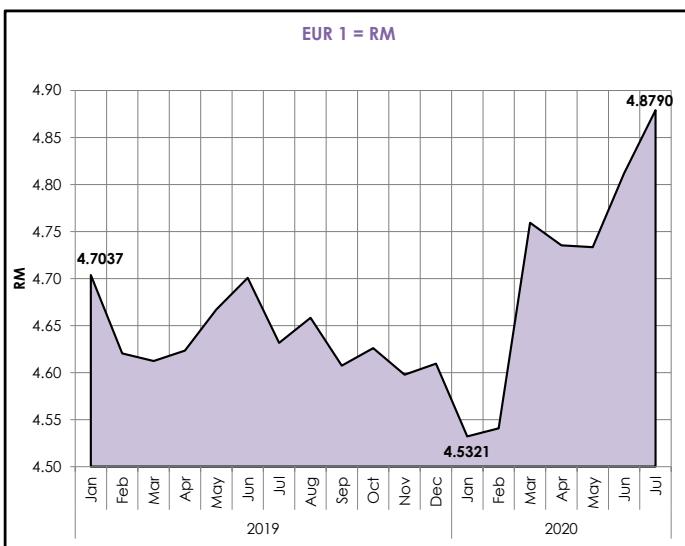
Pound

GBP 1 = RM



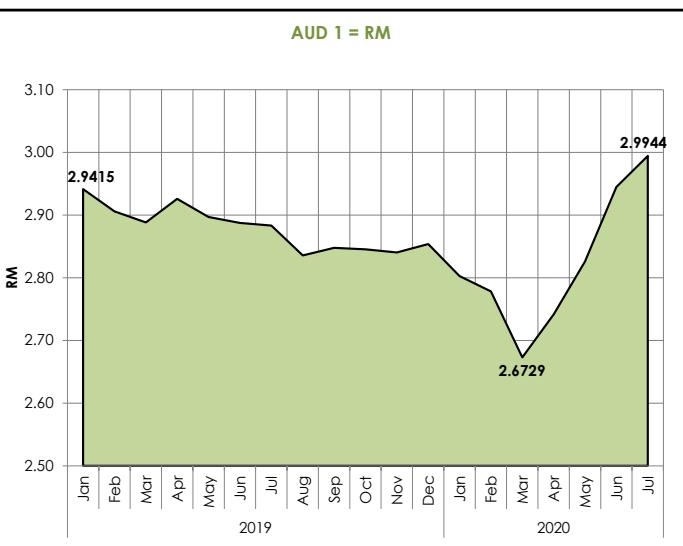
Euro

EUR 1 = RM



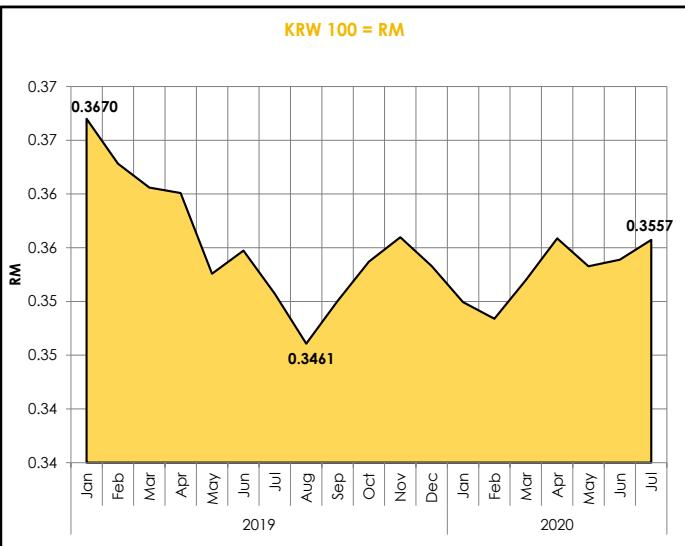
Australian Dollar

AUD 1 = RM



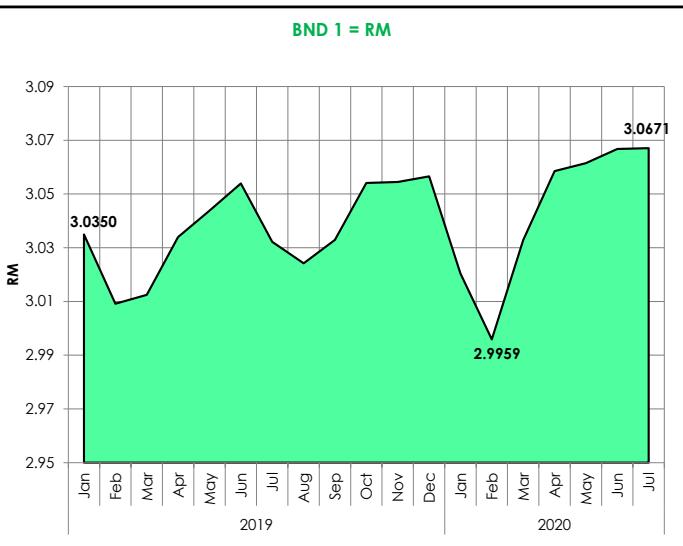
Korean Won

KRW 100 = RM



Brunei Dollar

BND 1 = RM



Source : Bank Negara Malaysia

Commodity Prices

CRUDE PETROLEUM (BRENT) -per bbl-



▲ 3.4%*
US\$44.4
7 August 2020

Average Price 2019 ⁱ: US\$64.2

Highest 2019/2020

03 Jan 2020 : US\$68.6
17 May 2019 : US\$72.2

24 Apr 2020 : US\$21.4
09 Aug 2019 : US\$54.5

Lowest 2019/2020

CRUDE PALM OIL -per MT-



▲ 6.1%*
US\$679.8
7 August 2020

Highest 2019/2020

10 Jan 2020 : US\$761.9
27 Dec 2019 : US\$794.5

8 May 2020 : US\$473.0
26 Jul 2019 : US\$488.5

Lowest 2019/2020

Average Price 2019 ⁱ: US\$557.1

RUBBER SMR 20 -per MT-



▲ 5.3%*
US\$1,323.5
7 August 2020

Average Price 2019 ⁱ: US\$1,414.6

COCOA SMC 2 -per MT-



▲ 15.2%*
US\$1,554.5
7 August 2020

Average Price 2019 ⁱ: US\$1,592.4

SUGAR -per lbs-



▲ 1.4%*
US\$12.7
7 August 2020

Average Price 2019 ⁱ: US\$12.4

COAL -per MT-



▲ 1.9%*
US\$50.8
7 August 2020

Average Price 2019 ⁱ: US\$56.5

SCRAP IRON HMS -per MT-

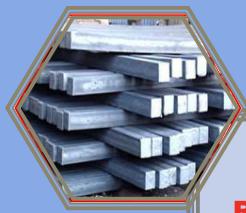


▲ 3.3%*
US\$310.0
(high)
⋮
⋮
▲ 7.4%*
US\$290.0
(low)
7 August 2020

Average Price 2019 ⁱ: US\$316.9 (high)
Average Price 2019 ⁱ: US\$291.6 (low)

Domestic Prices

7 August 2020



Billets (per MT)
RM1,820 - RM1,880



Steel Bars (per MT)
RM1,980 - RM2,130

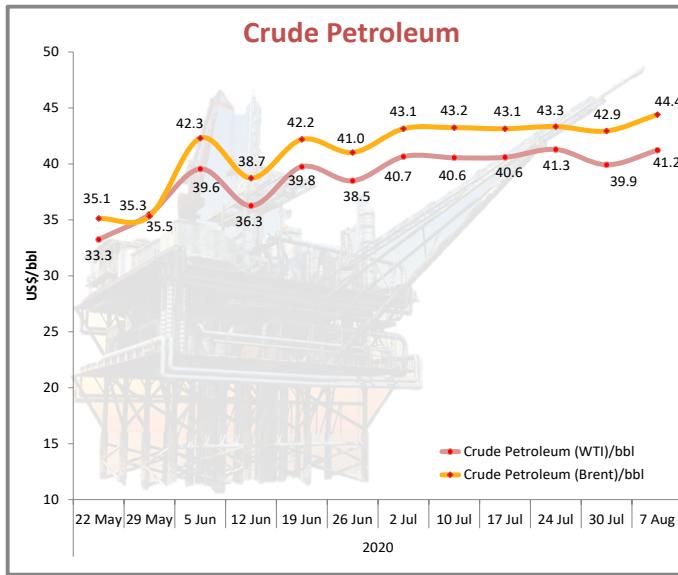
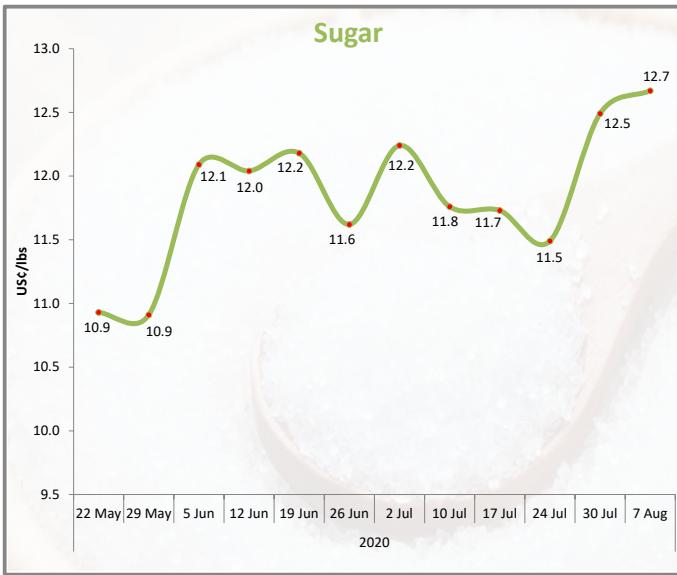
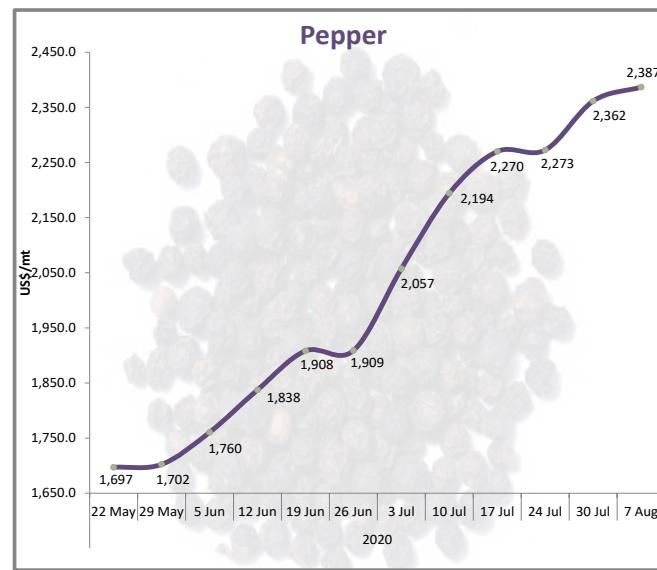
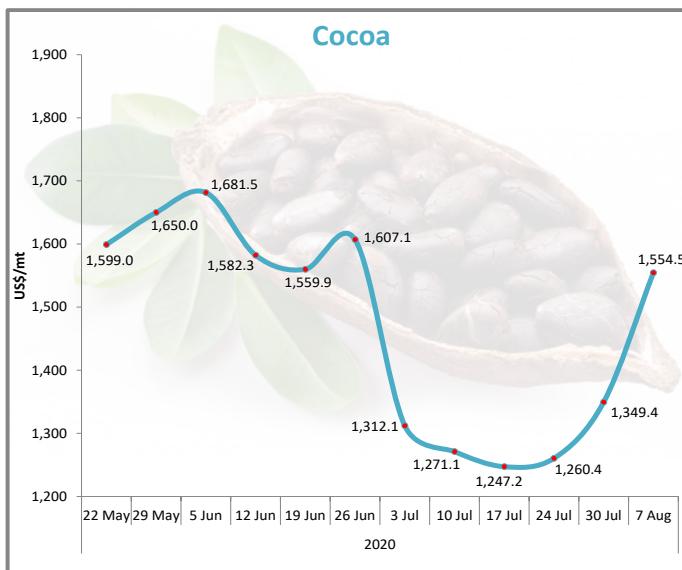
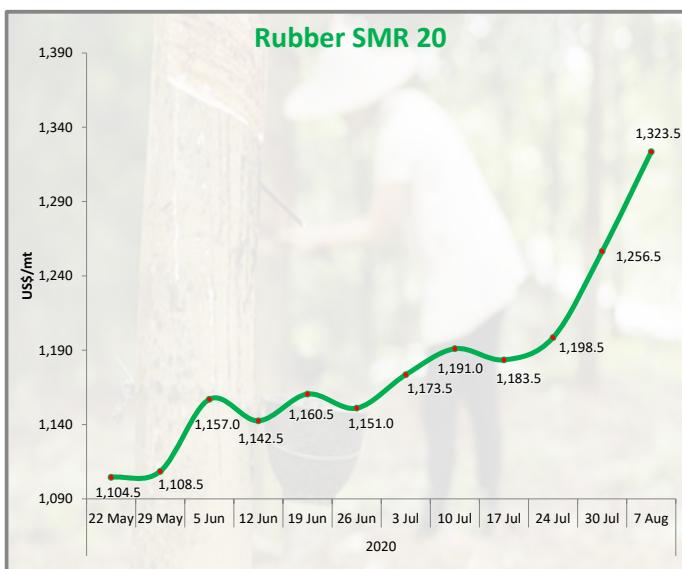
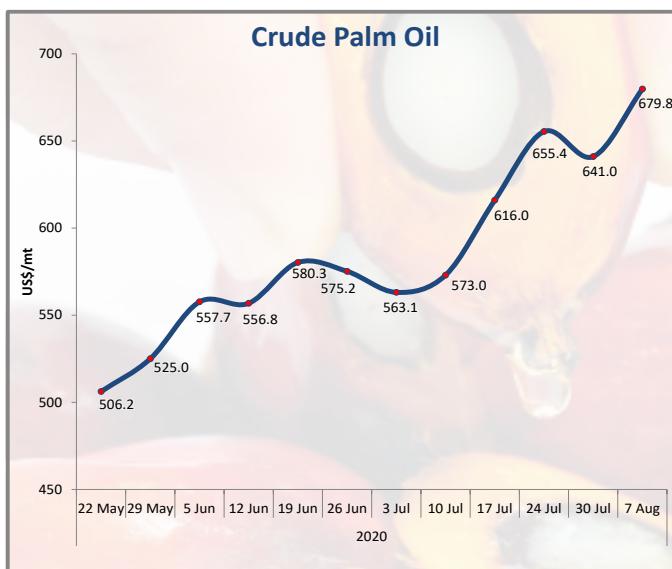
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* Refer to % change from the previous week's price

ⁱ Average price in the year except otherwise indicated

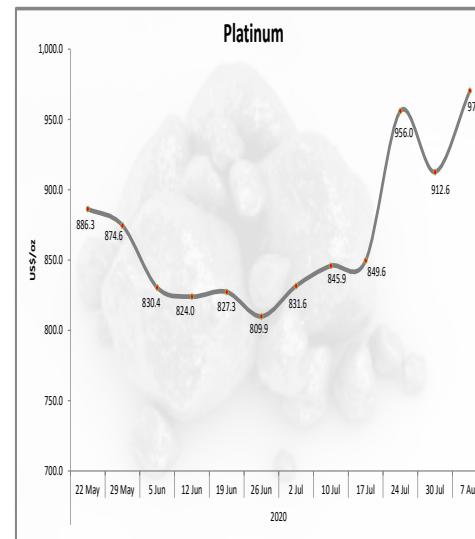
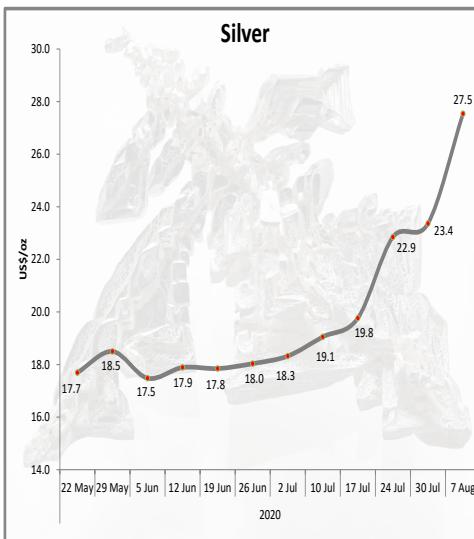
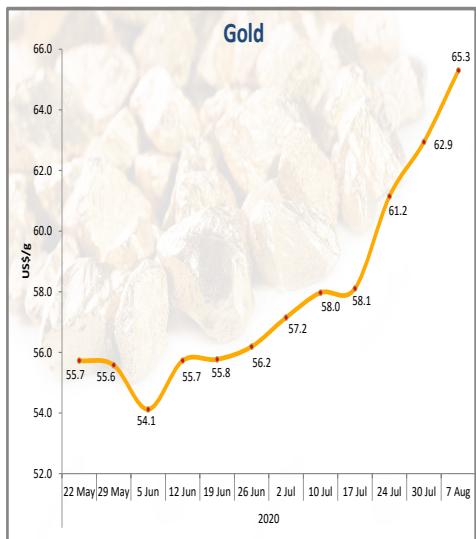
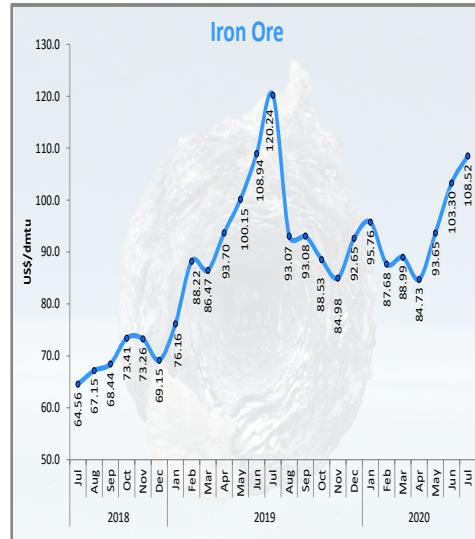
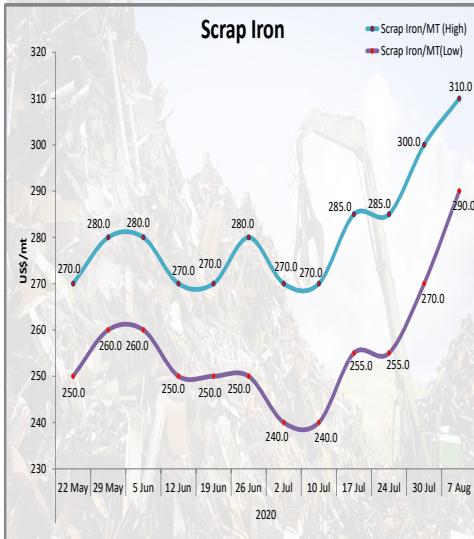
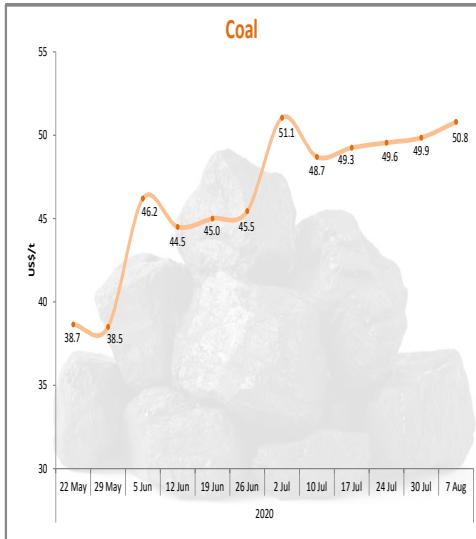
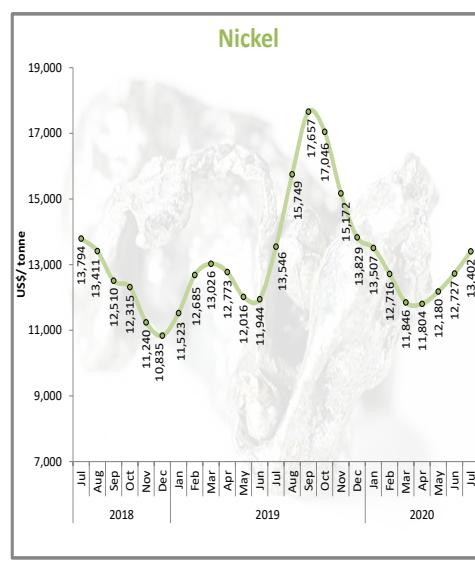
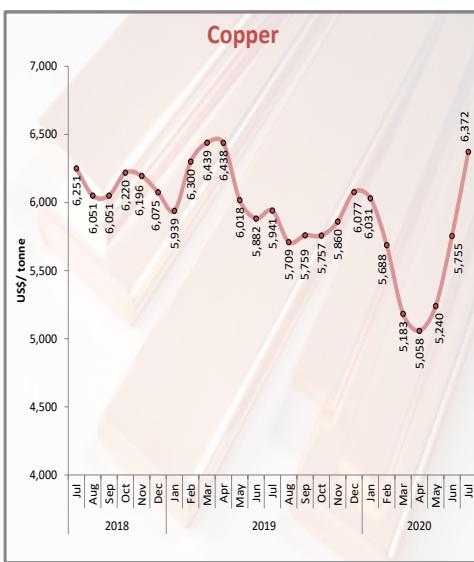
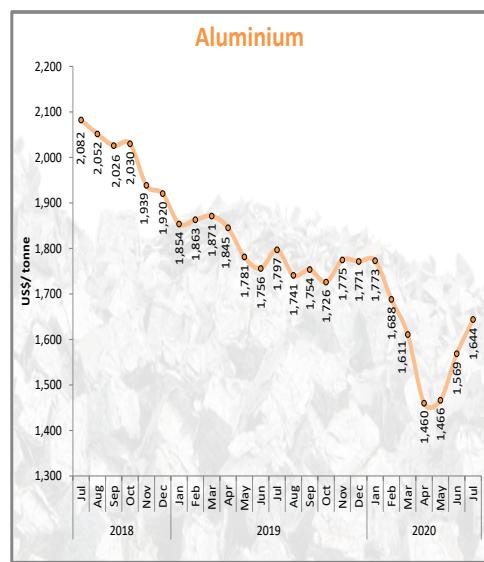
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Commodity Price Trends



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INDUSTRY4WRD RELATED INCENTIVES

Having the extra capital allows SMEs to flourish and prosper. Find the suitable fund for your company.

01 | LOANS

Soft Loan Scheme for Automation and Modernisation (SLSAM)

- targets manufacturing sectors
- 4.0% interest rate per annum for SMEs
- www.midf.com.my

Industry Digitalisation Transformation Fund (IDTF)

- targeted sectors: AI, Robotics, Automation etc.
- provides a 2% interest rate subsidy
- www.bpmb.com.my

Coming Soon!

1. Intervention Fund*
 - 70:30 matching grant up to RM500,000.
2. Industry4WRD DISF*
 - 60:40 matching grant

*participation in Industry4WRD RA is a prerequisite to apply

Domestic Investment Strategic Fund (DISF)

- 50:50 matching grant to companies adopting Industry 4.0 enabling technologies
- targets manufacturing and services sectors
- www.mida.gov.my

Digital Transformation Acceleration Program (DTAP) Pilot Grant

- 1:1 matching grant
- targets large corporate and mid-tier companies in Malaysia
- assists companies to tap on the expertise of Digital Transformation Labs (DTL)
- www.mdec.my

02 | GRANTS

Automation Capital Allowance (Automation CA)



For Labour Intensive Industries:

- Automation CA of 200% on the first RM4 million expenditure incurred within 5 years

For other industries:

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INDUSTRY4WRD READINESS ASSESSMENT

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

Incorporated under the Companies Act (1965/2016)/ Registration of Business Act (1956)

Hold a valid license

In operation for more than 3 years

What are the benefits?



To identify areas of improvement in terms of people, process and technology.

- Receive comprehensive readiness report.
- 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.



Enquiries

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Process Flow

A FEW SIMPLE STEPS



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ANNOUNCEMENT ON CUSTOMER SERVICE COUNTER AT MENARA MITI AND REGIONAL OFFICES OPERATION HOURS DURING RMCO (10 JUNE – 31 AUGUST 2020)

DEAR VALUED CUSTOMERS,

PLEASE BE INFORMED OUR CUSTOMER SERVICE COUNTER AT MENARA MITI IN KUALA LUMPUR AND MITI REGIONAL OFFICES WILL RESUME ITS OPERATIONS AS USUAL FROM 8.00AM TO 5.00PM (WORKING DAYS). THE DROP AND COLLECT SERVICES REMAIN AVAILABLE.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE BUSINESS ADVISORY CENTRE (BAC) AT MENARA MITI IN KUALA LUMPUR WILL BE CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

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IMPLEMENTATION OF ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE AND SEAL THROUGH THE EPCO SYSTEM

EFFECTIVE FROM 13 APRIL 2020



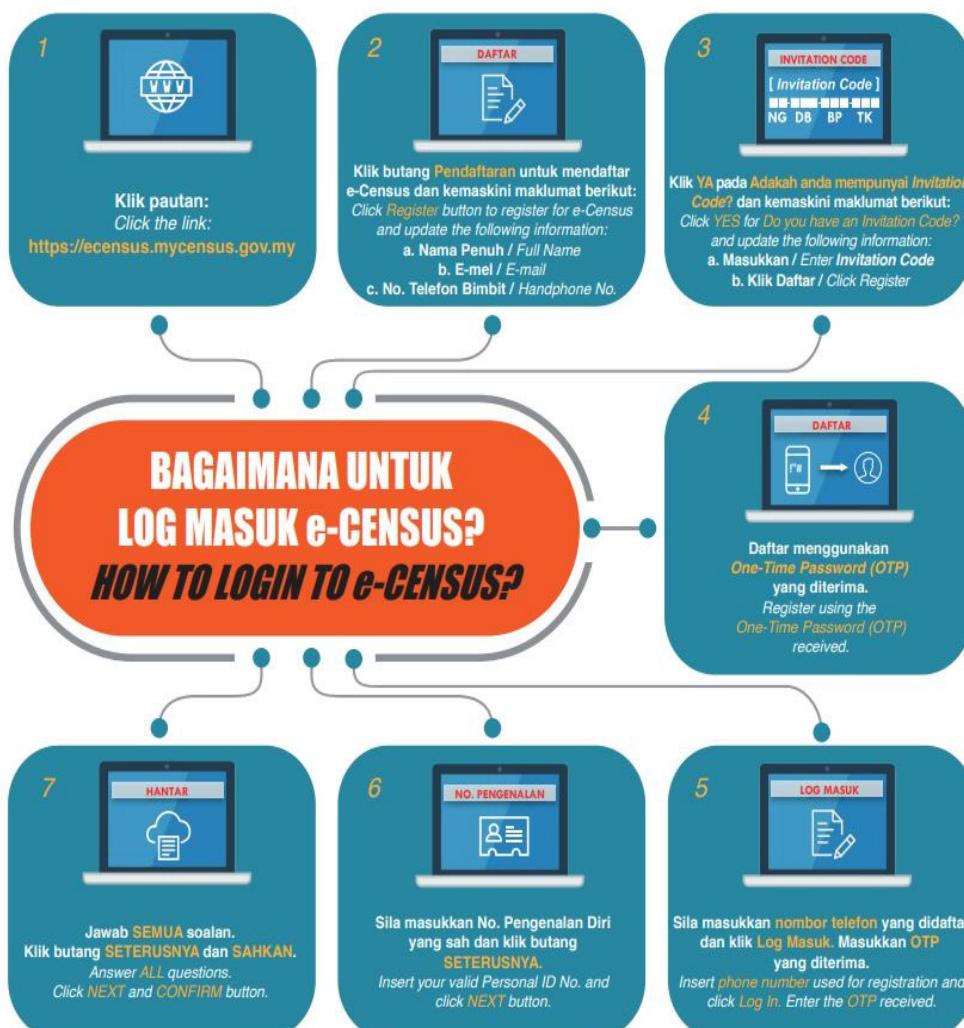
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HOW COMPANY CAN CHECK THE STATUS OF ATIGA E-FORM D TRANSACTIONS IN THE ELECTRONIC PREFERENTIAL CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (EPCO) SYSTEM



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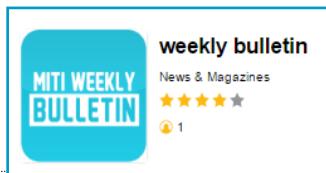


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