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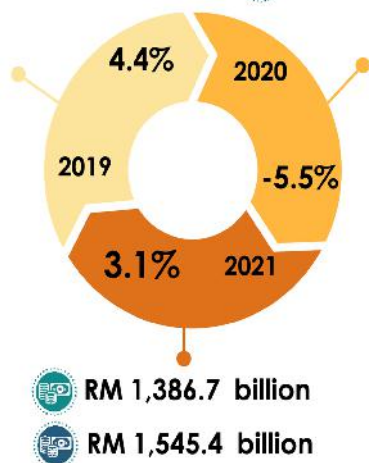
# Weekly BULLETIN

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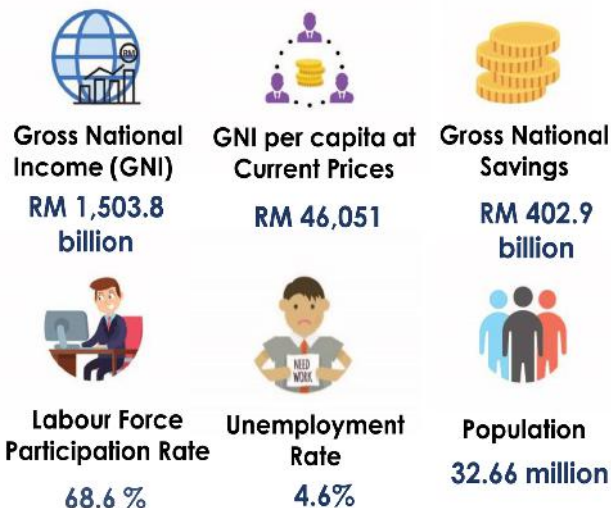
## GDP, 2021

RM 1,424.0 billion  
 RM 1,512.7 billion  
 RM 1,345.1 billion  
 RM 1,418.0 billion

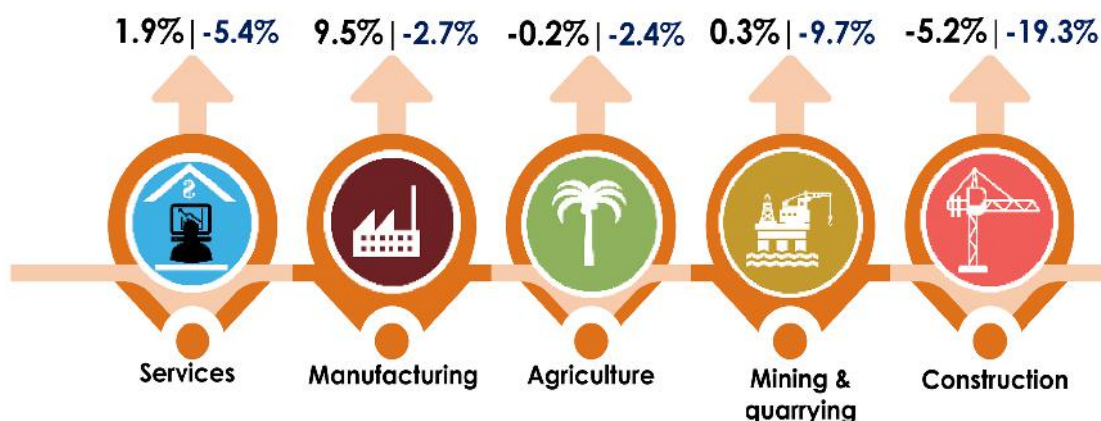


GDP at Constant 2015 Prices  
 GDP at Current Prices

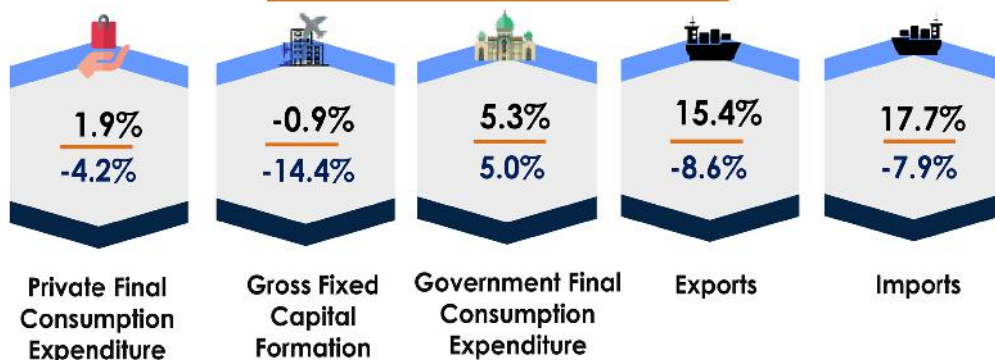
### MACRO ECONOMIC KEY DATA 2021



### PRODUCTION



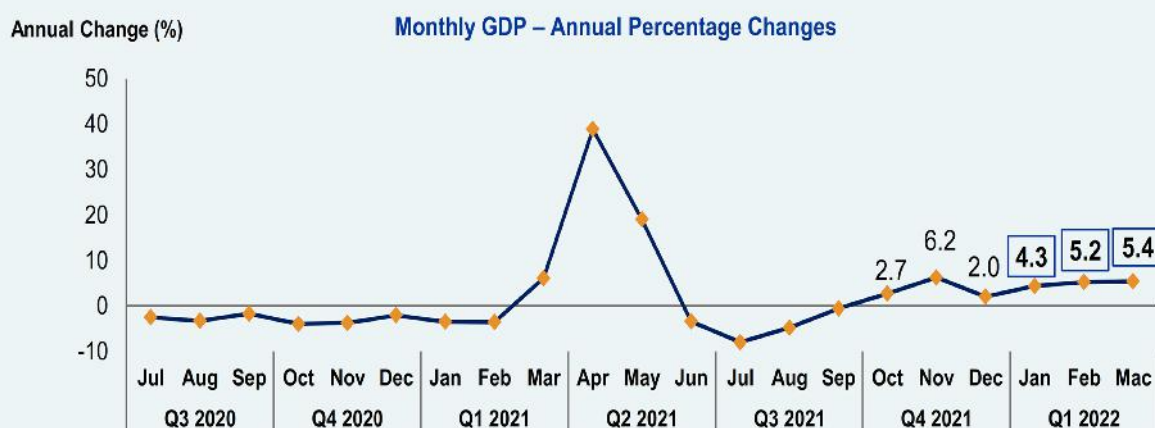
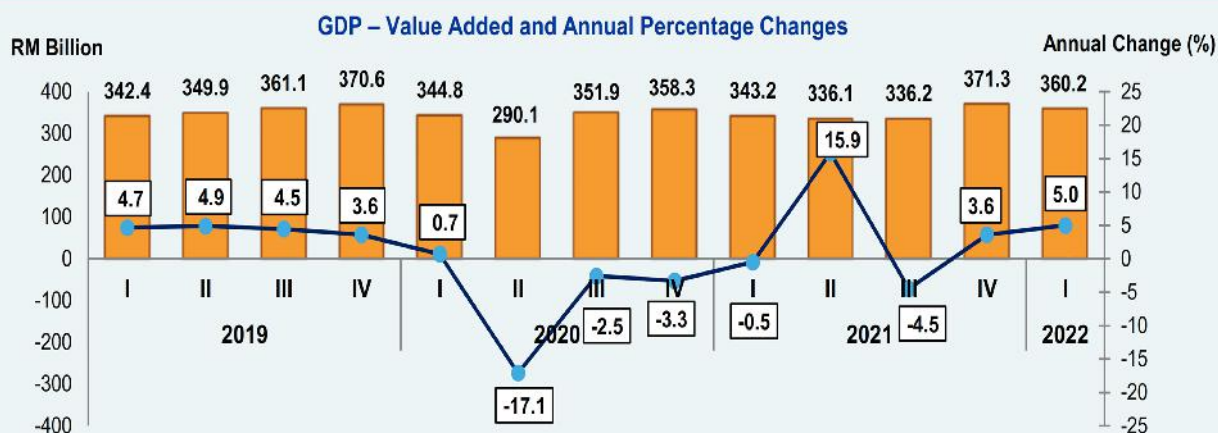
### EXPENDITURE



Source: National Accounts, Gross Domestic Product, Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)

## GDP, Q1 2022

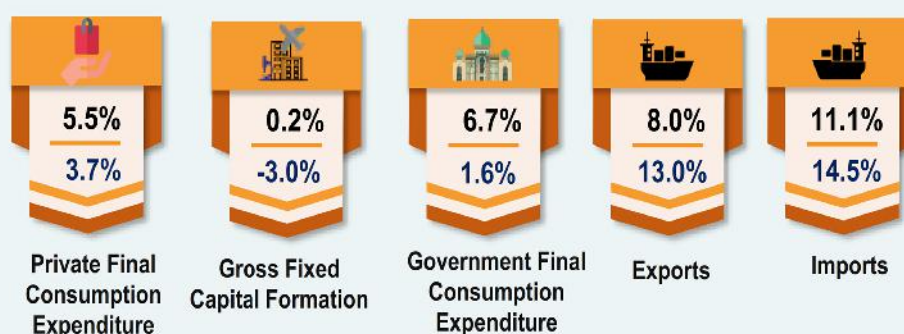
## MALAYSIA'S GDP EXPANDED 5.0% UNDERPINNED BY STRONGER DOMESTIC DEMAND IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2022



## PRODUCTION



## EXPENDITURE



Note:  
Q1 2022  
Q4 2021

Source: National Accounts, Gross Domestic Product, Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)



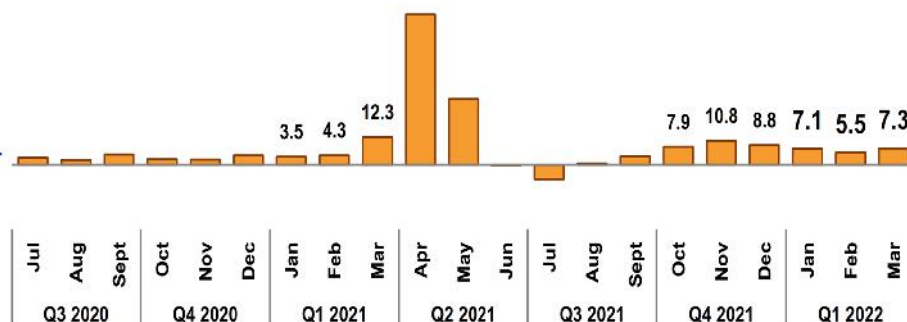
## MONTHLY GDP, JUL 2020 - MAR 2022

**SERVICES**

March : 6.6%  
February : 7.6%  
January : 5.3%

**MANUFACTURING**

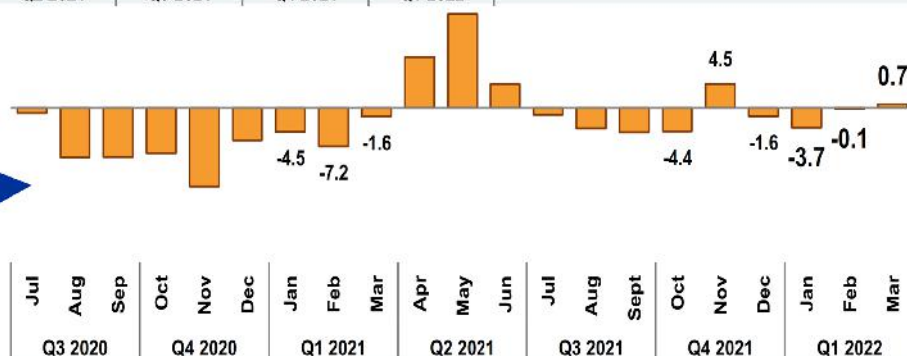
March: 7.3%  
February : 5.5%  
January : 7.1%

**AGRICULTURE**

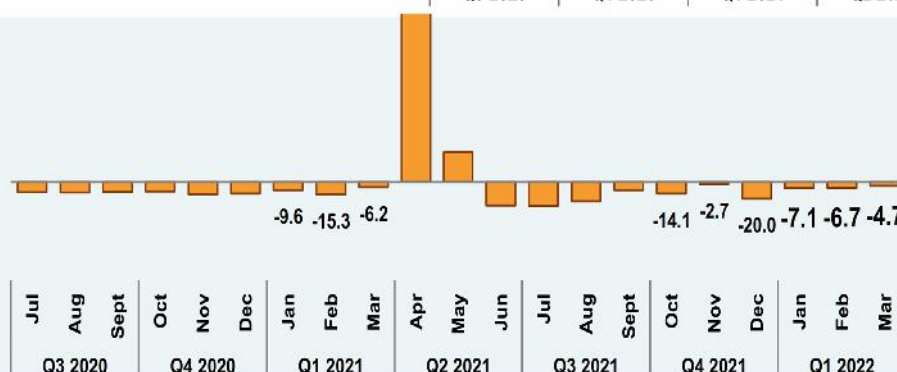
March : 0.1%  
February : -2.6%  
January : 2.7%

**MINING & QUARRYING**

March : 0.7%  
February : -0.1%  
January : -3.7%

**CONSTRUCTION**

March : -4.7%  
February : -6.7%  
January : -7.1%



Percentage change: Year-on-Year

Source: National Accounts, Gross Domestic Product, Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)

## GDP COMPARISON, 2021- Q1 2022

| Gross Domestic Product<br>(Growth YoY, %) | 2020 | 2021 | 2021 |    |    |    | 2022 |
|-------------------------------------------|------|------|------|----|----|----|------|
|                                           |      |      | Q1   | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1   |

### SELECTED ASEAN COUNTRIES

|                                                                                               |      |     |      |      |      |     |     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|-----|------|------|------|-----|-----|
|  Malaysia    | -5.5 | 3.1 | -0.5 | 15.9 | -4.5 | 3.6 | 5.0 |
|  Singapore   | -4.1 | 7.6 | 2.0  | 15.8 | 7.5  | 6.1 | 3.4 |
|  Indonesia   | -2.1 | 3.7 | -0.7 | 7.1  | 3.5  | 5.0 | 5.0 |
|  Philippines | -9.5 | 5.7 | -3.8 | 12.1 | 7.0  | 7.8 | 8.3 |

### OTHER SELECTED COUNTRIES

|                                                                                                              |       |     |      |      |     |     |     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-----|------|------|-----|-----|-----|
|  United States of America | -3.4  | 5.7 | 0.5  | 12.2 | 4.9 | 5.5 | 3.6 |
|  European Union           | -5.9  | 5.3 | -0.9 | 14.0 | 4.2 | 4.9 | 5.2 |
|  Spain                    | -10.8 | 5.1 | -4.1 | 17.8 | 3.5 | 5.5 | 6.4 |
|  Italy                    | -9.0  | 6.6 | 0.1  | 17.7 | 3.9 | 6.2 | 5.8 |
|  France                   | -7.9  | 7.0 | 1.6  | 19.1 | 3.5 | 5.5 | 5.3 |
|  United Kingdom           | -9.3  | 7.4 | -5.0 | 24.5 | 6.9 | 6.6 | 8.7 |
|  P.R. China               | 2.3   | 8.1 | 18.3 | 7.9  | 4.9 | 4.0 | 4.8 |
|  Republic of Korea        | -0.9  | 4.0 | 1.9  | 6.0  | 4.0 | 4.2 | 3.1 |

Source: Official website of Selected National Statistical Office



## SERVICES SECTOR, Q1 2022

|                                                                                                             | Q1 2022  | YoY     |         | QoQ     |         |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
|                                                                                                             |          | Q4 2021 | Q1 2022 | Q4 2021 | Q1 2022 |
|  Revenue                   | RM473.0b | 5.3%    | 10.4%   | 17.7%   | 2.8%    |
|  Number of Persons Engaged | 3.8m     | 1.4%    | 2.7%    | 1.9%    | 1.0%    |
|  Salaries & Wages          | RM25.4b  | 1.2%    | 5.0%    | 3.8%    | 1.8%    |

## PERFORMANCE OF SERVICES SECTOR BY SEGMENT

|                                                                                                                                                            | Revenue                                           | Number of Persons Engaged (persons)                | Salaries & Wages                                 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
|  Wholesale & Retail Trade, Food & Beverages and Accommodation            | <b>RM378.7b</b><br>Q1 2022: 9.2%<br>Q4 2021: 5.1% | <b>2,832,128</b><br>Q1 2022: 2.7%<br>Q4 2021: 1.5% | <b>RM15.6b</b><br>Q1 2022: 5.3%<br>Q4 2021: 2.7% |
|  Information & Communication and Transportation & Storage               | <b>RM69.5b</b><br>Q1 2022: 16.1%<br>Q4 2021: 8.2% | <b>481,995</b><br>Q1 2022: 6.5%<br>Q4 2021: 4.1%   | <b>RM4.8b</b><br>Q1 2022: 8.5%<br>Q4 2021: -1.2% |
|  Private Health, Private Education and Arts, Entertainment & Recreation | <b>RM15.2b</b><br>Q1 2022: 17.3%<br>Q4 2021: 6.5% | <b>276,849</b><br>Q1 2022: -0.8%<br>Q4 2021: -2.0% | <b>RM2.5b</b><br>Q1 2022: 1.6%<br>Q4 2021: 0.3%  |
|  Professional and Real Estate Agent                                     | <b>RM9.7b</b><br>Q1 2022: 7.7%<br>Q4 2021: -6.9%  | <b>175,213</b><br>Q1 2022: -1.2%<br>Q4 2021: -2.0% | <b>RM2.5b</b><br>Q1 2022: 0.5%<br>Q4 2021: -2.1% |

## PERFORMANCE OF E-COMMERCE INCOME



|            | Q4 2021 | Q1 2022 |
|------------|---------|---------|
| RM billion | 290.3   | 278.2   |
| YoY (%)    | 18.3    | 9.3     |
| QoQ (%)    | 4.0     | -4.2    |

Percentage change: Year-on-Year

Source: Quarterly Services Statistics, First Quarter 2022, Department of Statistics, Malaysia

## DISTRIBUTIVE TRADE, Q1 2022

|                                                                                                             | Q1 2022  | YoY     |         | QoQ     |         |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
|                                                                                                             |          | Q4 2021 | Q1 2022 | Q4 2021 | Q1 2022 |
|  Revenue                   | RM361.0b | 5.1%    | 8.6%    | 17.8%   | 1.9%    |
|  Number of Persons Engaged | 1.9m     | 2.7%    | 3.9%    | 2.3%    | 0.9%    |
|  Salaries & Wages          | RM13.5b  | 3.6%    | 6.0%    | 3.8%    | 1.3%    |



### WHOLESALE TRADE ACTIVITY



### RETAIL TRADE ACTIVITY



### MOTOR VEHICLES ACTIVITY

## SALES VALUE

**RM171.7b**

Q1 2022: 6.8%  
Q4 2021: 5.1%

**RM147.6b**

Q1 2022: 9.4%  
Q4 2021: 5.0%

**RM41.8b**

Q1 2022: 13.0%  
Q4 2021: 5.5%

## MAIN GROUPS



Other Specialised  
Wholesale

Q4 2021: 4.9% | Q1 2022: 6.0%



Retail Sale in  
Non-specialised Stores

Q4 2021: 8.0% | Q1 2022: 14.0%



Sale of Motor  
Vehicles

Q4 2021: 7.9% | Q1 2022: 9.6%



Wholesale of  
Household Goods

Q4 2021: 0.1% | Q1 2022: 4.4%



Retail Sale of Other  
Goods in Specialised  
Stores

Q4 2021: -2.7% | Q1 2022: 4.7%



Sale of Motor  
Vehicles Parts &  
Accessories

Q4 2021: -1.4% | Q1 2022: 24.6%



Wholesale of Food,  
Beverages & Tobacco

Q4 2021: 9.9% | Q1 2022: 9.3%



Retail Sale of Other  
Household Equipment in  
Specialised Stores

Q4 2021: 4.2% | Q1 2022: 8.8%



Maintenance & Repair  
of Motor Vehicles

Q4 2021: -1.0% | Q1 2022: 27.0%

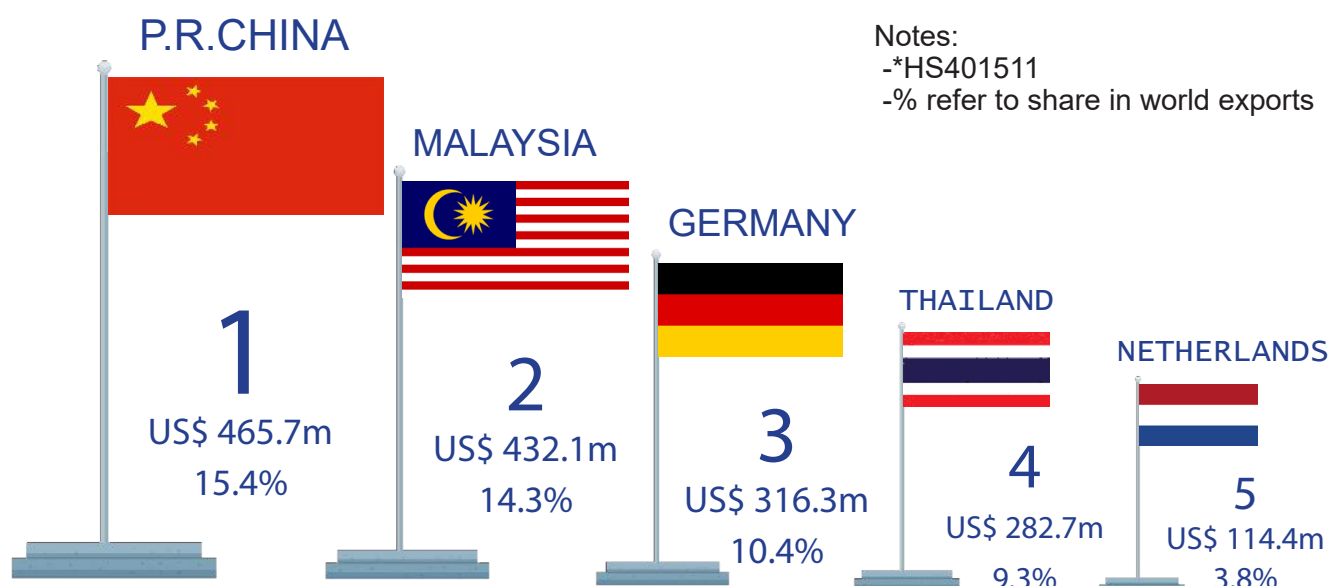
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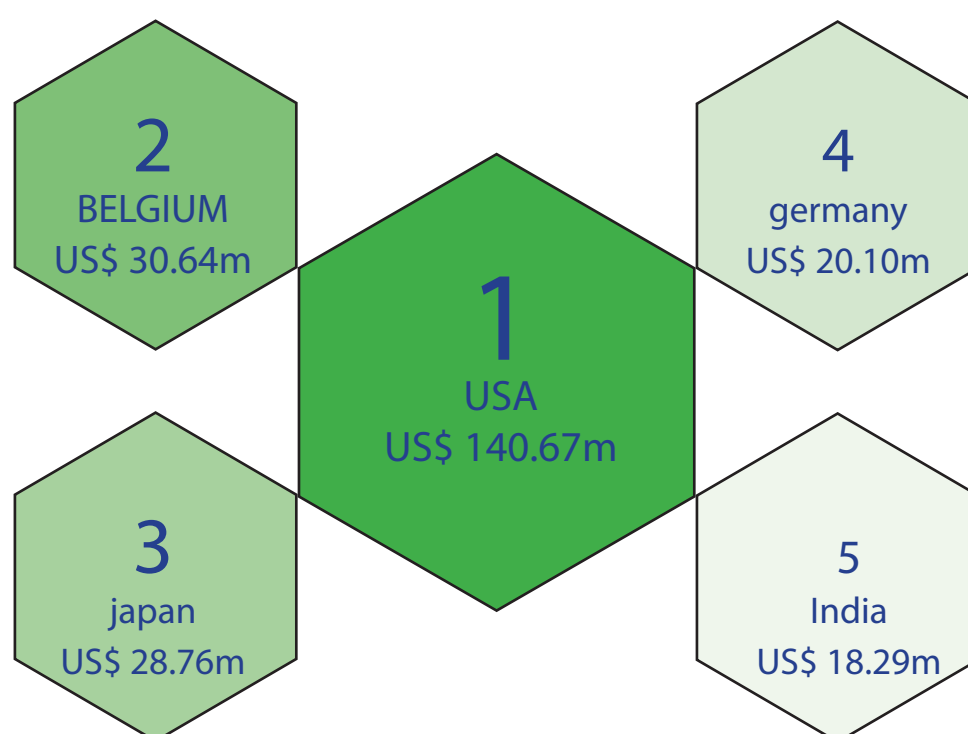


## MALAYSIA AS SECOND LARGEST EXPORTERS IN THE WORLD OF SURGICAL GLOVES, OF VULCANISED RUBBER (EXCLUDING FINGERSTALLS)

In 2020, Malaysia's export of Surgical gloves, of vulcanised rubber (excluding fingerstalls) recorded US\$ 432.1 million which was 14.3% share of the world exports.



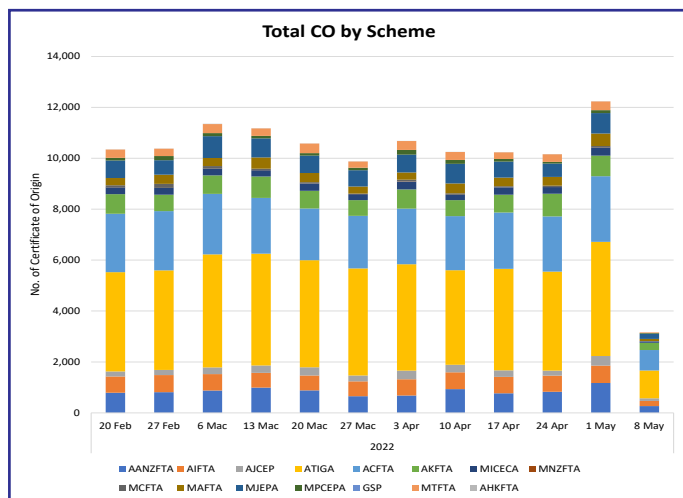
## MALAYSIA'S TOP EXPORT DESTINATIONS



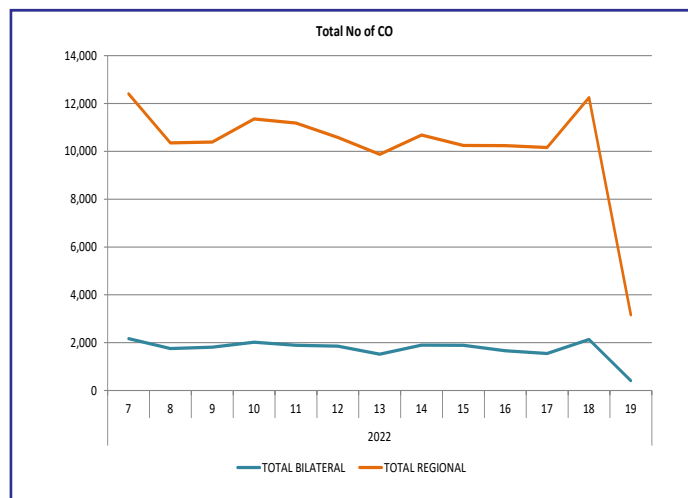
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# Number and FOB Value of PCO as at 8 May 2022 Weekly / Monthly / Annually

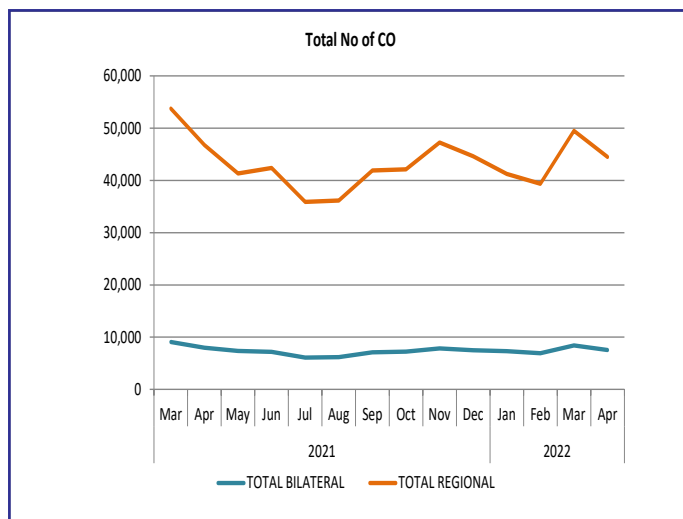
## Weekly Total Scheme



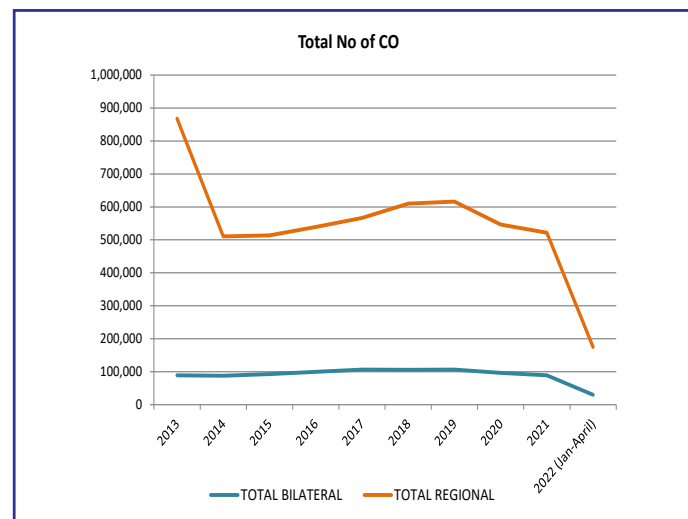
## Weekly



## Monthly



## Annually



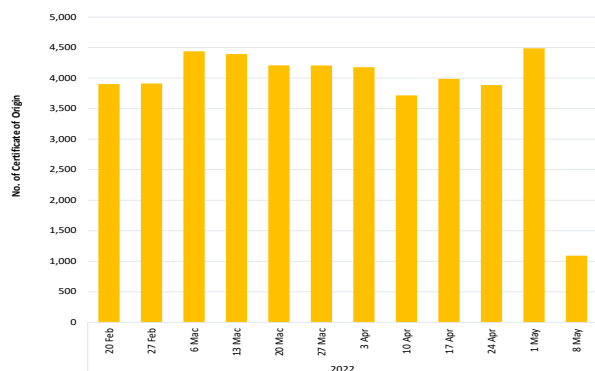
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Source: Ministry of International Trade and Industry, Malaysia



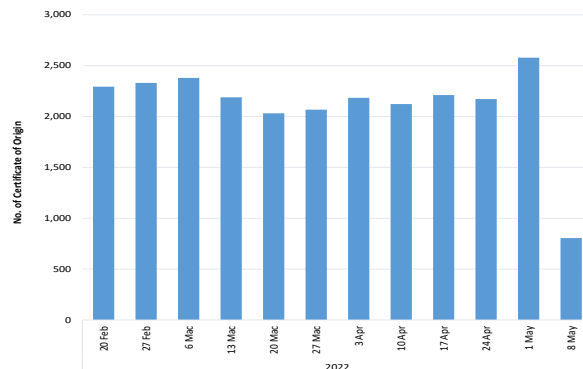
# Regional FTA

## Number of Preferential Certificates of Origin (PCOs) as at 8 May 2022

**ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA)**



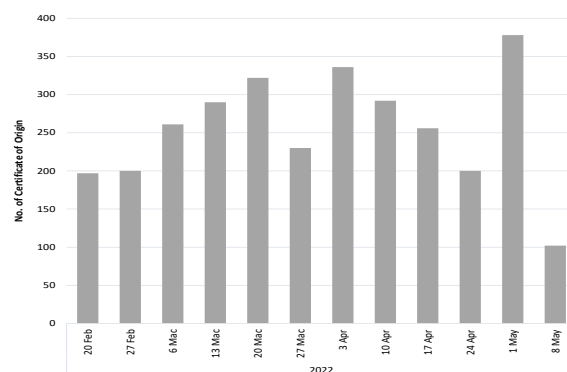
**ASEAN-China Free Trade Agreement (ACFTA)**



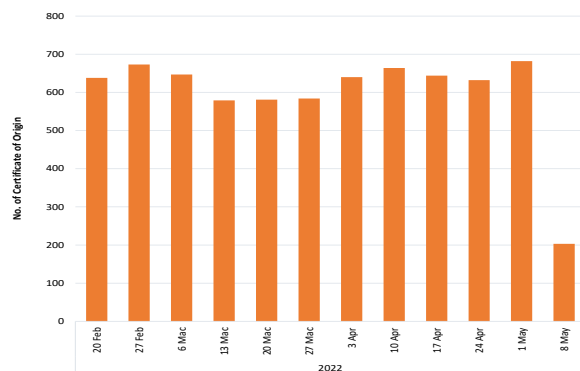
**ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Agreement (AKFTA)**



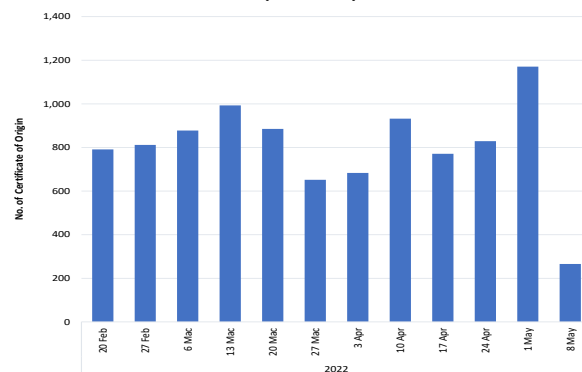
**ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership (AJCEP)**



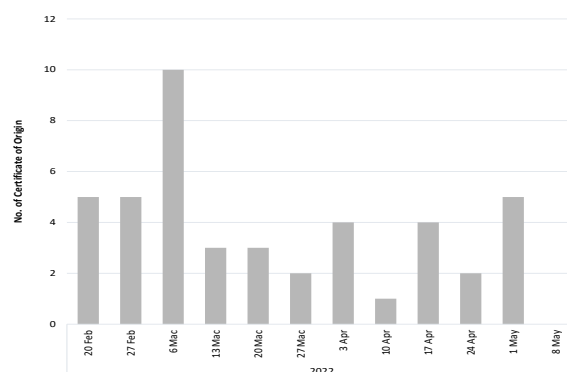
**ASEAN-India Free Trade Agreement (AIFTA)**



**ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Agreement (AANZFTA)**



**ASEAN-Hong Kong, China Free Trade Agreement (AHKFTA)**



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Source: Ministry of International Trade and Industry, Malaysia

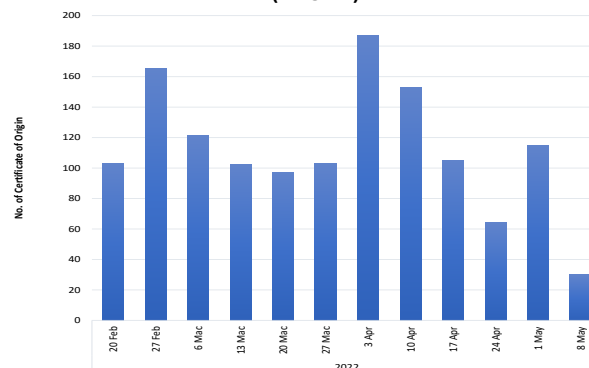
# Bilateral FTA

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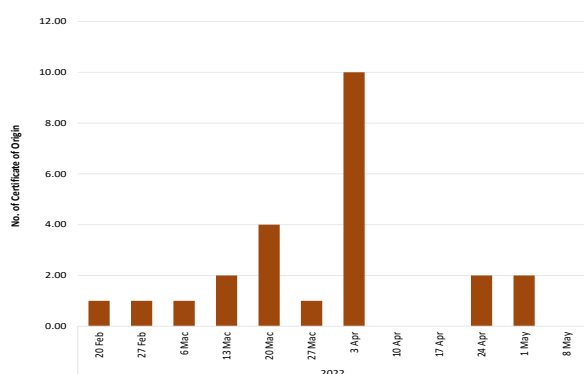
**Malaysia-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (MJEPA)**



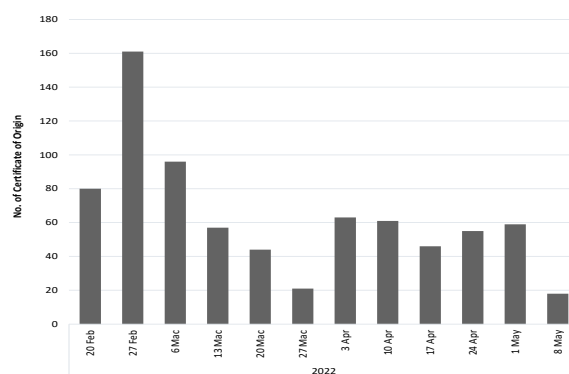
**Malaysia-Pakistan Closer Economic Partnership Agreement (MPCEPA)**



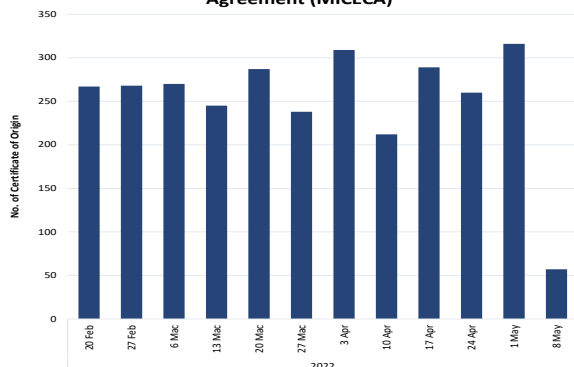
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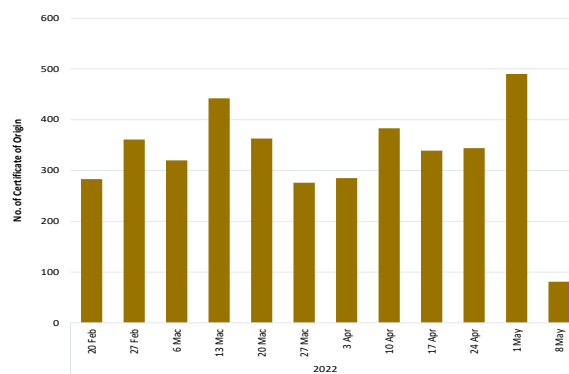
**Malaysia-Chile Free Trade Agreement (MCFTA)**



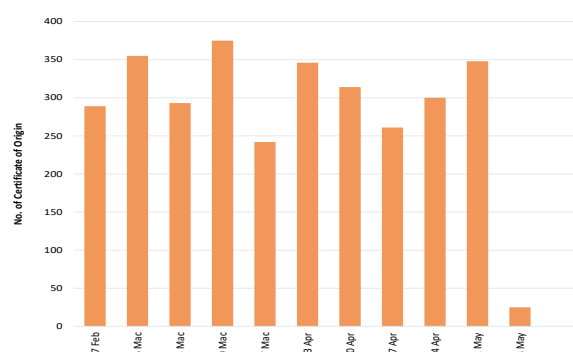
**Malaysia-India Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (MICECA)**



**Malaysia-Australia Free Trade Agreement (MAFTA)**



**Malaysia-Turkey Free Trade Agreement (MTFTA)**

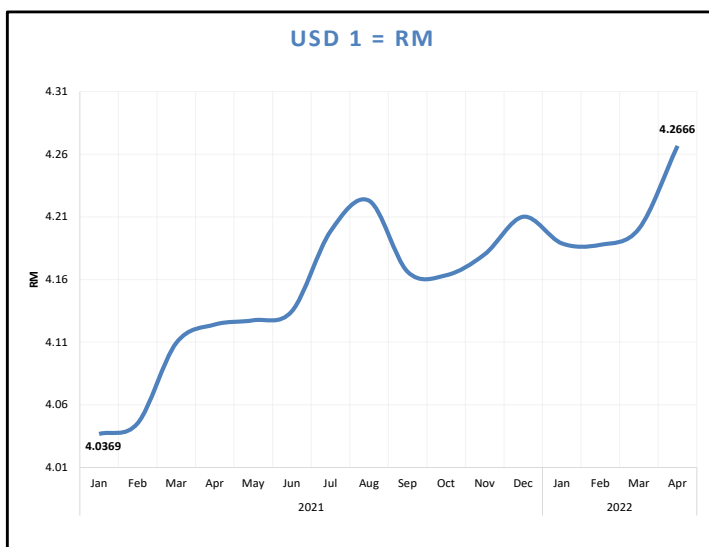


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# Malaysian Ringgit Exchange Rate with Selected Countries, January 2021 - April 2022

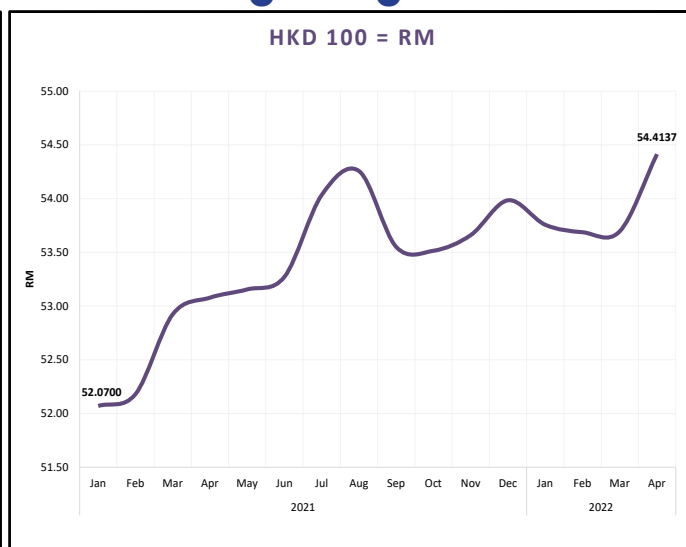
## US Dollar

USD 1 = RM



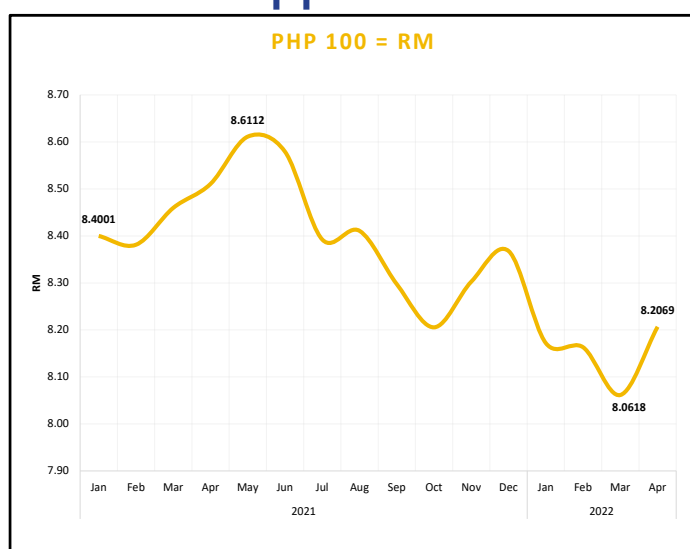
## Hong Kong Dollar

HKD 100 = RM



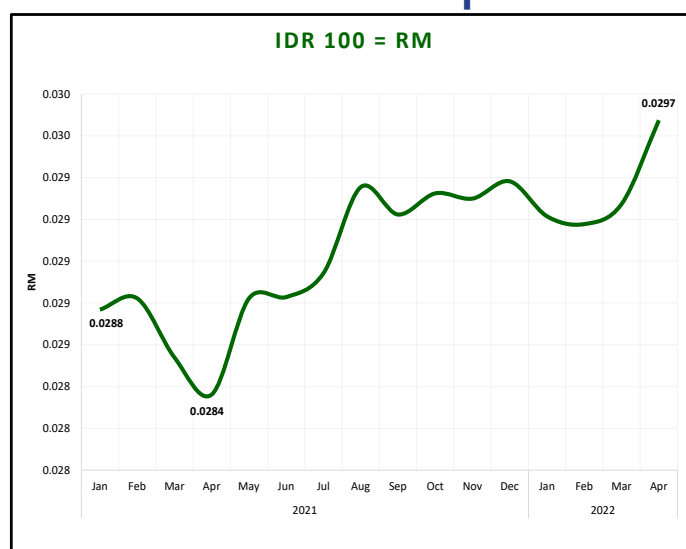
## Philippine Peso

PHP 100 = RM



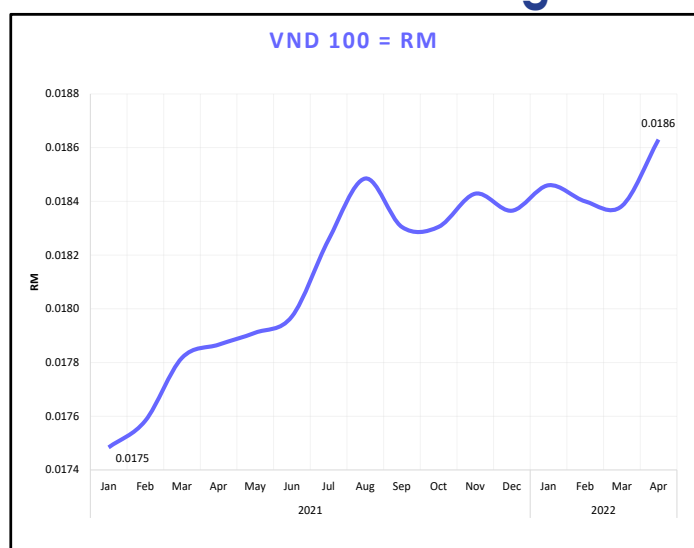
## Indonesian Rupiah

IDR 100 = RM



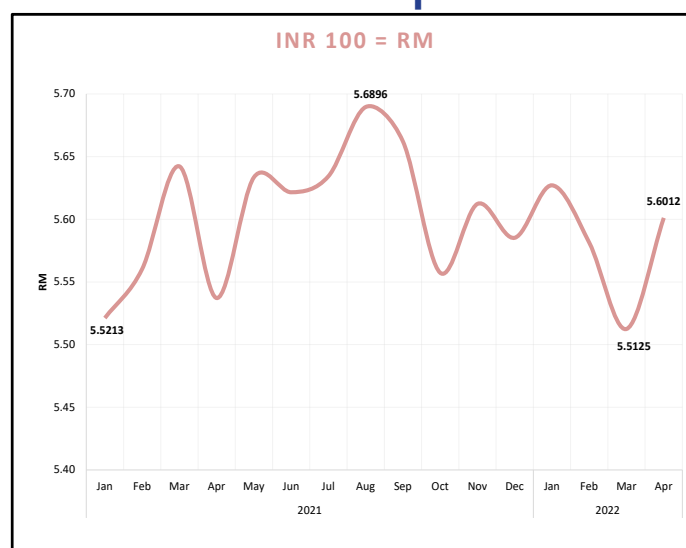
## Vietnamese Dong

VND 100 = RM



## Indian Rupee

INR 100 = RM



Source : Bank Negara Malaysia



# Commodity Prices

## CRUDE PETROLEUM (BRENT) -per bbl-



▼ 0.7%\*  
US\$111.6  
13 May 2022

Highest  
2021/2022

25 Mar 2022 : US\$120.7  
22 Oct 2021 : US\$85.5

7 Jan 2022 : US\$81.8  
15 Jan 2021 : US\$55.1

Lowest  
2021/2022

Average Price 2021 <sup>i</sup>: US\$71.1

## CRUDE PALM OIL -per MT-



▼ 3.2%\*  
US\$1,569.6  
13 May 2022

Highest  
2021/2022

11 Mar 2022 : US\$1,774.7  
29 Oct 2021 : US\$1,302.0

14 Jan 2022 : US\$1,267.7  
18 Jun 2021 : US\$844.6

Lowest  
2021/2022

Average Price 2021 <sup>i</sup>: US\$1,075.3

## RUBBER SMR 20 -per MT-



▼ 1.0%\*  
US\$1,592.5  
13 May 2022

Average Price 2021 <sup>i</sup>: US\$1,689.1

## COCOA SMC 2 -per MT-



▼ 1.7%\*  
US\$1,512.4  
13 May 2022

Average Price 2021 <sup>i</sup>: US\$1,505.9

## SUGAR -per lbs-



▲ 0.1%\*  
US\$19.2  
13 May 2022

Average Price 2021 <sup>i</sup>: US\$17.9

## COAL -per MT-



▼ 0.2%\*  
US\$319.0  
13 May 2022

Average Price 2021 <sup>i</sup>: US\$120.5

## SCRAP IRON HMS -per MT-

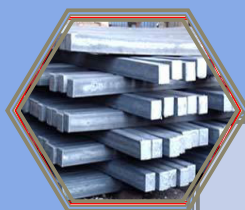


▼ 15.5%\* : ▼ 14.5%\*  
US\$545.0 : US\$502.0  
(high) : (low)  
13 May 2022

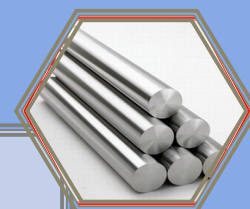
Average Price 2021 <sup>i</sup>: US\$486.4 (high)  
Average Price 2021 <sup>i</sup>: US\$468.1 (low)

## Domestic Prices

13 May 2022



**Billets  
(per MT)  
RM3,280**

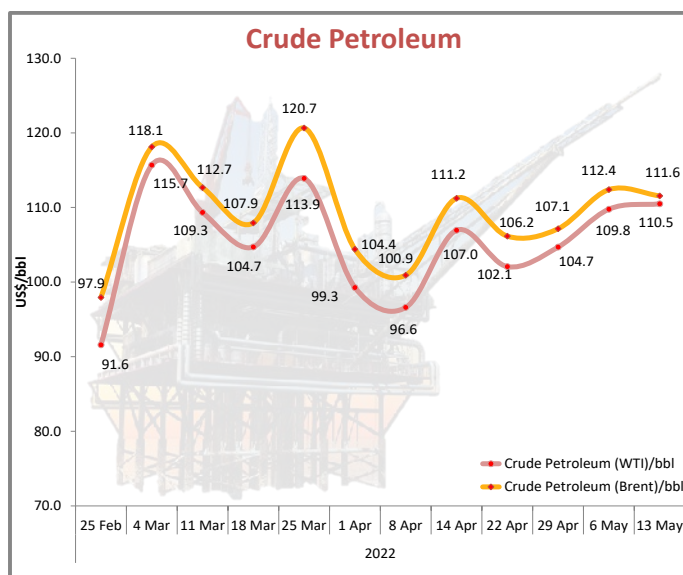
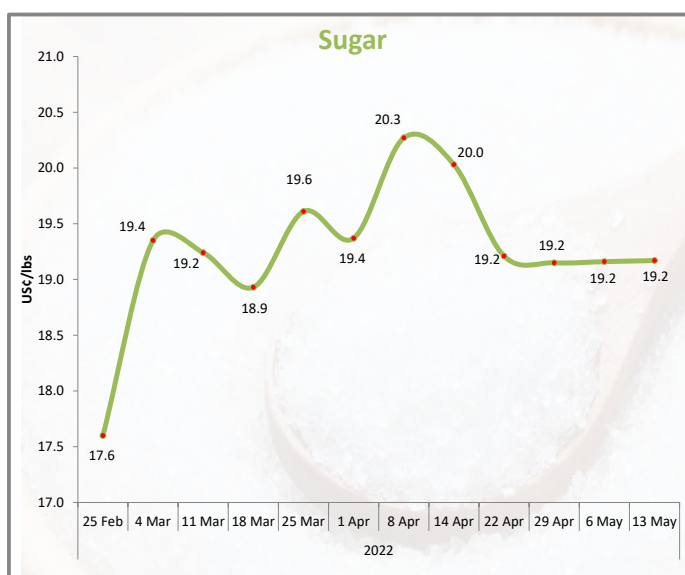
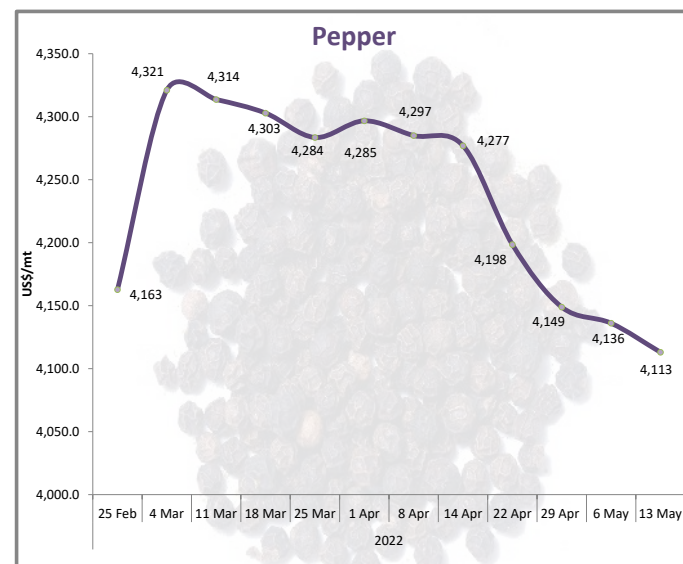
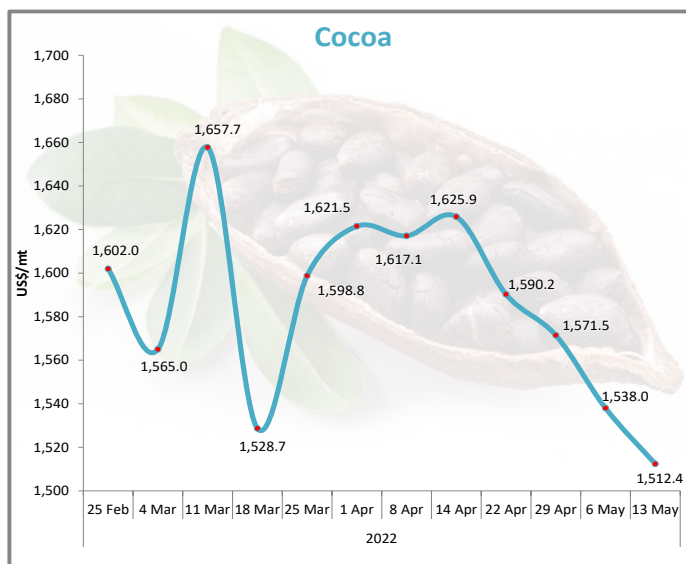
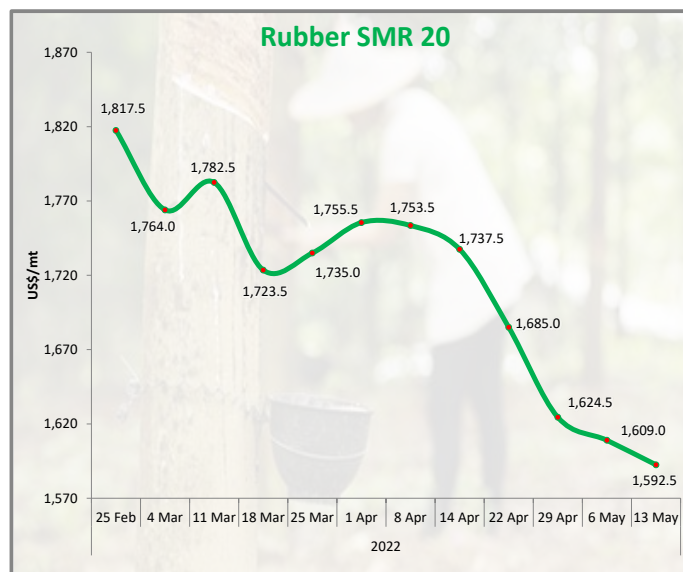
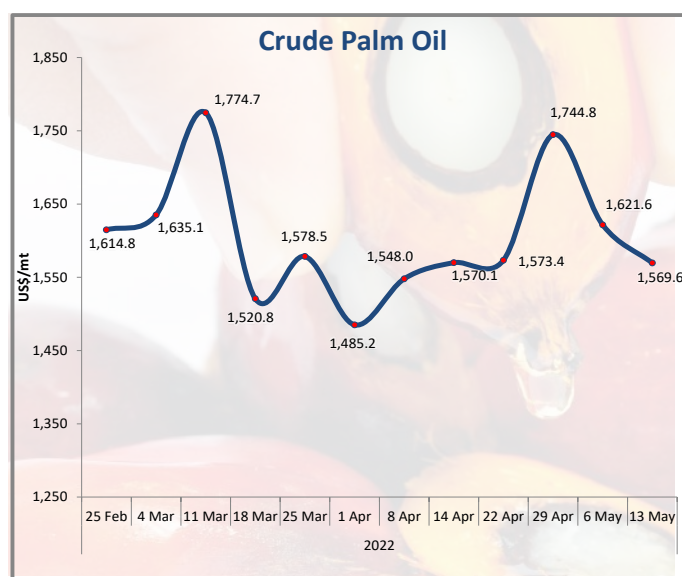


**Steel Bars  
(per MT)  
RM3,400 – RM3,550**

Notes: All figures have been rounded to the nearest decimal point  
\* Refer to % change from the previous week's price  
<sup>i</sup> Average price in the year except otherwise indicated

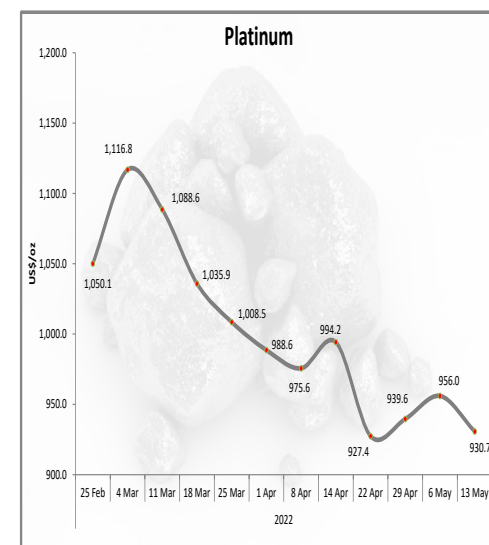
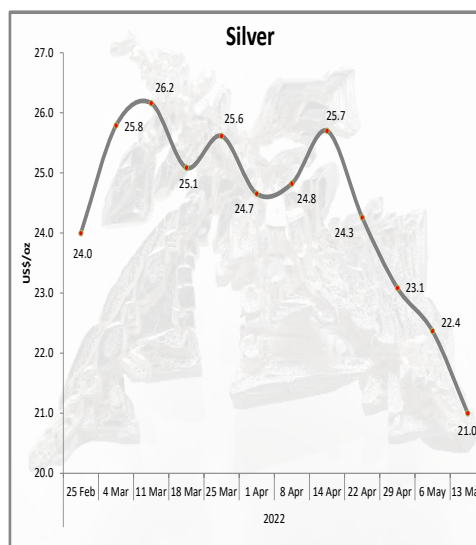
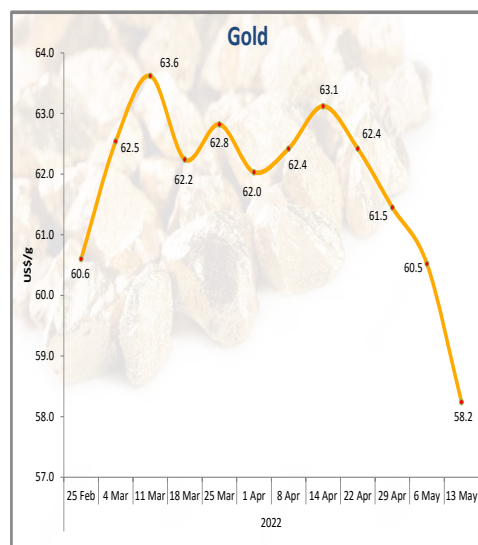
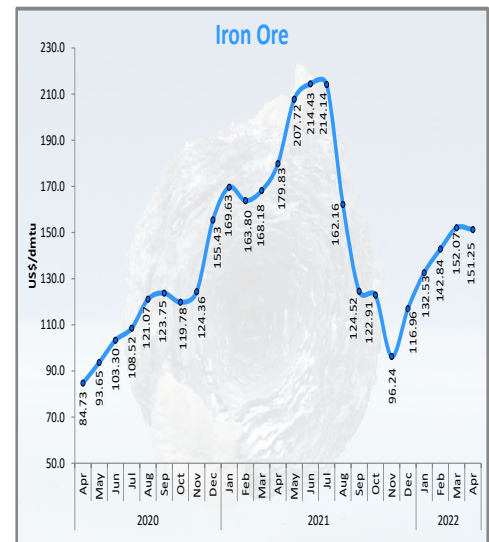
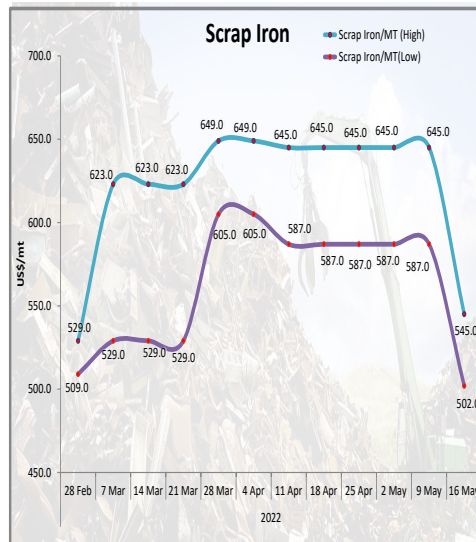
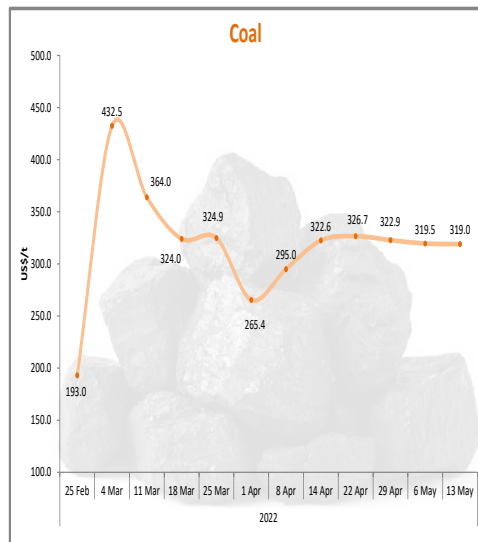
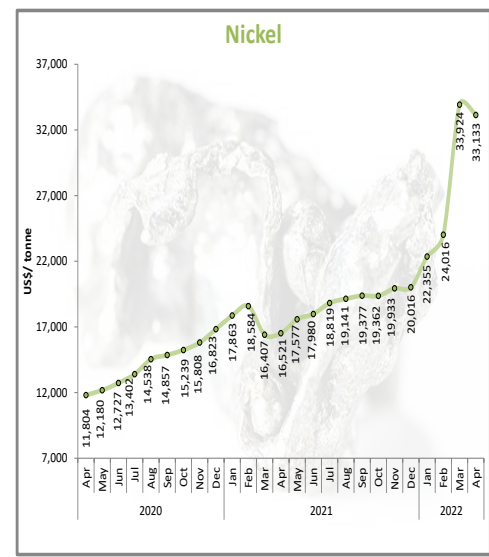
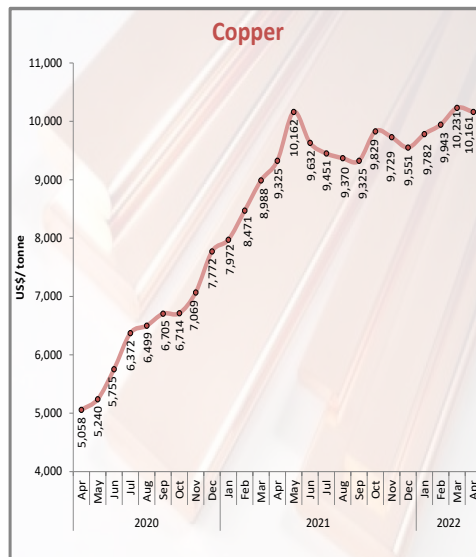
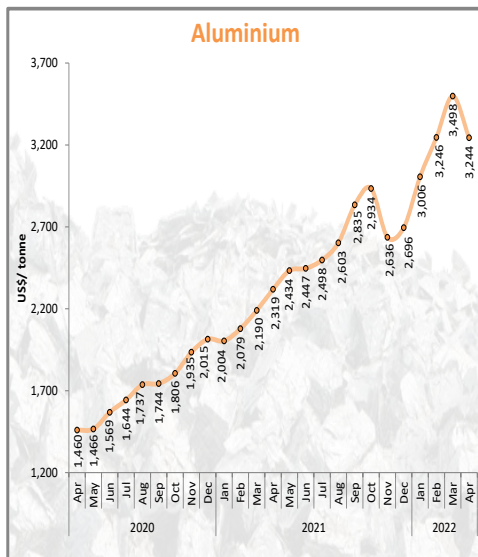
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# Commodity Price Trends



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## RCEP

# Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP)

The 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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# 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](http://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](http://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](http://www.mida.gov.my)

## 02 | GRANTS

### 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](http://www.mdec.my)

### 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:

- Automation CA of 200% on the first RM2 million expenditure incurred within 5 years
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For more information, kindly click the following links:

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Get your firm assessed. Be ready for Industry 4.0.

## All you need to know about Industry4WRD RA



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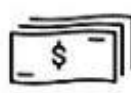
Trained assessors will help you to understand your readiness for Industry 4.0 and make recommendations on where to start your transformation.

### 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.



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A FEW SIMPLE STEPS

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2



Evaluation by Committees

3



Onsite Assessment

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Receive RA Report

Business Intervention

5



Develop Intervention Proposal

6



Apply for Financial Incentives

7



Implement the Intervention Plan

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