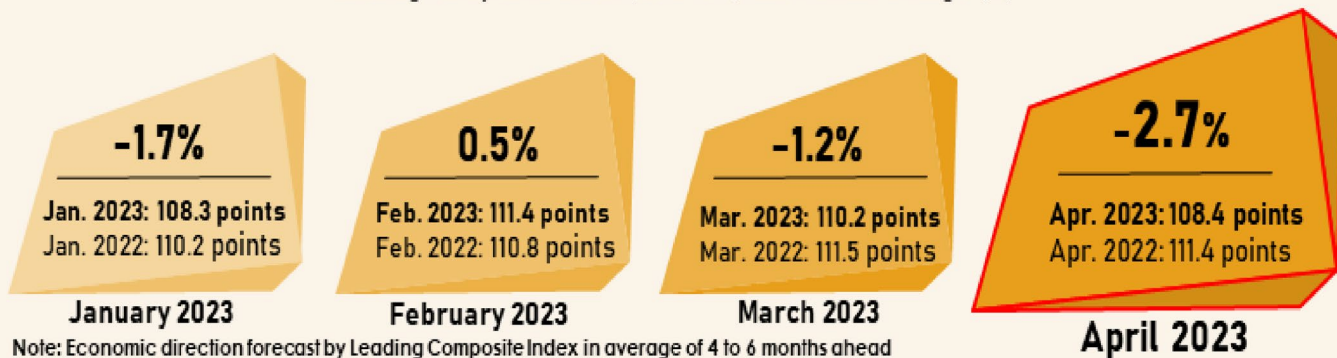


LEADING INDEX, APRIL 2023

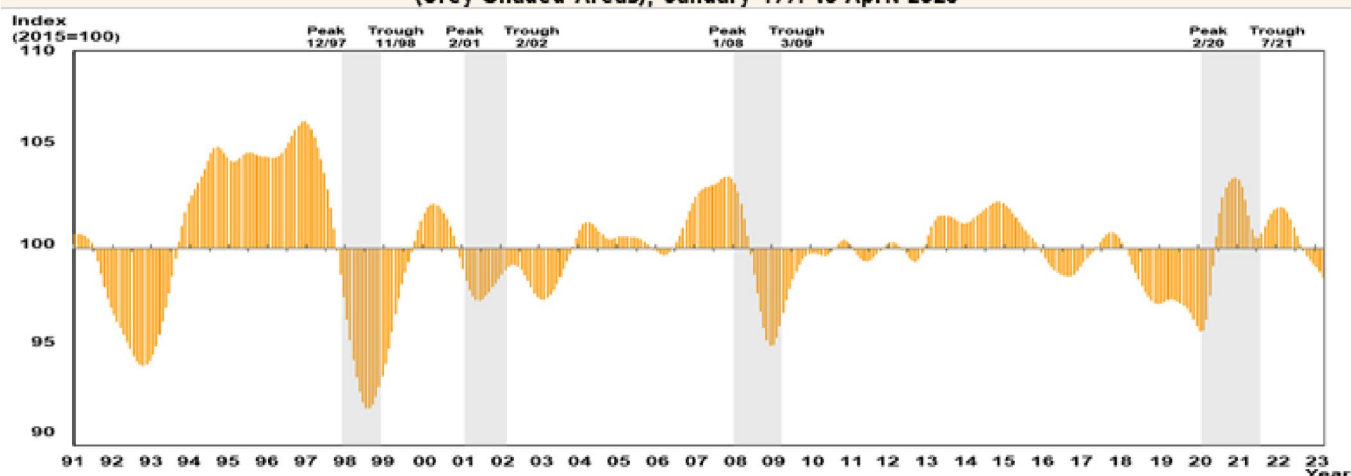
THE LEADING INDEX RECORDED 108.4 POINTS IN APRIL 2023,
REFLECTING MALAYSIA'S CHALLENGING ECONOMIC SCENARIO

Leading Composite Index (2015=100) and Annual Change (%)



TIME SERIES DATA

Leading Composite Index (Long Term Trend = 100) and Business Cycle
(Grey Shaded Areas), January 1991 to April 2023

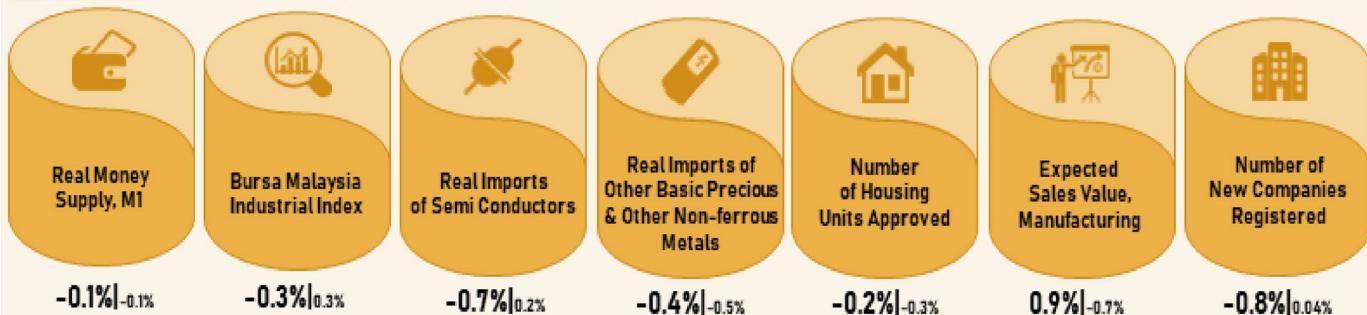


-1.6%
April

-1.1%
March

LEADING COMPOSITE INDEX, MONTHLY CHANGE (%)

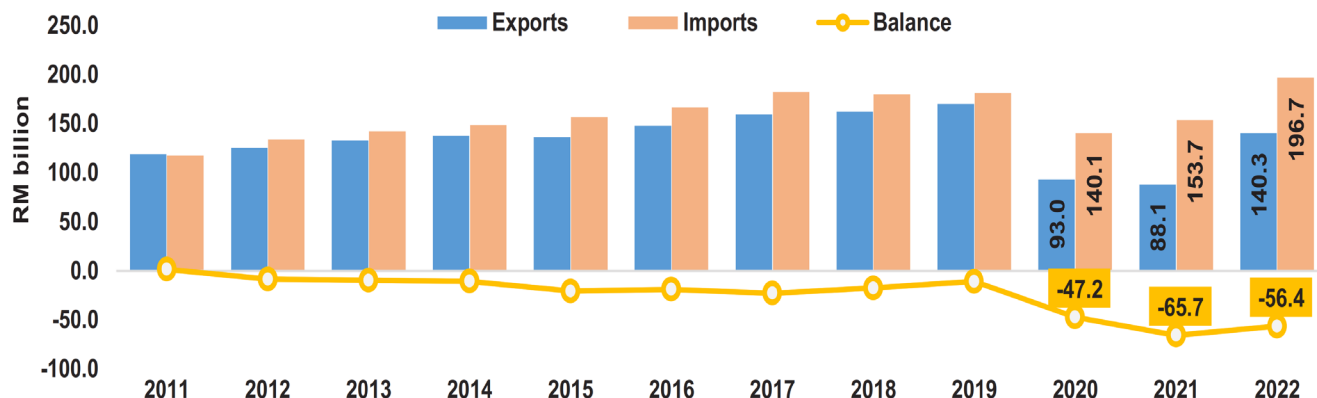
Contribution of Each Component to the Percentage Change in the Leading Composite Index from the Previous Month



Note: April 2023 | March 2023

Source: Malaysian Economic Indicators- Leading, Coincident & Lagging Indexes, April 2023,
Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)

TRADE IN SERVICES, 2022



SERVICES COMPONENTS

EXPORTS

RM140.3b

(2021: RM88.1b)



OTHER BUSINESS SERVICES
RM31.4b
(2021: RM27.0b)



TRAVEL
RM28.4b
(2021: RM0.3b)



TRANSPORT
RM25.6b
(2021: RM16.5b)



MANUFACTURING SERVICES
RM20.1b
(2021: RM15.7b)



OTHER SERVICES
RM34.7b
(2021: RM28.5b)

IMPORTS

RM196.7b

(2021: RM153.7b)



TRANSPORT
RM59.6b
(2021: RM48.3b)



OTHER BUSINESS SERVICES
RM46.0b
(2021: RM35.2b)



TRAVEL
RM29.5b
(2021: RM15.2b)



TELECOMMUNICATIONS, COMPUTER & INFORMATION
RM18.3b
(2021: RM17.8b)



OTHER SERVICES
RM43.2b
(2021: RM37.2b)

BALANCE

-RM56.4b

(2021: -RM65.7b)

TOTAL TRADE

RM336.9b

(2021: RM241.8b)

MAJOR TRADING PARTNERS



1

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
X: RM36.7b M: RM56.6b



2

SINGAPORE
X: RM34.6b M: RM26.9b



3

HONG KONG
X: RM8.1b M: RM8.5b



4

UNITED KINGDOM
X: RM7.4b M: RM9.8b



5

INDONESIA
X: RM6.8b M: RM5.0b

Notes:

b - billion, X - Exports, M - Imports
Negative value refers to deficit

Source: Statistics of International Trade in Services, Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)

PRODUCER PRICE INDEX, MAY 2023

May 2023/May 2022
(year-on-year)

-4.6%

Apr 2023: -3.0%

Malaysia's Producer Price Index slid to
negative 4.6 per cent in

MAY 2023

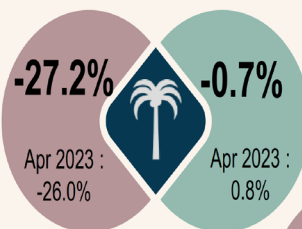
May 2023/Apr 2023
(month-on-month)

-0.4%

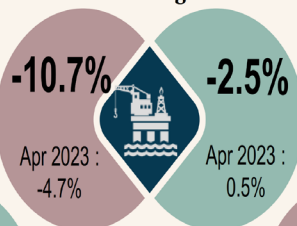
Apr 2023: 0.2%

PPI BY SECTOR

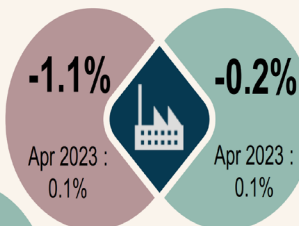
Agriculture, forestry & fishing



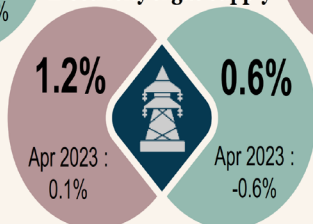
Mining



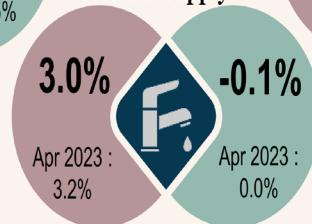
Manufacturing



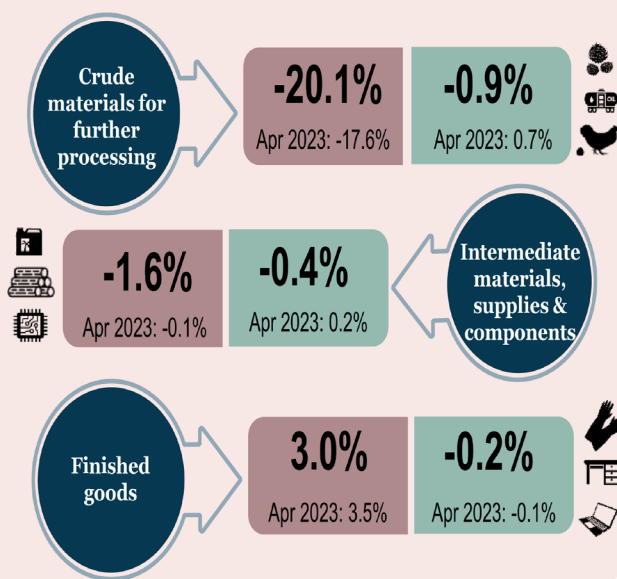
Electricity & gas supply



Water supply



PPI BY STAGE OF PROCESSING

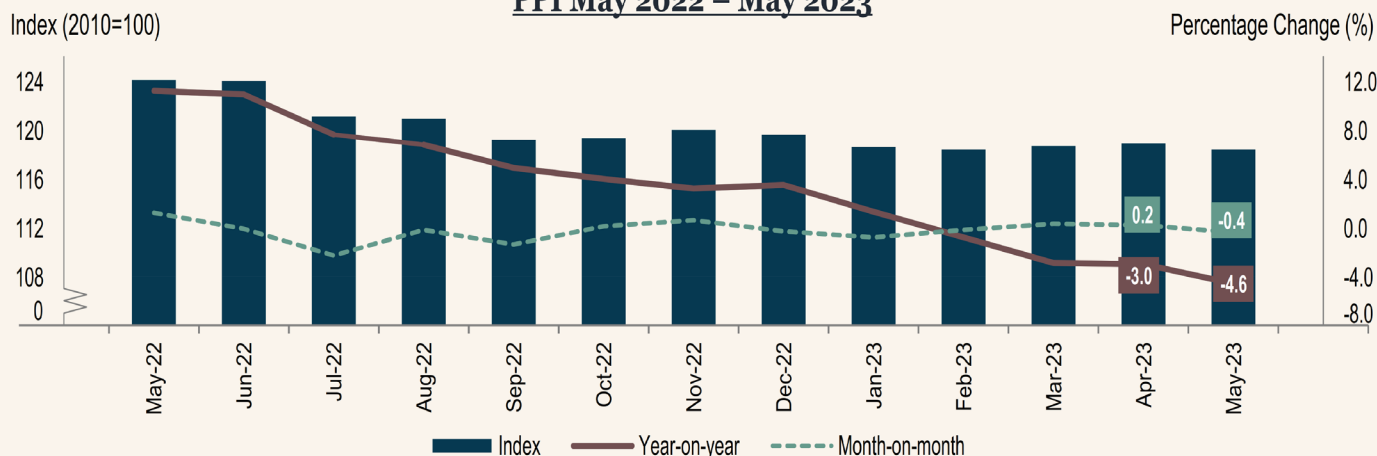


PPI OF SELECTED COUNTRIES

May 2023 (%)	COUNTRIES	Apr 2023 (%)
1.1	United States of America	2.3
1.0	Germany	4.1
-4.6	P.R. China	-3.6
-5.0	Thailand	-3.4
5.1	Japan	5.9
0.6	Republic of Korea	1.6

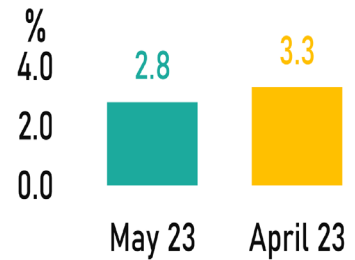
Source: Official website of selected NSOs

PPI May 2022 – May 2023

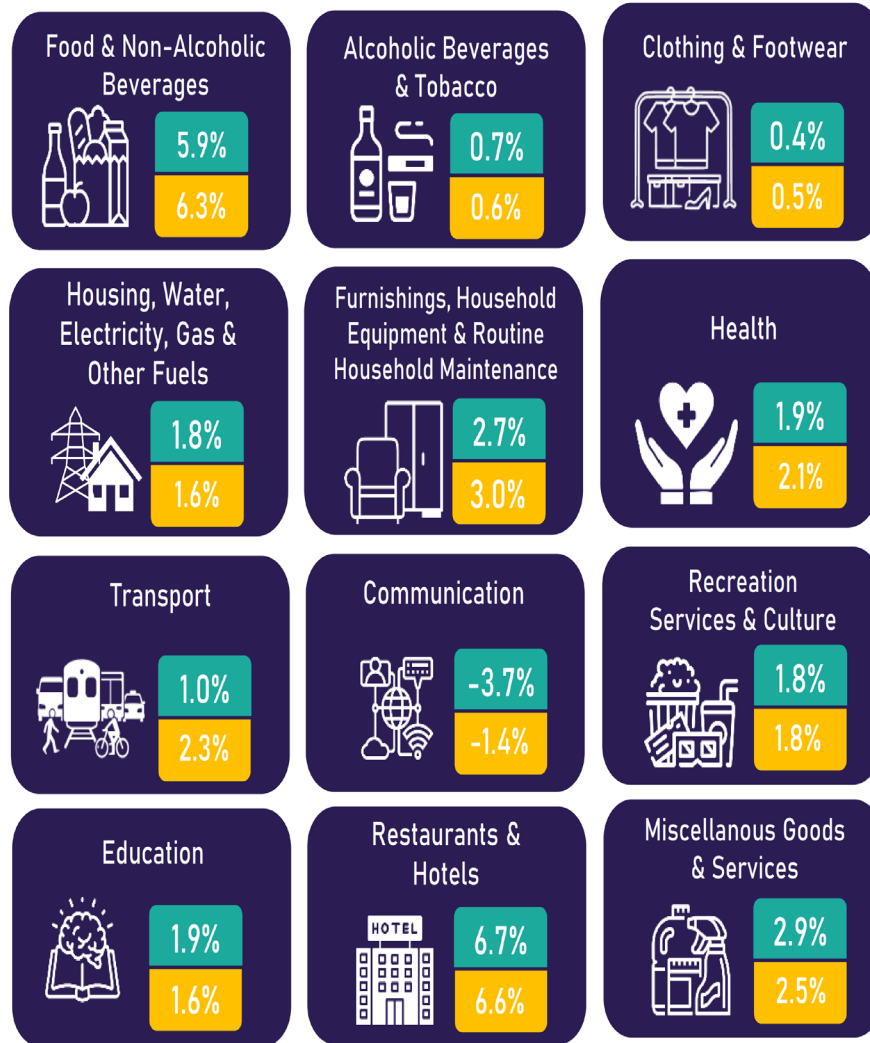


CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, MAY 2023

Malaysia's inflation eased further to 2.8% in MAY 2023



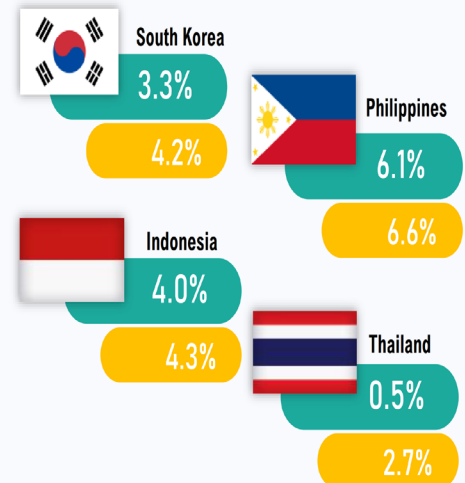
INFLATION BY MAIN GROUP



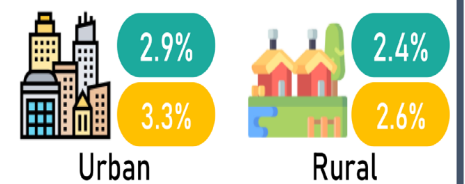
CORE INFLATION

Month	Core Inflation (%)
May 23	3.5%
April 23	3.6%

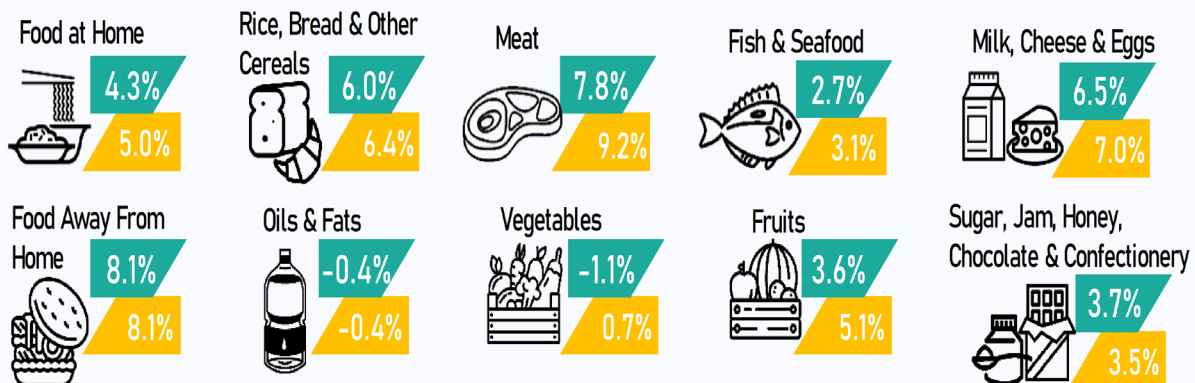
INFLATION BY SELECTED COUNTRIES



INFLATION FOR URBAN & RURAL



INFLATION FOR SUBGROUP FOOD & BEVERAGES



Note:

May 2023

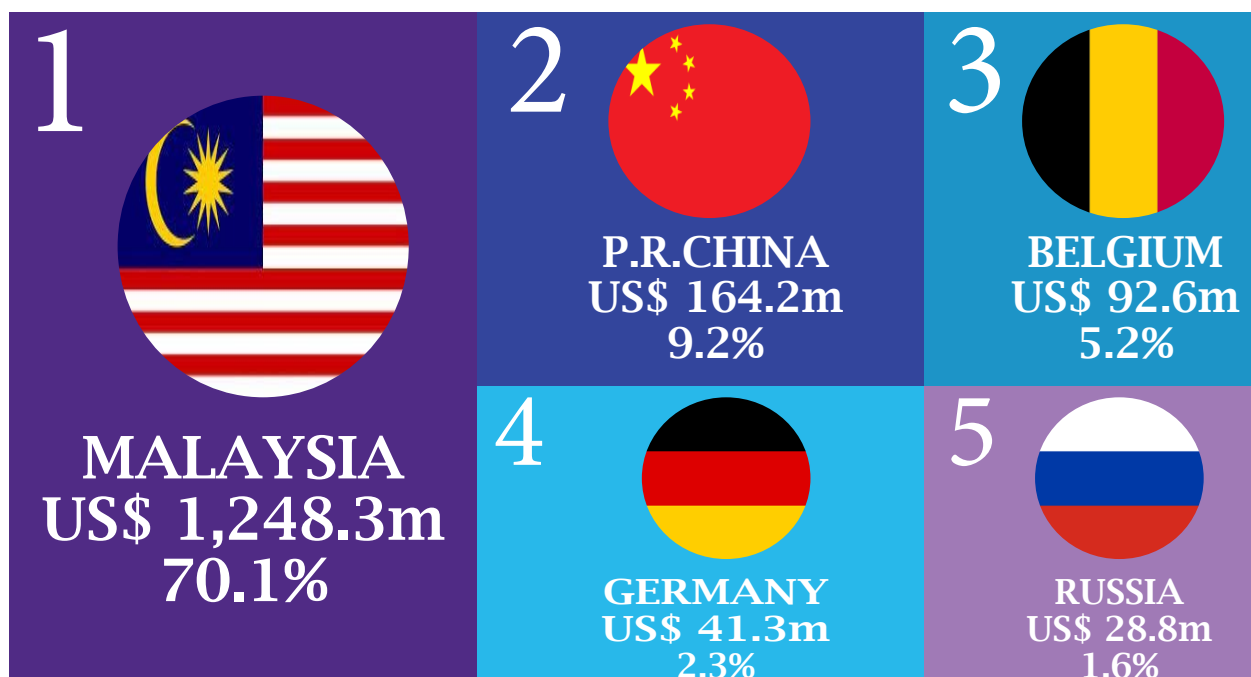
April 2023

Percentage Change: Year-on-Year

Source: Malaysia's Consumer Price Index (2010=100)
Department of Statistics, Malaysia (DOSM)

WORLD LARGEST EXPORTERS OF BARS AND RODS, OF IRON OR NON-ALLOY STEEL, NOT FURTHER WORKED THAN FORGED

In 2022, Malaysia's export of Bars and rods, of iron or non-alloy steel, not further worked than forged (excluding in irregularly wound coils) recorded US\$ 1,248.3 million which was 70.1% share of the world exports.

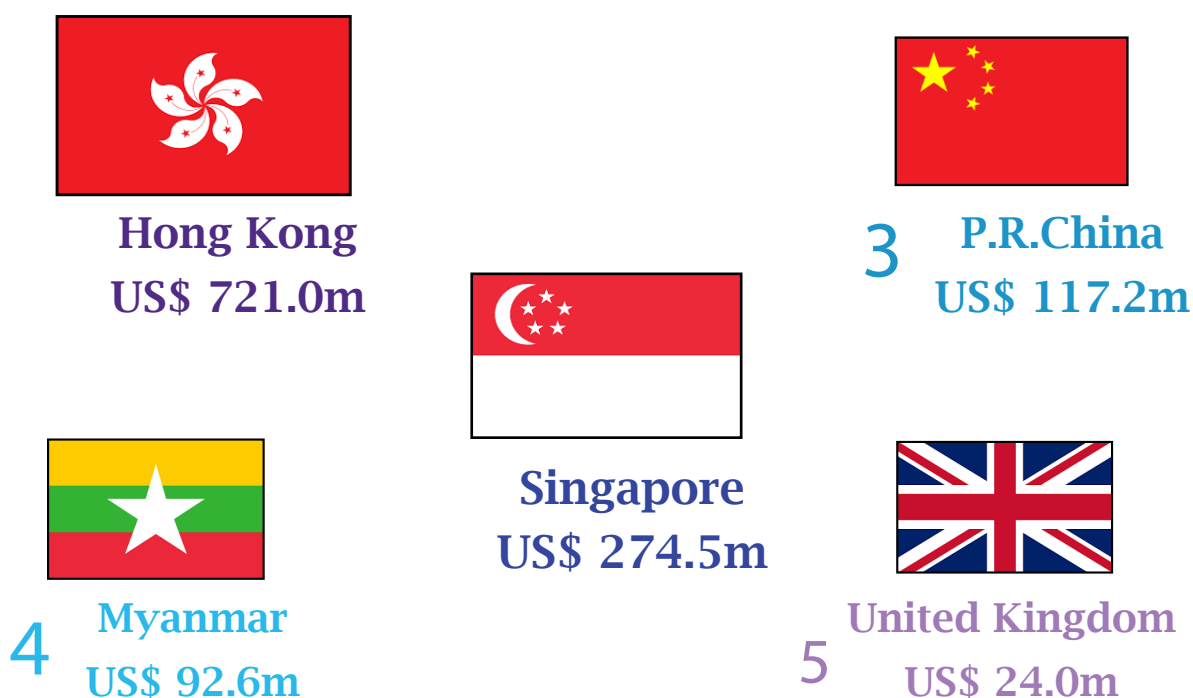


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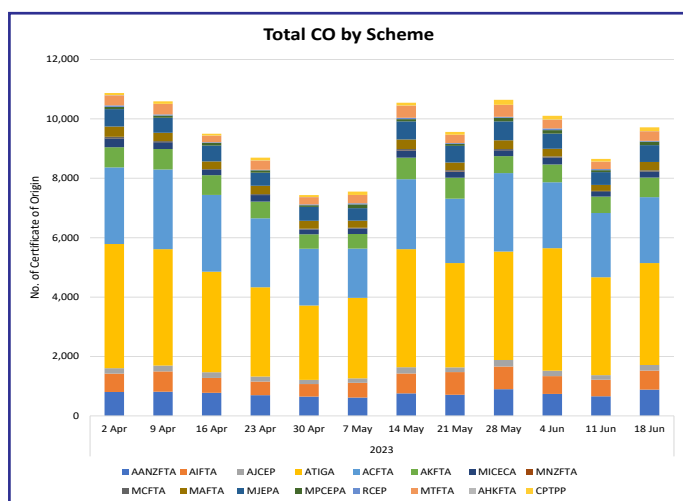
-% refer to share in world exports

MALAYSIA'S TOP EXPORT DESTINATIONS

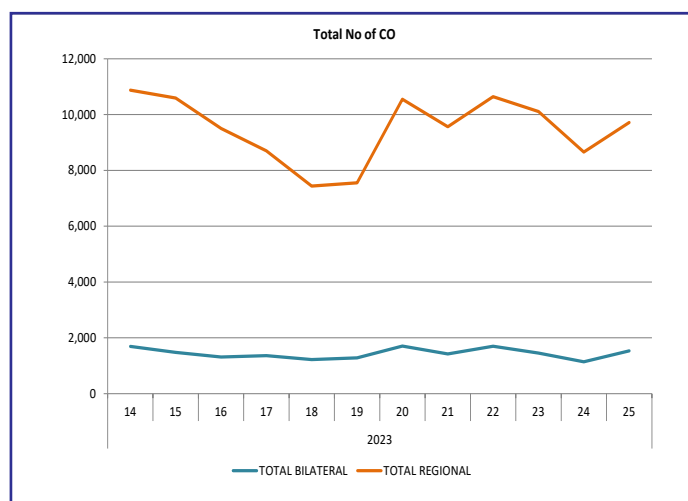


Number of PCO as at 18 June 2023 Weekly / Monthly/ Annually

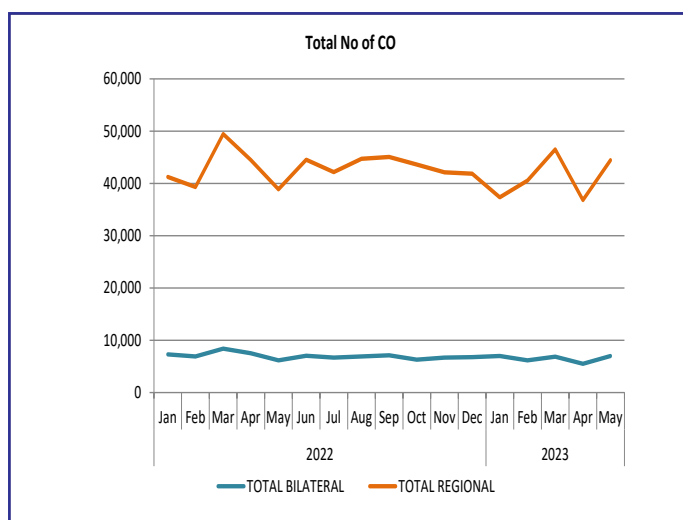
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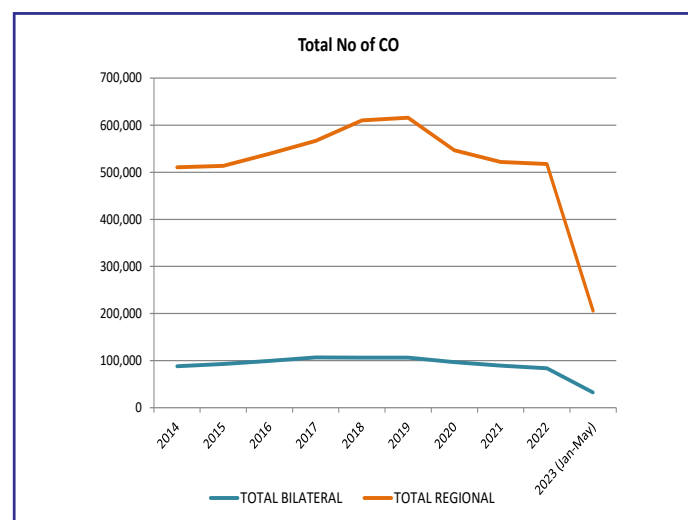
Weekly



Monthly



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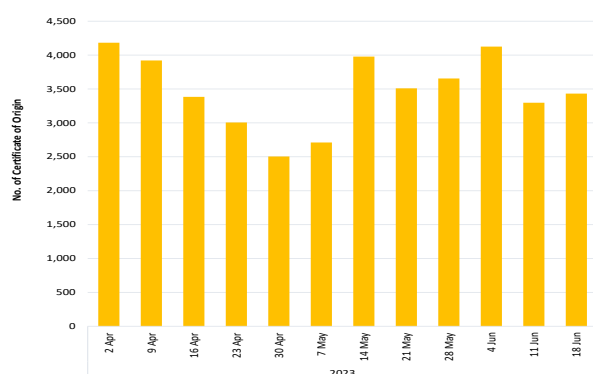


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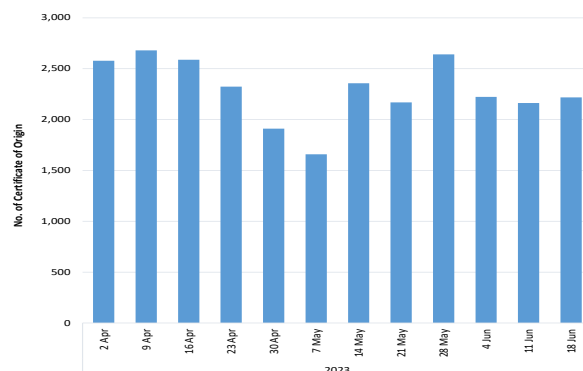
Regional FTA

Number of Preferential Certificates of Origin (PCOs) as at 18 June 2023

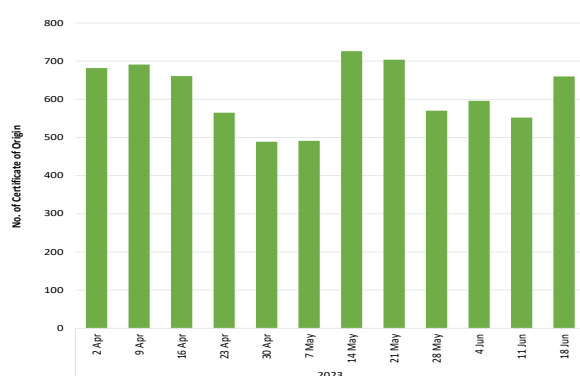
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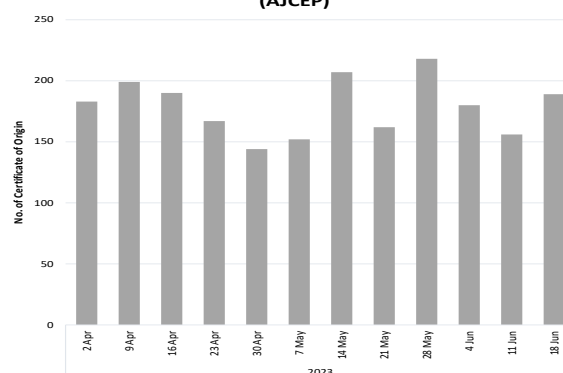
ASEAN-China Free Trade Agreement (ACFTA)



ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Agreement (AKFTA)



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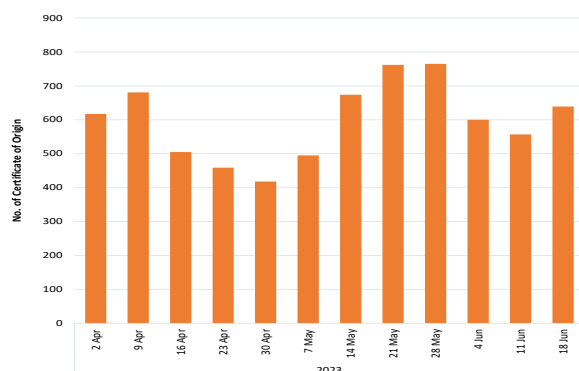


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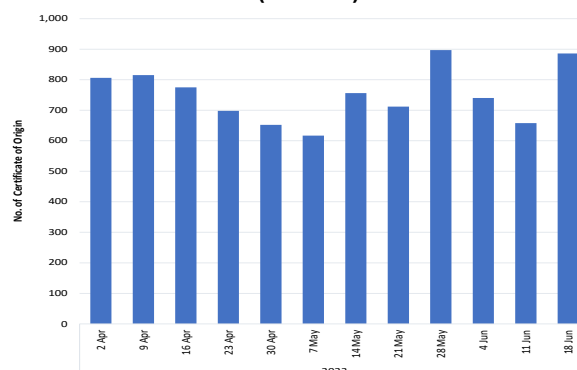
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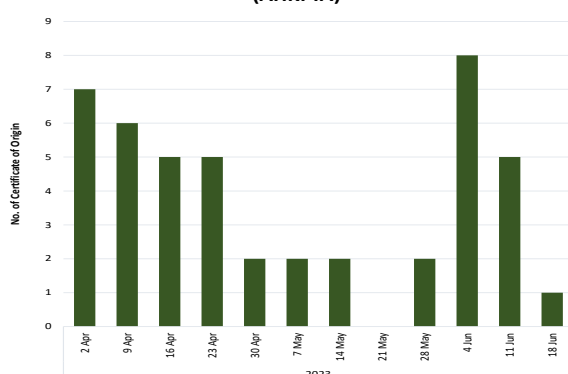
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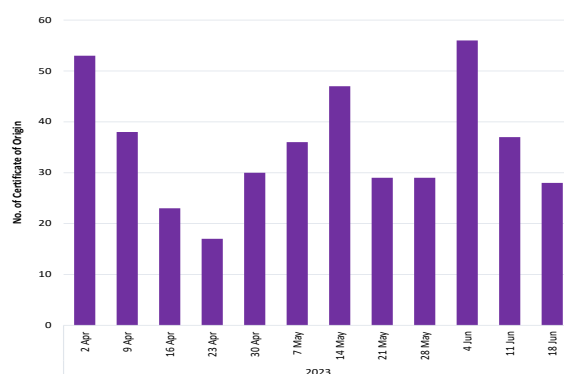
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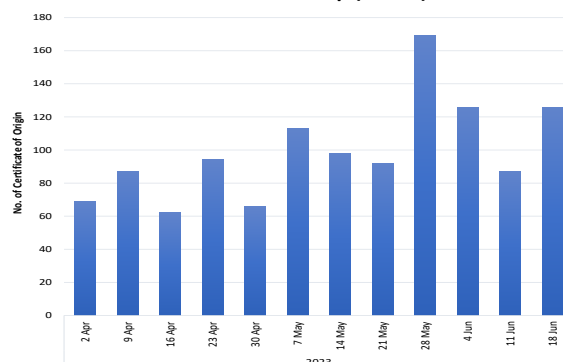
ASEAN-Hong Kong, China Free Trade Agreement (AHKFTA)



Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP)



Comprehensive & Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP)

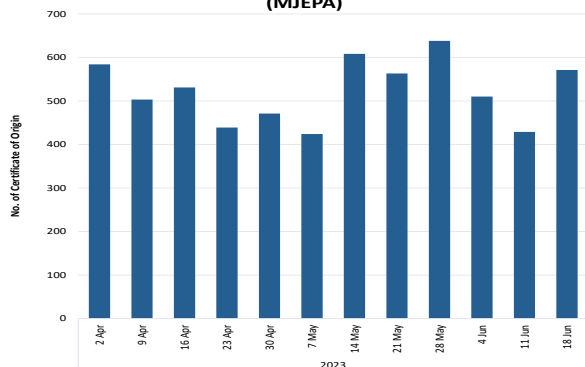


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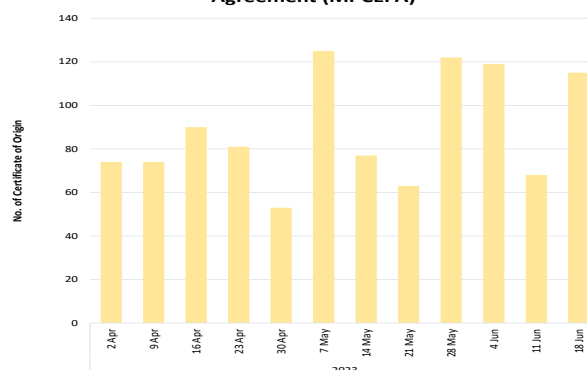
Bilateral FTA

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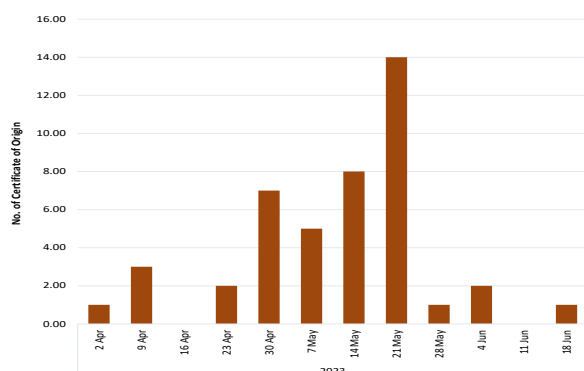
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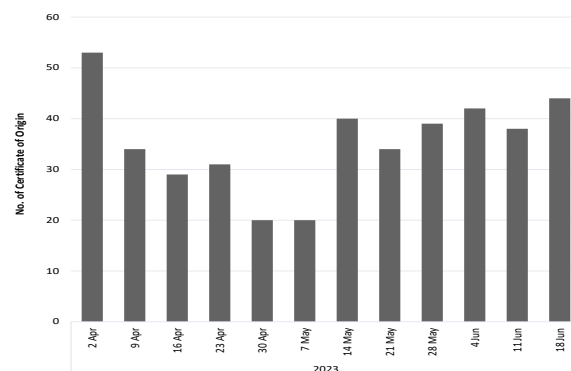
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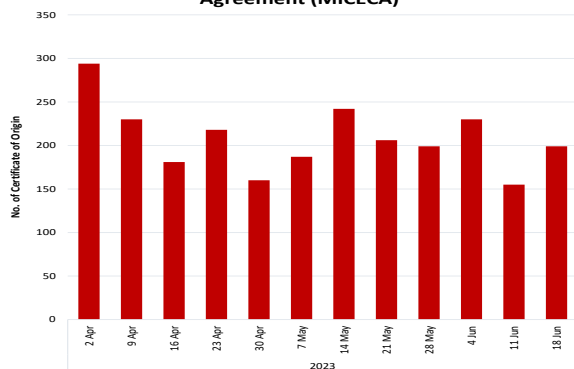
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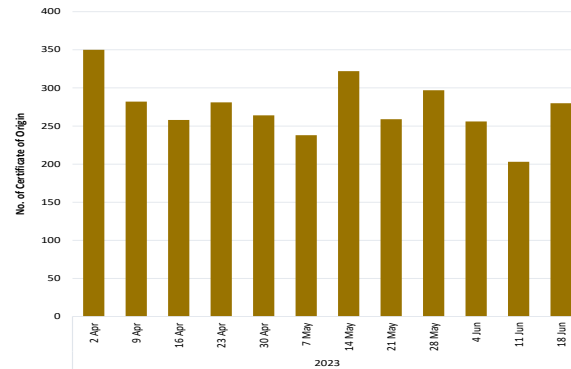
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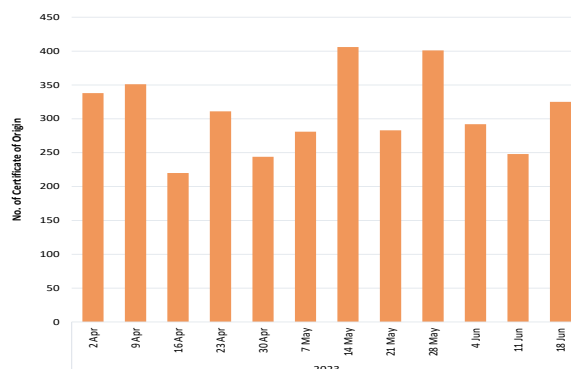
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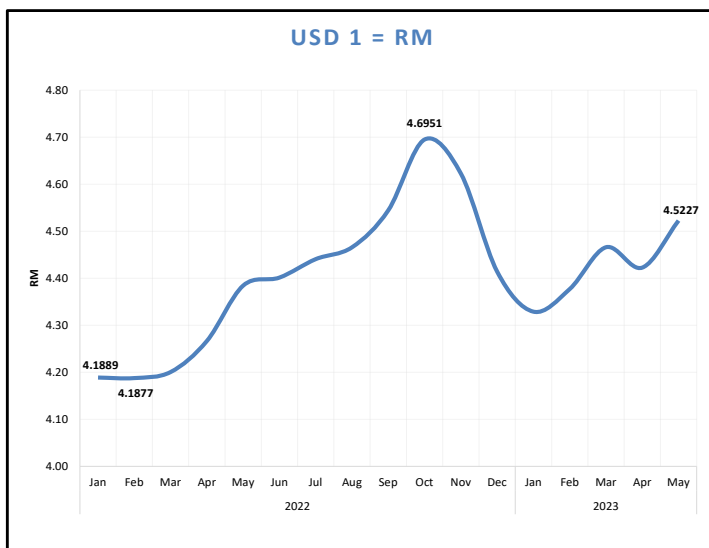
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Malaysian Ringgit Exchange Rate with Selected Countries, January 2022 - May 2023

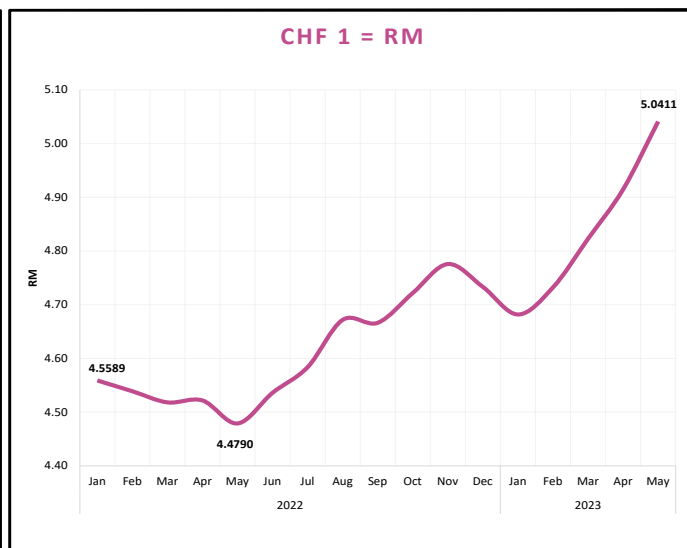
US Dollar

USD 1 = RM



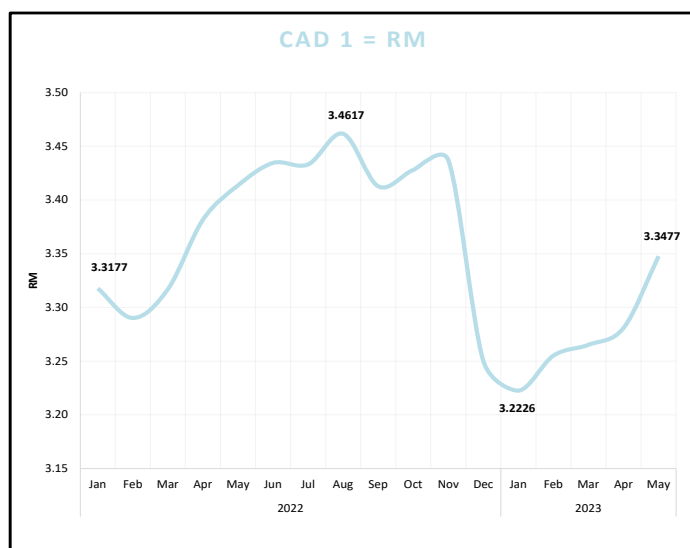
Swiss Franc

CHF 1 = RM



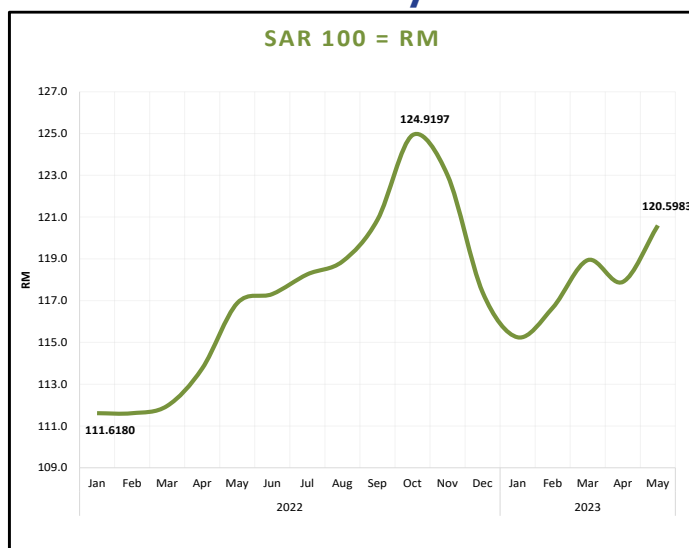
Canadian Dollar

CAD 1 = RM



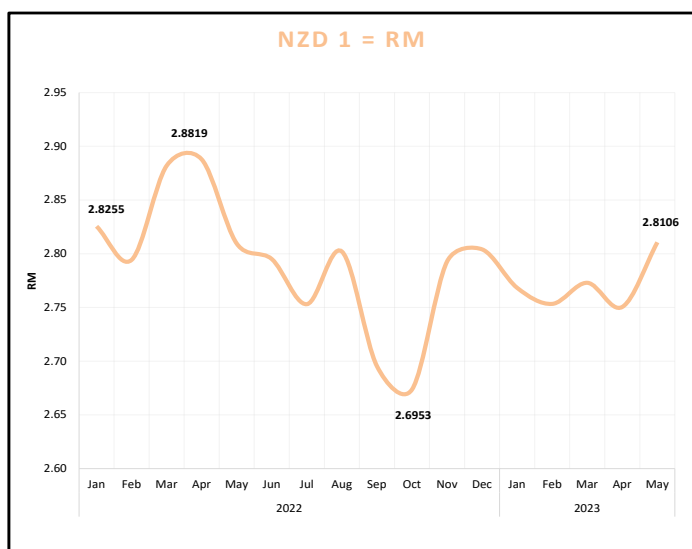
Saudi Riyal

SAR 100 = RM



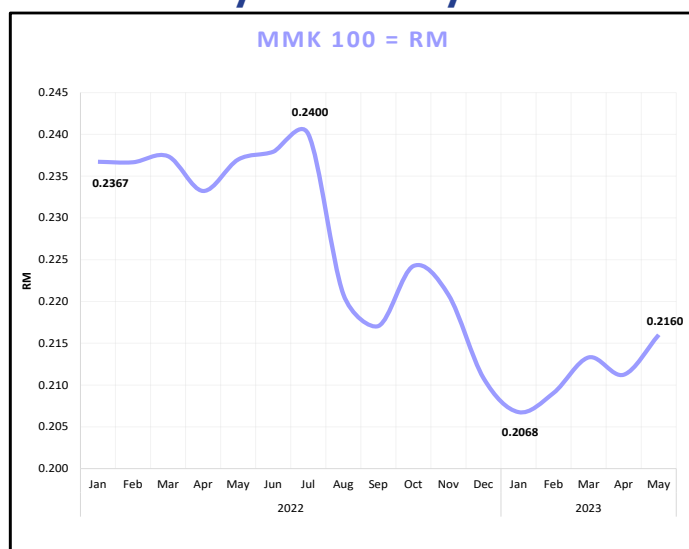
New Zealand Dollar

NZD 1 = RM



Myanmar Kyat

MMK 100 = RM



Source : Bank Negara Malaysia

Commodity Prices

CRUDE PETROLEUM (BRENT) -per bbl-



▼ 3.6%*
US\$73.9
23 Jun 2023

Highest
2022/2023

20 Jan 2023 : US\$87.6
10 June 2022 : US\$122.0

17 March 2023 : US\$73.0
9 Dec 2022 : US\$76.1

Lowest
2022/2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$99.4

CRUDE PALM OIL -per MT-



▼ 3.9%*
US\$778.7
23 Jun 2023

Highest
2022/2023

3 Mar 2023 : US\$964.5
11 Mar 2022 : US\$1,774.7

2 Jun 2023 : US\$738.1
30 Sep 2022 : US\$715.6

Lowest
2022/2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$1,171.6

RUBBER SMR 20 -per



▼ 1.3%*
US\$1,333.5
23 Jun 2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$1,549.9

COCOA SMC 2 -per MT-



▼ 2.3%*
US\$1,978.2
23 Jun 2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$1,564.5

SUGAR -per lbs-



▼ 4.5%*
US\$25.0
23 Jun 2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$18.8

COAL -per MT-



▼ 0.4%*
US\$114.6
23 Jun 2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$290.8

SCRAP IRON HMS -per MT-



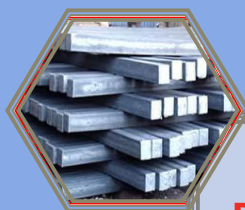
▼ 1.6%*
US\$412.4
(high)
April 2023

▼ 1.5%*
US\$381.4
(low)

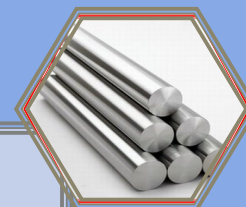
Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$469.9 (high)
Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$426.3 (low)

Domestic Prices

April 2023



Billets
(per MT)
RM2,637 - RM2,737



Steel Bars
(per MT)
RM2,958 - RM3,059

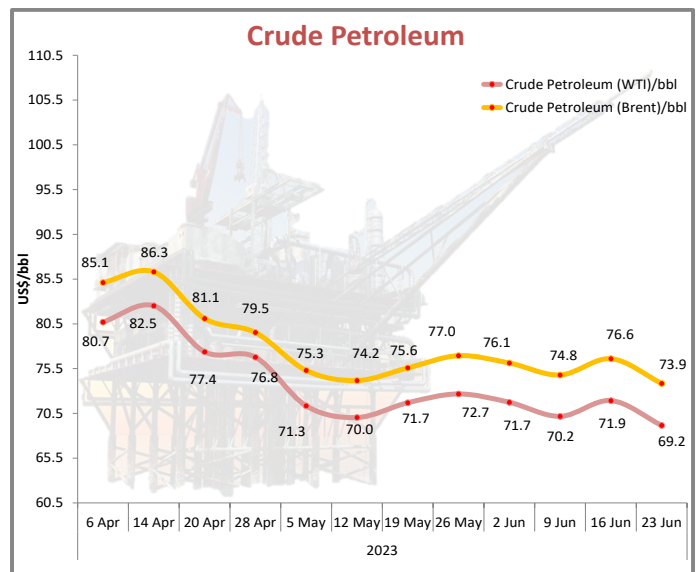
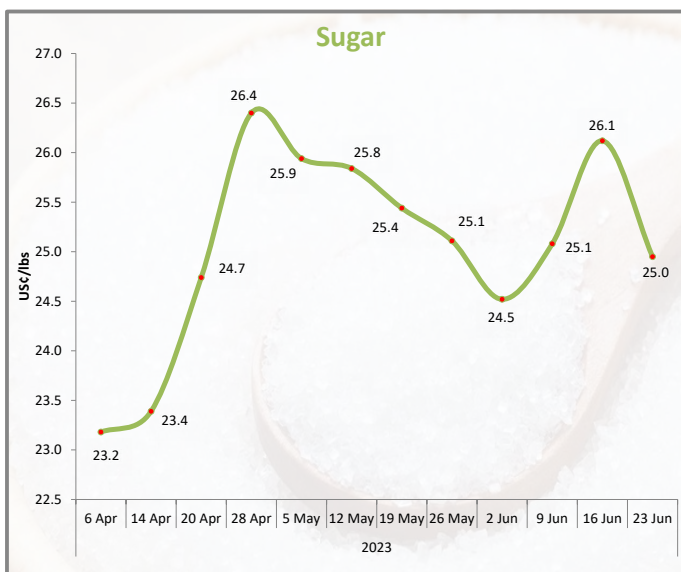
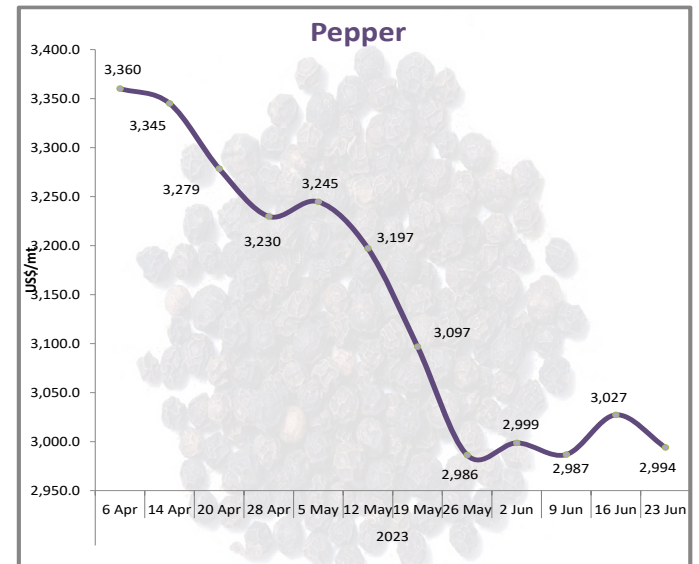
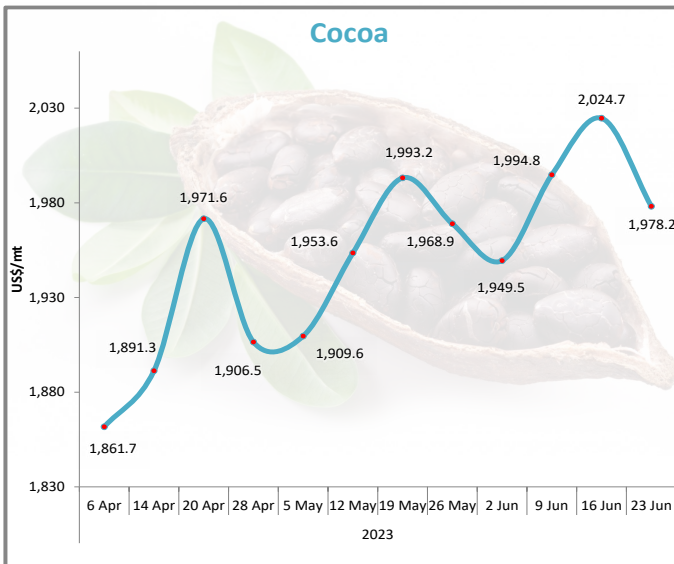
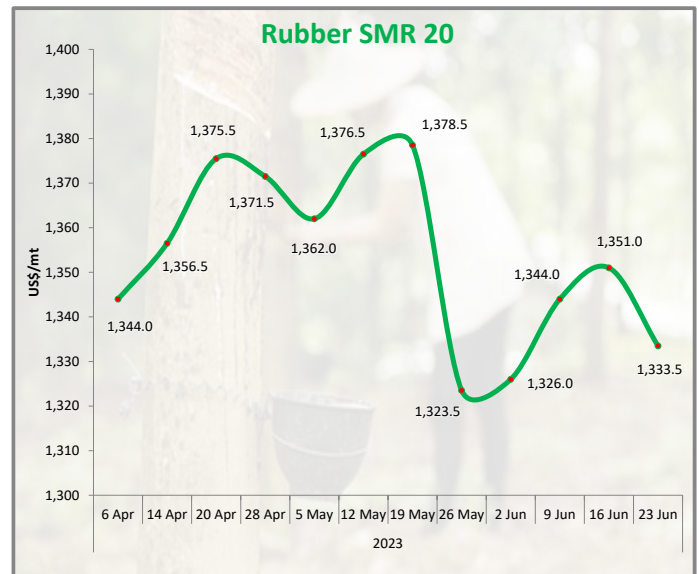
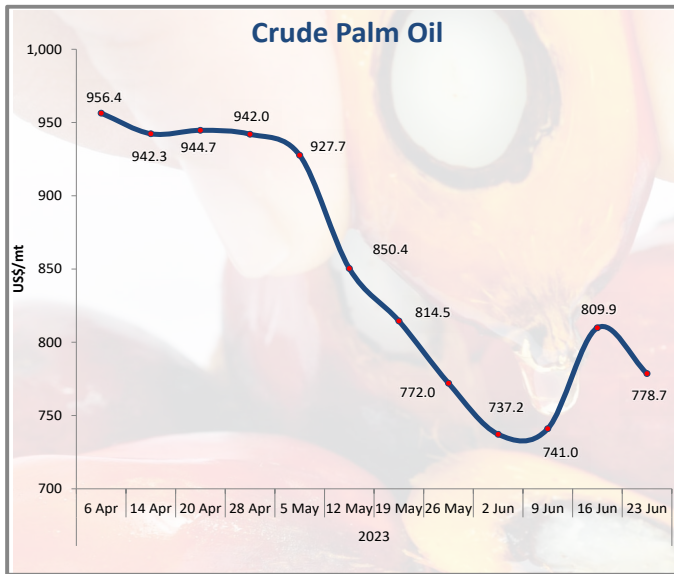
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* Refer to % change from the previous week's price

i Average price in the year except otherwise indicated

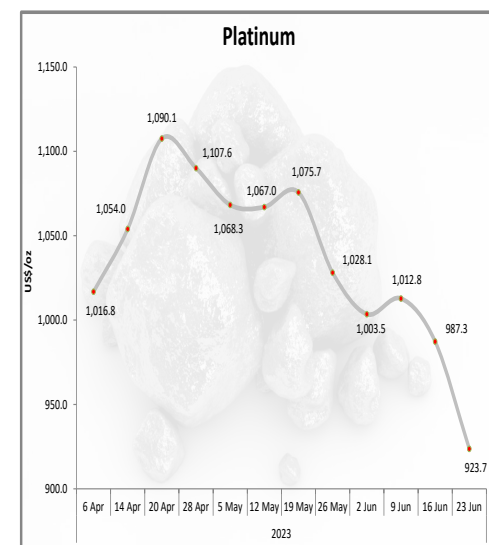
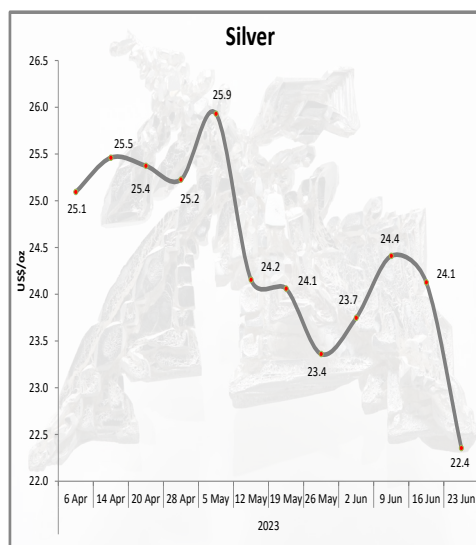
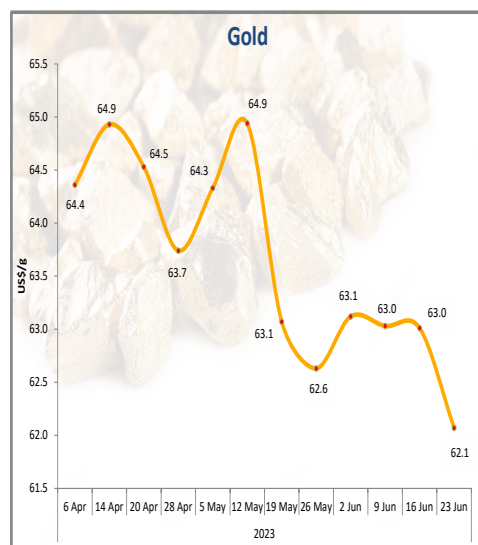
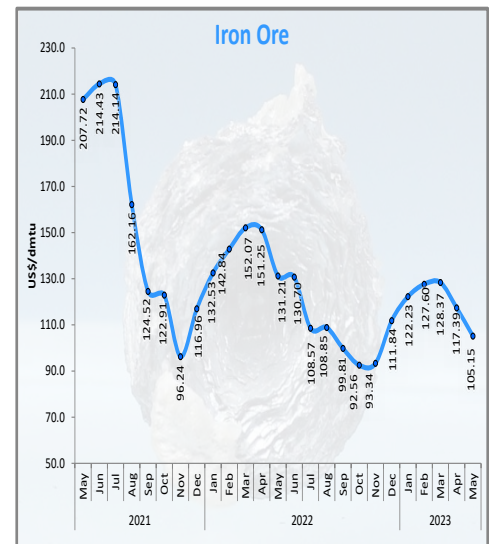
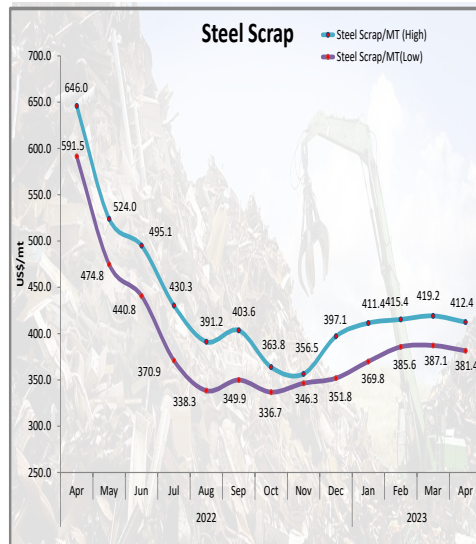
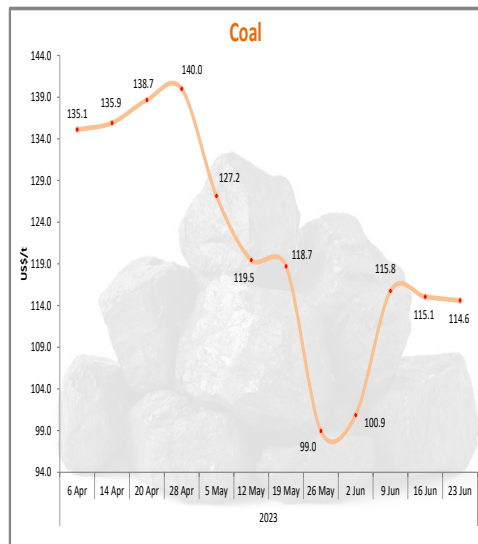
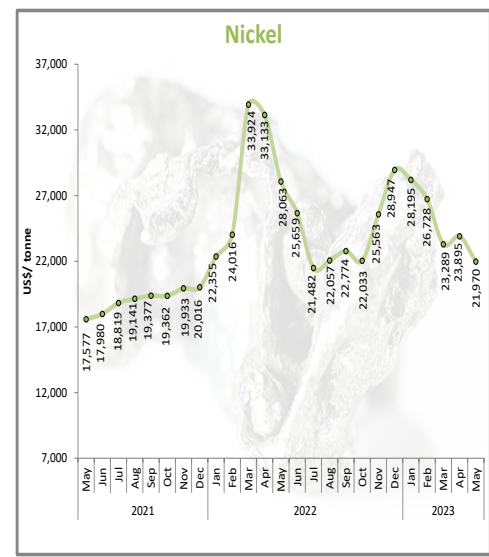
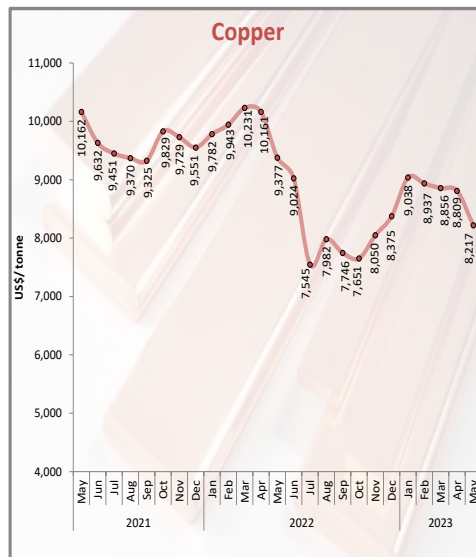
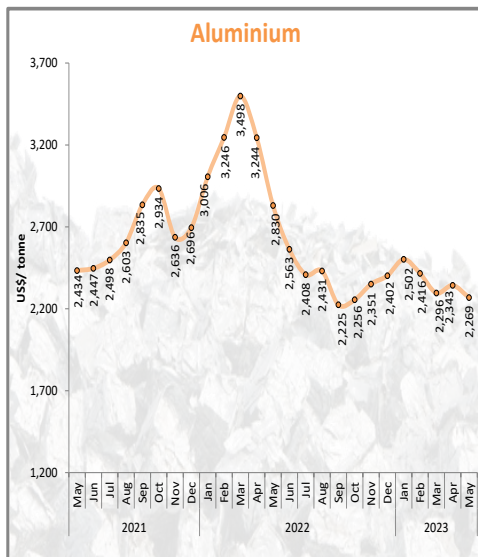
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Commodity Price Trends



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Commodity Price Trends



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RCEP

REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP (RCEP)



THE RCEP COVERS:

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

RCEP CONSISTS OF

10 ASEAN member countries

5 ASEAN FTA Partner countries

MAIN OBJECTIVES OF RCEP

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

RCEP

Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP)

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



2012

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

2020

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

Total Population
2.2 billion

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

PRIMARY OBJECTIVES

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

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

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

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

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

KEY FEATURES OF THE RCEP



Trade In Goods

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



Trade In Services

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



Investment

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

Economic & Technical Cooperation

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



Protection Of Intellectual Property Rights

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



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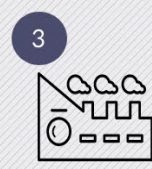
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