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MITI SUSTAINABILITY REPORT PAVES THE WAY FOR SUSTAINABLE GOVERNANCE

The Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry (MITI) launched the MITI Sustainability Report 2023 today, going on record as the first ministry in Malaysia to produce such a report. This sustainability leadership initiative is a follow-up to the successful launch of the National Industry Environmental, Social and Governance (i-ESG) Framework on 2 October 2023, which serves as a first step towards sustainability reporting by Malaysia's manufacturing sector.

The MITI Sustainability Report 2023 emphasises MITI's commitments across various measures, including economic growth, greenhouse gas emissions reduction, sustainable energy and water management, waste reduction, employee development, gender equality, and anti-corruption measures.

The report also aligns with the recently launched Circular Economy Policy Framework for the Manufacturing Sector, reinforcing Malaysia's commitment to holistic sustainable development. This Framework focuses on sectoral manufacturing ecosystems to effectively transition organisations towards sustainability practices by optimising resources and reducing carbon footprints.

The Minister of Investment, Trade and Industry, Tengku Datuk Seri Utama Zafrul Aziz, said, "The MITI Sustainability Report 2023 demonstrates the Ministry's commitment to sustainability and transparency, and to leadership by example. The report outlines MITI's initiatives towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as well as the i-ESG Framework objectives, highlighting our progress towards net-zero emission, managing natural resources responsibly, safeguarding employees' welfare and enhancing governance. MITI invites all stakeholders to leverage the insights from this report and join in our whole-of-nation effort to create a more sustainable and prosperous future for Malaysia."

Among MITI's achievements on sustainability include the Green Building Index's Gold Rating on MITI's headquarters, exemplifying its energy-efficient and eco-conscious architecture. In working towards reducing its carbon footprint, MITI's strategic investments in solar power, and ongoing energy efficiency enhancements across its operations in 2023 resulted in emissions of approximately 5.8 million kg of CO₂e, equating to 7,703 kgCO₂e per capita which are lower than the 2022 national average of 8,600 kgCO₂e.

The report also underscores MITI's focus on water management and workforce inclusivity. A rainwater harvesting system generated approximately 1,250 m³ of water specifically used for landscape irrigation at Menara MITI. Furthermore, in a strong demonstration of gender diversity, MITI proudly shared in the report that 69% of its management-level positions are currently held by women. All these tracked targets set the bar for higher standards for government operations and reinforces Malaysia's commitment to the SDGs, its net zero target by 2050 and the Paris Agreement.

Through the multifaceted efforts, MITI demonstrates its dedication to driving Malaysia's sustainable development agenda while setting new benchmarks for governmental transparency and accountability in ESG matters.

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About MITI:

MITI is the key driver in making Malaysia the preferred destination for quality investments and enhancing the nation's rising status as a globally competitive trading nation. Its objectives and roles are oriented towards ensuring Malaysia's rapid economic development and help achieve the country's stated goal of becoming a developed nation.



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