## **ROLES AND FUNCTIONS OF THE DIRECTOR / MITI REGIONAL OFFICES**

All MITI Regional Offices are headed by a **Director** with the exception of the MITI Regional Office in Malacca that is headed by an **Assistant Administrative Officer**. They are all under the supervision of the **Director of Trade Cooperation and Industry Coordination** and report to the **Senior Director of Trade and Industry Support**. The total number of workforce in all regional offices is 84 or an average of 12 staff in every office.

MITI Regional Offices play an important role with respect to coordinating issues relating to trade and industry at the state level. The Directors are also the focal point for resolving issues between the Federal and the State Governments. They cooperate with State's Chambers, Associations and the private sector to facilitate trade and industry matters. Apart from that, the regional offices monitor and report to MITI Headquarter the latest developments in the implementation of trade and industrialization policies at the state level such as Bumiputera participation, development, vendor, factory closures, the environment and others.

They advise and assist companies / industries, investors and individuals on matters relating to trade and industry with cooperation from MITI agencies. Further, MITI Regional Offices have a role in identifying issues faced by investors in connection with the supply of utilities such as water, electricity, land and certification, to be raised for attention of the MITI's top management and to take follow up actions to resolve those issues.