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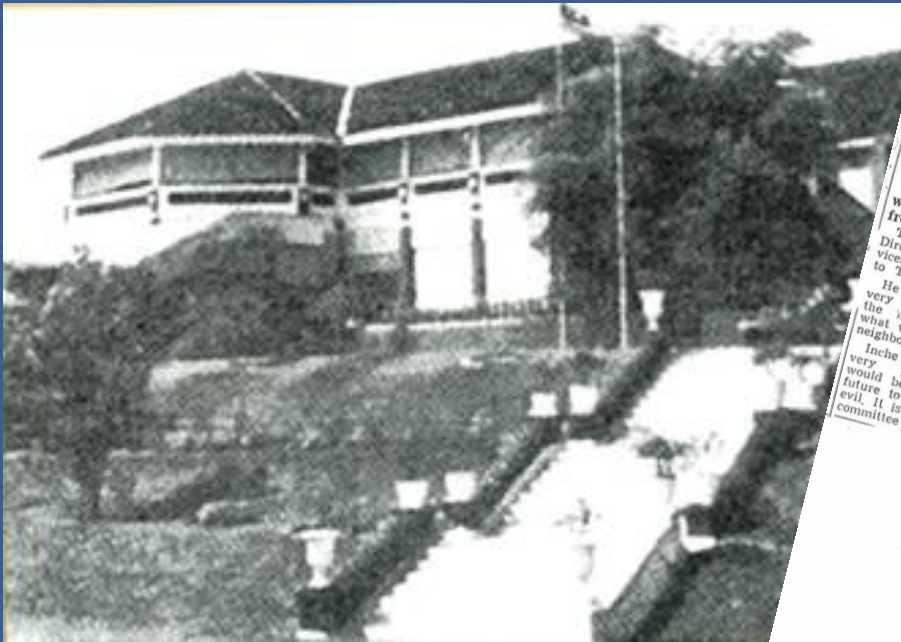
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Anti-Corruption Unit (Prime Minister's Dept.)



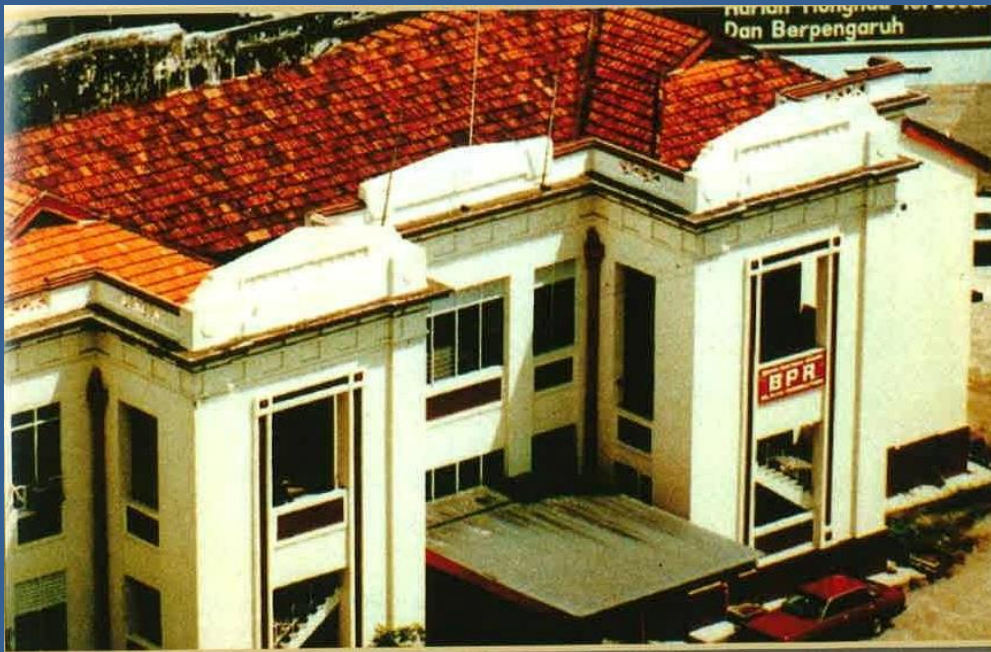
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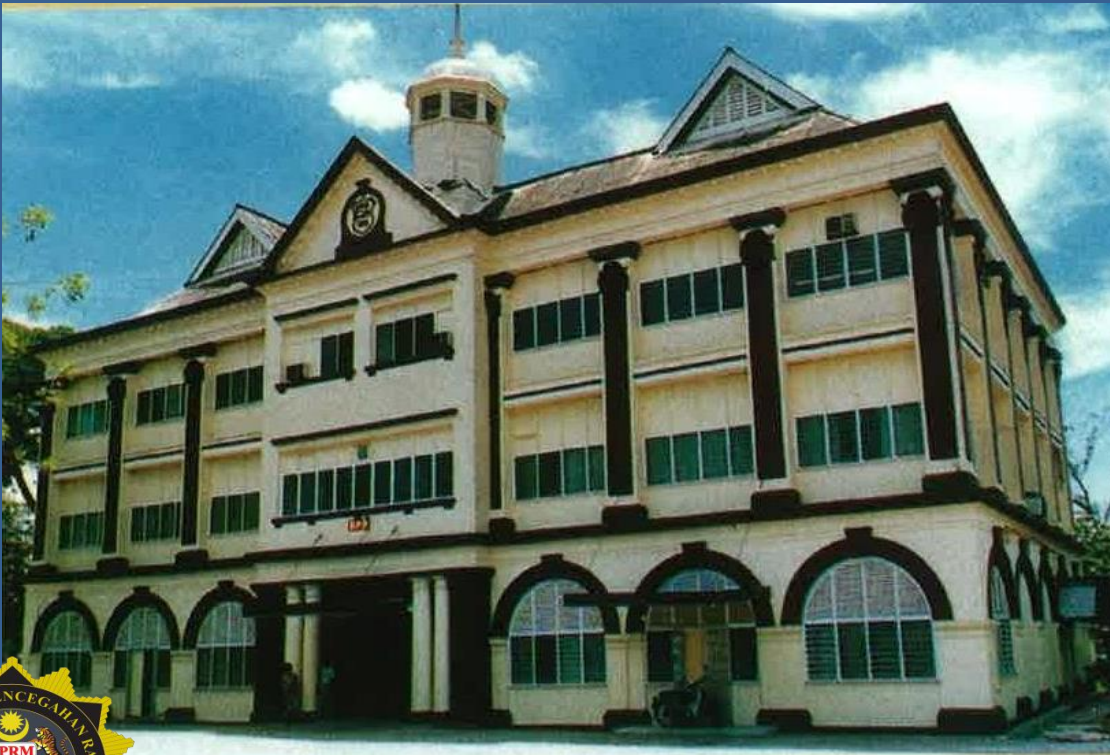
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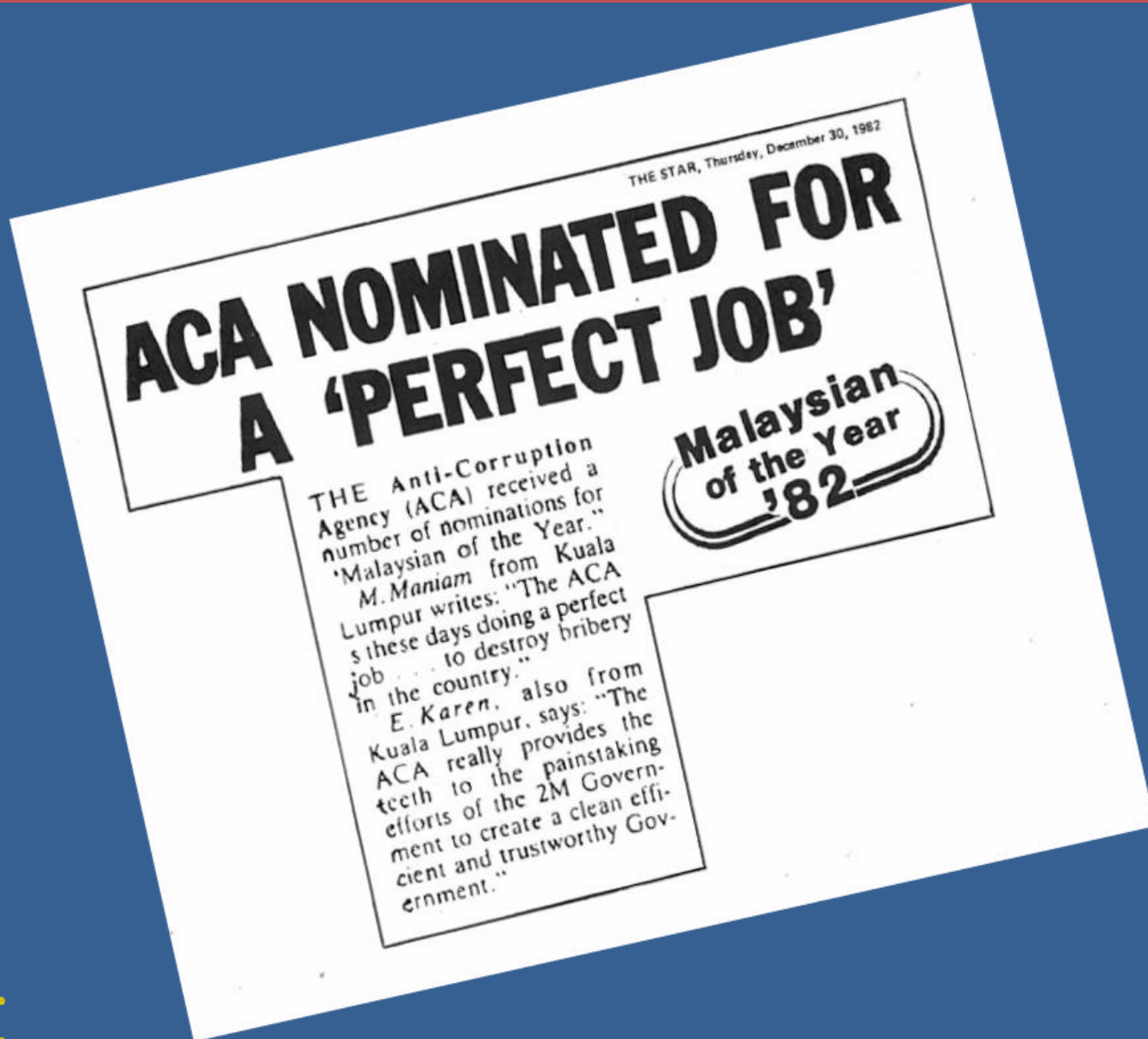


BIRTH OF AN INDEPENDENT COMMISSION.....2009

**MALAYSIAN ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION
2009**



RECOGNITION DURING ACA TIMES



OUR APPROACH - 'FLIES & TIGERS'



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'FLIES & TIGERS' – ACA's TIMES



FIGHTING GRAFT ... Zulkifli briefing Sultan Azlan Shah on the anti-corruption posters.

755 govt workers nabbed, says ACA

By LOURDES CHARLES

KUALA LUMPUR: Government servants formed more than half of the 1,320 suspects arrested by the Anti-Corruption Agency in the last five years.

ACA director-general Haji Zulkifli Mahmood said 755 were government servants, 555 from the private sector, and 10 were politicians.

"Out of the 1,035 charged in court, 681 were government servants, while 354 were from the private sector," he said.

"For cases where the sum involved was small, we will not charge them but will refer them to their departments for further action," he said.

He said this when briefing Yang di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Azlan Shah who visited the agency's headquarters yesterday.

Also present during the two-hour briefing was Education Minister Datuk Dr Sulaiman Daud who was the minister in attendance.

Zulkifli said the ACA, in its efforts to curb corruption, had several projects

including giving seminars and inserting anti-corruption messages in TV and radio dramas.

He said another way was by having joint projects with other government agencies.

Later, Zulkifli told newsmen that agents also helped the ACA make more arrests.

He said the agents were not employed by the agency.

"They could be working at karaoke centres or even at massage parlours. Our staff can be easily identified as the same tr

miliar face involved in many cases. Everyone who that person ficer," he said.

Zulkifli was in one of the field Telok Ayer

Top Cop Held Over Money Laundering

undisclosed location. Following his arrest, they raided his house and recovered RM300,000 in one of the rooms.

Sources added that MACC had evidence to show that he was involved in money laundering.

They started monitoring his movements since his transfer to Bukit Aman's Anti-Vice, Gambling and Societies Division (D7) early this year.

The division's principal assistant director, Senior Assistant Commissioner, said he was alerted about the arrest of the officer, who was known as "man".

Constable pleaded not guilty to graft charges

GEORGE TOWN: A 24-year old police constable pleaded not guilty to soliciting and accepting bribes from a private citizen. The money was an RM590. The constable was charged with receiving RM590 bribes.

Top Cop Held Over Money Laundering

KUALA LUMPUR: A SENIOR Bukit Aman officer with the rank of assistant commissioner of police has been detained by the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission for alleged involvement in money laundering. The officer, in his mid 50s, was formerly a state Criminal Investigation Department chief.

It is understood that the officer had received a transfer order from the inspector-general of police about a month ago to the Anti-Trafficking in Persons Department. However, he had sought a deferment of his transfer and asked for two weeks' leave to attend to his ailing wife.

Sources said graft busters found RM170,000 in a bag he was carrying when he was picked up in an undisclosed location. Following his arrest, they raided his house and recovered RM300,000 in one of the rooms.

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KUANTAN: The Sessions Court here today sentenced a police lance corporal for two counts of receiving bribes totalling RM590.

According to Bernama, the policeman, Ridzuan bin, 32, who is based at the Raub district station, narcotics branch claimed his innocence before Judge Nik Nasimah Nordin, for releasing a drug addict, la

He allegedly receiving RM290 from a suspected drug addict's urine test from being positive for morphine. The case was heard at the Raub District Court on Oct 31, 2013 at 8.30 pm.



'FLIES & TIGERS' – ACA's TIMES

Pairin faces graft charge

By JOSEPH BINGKASAN

SABAH Chief Minister Datuk Seri Joseph Pairin Kitingan was charged in the Sessions Court in Kota Kinabalu yesterday morning on three counts of corruption involving about \$12 million and 2,000 hectares of timber land.

He was charged at 11.07am after being arrested at a police road block just before the bridge leading to the Sabah Foundation Headquarters where his office is situated.

No plea was recorded. Judge Tee Sah Sing allowed the case to be transferred to the Kota Kinabalu High Court and set bail at \$1.5 million of which \$200,000 was deposited with two sureties.

Senior Federal Counsel Abdul Ghani Patail requested the charge. No date was fixed for mention of the case in the High Court.

Each of the offences carries a penalty of an imprisonment for a term not exceeding 14 years or to a fine not exceeding \$20,000 or both.

Datuk Seri Pairin appeared composed, calm and expressionless when the charges were read. Enick Patail of \$10 million be set



DATUK SERI PAIRIN... rested at a road block

for each charge and that the accused's passport be kept by the court.

Counsel Douglas Primus opposing the prosecution's request for bail of \$500,000, undeposited would be sufficient as the accused is the Chief Minister of Sabah and it is highly unlikely he will

'He knowingly misled the Government'

Ex-MP guilty of corruption

IPOH, Mon. — Former Barisan Nasional MP for Bruas Su Liang Yu was fined a total of \$3,000 after he was found guilty on three counts of corruption.

He was found guilty of submitting a false claim of \$700 for gotong-royong construction of bridges in Jalan Melayu, Air Tawar, Sungai Batu, Ladang Columbia, Ladang Ambika and Segari in the Lumut District Office about 8.15am on Sept. 25, 1975.

Seriousness

The High Court also found that Su:

- Submitted a false claim for \$1,000 for the gotong-royong construction of bridges in Air Tawar, Sungai Ramal, Jalan Kampung Cina and Jalan Ujung Pasir at the same place and time; and
- Submitted a false claim for \$300 for gotong royong improvements to Jalan Tanah Merah in

Sungai Ramal, also at the same place and time.

Mr Justice Anuar bin Datuk Zainal Abidin fined Su \$1,000 or six months' jail on each charge.

He said in this particular case, the seriousness of the offence was never in doubt.

Su was holding the trust of the people but he had misplaced that trust.

The case had been carried on for so long. Under the special circumstances, the court would not impose a jail sentence on him.

"However, in view of the seriousness of the offence, I would still consider imposing a fine which is not lenient," the judge said.

Earlier, Mr Justice Anuar said it was not disputed that Su had knowingly intended to mislead the Government with the statements of claims.

The defence called witnesses who claimed they had taken part in the various projects in the

charges.

But none of the defence witnesses could recall the dates of the completion of the projects.

In this case, dates were very important so as to ascertain who was telling the truth.

Dates

The Assistant District Officer, Puan Zainul Hawani, had given evidence that she inspected the places concerned with Su but he could not show her the projects.

There was a possibility that the projects could have been carried out after the claims were made.

DPP Mohamed Bazain bin Haji Idris had said corruption was the very root that hindered development, especially so when Su was MP.

Su had corruptly misled the Government in the allocation given to him for development.

"I would urge the court



SU

to hand down a jail term instead of a fine," Enick Bazain said.

In mitigation, defence counsel Mr Paramjit Singh said this was the first time Su committed an offence.

Mr Paramjit Singh urged the judge to give the option of a fine as Su was drawing a pension as a former MP.

Su, he added, would appeal against conviction. Su paid the fine.

Former exco man charged

Sharif Ismail pleads

Earlier, Sharif spent two hours at the Anti-Corruption Agency headquarters in Putrajaya before he was driven in a four-wheel drive vehicle, accompanied by ACA officials, to the Klang court.

When approached by reporters, a downcast Sharif said: "Let's see how it goes in court."

N.S.T.
Born in Sepang, he studied at the Kuala Lumpur Teachers' Training college and was a teacher until 1980 before entering full-time politics.

He first contested and won the Sepang parliamentary seat in 1986 and retained it in 1990. In 1995, he switched to the Dengkil state seat which he won and was appointed a State Executive Councillor. He retained the seat in 1999 and was re-appointed Executive Councillor, holding the position of Infrastructure, Information and Malay Reserve Land standing committee chairman.

On Wednesday, Tapah Umno division chief Datuk Azman Mahalan was charged in the Sessions Court in Ipoh with corruption. The former Perak State Executive Councillor pleaded not guilty to two charges which dates back to the 2001 Umno divisional elections.



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Selangor MB faces corruption charges

25 November Kuala Lumpur

Selangor Menteri Besar Datuk Haji Harun Idris was charged with 16 counts of corruption, misappropriation, criminal breach of trust and failure to furnish the Government with a statement of his assets.

Other charges alleged that he bought properties and shares for himself, his wife and son and that he alienated State land to his son's benefit. Datuk Harun, who was questioned by National Bureau of Investigation officers on 23 November, pleaded not guilty to all charges. Datuk Harun was granted long leave by the Sultan of Selangor to prepare his defence. He was granted bail of \$100,000 (see 26 March 1976).

ACA arrests ex-Perwaja boss Eric Chia



ERIC Chia. - Utusanpix.

Corruption Offenders

Offence

Gender

Nationality

State

Category

Employer

Position

:540304-08-5785

:Basuri @ Haji Hassan Basri Bin Markum @ Haji Shapie

:425(A)-2&3-11

:High Court (2) of Ipoh

:YA Puan Noorin bte Badaruddin

:TPR Mohammed Heikal bin Ismail

:Ranjit Singh Sandhu

:Section 10(a)(bb) of the Anti-Corruption Act 1997

:Male

:Malaysia

:Perak

:Government servant

:Mahkamah Syariah

:Syariah High Court Judge

Tan Sri Eric Chia Eng Hock
of investigations into losses

t by the Attorney-General

n Petaling Jaya at 3.45



'FLIES & TIGERS' – ACA's TIMES

Court clerk is jailed 7 years

Kota Kinabalu: A 31-year-old court administration assistant was sentenced to seven years' jail and fined RM30,000 by the Sessions Court Monday on three counts of receiving money in relation to late birth registration applications.

Sarawak-based Judge Nixon Kennedy Kumbona found Jinny Daniul guilty after nine days of evidence produced before him.

The scandal was uncovered after an investigation into the abuse of power initially denied by court officials.

"I am satisfied that Jinny failed to discharge her duty and that the prosecution's case is beyond all reasonable doubt."

"Since there were three principal charges, I find the first, second and third principal charges proved beyond all reasonable doubt."

He ordered Jinny to serve two years in jail and fined her RM10,000 or six months in jail on a count of corruptly receiving RM50,000 in relation to a birth application in relation to a child going through a hearing before a judge.



More dirt emerge on PM's private secretary

PETALING JAYA: New allegations of corruption have surfaced against Zakiah Ibrahim, the Prime Minister's private secretary who was recently accused of accumulating some RM200 million in wealth by misappropriating funds.



PKR leader Badrul Hisham Shaharin, also known as Chegu Bard, said he was in possession of documents containing the allegations, including photos of a mansion said to belong to Zakiah and to cost RM5 million.

In a response from Zakiah and the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission

received, by e-mail, a copy of the new allegations.

Now calling himself "Deep Throat JPM", questioned how Zakiah had acquired such an expensive home on a private secretary's salary.

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Two officials charged with taking bribes

KUALA LUMPUR -- A deputy public prosecutor (DPP) and an Anti-Corruption Agency (ACA) assistant superintendent have pleaded not guilty to charges of accepting bribes while investigating a politician for alleged corruption.

Mohamed Razib Othman, 35, a DPP at the ACA, is charged with accepting a Philippe Charriol watch worth RM4,000 (S\$1,790) from Datuk Saidin Tamby through Razif Kamaruddin in May or June last year.

He allegedly accepted the bribe knowing it was related to his official duties in deciding the outcome of ACA investigations against Saidin.

Rahiman Selamat, 40, an ACA assistant superintendent, is charged with accepting a RM3,000 Rolex Oyster Perpetual watch from Saidin, also through Mr Razif, on April 17 last year knowing it was related to his official duties in investigating Saidin.

Mohamed Razib and Rahiman were charged in the Sessions Court in Kuala Lumpur on Friday under Section 165 of the Penal Code, which provides for a two-year jail term or a fine, or both, upon conviction.

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Kasitah Gaddam faces corruption and cheating charges



KASITAH Gaddam (C), accompanied by ACA and police officers, to the Sessions Court in Kuala Lumpur to face corruption and cheating charges, Feb 12. - Utusanpix.



KUALA LUMPUR Feb 12 - Land and Cooperative Development Minister Tan Sri Kasitah Gaddam was charged in the Sessions Court here Thursday with corruption and cheating pertaining to the sale of Sapi Plantation Sdn Bhd share units held by the Sabah Land Development Board (SLDB) in 1996.

He pleaded not guilty to committing the offences, in his capacity as executive chairman of SLDB.

On the first charge, Kasitah is alleged to have used his position as the executive chairman of SLDB for his pecuniary advantage by taking part in deliberations to approve a proposal for the sale of 16.8 million Sapi Plantation share units held by the SLDB to Briskmark Enterprise Sdn Bhd when he has been promised 3.36 million Sapi Plantation share units.



CHALLENGES

1. Effective Detection
2. Private Sector Corruption
3. Public Confidence
4. Conviction Rate
5. Professionalism
6. Transparency
7. Forensic Accounting
8. UNCAC Provision

*"This is what the public wants.
We want the same too..... What
we want is to be independent in
carrying out investigations with
no interference"*



CHALLENGES: Non-effective Detection

“We were not equipped with a methodology which is essential in producing efficient and effective intelligence for the purposes of open investigations.”



CHALLENGES: Private Sector Corruption

“Corruption in the Public
Sector has greater concern
during those times”



CHALLENGES: Public Confidence

“Time is of the
essence....and test for
effectiveness....”



CHALLENGES: Conviction Rate

>70%



CHALLENGES: Professionalism....

Year 2008	Year 2009
26	12



CHALLENGES: Transparency

“2009 marks a new dawn for graft fighters with the inception of the MACC after a slew of reforms were put in place to replace the policies of the former ACA (Anti-Corruption Agency). With more power to carry out investigations, MACC hopes to eradicate corruption effectively by adhering to the principles of independence, transparency and professionalism.

The Commission is a more transparent body, with 42 prominent public figures of high integrity being appointed or voluntarily joining the 5 panels / committees that serve as watchdogs to oversee the workings of the organization”



CHALLENGES: Unavailability of Forensic Experts

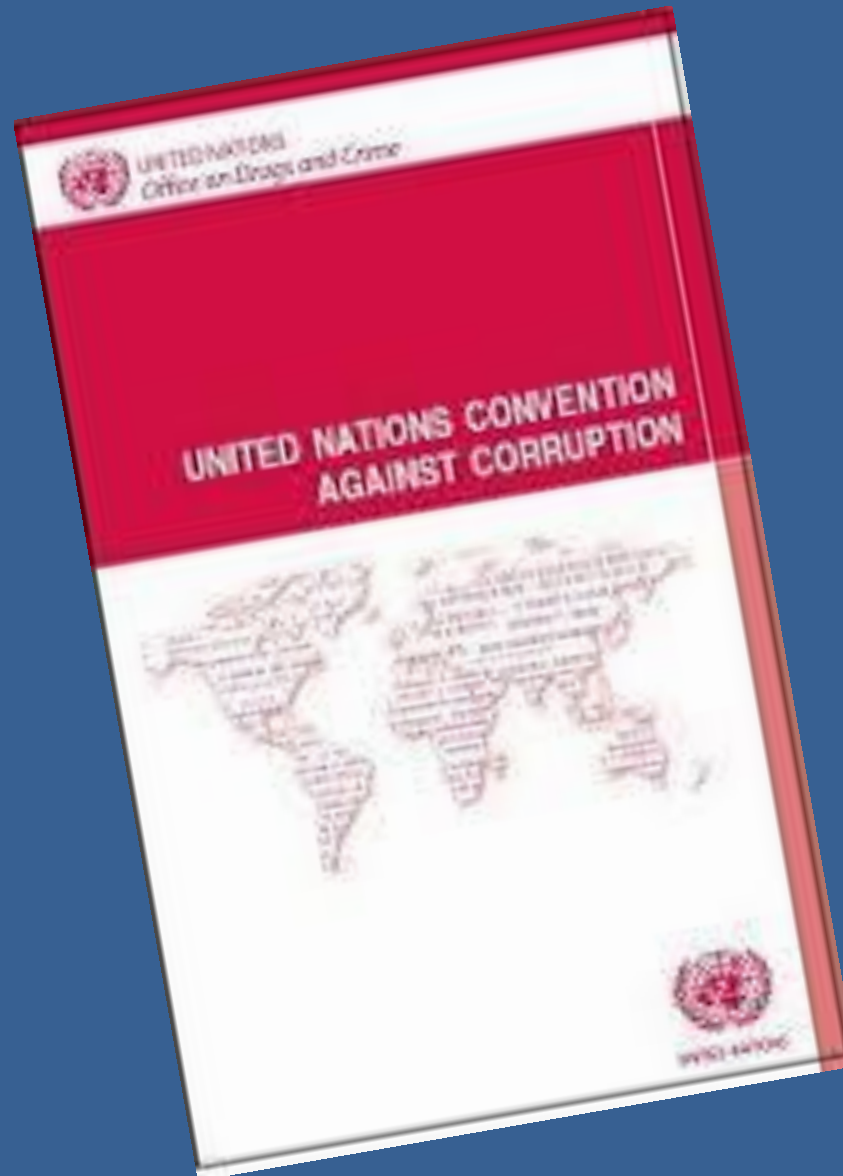
“Cases that involved millions of ringgit were primarily those related to fund transfers.

“Between 70% and 80% are fund-related, meaning the offences committed involve payments. The others are cases involving payment in kind like golf club memberships or holidays.”

In many cases people hid their dirty deeds by “layering”, by sending money through various financial transactions to change the forms of transfer to make it difficult to follow before making a final withdrawal or what was termed as “dodgy bookkeeping”.



CHALLENGES: UNCAC Provision



OPPORTUNITY: FROM ACA TO MACC REASONS BEHIND.....

- Public Confidence (2009: 31%)
- Public Expectation - *Speedy Investigation & More High Profile Cases & Private Sector Corruption*
- Conviction Rate (2009: 54%)
- Professionalism - *Use of Force/Death of Pul [* 38 Complaints (2008 & 2009)]*
- UNCAC – Ratification and implementation



THE NEW LOOK – TOWARDS TRANSFORMATION



THE HUNTER AND THE HUNTED: Abdullah (left) and two men charged with corruption, Kasitah Gaddam and Eric Chia

WHEN PRIME MINISTER Abdullah Ahmad Badawi began talking about combating corruption in the first weeks of his premiership, sceptics dismissed it as sloganeering ahead of national elections.

Now, as businessmen and politicians struggle to come to grips with the arrests in February of a prominent businessman and a sitting cabinet minister on charges of corruption, the talk in Kuala Lumpur is about who may be next.

Never before have Malaysia's clubby corporate and business establishments been so much on edge. Long used to gentle raps on the knuckles for corporate malfeasance, businessmen and politicians are realizing that Abdullah means business. "Everyone with a skeleton is feeling the heat," says a senior Abdullah aide.

The aide says the anti-graft drive is continuing and more high-profile cases, including charges against several senior politicians, can be expected in coming months. The drive is all the more contentious as Abdullah's new administration heads into general elections widely expected to be called soon.

The question remains whether the vested interests within Abdullah's own ruling United Malays National Organization, or Umno, will lash back, or be silenced by the threat of recrimination. Long accustomed to patronage in the form of contracts and licences from the government

in return for political support, the warlords of Umno could work against the party in the coming elections.

Some political analysts also believe that a poor showing in crucial ethnic Malay-belt states, such as Kedah, would seriously hurt Abdullah's prestige in Umno, or even worse, open him to a challenge for the presidency when the party holds its own elections later this year.

Aides and key supporters of Abdullah acknowledge that their boss is walking a political tightrope. But they say that the strong public support for the anti-graft drive strengthens Abdullah's hand as he heads for the polls.

Some opposition politicians agree. "The new PM's anti-corruption drive is populist and is making it very difficult for us this time around," says Lim Kit Siang of the Democratic Action Party.

In the elections in 1999, opposition parties made strong showings on the back of public anger over the jailing of charismatic former Deputy Premier Anwar Ibrahim. This time, analysts and opposition leaders say, sentiment is turning in favour of the government, particularly because of Abdullah's reform policies.

The corruption charges against Eric Chia, who once headed the national steel company, Perwaja Steel, and Land and Cooperative Development Minister Kasitah Gaddam, have shown that Abdul-

A CAMPAIGN GAINS STRENGTH

- In Abdullah's campaign against corruption, a top businessman and a cabinet minister have been charged
- Officials say more investigations are under way, and the message is that Abdullah means business
- General elections are widely expected to be called in the next month
- It remains to be seen whether the old guard in Abdullah's own party will lash back or remain silent because of the threat of recrimination

lah is serious about his anti-corruption drive, say the premier's supporters.

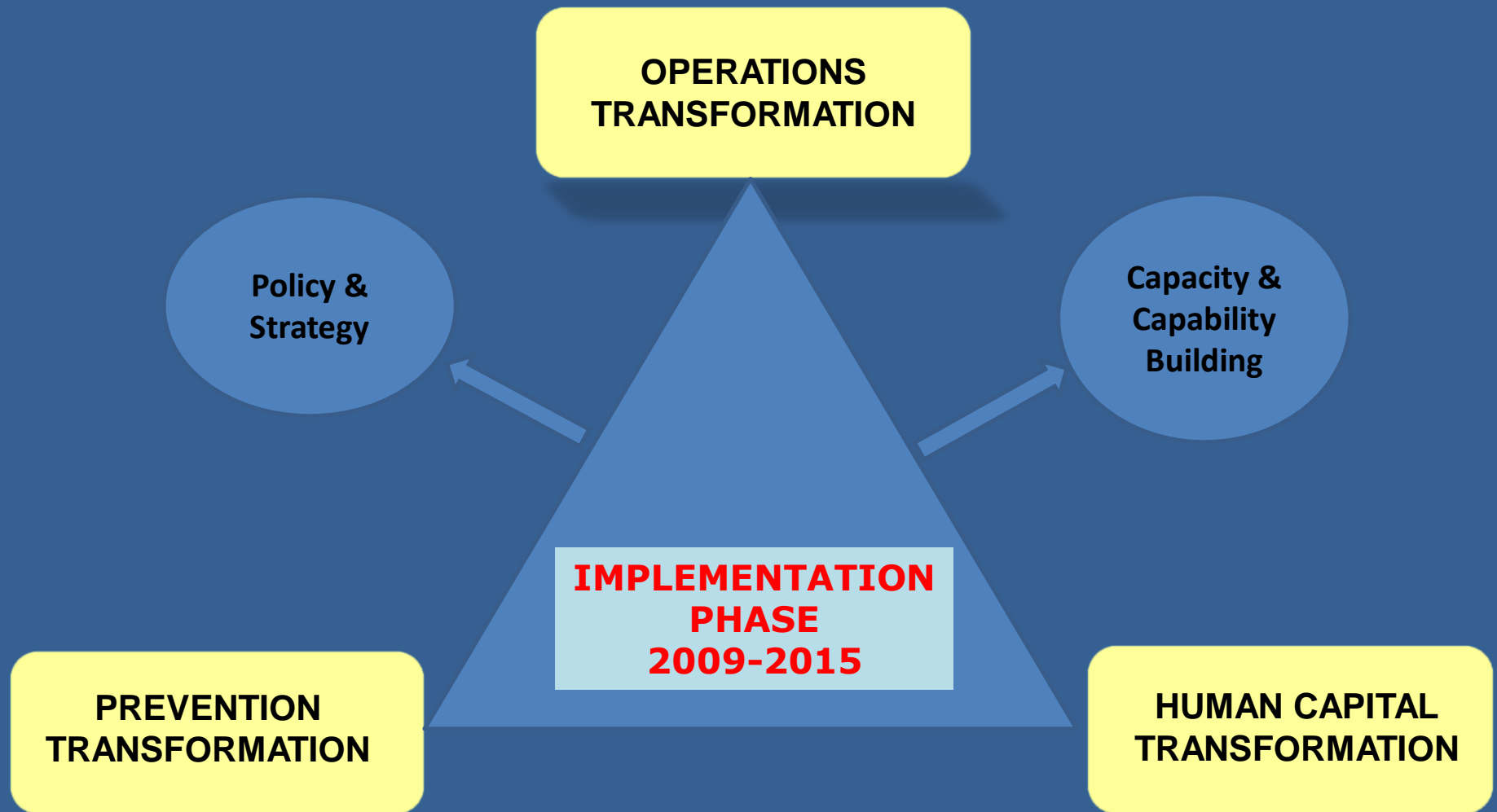
Government officials say that the Anti-Corruption Agency is completing investigations into 18 cases and that Kuala Lumpur is likely to file more corruption charges against some high-profile



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Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi looking pleased after opening the Asian Integrity Dialogue 2008 at the Malaysian Institute of Integrity in Kuala Lumpur yesterday.

TRANSFORMATION PHASES



OPERATIONS TRANSFORMATION : 7 SERVICE LINES



OPERATIONS TRANSFORMATION: ACHIEVEMENTS

RCI	LEGAL	MTI	PSI	CMT	PROACTIVE	FAU
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interviewing Standards: PEACE & Reid Techniques • Tighter Search & seizure SOP • Revised qualification & training of MACC officers(now 12 mths) • MACA (additional curriculum) • Video Interview Rooms • Treatment of invited persons-new SOP • Security Features in MACC offices 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved procedures in case management between IO and DPP • Steps taken to address and improve success rate of conviction • Identified gaps in the law, processes and SOPs • Plea Bargain • Corporate Liability • Public Misconduct • Proposed changes in MACC Act 2009 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New MTI SOPs is in place. • MTI Tool Kit • BGOS • MTI Training Kit • Nationwide rollout. • Effective team based investigations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborated with various agencies for transparent and efficient information sharing. • Conducted private sector training. • Operational Industries Guideline • Test case • MACC in improved position to carry out private sector investigations (esp PLCs and GLCs) • Repositioning of the perception of MACC as not only focused on public sector 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biometric Access System installed in most states. • Complaint Management System in use • SOPs issued on CMS. • Accurate and real-time online data, with appropriate security features for record rooms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trained new undercover agents by foreign expert. • Updated SOP on undercover operation • Intel info Centre in place • Proposed zoning and centralization of intelligence operation • Application of integrity testing • Training in FBI headquarters 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forensic Accounting Department approved by JPA • Conducted Finance based and forensic accounting courses • New SOPs. • Recruited Forensic Accounting expertise • Important contributor of expertise in investigations • MACC in improved position for finance based investigations

HUMAN CAPITAL TRANSFORMATION



Issues from Diagnostic

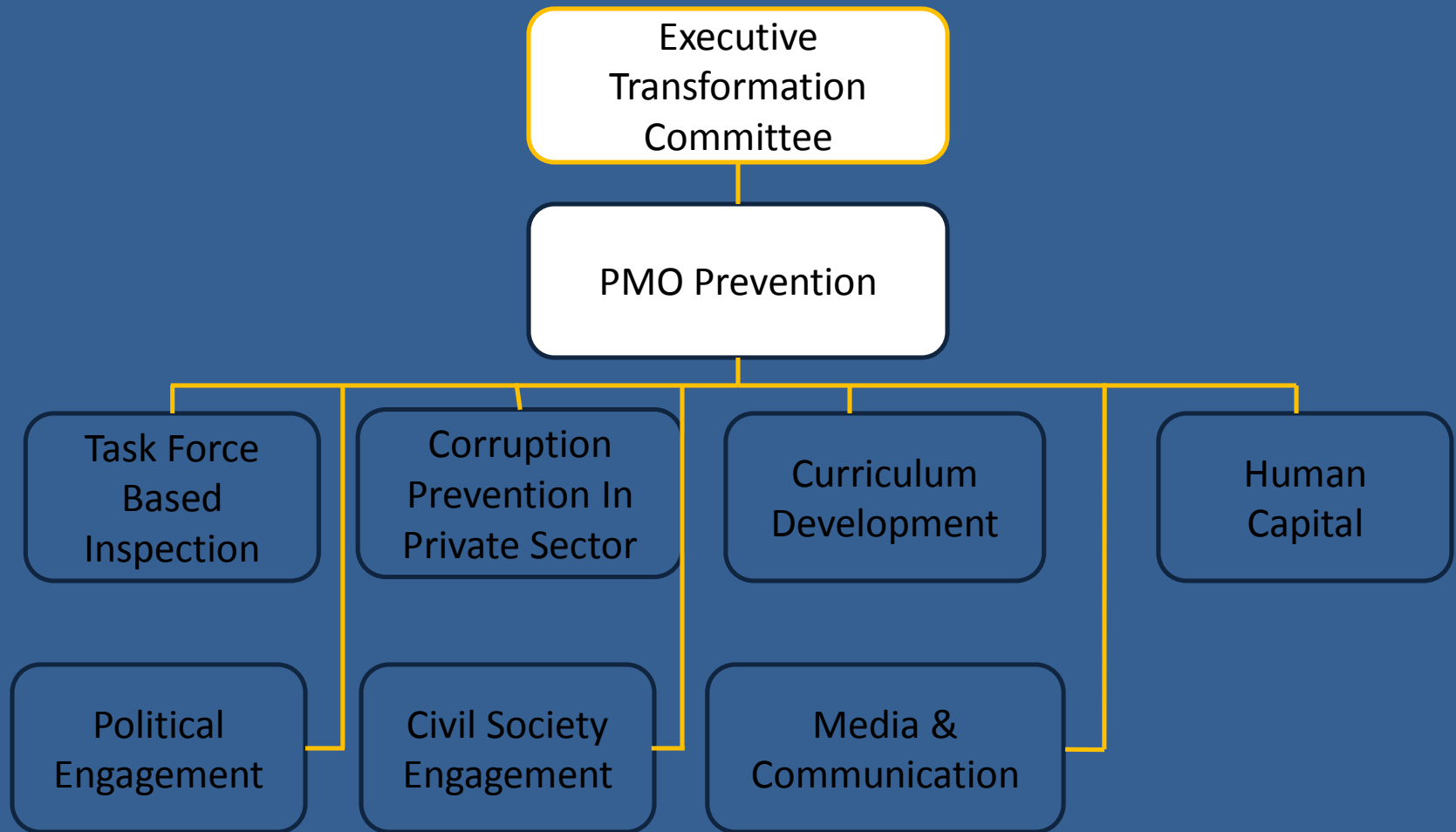
- Jobs are **designed around rank and civil service pay grades**.
- Job requirement **not linked** to job value contribution.
- HR system & processes is subject to PSC and JPA governance framework, e.g.: recruitment, promotion and career progression criteria may **not be meeting** MACC's needs.



Solutions & Recommendations

- To **migrate to a competency-based** human capital management system and re-configure and develop new rulebook for all human capital processes.
- **To establish a full-fledge strategic HR function which will be the custodian to all human capital processes and system.**
- **To source and staff highly competent talents for Forensic, HR, Corporate Communications and Legal.**

PREVENTION TRANSFORMATION



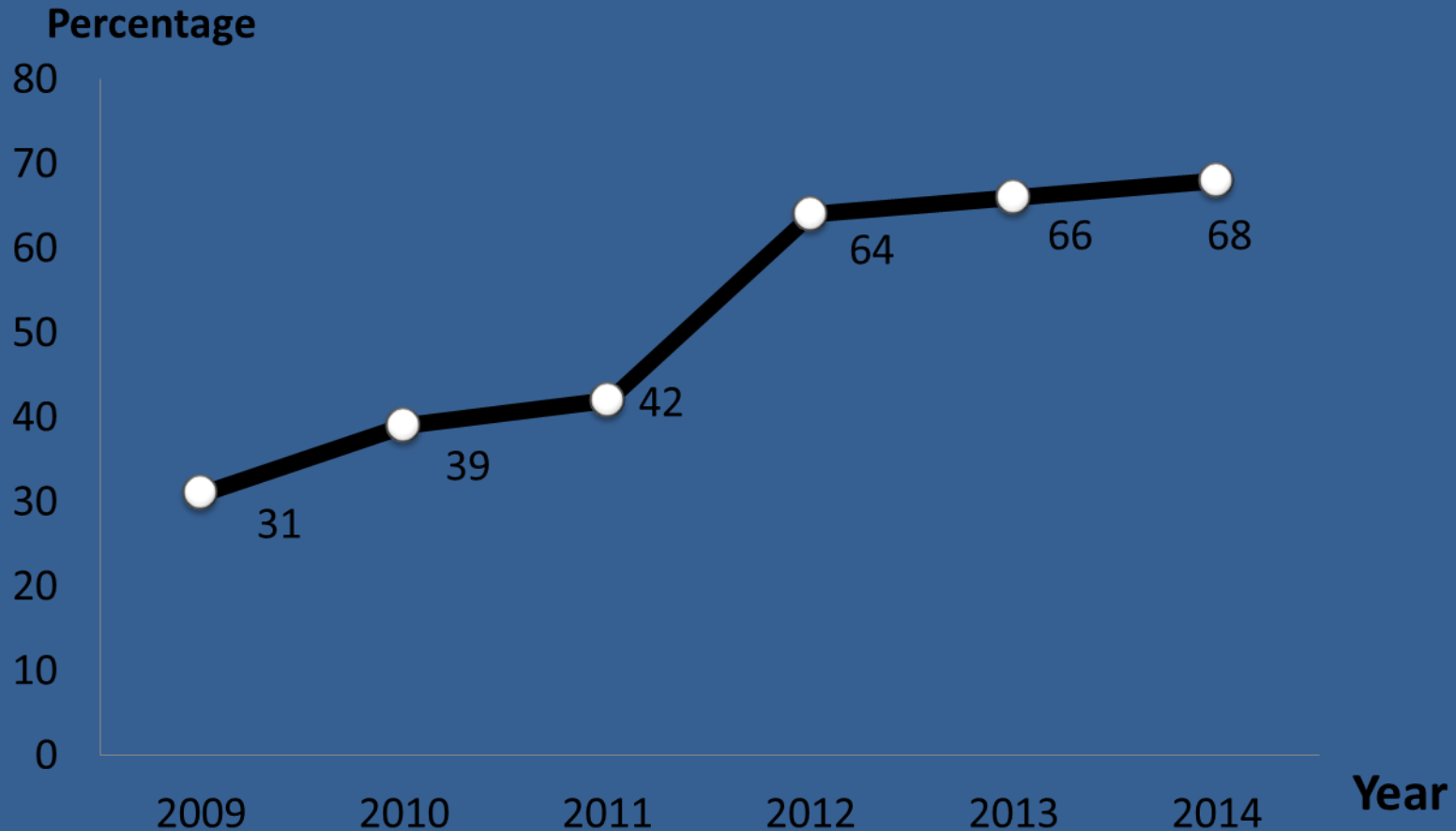
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of corruption.....International Review Panel*

Early Results Of Transformation

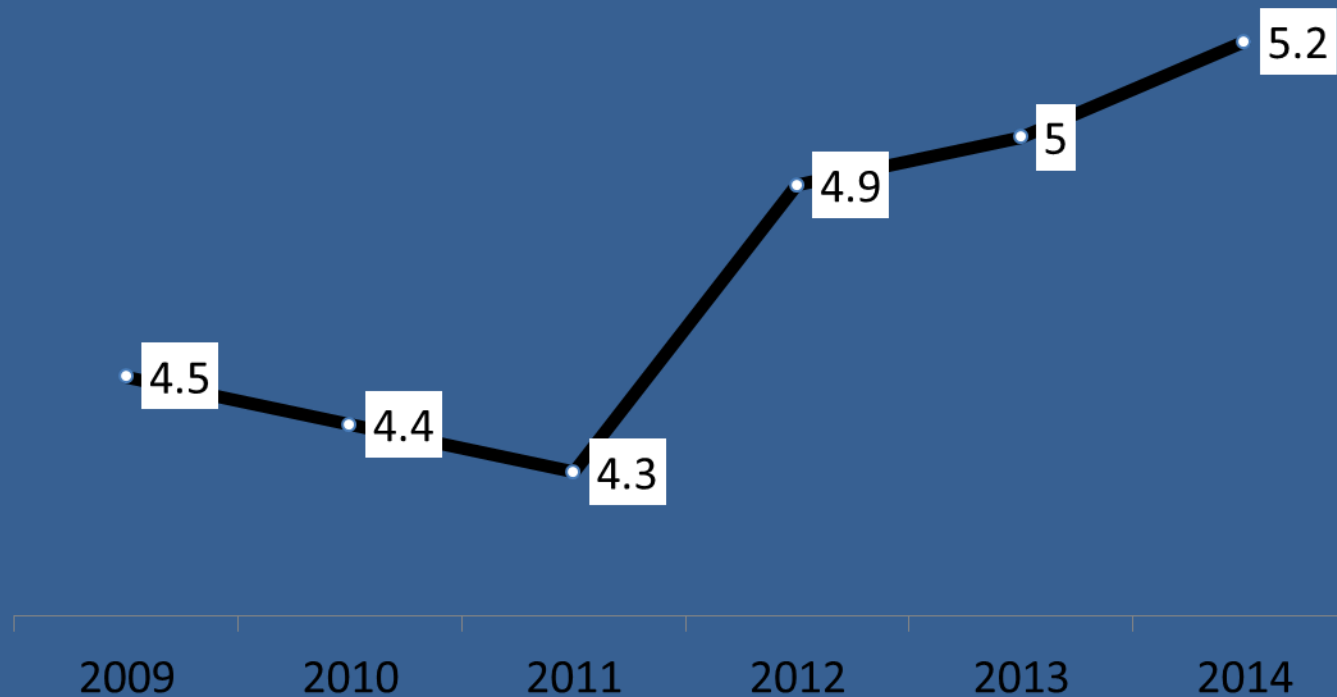
*“MACC is doing quite a lot, inward
and outward, simply to make the
commission a professional agency in
fighting corruption”Daniel Li Ming
Chak, Deputy Commissioner and Head of
Operations at the Independent
Commission against Corruption (ICAC)*



PUBLIC CONFIDENCE LEVEL TOWARDS MACC



ANTI-CORRUPTION: Improved Transparency International Results



Malaysia's CPI Ranking:

2013: **53**

2014: **50**



* Score under new methodology is 49/100

THE STATISTICS Conviction Rate

MACC conviction rate soars

POSITIVE TREND: New initiatives boost public confidence in commission

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THE MALAYSIAN Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) recorded the highest rate of convictions in the courts ever, at 89 per cent, within the first half of this year since its establishment in 2009.

MACC policy, planning and research division director Datuk Ahmad Khusairi Yahaya, in revealing the statistics, attributed the sterling achievement and encouraging trend to the commission's on-going transformation initiatives.

The commission, in the first half of this year, secured 144 convictions from 162 solved cases, a marked increase from only 94 convictions from 174 solved cases in 2009 (54 per cent).

In 2010, the commission recorded 304 convictions from 435 solved cases (71 per cent), 390 convictions from 520 solved cases (75 per cent) in 2011 and 340 convictions from 400 solved cases last year (85 per cent).

"Since MACC was established in 2009, replacing the Anti-Corruption Agency, we have implemented several initiatives, under the MACC Transformation Programme, to improve our anti-graft operations, covering three sectors — operations, human resources and prevention.

Rates of conviction against solved cases

INFOGRAPHIC: NST

Year	Number of Solved Cases	Number of Convictions	Secured Percentage
2009	174	94	54
2010	435	304	71
2011	520	390	75
2012	400	340	85
As of June 2013	162	144	89

Year	Number of tip-offs and reports
2009	12,307 (including 5,936 on graft)
2010	12,614 (including 5,646 on graft)
2011	13,325 (including 6,475 on graft)
2012	11,765 (including 5,496 on graft)
As of June 2013	4,268 (including 2,231 on graft)

"The rising number of cases solved and convictions secured is proof that the initiatives are bearing fruit," said Khusairi, adding that the success was also because of following a more systematic and strategic investigation methods adopted by the commission under the MACC Effective Investigations Management Plan.

Among the other initiatives that were implemented between 2009 and this year were the introduction of deputy chief commissioner (management and professionalism) post, establishment of new divisions, which included the excellence and professionalism division, strategic communication division, monitoring and coordi-

nation division and special operations division which handled high profile and public interest cases.

Khusairi said in addition, a change management task force was also set up to oversee and ensure that the initiatives were successfully implemented.

"We have also set up the forensics division which focuses on getting evidence from financial accounts of companies."

He said the transformation programme was based on the current needs, adding that the MACC had put into consideration the feedback from its engagement with the public, the government, the private sector and politicians.

"MACC also managed to increase the public's confidence in our operations from 31 per cent in 2009 to 64 per cent last year."

He said a survey by the Merdeka Centre revealed that the public's confidence in MACC increased from 31 per cent in 2009 to 39 per cent in 2010, while a survey by Business Ethics in 2011 found that public's confidence in the commission rose to 43 per cent.

Another study conducted by the Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia last year revealed that the confidence level had further improved to 64 per cent.

"We hope the trend will continue so that we can achieve our target of at least 80 per cent."



THE STATISTICS

Duration Taken In Completion of Investigation Papers (IPs)

Duration Taken Year 2009	2013		2014	
	No. of IPs	%	No. of IPs	%
< 1 Month	155	19.47	157	20.10
1-3 Month	344	43.22	390	49.93
4-6 Month	209	26.26	189	24.20
7-9 Month	70	8.79	39	5.00
10-12 Month	18	2.26	6	0.77
TOTAL	796	100	781	100



USE OF FORCE REPORT AGAINST MACC OFFICERS

Year 2008	Year 2009	Year 2010	Year 2011	Year 2012	Year 2013	Year 2014
26	12	1	1	2	0	0



UNITED NATION'S RECOGNITION

UN praises our graft fight

REVIEW: Malaysia's efforts comply with world standards

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THE United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC) review on Malaysia's anti-corruption compliance has acknowledged the country's 23 best practices in its fight against corruption.

UNCAC regional anti-corruption adviser Shervin Majlessi said among these was Section 25 of the Malaysia Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) Act 2009, which establishes a duty to report any bribery transaction and criminalises anyone who does not comply.

Others include the absence of a statute of limitations which helps to maximise the possibility of prosecution; specialised anti-corruption courts where judges are instructed to hear cases within one year and can be held accountable for not complying; and the establishment of institutions such as MACC, and the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Academy.

"Throughout the review process, we observed some good practices in the way the authorities engaged with the reviewers, how information was readily available when requested and how knowledgeable and dedicated the staff were in answering questions," Majlessi said at the County Review Report on Malaysia's implementation of Chapter III and Chapter IV of the United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC) at the MACC Academy here yesterday.

The review encompasses Chapters III (Criminalisation and Law Enforcement) and IV (International Cooperation).

Out of 35 countries, Malaysia was one of the eight which completed its review for the 2012/2013 period. Malaysia was reviewed by experts from the Philippines and Kenya. Malaysia will be the 24th country to agree to have its report published online.

He said it was important to note that it was up to the country to agree to the report being published and by doing so, it demonstrated the Malaysian government was serious in its efforts to combat corruption.

"Malaysia had also agreed to have experts from the reviewer countries and UNCAC officers conduct a country visit despite having the option to decline."

There were several mandatory and optional recommendations made to the government to enable Malaysia to better fight corruption.

Majlessi said Malaysia could clarify and amend certain laws which could lead to an overall improvement on anti-corruption efforts. Among the mandatory requirements submitted by the reviewers

23 best practices in Malaysia's fight against corruption as recognised by the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC)

1. The existence of section 25 of the Malaysia Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) Act 2009 establishes a duty to report any bribery transaction or attempt and criminalises non-compliance.

2. The existence of section 50 establishes a rebuttable presumption that a gratification has been corruptly received unless proven otherwise. Furthermore according to section 57 evidence is not admissible to show that graft is customary in a profession, social occasion or a similar context.

3. The absence of a statute of limitations helps to maximise the possibility of prosecutions.

4. The operations review panel in MACC reviews delayed cases or cases which were transferred to the Deputy Public Prosecutor. The panel is allowed to submit recommendations.

5. The establishment of 24 specialised anti corruption courts, where judges are instructed to hear cases within one year and can be held accountable for non-compliance. Various initiatives introduced to reduce backlog of cases including the introduction of pre-trial conferences and plea bargaining.

6. The setting up of institutions such as MACC and the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Academy. Although many of the institutions established are still young, they contribute to improved investigations and prosecutions of corruption cases.

7. Inter-agency collaboration takes place regularly at different levels.

8. Various initiatives on corruption prevention are carried out with the private sector, such as integrity pacts, monitoring committees for large projects and integrity pledges. Large Malaysian corporations employ integrity officers and have no gifts policies in place.

9. Malaysia has concluded bilateral and multilateral treaties and cooperates widely in international and regional organisations and initiatives.

10. The positive role of the Attorney-General Chambers in ensuring a cooperative working relationship among different criminal justice authorities.

11. Malaysian authorities have taken proactive steps to create awareness to all relevant stakeholders especially judicial officers to the applicable laws, procedures and timeframes to be followed.

12. Documentation and procedures are conducive to facilitating international cooperation.

13. Case management database for extradition ensures timely, accurate and efficient execution and tracking of requests.

14. Malaysia's practice of flexibly interpreting bilateral crimes allows for thorough assistance.

15. Malaysia has taken necessary steps to expedite extradition procedures and to simplify the requirements of evidence.

16. Malaysia has indicated that it is able to provide sufficient mutual legal assistance to countries in need. This is clear by the increasing number of requests it responded to in the last three years which include corruption cases.

17. The government of Malaysia was also praised for not refusing and complying with requests for mutual legal assistance.

18. Malaysia has in place specialised and skilled manpower who actively cooperate with their foreign counterparts.

19. MACC plays an active role as an international training centre with capacity exchange programmes and overseas attachment. The direct cooperation between MACC, FIU and the police with foreign counterparts are also noted.

20. The exchange of personnel, experts and capacity building programmes help to enhance cross border cooperation.

21. Malaysian law enforcement agencies exhibit a high level of commitment in its efforts to fight graft internationally.

22. The use of joint investigations between MACC and Brunei's Darussalam graft prevention bureau are good examples of law enforcement cooperation among countries.

23. The wide use and application of special investigative techniques in corruption cases domestically and internationally.

Malaysia's efforts have complied with international standards required under the convention.

"I am satisfied that the existing legislation and measures that the government, MACC, Attorney-General's Chambers, police and other stakeholders have put in place have to a great extent complied with all mandatory UNCAC requirements."

He said there was still room to improve by taking the cue from the reviewers or learning from the practices of other state parties; as well as adopting measures beyond UNCAC requirements.

viewing nations was MACC's independence.

"There was a reference to the issue of replacement or dismissal of MACC's chief commissioner to ensure it doesn't pose a risk to the commission's independence."

"During our discussion, it was understood that this needs to be addressed via constitutional amendment. The authorities have, however, taken these recommendations into account."

Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Paul Low Seng Kuan said the government decided to make the report public to show to the world community how



Among the high profile corruption cases that have been categorized as a success under the MACC transformation programme include:

- i. Arbitrator's RM6mil bribery case
- ii. Former Sime Darby group CEO and president charged with criminal breach of trust involving RM100 million
- iii. Former Silver Bird Group Berhad Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer charged with 134 counts of cheating
- iv. A former Amanah Raya Berhad executive officer who was charged for making false claims
- v. A Senior Petronas officer charged with bribery and money laundering
- vi. A Pathology Lab Chief at Tuanku Mizan Military Hospital claimed trial to bribery charges and misuse of government property
- vii. A Chief operating officer and a senior lecturer charged with using 20 false invoices worth RM2.1 million

'FLIES & TIGERS'

Fraud charge

Selangor opposition leader Khir Toyo quits after being hauled to court

PETALING JAYA: An embattled Datuk Seri Dr Mohd Khir Toyo resigned as the state opposition leader hours after he was hauled to court to answer a fraud charge.

The case involves a 2007 transaction of two plots of land and a house worth millions of ringgit in a posh area of Shah Alam.

The former Selangor Menteri Besar is alleged to have knowingly bought the properties from company director Shamsuddin Haryoni at a price much lower than the original. Shamsuddin was charged

with abetting Dr Khir. At that time, Dr Khir was:

- > Prime Minister Datuk S. said he would leave it to the Chambers to decide on the case.
- > Dr Khir wants a quick trial so his political career will not be affected.
- > Attorney-General Tan Sri A. said witnesses would be protected to allow interference of an case.



PRIME NEWS

Duo charged with graft in GE13

ON TRIAL: Men allegedly accepted RM80,000 from travel agency

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AN Election Commission officer and a manager of a transportation company claimed trial at the Sessions Court yesterday for accepting a bribe of RM80,000 from a travel agency.

Election Commission data analyst division secretary Muhammad Firdaus Mohd Ramli, 34, and Mega Lavende Sdn Bhd operation manager Fazel Kamarudin @ Fauzi, 33, were jointly charged with accepting the money from Mohd Noor Mokhid, who is the owner of Southair Travel and Tours Services Sdn Bhd.

The money was said to be an incentive for helping in the appointment of Southair as a supplier of vehicles used by International

observers during the recent general election. The two are alleged to have committed the offence at Restoran Al-Rawsha in Jalan Kampung Pandan here at 1pm on Oct 16 last year.

Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission deputy public prosecutor Mohd Sophian Zakaria proposed bail at RM20,000 in one surety each because of the seriousness of the offence.

He also informed the court that Fazel would be charged with another corruption offence at the Shah Alam court today.

"Firdaus is an administrative and diplomatic officer and is married with two children while Fazel has a son with cancer."

Datuk Salehuddin Saidin
defence counsel

Salleh fixed bail at RM10,000 in one surety each and set next Wednesday for mention.

Assemblyman jailed three years, fined RM20,000 for corruption

SEREMBAN: The Sessions Court yesterday sentenced Lenggeng Assemblyman Mustafa Salim to three years jail and fined him RM20,000 in default 12 months jail after finding him guilty of accepting a bribe from a contractor two years ago.

Judge Amran Jassar sentenced Mustafa, 52, to three years jail with the

"The primary factor in the case is public interest. The offence is a serious one because it was committed by someone holding a position. It will be improper for the accused to be released because it will give the impression that the court is not taking the case seriously," he said.

Mustafa was charged under Section 10(a)(aa) of the Prevention of Corruption Act 1997 for accepting a bribe from one M. Mani for an inducement relating to a project at a restaurant on Jalan Raya 2, Mani

Earlier, the court had freed Mustafa of two other charges of demanding bribes of RM2,000 and RM3,000 from Manimaran through middlemen at Lot 1321, Mukim Pantai, on 28 Aug. 2008, as well as at the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) office.

Lenggeng rep gets 3 years for taking bribe

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SEREMBAN: Lenggeng assemblyman Mustafa Salim was sentenced to three years jail and fined RM20,000 by the Sessions Court yesterday for accepting a bribe of RM80,000 from a travel agency.

The 52-year-old Lenggeng assemblyman, who had been charged with accepting a bribe of RM80,000 from a travel agency, was found guilty of accepting the bribe from contractor M. Mani for an inducement to enter a bidding process for a project at a restaurant on Jalan Raya 2, Mani.

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'FLIES & TIGERS'



Friday September 5, 2014

MACC: Smuggling syndicate cost nation billions in lost revenue



Camera-shy: The Customs officers being led out of the court in Petaling Jaya.

KUALA LUMPUR: The smuggling syndicate busted by the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) has bled the country of billions of ringgit in unpaid excise duties.

MACC deputy chief commissioner Datuk Seri Mohd Shukri Abdull said the syndicate smuggled high-quality liquor and cigarettes out of the duty-free zone in Port Klang.

He added that those involved carried out their transactions in cash.

"They comprised Customs officers right down to the guard at the gate. The MACC officers have also seized RM3mil in cash, 10 luxury cars and a shophouse, while RM6mil in 200 bank accounts have been frozen," he added.

Goods were imported from Scotland, Sweden, China, India, Thailand, Cambodia and In-

Analysis of the Customs and Free Trade Zone forms, the value of goods brought in was RM7bil, but only RM420mil worth of goods have been declared leaving the zone," he said at a press conference at the MACC headquarters here yesterday.

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Monday May 27, 2013

Ex-deputy minister's son charged with using forged document

KUALA LUMPUR (May 27, 2013): Mohd Nizam Lajim, 31, the son of a former deputy minister, was charged today in the sessions court with using a forged document for a road construction project in Batu Pahat, Johor.

Mohd Nizam, son of former deputy housing and local government minister Datuk Seri Lajim Ukin, pleaded not guilty to having used a forged document dated July 25 last year as a genuine one carrying the recommendation of Land and Regional Development Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Shafie Apdal.

The document was said to be an addendum listing companies proposed for the construction of roads in Mukim 6 Linau and Mukim 7 Tg Semberong in Batu Pahat, Johor.

The companies listed were Moral Bahagia Sdn Bhd, Prestasi Reka Sdn Bhd, Satria Mara Sdn Bhd, Sanjung Sempurna Sdn Bhd, Pertama Makmur Sdn Bhd, Mansashi Sdn Bhd, H & A Construction Sdn Bhd, Nisa Consolidated Sdn Bhd, Bina-Mas Construction Sdn Bhd and Landscape Sdn Bhd.

Mohd Nizam was charged with having committed the offence at Berjaya Starbucks Coffee, Lot No G40, The Mall, No 100, Jalan Putra at 3.40pm on Aug 8 last year.

He was charged under Section 471 of the Penal Code and the penalty, under Section 465 of the same code, is a maximum of two years' imprisonment or a fine, or both, upon conviction.

Deputy public prosecutor Afifah Mamat alias Yusof of the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) proposed RM50,000 bail with one surety and for the accused to surrender his passport to the court.

Counsel Datuk K. Kumarendran sought to have the bail reduced to RM10,000, saying that his client had cooperated fully with the MACC since the investigation began in August last year.

Judge Rosbiahani Arifin set bail at RM20,000 with one surety, ordered the accused to surrender his passport to the court, and set June 25 for case management. — Bernama

'FLIES & TIGERS'

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Tan Meng Lee (right) is alleged to have offered a bribe as an incentive to not take action against him for illegally clearing land in Cameron Highlands. Pic by Effendy Rashid

Charged over bid to bribe office

CAMERONS LAND CLEARING CASE:

Man accused of offering RM20,000 as hush money

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to have offered the money Abdul Rahim Sulaiman, 50, an incentive to not take action against him for illegally clearing land in Sungai Terla forest reserve in Kampung Raja and government-owned land in Blue Valley, both located in Ulu Telom, Cameron Highlands.

He pleaded not guilty to committing the offence in Blue Valley, Ulu Telom, Cameron Highlands between 4pm and 5.30pm on Oct 7 last year. The charge was read to Tan before judge Rosbiahanin Arifin.

Tan was charged under Section 17(b) of the MACC Act and faces a jail term of up to 20 years and a fine of not less than five times the value of the bribe or RM10,000, whichever is higher, if convicted.

Cash for contracts

Ex-Bank Negara asst governor among eight on graft charges

to print RM5 polymer banknotes for Bank Negara. The corruption charges against former Bank Negara assistant governor Datuk Mohamad Daud Dal Mohd nor and businessman Abdul Kayum Syed Ahmad in two Sessions Courts in Malaysia and Aussie banknote firms Security International and Note Printing Australia plus six former employees. In a statement issued yesterday, Bank Negara stressed that it does not condone misconduct by its employees.

SEE PAGE 4

Top cop among 10 nabbed over timber trade bribes

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KUALA LUMPUR — Sarawak is being robbed of its timber resources with bribes from as little as RM300, the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) said yesterday.

After nine months of surveillance, MACC launched Ops Tukuk on Monday and arrested 10 people, including a Criminal Investigations Department (CID) head, where it was found that bribes from done to Sarawak's natural ecosystem. Mohd Shukri told a press conference here that five of the 10 individuals had been charged in court.

"The CID head, who is remanded until Sunday, is suspected to have received a total of RM16,000 from illegal loggers," he said.

He said MACC had also frozen about 30 accounts of logging company owners from 10 companies worth at least RM18 million.

"MACC monitored 12 locations in Sarawak, including Kuching, Miri, Sibuan, Limbang and Kapit for the past nine months," he said.

Mohd Shukri was not able to confirm whether there had been politicians or government officials involved in the activities, saying: "It is still under investigation."

However, he said, Sarawak Yang diPertua Tun Taib Mahmud's name had not surfaced during the investigations into illegal logging.

"We investigated Tun Taib for about now, we have found no evidence he is logging areas to his relatives," he said in reference to the former Sarawak minister.

Additionally, Mohd Shukri said commission received illegal reports in Sabah and Sarawak would advise the state government to look into the matter if corroborated.

Ops Tukuk, which ran to last month, involved police, Malaysian Maritime Agency, General Operations and the Forestry Department.



'FLIES & TIGERS'

Ex-veep of Iskandar agency charged with corruption

TWO COUNTS: He pleads not guilty to soliciting RM295,000 for a road construction project

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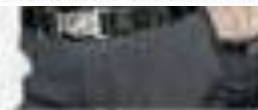


Amad Hanafiah Abu Mansor, 47, was offered bail of RM100,000 in two sureties by the Sessions Court in Johor Bharu yesterday. Pic by Hairul Anuar Abd Rahim

Amad Hanafiah was charged with soliciting 10 per cent of a proposed road construction of an 8.5km road from the Medini Iskandar project.

The road, situated outside a restaurant in Danga Bay was to be completed in mid-June 2009. He faced a second charge of accepting a RM25,000 bribe from Mohd Zulkifli Arif for helping Syarikat Segi Mulia Sdn Bhd obtain the said

project, behind the Iskandar Investment Bhd office in Danga Bay, between 3pm and 4pm in January 2010. The charges were read under Section 16(a)(A) of the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission 2009.



Anticorruption investigation. Bernama pic

Deputy public prosecution, Affiah Nuzhat, in 'Yusuf' and Mohd Fawzi Rahman conducted the prosecution. Judge Ahmad Zamri Mohd Zain set bail at RM12,000 with one surety for each count and fixed Aug 27 for trial.

was charged under Section 16(a)(A) of the Anti Corruption Act which carries up to 20 years' jail and fine of five times the bribe or RM10,000, whichever is higher. Deputy public prosecutor Kevin Kandasamy conducted the prosecution, while lawyer Jawahar Jit Singh represented Amad. Amad set bail at RM10,000 with one surety for each count and impounded Amad's passport. Remand was fixed for Aug 2. MACC deputy commissioner Datuk Mohd Shukri Abdul said it received help from private sector "specialists" in solving the cases. Petronas confirmed the arrests of the two men.

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re-mention, pending the appointment of a defense counsel. He same court, customer risk management senior manager Yusuf, 47, pleaded not guilty to 125 counts of accepting RM426,000 in bribes as an incentive to supply 125 tankers of liquefied gas to Erisian Chere Sdn Bhd between Aug 27 and Sept 16,

was charged under Section 16(a)(A) of the Anti Corruption Act which carries up to 20 years' jail and fine of five times the bribe or RM10,000, whichever is higher.

Ex-Alcatel exec charge

Former regional head claims trial in Telekom bribery scandal

KUALA LUMPUR: A former regional customer account leader of Alcatel Networks (M) Sdn Bhd has claimed trial to bribing a Telekom Malaysia Bhd (TM) assistant manager. Radziah, 49, had allegedly given a RM25,000 cheque dated Feb 13, 2006, to assistant manager Mohd Asri Kims, 42, as payment to supply information on a tender. She allegedly committed the offence at a hotel in Jalan Sultan Ismail here between 1pm and 2.30pm on Feb 17, 2006. The charge sheet stated the information was for "the supply of wireless code division multiple access mobile communications system and provision of works Phase II". Under the Anti-Corruption Act 1997, Radziah could be jailed up to 20 years and fined not less than five times the value of the bribe if convicted. Sessions Court judge Rozilah

Salih granted her bail at RM12,000 in one surety. DPP Fariza Hamzah said the prosecution would be calling 27 witnesses.

She had earlier asked the court to set bail at RM15,000 in one surety, saying the bail was able as the prosecution apply to impound her passport, as she has a pending case.

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Terduduh Datuk Mohamad Daud (tengah) dibawa masuk ke Mahkamah Khas Jenayah Rasuah Jalan Duta

'FLIES & TIGERS'

Former PWD director gets one year, fined RM1.1 million



Customs racket busted
MACC-led task force arrests 62 officers, one a state director, in raids nationwide

By Farrah N...

Two charged with CBT

Former officers of Felda subsidiary in the dock over RM30mil

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iSnap me for a video on the two Datuks in court

KUALA LUMPUR: In the latest high-profile case that the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Agency (MACC) has pursued, two former high-ranking officers of a Felda subsidiary company pleaded not guilty in the Sessions Court to committing criminal breach of trust (CBT) involving RM30mil.

Datuk Sarchu Sawal, 64, ex-chief executive officer of KPF Quality Foods Sdn Bhd, was charged with CBT involving RM16,963,825 of the company's funds meant for the National Food Supply Project.

Former KPF quality director Datuk Tan Han Kook, 59, was charged with CBT involving RM13,164,975 of the same funds.

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Keeping calm: Sarchu has been charged with CBT involving RM16mil.

sureties, as well as for both the accused to surrender their passports.

Azlin asked Sessions judge Rosbiahanin Arifin to take into consideration that the offences were serious, given the amount involved.

The accused's lawyer Harvinderjit Singh, in appealing for a lower bail, said Sarchu was now a pensioner and had a clean record.

He said Tan, a former group managing director of Silver Bird Group Bhd, was now a bankrupt and unemployed.

The lawyer told the court that Tan had also been charged with 134 cheating cases in another Sessions Court last December, involving RM67mil and was released on a bail of RM800,000.

Rosbiahanin set bail at RM2mil for Sarchu and RM1mil for Tan in two sureties and fixed Sept 13 for mention.

The judge earlier turned down Harvinderjit Singh's application for the case to be heard in the afternoon, on the

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ises raided over the week by a
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Ex-Immigration D-G jailed

6-YEAR SENTENCE: Wahid accepted RM60,000 for visa approvals in 2008

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FORMER Immigration director-general Datuk Wahid Md Don was jailed yesterday after his application for a stay of execution pending appeal was rejected by the Sessions Court here.

The court had found him guilty of receiving a RM60,000 bribe and sentenced him to six years' jail and a RM300,000 fine.

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Yesterday, judge Jatin ruled that Wahid's application for a stay of execution pending appeal was rejected by the Sessions Court here. The court had found him guilty of receiving a RM60,000 bribe and sentenced him to six years' jail and a RM300,000 fine.

On Aug 19, Wahid was charged with receiving a bribe from businessman Chang Hian as expediting visas for Bangladeshis.

The offence was committed at Jalan Lembah Permai 2, Duta here on Oct 15, 2009.

On Oct 15, the court acquitted Wahid of the charge of receiving a bribe from businessman Chang Hian as expediting visas for Bangladeshis.

The prosecution failed to prove its case against Wahid.

However, the court found Wahid guilty of receiving a bribe from businessman Chang Hian as expediting visas for Bangladeshis.

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tion Unit head Datuk Abdul Razak Musa urged for a deterrent penalty as Wahid should have served as an example to those under him.

"Abuse of power is a constant topic of conversation among Malaysians."

Rosbiahanin ordered the jail term to run from yesterday and for Wahid to serve another six months in jail.

3 Customs officers 1 for bribery

Lecturer faces jail, fine over mileage claims

NOT GUILTY PLEA: He is accused of falsely claiming RM1,242 for interstate research trips

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A UNIVERSITY Sains Malaysia lecturer claimed trial in the Sessions Court yesterday to three charges of making false claims amounting to RM1,242 three years ago. Professor Ambigapathy Pandian, a former dean at the School of Language, Literacy Translation in USM, was accused of committing the offence against financial administrative assistant Haryatie Zaimor, 33, at the office between Feb 10 and June 7, 2010. On the first charge, the 56-year-old

leged to have knowingly given Haryatie an interstate mileage allowance claim in February 2010 for fieldwork and gathering of research data carried out between Feb 6 and 8. He was alleged to have made the claim for using his own vehicle, a Mercedes Benz, when he actually used the department's Proton. The 800km trip.

On the second charge, Ambigapathy was alleged to have given Haryatie another interstate mileage allowance claim for February 2010 for fieldwork and gathering of research data carried out between Feb 6 and 8. He was alleged to have made the claim for using his own vehicle, a Mercedes Benz, when he actually used the department's Proton. The 800km trip.

On the third charge, Ambigapathy was alleged to have given Haryatie another interstate mileage allowance claim for February 2010 for fieldwork and gathering of research data carried out between Feb 6 and 8. He was alleged to have made the claim for using his own vehicle, a Mercedes Benz, when he actually used the department's Proton. The 800km trip.

On the fourth charge, Ambigapathy was alleged to have given Haryatie another interstate mileage allowance claim for February 2010 for fieldwork and gathering of research data carried out between Feb 6 and 8. He was alleged to have made the claim for using his own vehicle, a Mercedes Benz, when he actually used the department's Proton. The 800km trip.

On the fifth charge, Ambigapathy was alleged to have given Haryatie another interstate mileage allowance claim for February 2010 for fieldwork and gathering of research data carried out between Feb 6 and 8. He was alleged to have made the claim for using his own vehicle, a Mercedes Benz, when he actually used the department's Proton. The 800km trip.

On the sixth charge, Ambigapathy was alleged to have given Haryatie another interstate mileage allowance claim for February 2010 for fieldwork and gathering of research data carried out between Feb 6 and 8. He was alleged to have made the claim for using his own vehicle, a Mercedes Benz, when he actually used the department's Proton. The 800km trip.



Prof Ambigapathy Pandian leaving the Sessions Court after being charged with three counts of making false claims yesterday. Pic by Asman Ibrahim

Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission Act 2009 and punishable under Section 24 of the act, carries a maximum 20 years' jail and a fine of not less than five times the amount of the bribe, which is higher.

Another officer appeared calm when he was read out to him. He was charged with making false claims for RM10,000 on all three charges.

Another officer had almost RM10,000 in his bank account. Two others had between RM5,000 and RM10,000. He told a press conference yesterday.

M. Athimulan, who represented Ambigapathy, asked for the amount to be lowered, stating that his client had served in USM for 30 years and that he was still lecturing as a professor at the university as well as supervising doctorate students.

Athimulan also told the court that the offences committed by his client were simple technical mistakes. Judge Khairul Anuar Abdul Halim set bail at RM8,000 in one surety and fixed Aug 16 for mention.

ustoms De- mission started gathering evidence. Investigations revealed they were on the payroll of syndicates that smuggled contraband cigarettes and alcoholic beverages. We believe they had been accepting bribes, from between RM1,000 and RM3,000 a month for about a year."

MACC secured a five-day remand order, starting yesterday, against the suspects. It is learnt that the officers were paid to turn a blind eye to the syndicates' activities and to tip them off about any operation by the authorities. The *New Straits Times* was told the suspects were arrested in a two-pronged operation by MACC in Kota Kinabalu.

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'FLIES & TIGERS'

Arbitrator charged with graft

Exclusive

Corruption case involving 69-year-old man is first of its kind in Malaysia

ally involving millions of ringgit, revolve around contracts for engineering, construction and mechanical works.

After judgment which was made down here are 148 countries, including

only be challenged on grounds. According to sources, Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission

(MACC) officers arrested the two men early yesterday.

They are expected to be charged under Section 16(a)A of the MACC Act.

The arbitrator, who has permanent residence in Malaysia, will likely be charged for corruptly soliciting or receiving a bribe.

Meanwhile, the 59-year-old managing director is expected to be charged with abetting the arbitrator.

The arbitrator also has a civil engineering degree from London.

Apart from arbitrating disputes in Malaysia, Indonesia, Hong Kong, Pakistan, the Philippines, Singapore, Spain, Thailand and Britain in disputes involving sums of up to US\$200mil (RM637mil), the well-known arbitrator has also been involved in dispute resolutions in Bangladesh, Nepal, the Philippines, Qatar, Sri Lanka and Taiwan.

According to sources, the arbit-

trator was much sought after amongst lawyers as an arbitrator for disputes involving engineering and building and construction contracts.

He has held key positions in the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Malaysia Branch, and the Institution of Engineers, and writes on dispute resolutions.

(Arbitration authority seeks to further improve its reputation of high integrity - Page 23)

2 charged over 'express haj'

FAST-TRACKING SCAM:

Clerk and system analyst allegedly expedited pilgrimage plans for 27 people

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A THIRING Hajj-brokers charged with the System Clerk and system analyst allegedly expedited pilgrimage plans for 27 people

BERANI HENRI SALIH, 61, who worked with the Research and Development Division, allegedly accepted the money from a real estate, System Analyst, in the morning, after Hajj was held on July 15, 2010.

System analyst Abdul Halim, 44, pleaded not guilty to these charges of causing fraudulent transactions on the Hajj System.

By allegedly misusing the system and put in the 27 pilgrims' names, the pilgrims were taken to Hajj on July 15, 2010.

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Berani Henri Salih (left) and Abdul Halim (right) charged with causing fraudulent transactions on the Hajj System. Pic by Hong Choo Chong



Abdul Halim (right) charged with causing fraudulent transactions on the Hajj System. Pic by Hong Choo Chong

Money launderers nabbed

TAX EVASION: Trio could be linked to luxury car smuggling ring in Langkawi

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A MARKETING manager at a bank, her husband and an acquaintance were arrested by the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) for laundering money yesterday.

The trio, aged between 30 and 40, were nabbed about 2pm in Langkawi.

Sources said the woman was alleged to have purchased a luxury car using bribes accepted from individuals and companies who were using the facilities at the bank where she worked.

Her husband was also alleged to have conspired in the purchase and resale of the luxury car, worth RM500,000. He purchased the car in Langkawi under the woman's name.

Three payments were made for the installment of the car, which totalled to RM200,000.

The car was subsequently sold after three months and a car company purchased it at the market value of RM300,000, which was paid to the woman's husband.

The money was kept in a bank account belonging to the woman. Sources revealed that the couple's actions were exposed after

the taxes for the car was not paid. During the revocation of special Customs conditions and the vehicle number change application process, investigators found that the K1 Customs form for the car registration was also falsified.

The arrest was made in the wake of reports of a syndicate specialising in smuggling luxury cars.

It was reported that a syndicate was believed to be bringing in luxury cars from Langkawi to the mainland without paying for excise duties or road tax, therefore, allowing vehicles to be used on the mainland after it exceeds 90 days.

In April, Customs deputy director-general Datuk Shaharudin Ibrahim was murdered after he was shot in the neck by two men. His death was believed to be linked to the car smuggling syndicate in Langkawi.

The allegation was made by Shaharudin's son, Mohd Akhtar, who was convinced that the murderer of his father was in the Customs department.

Coach charged

Accused of fixing President's Cup football match

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SEREMBAN: The coach of the Negeri Sembilan President's Cup football team, who is alleged to have fixed a match, was charged yesterday.



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'FLIES & TIGERS'

MACC ready to keep an eye on huge ventures to ensure there is no corruption

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PUTRAJAYA: A foreign company bidding for a piece of action in the multi-billion ringgit Klang Valley MY Rapid Transit (MRT) project is set to become the first casualty of the country's anti-graft policy.

The Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) has advised the project owner, MRT Corp, not to consider the French company's bid as the firm was still under investigation for alleged corruption.

The recommendation MACC's move to keep a hand on mega projects to ensure corruption, especially in procurement process.

The commission began investigating MRT Corp at the invitation of a company.

MACC chief commissioner Tan Sri Zaid Ibrahim said the commission would investigate the company.



MACC nabs log smuggler over bribe bid

PORT KLANG: A local timber contractor, believed to be involved in smuggling of mangrove logs, was detained by the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) after he tried to bribe state Forestry Department officers.

The 40-year-old suspect was nabbed on Jan 19 after he offered a bribe of RM3,000 to a forest ranger, hoping the Forestry Department would return items seized during

a raid. The timber contractor is being held at the MACC headquarters in Putrajaya, after his statement was recorded last Friday.

The suspect is investigated under s MACC Act 2009 Forestry Act 1984 (Selangor Forestry Department) Enforcement) Me sop said a joint

two MACC officers and 13 Forestry Department officers raided the Pulau Klang and Telok Forest reserves, here last

wooden boat filled with 110 mangrove logs, a Yamaha motorboat engine and an oil drum.

He added the seized items were valued at RM50,000 and the forest ranger's

subsequently detained by MACC officers.

He said during their raid, they also discovered several temporary logging storage facilities.

"The logs were ready to be shipped out to Indonesia."

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MACC goes undercover

CAUGHT IN THE ACT: Lorry driver among five nabbed over attempts to bribe policemen

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FIVE road users who attempted to bribe policemen manning a roadblock near a toll plaza here yesterday were nabbed during a two-hour joint operation between the police and Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC).

In the operation carried out by the Selangor and Kajang traffic police, together with eight undercover MACC officers and Environment Department officers, the five — a lorry driver and four motorcyclists — aged between 20 and 35, were issued repeated warnings not to offer bribes.

However, they insisted on "settling their summonses on the spot".

Three of them were Indonesians. Sgt Ahmad Khairi Ley, who was offered bribes by two of the suspects, said it was disappointing that the public still had the impression that policemen could be bought over.

"It is not as though we did not warn the suspects and that bribery is an offence."

"These men still insisted, leaving



"We invited MACC to join our operation so that irresponsible motorists who have the impression that policemen can be bribed are taken care of." Assistant Superintendent Hariz Mohd, Selangor traffic police chief

me with no choice but to signal the MACC officers to arrest them. "Although our pay is not that much, we have integrity and dignity."

Selangor traffic police chief Assistant Superintendent Hambazi Abdul Rahman said the five suspects offered bribes of between RM30 and RM500.

"We invited MACC to join our operation so that irresponsible motorists who have the impression that policemen can be bribed are taken care of."

Hambazi said the highest bribe of RM500 was offered by a motorcyclist, who was detained after he tested positive for drugs.

The New Straits Times which was present at the location, witnessed some of the bribery attempts.

MACC officers, who wore police vests, were seen approaching the men after receiving signals from the policemen.

The five suspects were arrested as they handed over cash to the policemen.

The operation also saw nine motorists picked up over drug-related offences, while 92 summonses for



A MACC officer (wearing a police vest) arresting a motorcyclist who tried to bribe a policeman at the roadblock near the toll plaza in Kajang yesterday. Pic by Hariz Mohd

Files seized from state Forestry Dept

KOTA BARU: Officers from the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) yesterday seized documents from the state Forestry Department to assist their investigations into logging concessions.

The four-man team from the state and MACC headquarters in Putrajaya arrived at the department 10am and left five hours later with piles of documents.

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Customs Superintendent, Businessman Charged With Corruption

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He allegedly committed the offence at Maybank on May 14.

Judge Rosbiahainin Arifin granted bail at RM5,000 to be surrendered to the court.

Meanwhile, in another Sessions Court, Ooi claim director Som Chit Tiang, 48, who was charged with

is attached to the Special Investigations (SPR) counts of accepting bribes between RM1,000 and RM10,000 for smuggling activities to avoid duties.

He was alleged to have given permission to Som Chit Tiang, 48, who was charged with accepting bribes between RM1,000 and RM10,000 for smuggling activities to avoid duties.

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Magistrate charged with corruption

Posted on 14 January 2010 - 12:01am

KOTA BARU (Jan 13, 2010): A magistrate was charged in the Sessions court here today with two counts of accepting bribes from a man as an inducement to reduce sentence in October last year.

Mohd Firdaus Ramlan, 28, a magistrate at the Kuala Krai and Machang Magistrate's Courts, however, claimed trial when the charges were read before Judge Zainal L. Saleh.

Zainal later set Feb 11 as the new date for mention and allowed Mohd Firdaus bail of RM4,000 with one surety for both charges.

On the first charge, Mohd Firdaus was alleged to have accepted a bribe of RM3,000 from Md Shani Ishak at 10.30pm on Oct 11 at the Esso Petrol Station, Machang as an inducement to reduce the sentence to a two-year good behaviour bond in the sum of RM1,000.

The accused was charged under Section 17(A) of the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) Act 2009 (Act 694) which is punishable under Section 24 of the same Act which provides a term of not more than 20 years and a fine of five times the value of the bribe.

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Friday August 2, 2013

Felda subsidiary former CEO and director charged with CBT

KUALA LUMPUR (Aug 2, 2013): A former company chief executive officer and former director were charged in the Sessions Court here today with committing a charge of Criminal Breach of Trust (CBT), involving more than RM30 million, belonging to the Felda subsidiary.

Datuk Sarchu Sawal, the former CEO of KPF Quilley, and Datuk Tan Han Kook, however, were charged with the offence separately before judge Rosbiahanin Ali.

Sarchu, 64, is charged with committing the offence by misappropriating the company's fund through 27 Banker's Acceptance, Second Floor, Block B Anjung Felda, Jalan Maktab Felda, 40000 Teluk Anson, 2012.

Tan, 59, then a member of the company's board of directors, is charged with the same offence, involving RM13,164,955 of the company's funds, at the same place and time.

The charges, under Section 409 of the Penal Code, provides a maximum penalty of 20 years and whipping, as is liable to a fine, if convicted.

Deputy public prosecutor Azlin Sabtu, from the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC), offered bail at RM2 million with two sureties each and for both defendants to surrender their passports to the court as the offence was a serious one.

Harvinderjit Singh, representing Sarchu, in requesting for a loan of RM2 million with two unmarried children and with no previous record, committed the offence during the investigation. Harvinderjit Singh, who also represented Tan, had been declared a bankrupt and was unemployed.

the star online
Wednesday December 28, 2011

Duo to be charged in graft probe of Iskandar Investment company's RM2bil package

By Lourdes Charles

KUALA LUMPUR: Two former directors of Iskandar Investment Company Ltd (IIC) are expected to be charged in the graft probe as the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) probes the company's RM2bil package.

The duo, in their 40s, are expected to be charged in the corruption involving about RM5mil in connection with the school in the Iskandar region.

The RM124mil highway and RM40.8mil school are executive officers of IIB subsidiaries involved in the In Johor Baru yesterday, a 52-year-old man, receiving RM1.6mil from a construction company.

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Thursday 19 August 2010

Explosive charge: Tourism D-G framed, minister implicated

By FMT Staff



KUALA LUMPUR: A startling allegation has surfaced concerning the second corruption charge slapped on Tourism Malaysia director-general Mirza Mohammad Taiyab - he is being persecuted for being clean as a whistle.

According to a blogger, the charge could be related to a RM600 million contract he had declined to approve for a company linked to Tourism Minister Dr Ng Yen Yen's son.

Mirza is chairman of the Tender Board and strangely enough the closing date for the

worldwide advertising tender was on Tuesday, the day after he was hauled to court.

Quoting sources, a posting on the "Another Brick In The Wall" blog claimed that Mirza had been a thorn on Ng's side since being reinstated to his former position as D-G after his first acquittal.

He had purportedly rejected projects and proposals (approved by the minister) which he had deemed a waste of funds and declined to sanction payments that reeked of corruption.

The clincher apparently was the recent Tourism Development Corporation (TDC) worldwide advertising tender for which he refused to consider awarding a company allegedly linked to Ng's son.

The blogger claimed that the minister and her son were aiming for a "total sapu (sweep)... and Mirza was getting in the way!"

"But this time round MACC (Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission) better get it right... they better not lose the second time to the same person because it will be not only embarrassing to them but it will taint their reputation," he added.

In July 2009, Mirza was acquitted by the Sessions Court of a charge of accepting dental



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Friday 24 September 2010

MACC: Illegal sand mining may cost Malaysia RM157.7m yearly

KUALA LUMPUR: Malaysia stand to lose about RM157.5 million a year if illegal sand mining and smuggling are not controlled in the country.

Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) investigations director Mustafar Ali said country would not only lose millions of ringgit but would also suffer negative impact, if illegal sand mining and smuggling were not checked or controlled.

"Malaysia is expected to suffer RM1.125 million a month or RM13.5 million a year through illegal activities carried out on land, using lorries, while sand smuggled via the sea, using barges, would incur RM12 million losses a month or RM144 million a year," he said at the Anti-Corruption Initiative for Asia seminar here today.

The three-day seminar and meeting which ended today was organised by MACC, Asia Development Bank (ADB), Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), Anti-Corruption Initiative for Asia and Pacific and attended by 200 delegates from 28 countries.

Mustafar said more pro-active measures must be enforced by all the enforcement agencies and at the same time tighten up procedures to curb such activities.

"Such activities are rampant due to poor enforcement procedures and law or the illegal sand miners themselves are turning a blind eye to the damage such activities can cause to the eco-system and environment.

"Any system that is weak must be looked at and strengthened. The MACC aspires to lead with the help of other enforcement agencies so that those responsible can be hauled up to face the law," he said.

The MACC had detained 49 individuals from Selangor, Johor, Pahang and Perak for involvement in sand smuggling syndicates this year.

He also hinted that more would be detained.

- Bernama

NEW STRAITS TIMES ONLINE

Thursday October 23, 2014

30 nabbed for illegal logging, 30 bank accounts worth RM18m frozen

By Rahmat Khairulrijal and Nazlia Naim

KUALA LUMPUR: The Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) has arrested 30 people in Johor and Sarawak for illegal logging activities and froze 30 bank accounts belonging to 10 companies worth RM18 million.

MACC deputy chief commissioner (operations) Datuk Seri Mohd Shukri Abdull warned that this is not the end of Ops Tukul as they were also investigating several state Forestry officers for possible involvement in the illegal felling of trees which had put the forest reserve under threat of destruction.

He said those arrested were the result of nine-month surveillance and public tip-off.

Four individuals, including two timber logging company managers pleaded guilty in Limbang Sessions Court and fined a total of RM80,000 for offering bribes to enforcement officers.

Mohd Shukri said the illegal logging in Sarawak was believed to have resulted in losses of at least RM100 million each year.

"The officers nabbed were alleged to have received bribes between RM300 and the highest was RM10,000.

"The senior police officer in his 30s, who is attached to the Sarawak Crime Investigation Department will be charged under Section 17A of the MACC Act 2009.

"The Act carries a jail term of up to 20 years and a fine of RM10,000 or five times the amount of the bribe involved," he said.

It was reported yesterday that The Johor Forestry Department was being probed over similar activities traced near a dam in the state.



Datuk Seri Mohd Shukri Abdull during the Press conference --Pix by Sairien Nafis



MACC to head govt integrity units

KUALA LUMPUR: The Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission will head and oversee integrity units in all ministries, government departments and agencies, mainly high-risk organisations, once they come into place.

MACC chief commissioner Tan Sri Abu Kassim Mohamed said the units, to be established to combat corruption in the public sector, will be headed and supervised by experienced officers from the anti-graft body.

He said at present, it assessed and divided the vulnerability probability and likelihood of corrupt practices in the public sector into three categories: high-risk, moderate, and low-risk organisations.

"MACC officers will mainly head agencies that fall under the high-

risks organisations category, as more effort is needed to manage the integrity management aspect at these organisations.

"Only officer with years of training, experience and someone who's well versed in law and legal aspects involving graft will be entrusted with the task."

He said the three categories needed different levels of approach in tackling graft, thus, eradication efforts also have to be carried out based on the severity of graft practices and perception in the organisations and agencies.

Kassim said although the high-risk integrity units would be headed by a commission officer, it would comprise MACC officers and those from within the organisation who had undergone integrity officers

courses at the MACC Academy.

He said the size of the unit would depend on many factors, such as nature of service, perception, tendency for corruption and others.

He said MACC was "sensible for integrity and if such and if such."

"For cases, after would be a for action."

Asked about project for the Migration Department this year, Kassim was still too early, he said. Yesterday, Chief Government Tan Sri said the setting up of

ministries, government departments and agencies to increase transparency

Judges may declare assets

DETERRENT: Judiciary to work with MACC to increase transparency

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JUDGES may soon have to declare their assets to ensure greater integrity in the judiciary, said Justice of the Peace Tan Sri Arif Md Yusoff.

Tan Sri Arif said the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) mission (MACC) to go about the "All of you" project. "We have MACC" project, a four-day project, yesterday.

For me, I would not do it. I would not do it.

MACC plans to close loophole in act

MORE BITE: Section 23 to be amended to catch 'big fish'

The call to amend Section 23, which spells out the offence of "using an office or position for gratification", was first made by MACC and the Parliamentary Select Committee (PSC) on corruption last year.

Anti-graft watchdog Transparency International-Malaysia echoed the call in a letter published by NST on Monday.

The law states that any officer of a public body commits an offence if he uses his office or position for any gratification, whether directly or indirectly, for himself, his relative or associate.

However, according to the PSC's former chairman, Datuk Seri Radzi Sheikh Ahmad, the section was easily circumvented, leading to abuse.

Speaking to reporters in January, Radzi used the example of a minister in charge of a project or tender which his relative had also applied for.

"The act is clear that if the min-

ister finds that his relatives or associates have applied for the tender, he would have to declare his ties to them and excuse himself from sitting in meetings or deciding on who gets the benefits.

"But the minister can still ensure that his family member secures the project by leaving the tendering meeting, but not without first reminding the deciding panel, who are made up of his subordinates, that the applicant is his relative."

"The end result is the same. The family still benefits from the link, even though the minister has technically obeyed the law."

MACC said other proposed changes include introducing a corporate liability clause to hold companies accountable for their employees involved in graft, as well as a "cooling-off period" for retiring government officers before they are allowed to take up new positions in private companies.

MACC list being used b

BLACKLISTED: Those convicted of graft will be denied entry into the country

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GRAFT offenders are now barred from entering the United States with more countries expected to follow this move soon.

Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) chief Commissioner Tan Sri Abu Kassim Mohamed said this

move after the MACC came up with its "Name and Shame" list.

This list contains the names of those convicted of graft from Jan 1 last year, when the MACC Act 2009 came into effect.

To date, there are 672 names on the list.

It provides details, such as the offender's full name, identity card number and profession, and the offence committed, as mentioned in the charge sheet, as well as the penalty.

The names would only be re-

moved after three years, if there were no repeat offences.

Abu Kassim added that the US embassy had taken an interest in the offenders' database since June last year and had rejected the visa applications of some of the offenders.

"Embassy officials spoke to us and they are using the database to conduct background checks on those applying for US visas," he said.

"Other embassies have indicated their interest in the database to conduct checks on visa applicants."

He said many employers were also cross-checking with the database before hiring prospective em-

ployees.

The online database is at www.sprm.gov.my.

Corruption National Key Areas monitoring and coordination director Datuk Hisham Noh said state rulers' aides were also checking the "Name and Shame" list before bestowing any awards.

Hisham added that several states had tightened rules on conferring titles, with some holding off until investigations were completed.

"Even if you are under investigation (on a corruption charge), you would be 'kept-in-view' until you are cleared," he said.

Abu Kassim and Hisham spoke to the *New Straits Times* yesterday

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PLANES are underway to amend a loophole in the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) Act, which authorities say have allowed too many "big fish" to get away with white-collar crime.

An MACC spokesman said yesterday the proposed amendment to Section 23 of the act was being studied by the Attorney-General's Chambers.

"The amendment is being drafted with MACC's input," he told the *New Straits Times*.

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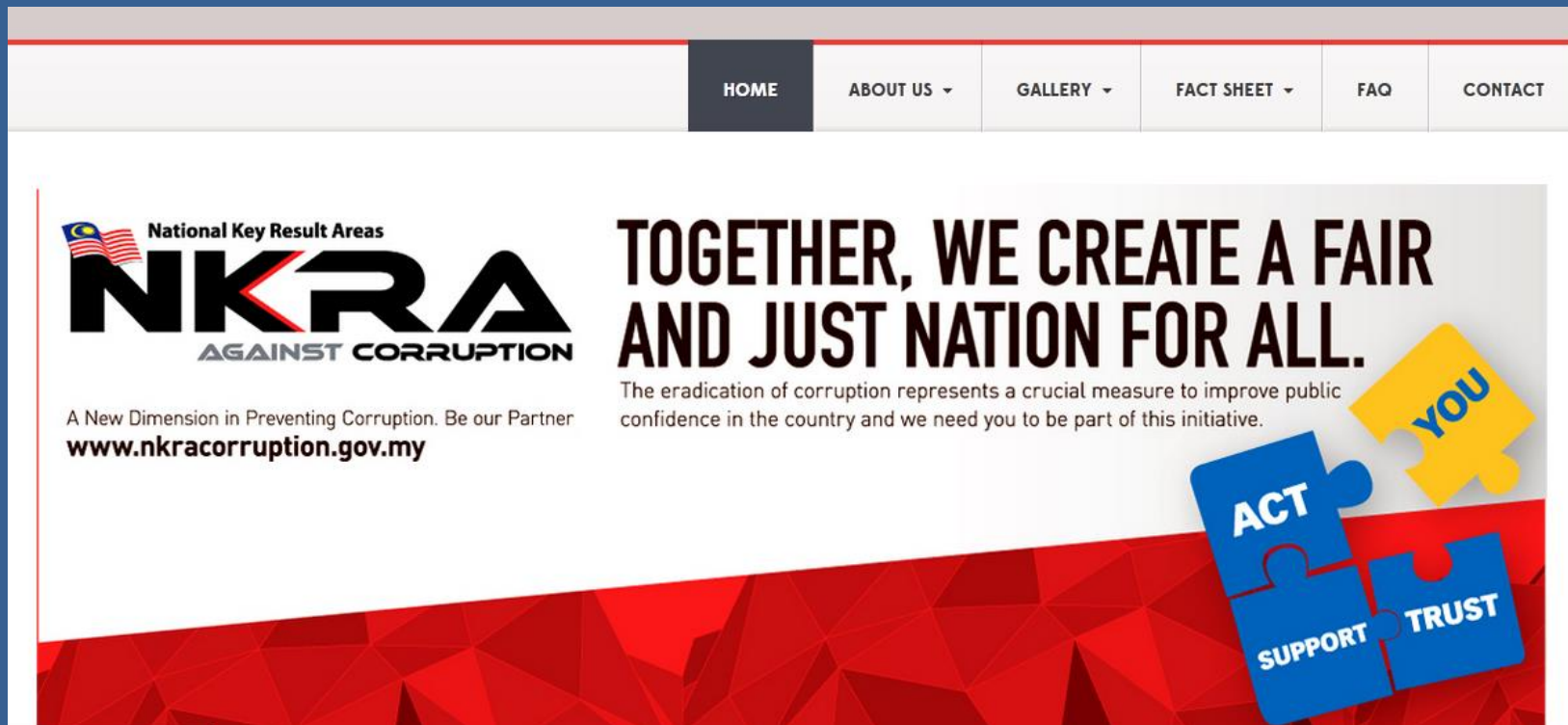
Chief Justice of Sabah and Sarawak, Tan Sri Zulkifli Ahmad (right) and other judges at a court session.

missioners via the Judicial Appointments Commission was a difficult task as it had to consider many factors. Explaining the decision for all criminal and civil appeals in the Federal Court to be heard by a five-man quorum, he said it was a better figure as all the reasoning would be applied in the judgment system. Previously, appeals at the Federal Court were heard by a three-man panel.

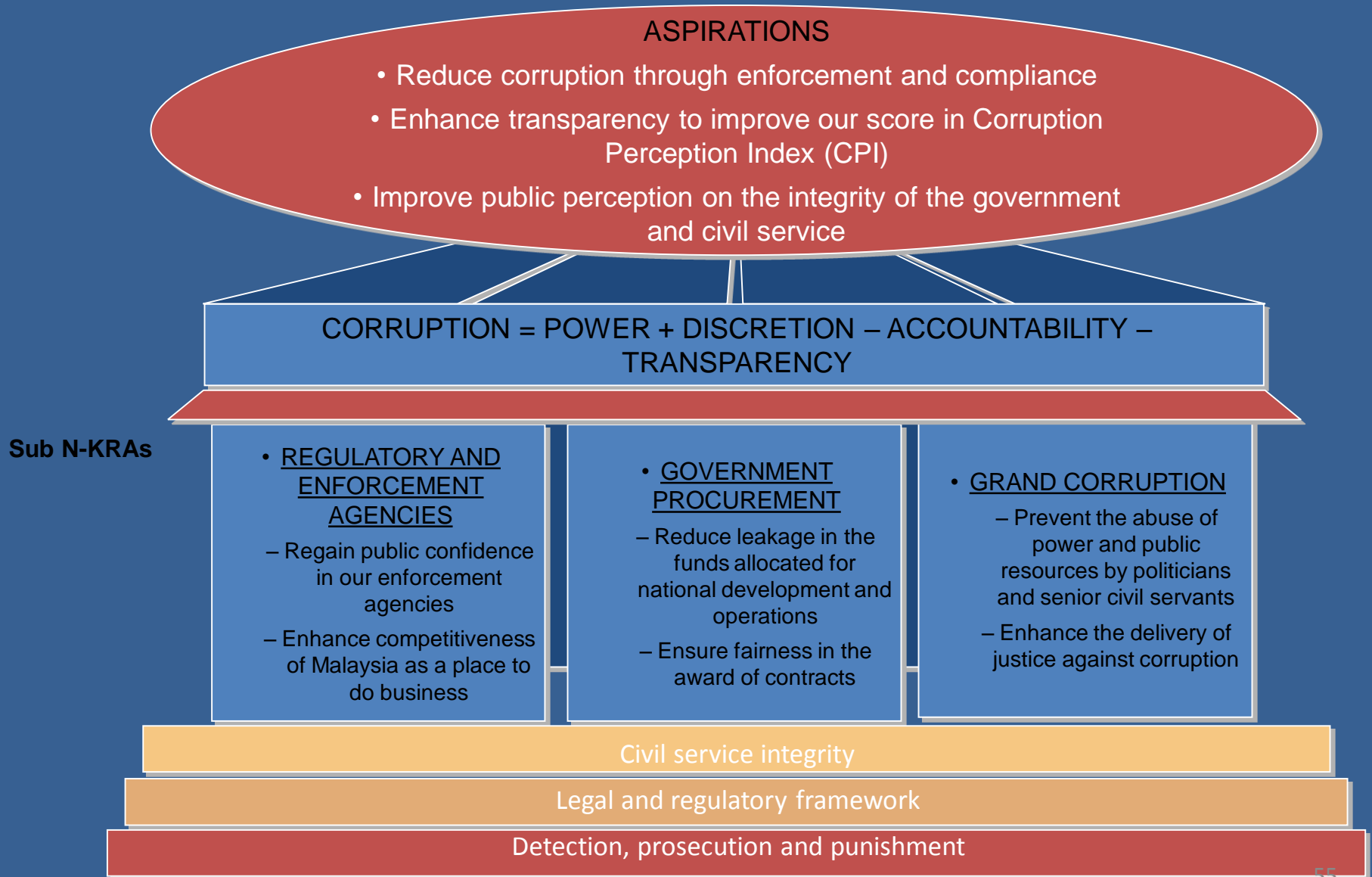


NKRA Against Corruption – Government's Commitment





To achieve our aspirations, we need to address three key corruption areas

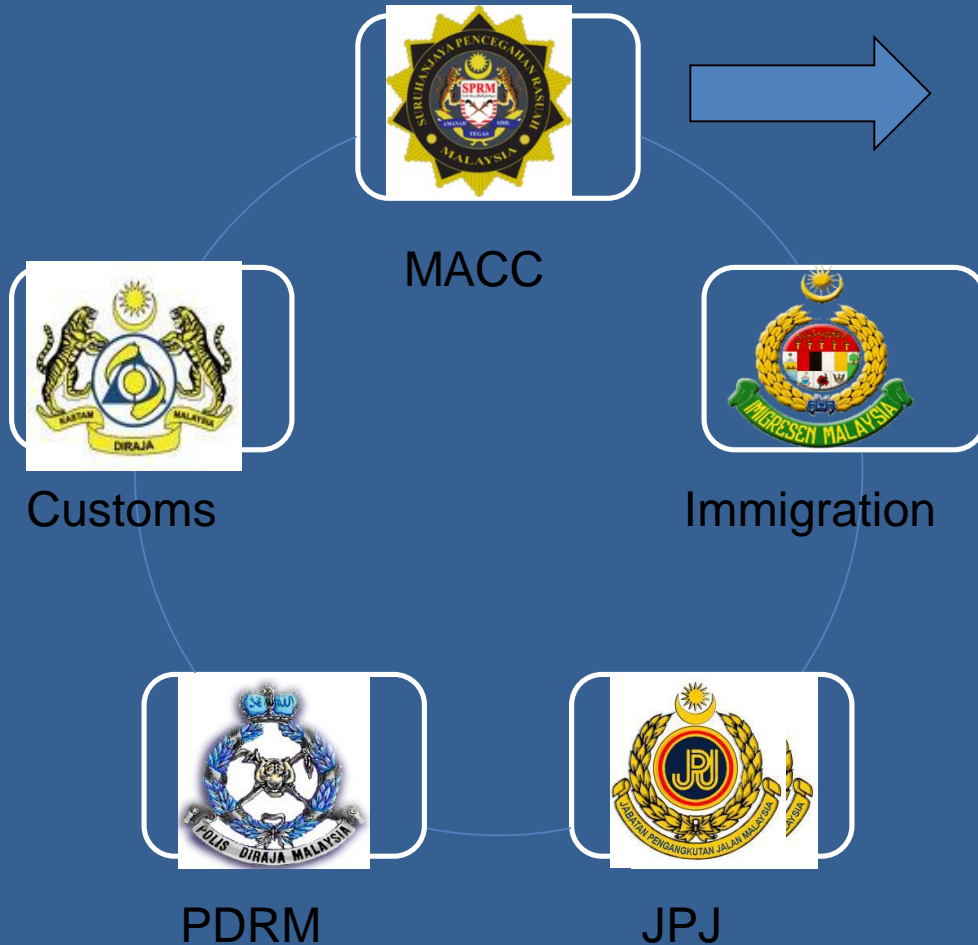


NKRA INITIATIVES

CORE INITIATIVES	ACHIEVEMENTS
Establishment of Compliance Units in Key Enforcement Agencies	Compliance units established in the key enforcement agencies, e.g. MACC, RMP, RTD, Customs and Immigration to verify compliance of laws and procedures, ensure Hot Job Rotation, reduce bureaucracy and conduct integrity testing on officers.
Parameter of Support Letters	Circular by MAMPU issued on 8 th March 2010 as guidance for civil servants to deal with attempts to influence their decisions.
Disclose details of all government procurement and privatization contracts	MyProcurement portal launched on 1 st April 2010 as a database for government procurement listing companies awarded tender and tender price.



Integrity Units have been established in the 5 key Enforcement Agencies



Centrally trained by MACC. Training was held by Prof. Michele Girodo, and was attended by 3 compliance officers from each agency.

The objective of the training was to root out corrupt practices by training officers to go undercover.

IMPACT:

- All the 5 enforcement agencies now have building blocks upon which to develop compliance units.
- Cooperation among the agencies has also been established and this can be utilized to help solve corruption cases.



The MyProcurement portal launched on 1st April 2010



Awarded tenders

Sebanyak 2652 rekod ditemui

Bil.	Tajuk Tender	Nombor Tender	Kategori Perolehan	Kementerian	Petender Berjaya	No. Pendaftaran dengan ROB/ROS/ROC	No. Pendaftaran dengan MOF/PKK	Harga Setuju Terima
1.	PERKHIDMATAN PEMUNGUTAN SAMPAH DAN PEMBERSIHAN TONG SAMPAH DI MARVAS STAF STEVEN KUCHING KEM PERISSIN KUCHING SARAWAK	KP/PERO-6/C/T 308/2009/OE	PERKHIDMATAN	KEMENTERIAN PERTAHANAN	SYARIKAT BD ENT	-	357-0204811	RM625,060.80
2.	PEROLEHAN MEMBEKAL, MENGHANTAR PERALATAN GROUND SUPPORT EQUIPMENT (GSE) DAN UNIT PRIMARY FOAM TENDER BAGI PENGOPERASIAN PESAWAT PEJUANG SU-30MKM DI PANGKALAN UDARA GONG KEDAK	KP/PERO-3/ET/268/2008	BEKALAN	KEMENTERIAN PERTAHANAN	SYARIKAT UNIV CORPORATION SDN BHD	001784-W	357-00032891	RM6,465,732.00
3.	TAMBAHAN DAN PELANJUTAN TEMPOR KONTRAK SETAHUN LAGI BAGI MEMBEKAL, MENGHANTAR DAN PENERIMAAN 10 UNIT HALON VERTICAL CYLINDER FOR HALON BANK KEPADA JABATAN BOMBA DAN PEMELAKHAT MALAYSIA (JBPM)	JBPM/T11K/2009	BEKALAN	KEMENTERIAN PERUMAHAN DAN KERAJAAN TEMPATAN	SYARIKAT NUSA SUARA SDN BHD	565884-T	357-02005811	RM498,000.00
4.	MEMBEKAL RANGSUNG KERING DAN PUKAL UNTUK TDM BAGI KAWASAN III SARAWAK (MRS. BINTULU DAN LINGKARAN KAWASAN III SARAWAK, TAWAU)	KP/PERO-4/JAT/165/2009	BEKALAN	KEMENTERIAN PERTAHANAN	SYKT. JENDELA PADU SDN. BHD	639014-T	357-02026797	RM779,802.10

Tender advertisements

Sebanyak 24 rekod ditemui

Bil.	Tajuk Tender	Nombor Tender	Kategori Perolehan	Kementerian	Tarikh Iklan	Tarikh Tamat Pelawaan
1.	PERKHIDMATAN 4 DENGAN KUARTERS DAN PUSAT BERSALIN ALTERNATIF JULU PERAK (IBS SEPENUHNYA) (E-TENDERING)	21073	KERJA	JABATAN KERJA RAYA	12/04/2010	26/04/2010
2.	MEMBEKAL, MENGHANTAR, MEMASANG, MENGUJI, MENTALIAH DAN MENYENGGARA PERALATAN KOMPUTER PELAYAN (SERVER) KEPADA JABATAN PERANGKAIAN MALAYSIA UNTUK PROJEK BANGI PENDUDUK DAN PERUMAHAN 2010.	JP/T(P) - 03/2010 (X0111220201100009)	BEKALAN	JABATAN PERANGKAIAN MALAYSIA	12/04/2010	04/05/2010
3.	TENDER BAGI MEMBEKAL, MENGHANTAR, MEMASANG, MEMIGRASI, MENGINTEGRASI, MENGUJI, MENTALIAH, MENDOKUMENTASI DAN MENYENGGARA PENGGANTIAN PERALATAN ICT PUSAT DATA KPM DI KEMENTERIAN PELAJARAN MALAYSIA	KPM/40/2010/06/0004	BEKALAN	KEMENTERIAN PELAJARAN	09/04/2010	04/05/2010
4.	TENDER BAGI MEMBEKAL DAN MENGHANTAR TONER UNTUK PELBAGAI JENIS PENCETAK, MESIN PENYALIN DAN MESIN FAKSIMILI KEPADA JABATAN PERANGKAIAN MALAYSIA	JP/T(P) - 04/2010 (X0111220201100008)	BEKALAN	JABATAN PERANGKAIAN MALAYSIA	09/04/2010	03/05/2010
5.	CADANGAN MENAIK TARAF TAPAK PELUPUSAN SISA PEPEJAL DI CHEROH, RAUB, PAHANG	KPKT/JSPN/BPT/T/1/2010	KERJA	JABATAN PENGURUSAN SISA PEPEJAL NEGARA	08/04/2010	06/05/2010
6.	TENDER BAGI MEMBEKAL, MENGHANTAR, MEMASANG, MENGUJI, MENTALIAH DAN MENDOKUMENTASI BAGI PENGGANTIAN PERALATAN RANGKAIAN SEDIA ADA DI 9 BUAH KOLEJ MATRIKULASI, JPN PAHANG DAN JPNP KUALA LUMPUR	KPM/40/2010/06/0001	BEKALAN	KEMENTERIAN PELAJARAN	03/04/2010	04/05/2010

IMPACT:

- Increases transparency in government procurement by listing down the details of the contracts including their value.



Government guidelines on “Support Letters” issued

Issued on 8 March 2010:

- 1 Support letters must be filed and reported
- 2 Verbal support must be recorded and filed
- 3 Support letters cannot be a factor in decision making
- 4 Reports should be made to the department head or the relevant agencies (e.g. MACC)

IMPACT:

- Civil servants now have formal guidance to free them from undue pressure from persons of influence – e.g. relating to processing approvals for procurement and other decisions.



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Semua Setiausaha Kerajaan Negeri
Semua Ketua Badan Berkanun Persekutuan
Semua Pihak Berkuasa Kerajaan Tempatan



NKRA INITIATIVES

CORE INITIATIVES	ACHIEVEMENTS
Whistleblower Protection framework	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Act came into force on 15th Dec 2010.- Five key enforcement agencies, e.g. MACC, RMP, RTD, Immigration and Customs now have Whistleblower Guidelines, SOP and reporting mechanisms
Completion of Corruption Case Trials within one year	14 Special Session Corruption Courts were established throughout Malaysia.
Name and Shame Database	Established on MACC website on 4 th March 2010.
Implementation of Integrity Pact	Ministry of Finance issued a circular on 8 th March 2010 consisting of guidelines on the implementation of integrity pacts.



The Name-and-Shame database created: corruption offenders listed

Carian Kes (No KP/No Pasport): Contoh: 730117-13-5211

Bil.	Maklumat Pesalah
1.	 <p> Nama : Mohd Nor Bin Abd Rahim No KP/No Pasport : 570915-07-5647 Tarikh Sabitan : 27/12/10 KES SEDANG DIRAYU Klik untuk maklumat lanjut </p>
2.	 <p> Nama : Md Masba No KP/No Pasport : Pasport : X 0674620 Tarikh Sabitan : 23/12/10 Klik untuk maklumat lanjut </p> <div data-bbox="832 725 1431 951"> <p>No. Kes : Kes No. 61-1-2007</p> <p>Pertuduhan :</p> <p>PERTUDUHAN PERTAMA: 'Bahawa kamu pada 13 Oktober 2003 di Pejabat Pusat Kokurikulum, Jabatan Pendidikan Negeri Pulau Pinang, Bukit Mertajam, didalam Daerah Seberang Prai Tengah, dalam Negeri Pulau Pinang, sebagai Pegawai Badan Awam iaitu, Pegawai Perkhidmatan Pendidikan dengan gelaran Pengurus di Pusat Kokurikulum Jabatan Pendidikan Negeri Pulau Pinang, telah menggunakan jawatan itu untuk mendapatkan suapan apabila mengambil tindakan melantik Ahmad Elyas bin Mohd Noor (No. KP 820915-07-5779) melalui borang Persediaan Untuk Membeli Barang Mendapatkan Perkhidmatan atau Bekalan bertarikh 13hb Oktober 2003 sebagai Pembekal untuk perkhidmatan memmbekal peralatan-peralatan untuk Mesin rumput Mitsubishi TL33 bernilai RM2,064.00 yang berhubungan dengan perkara yang kamu mempunyai kepentingan, iaitu Ahmad Elyas adalah anak kamu dan dengan itu kamu telah melakukan kesalahan di bawah seksyen 15 (1) Akta Pencegahan Rasuah 1997 (Undang-Undang Malaysia Akta 575) dan boleh dihukum di bawah seksyen 16 Akta yang sama.'</p> <p>PERTUDUHAN KEDUA: Bahawa kamu pada 15 Oktober 2003 di Pejabat Pusat Kokurikulum, Jabatan Pendidikan Negeri Pulau Pinang, Bukit Mertajam, didalam Daerah Seberang Prai Tengah, dalam Negeri Pulau Pinang, sebagai Pegawai</p> </div>

Allows for searches by I.C. number

Details of offenders and case listed.

Charge and other case details also listed.

IMPACT:

- To create greater public awareness as to the stigma of corruption.
- To further discourage the perpetration of corruption.
- To enable employers to check on potential employees/business partners.



Whistleblower Protection Act 2010



April 20, 2010 – Passed by Dewan Rakyat



May 6, 2010 – Passed by Dewan Negara



Draft SOPs formulated; Coordination among 5 key Enforcement Agencies



All 5 key agencies now have Whistleblower reporting mechanisms and serve as a model to other enforcement agencies.

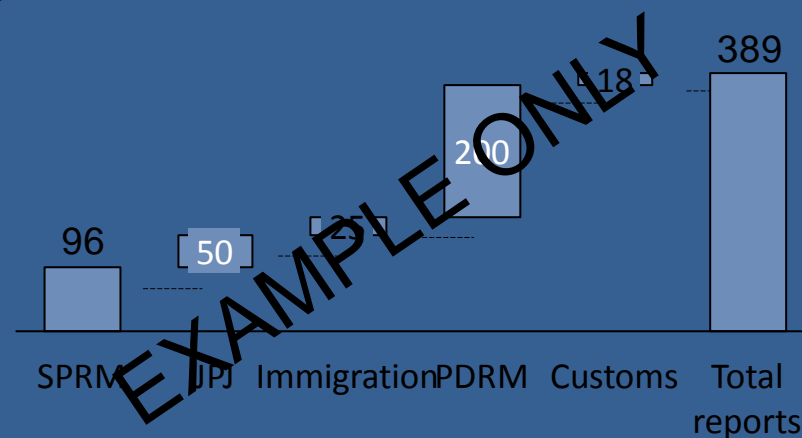


Dec 15, 2010 – Act came into force

IMPACT:

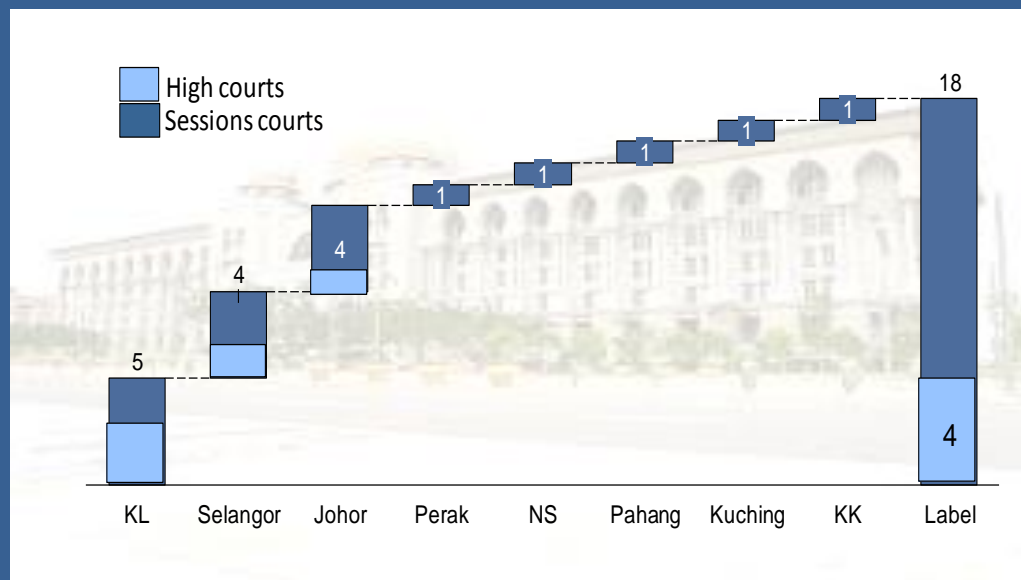
Whistleblowers will be encouraged to report and will receive:

- Protection of confidential information
- Immunity from civil/ criminal suits
- Protection against detrimental action



Corruption trials to be completed within 1 year

18 special corruption courts have been established; 14 Sessions Courts and 4 High Courts.



Amendments have also been made to the Criminal Procedure Code to speed up trials, with the amendments being passed in Dewan Negara on May 6, 2010.



LAWS OF MALAYSIA

REPRINT

Act 593

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE CODE

IMPACT:

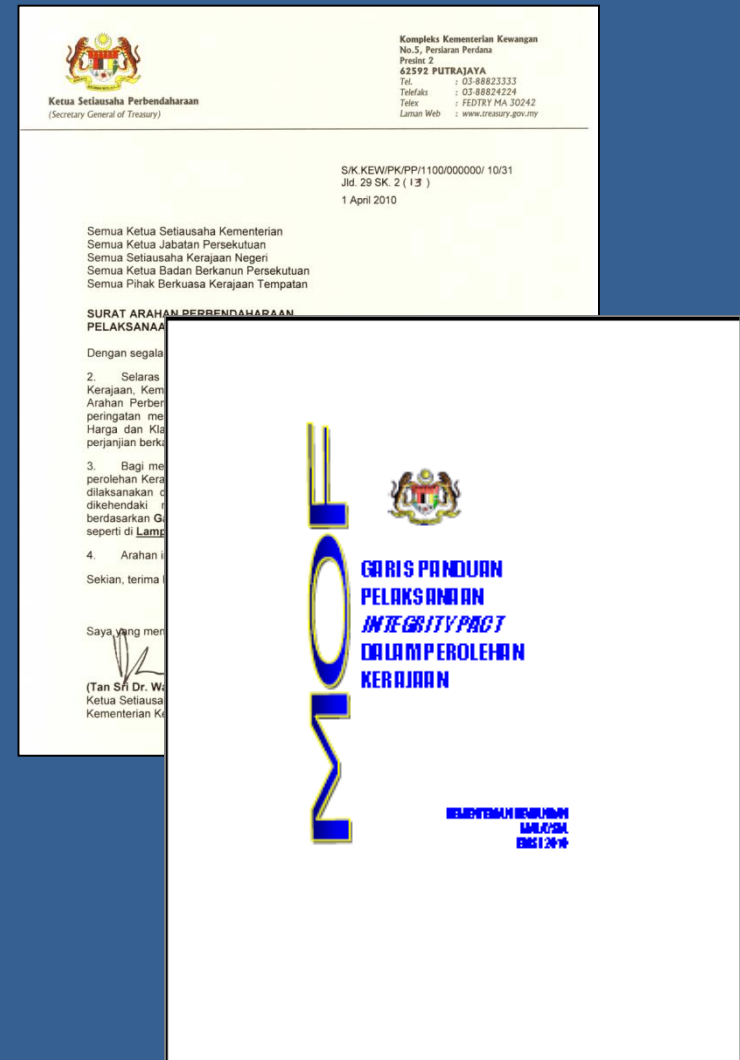
The trial process can be expedited with dedicated courts, and corruption trials will be able to be completed more efficiently.

Ministry of Finance issued *Integrity Pact* directive on 1st April 2010; guidelines on 16 December 2010

- 1 Official invitation to participate in tender/quotations
- 2 Declaration of abstention from bribery – by all parties, at all stages of contracting (including registering as a supplier/ firms)
- 3 Formulation of Code of Conduct
- 4 Contractual provision to abstain from bribery

IMPACT:

- First stage of Integrity Pact implementation is complete, by requiring all parties contracting with the Government to sign.
- Increases the accountability of contracting parties



For the Integrity Pact directive, MOF may wish to consider full-spectrum implementation for selected public interest projects



Elements of TI Integrity Pact

Elements of MOF Directive

Declarations

- A statement by the bidder that it will not pay any bribes
- Undertaking on the part of the principal not to take bribes
- Undertaking by bidder to disclose all payments

- A declaration by the bidder that it will not offer or pay any bribes
- No provision on principal or payment disclosure

Contractual sanctions

- Pre- announced set of contractual sanctions, e.g. loss of contract, forfeiture of performance bond, blacklisting

- Sanctions are provided in accordance with Government procurement rules

Independent Monitoring

- An independent monitoring system

- No monitoring mechanism identified

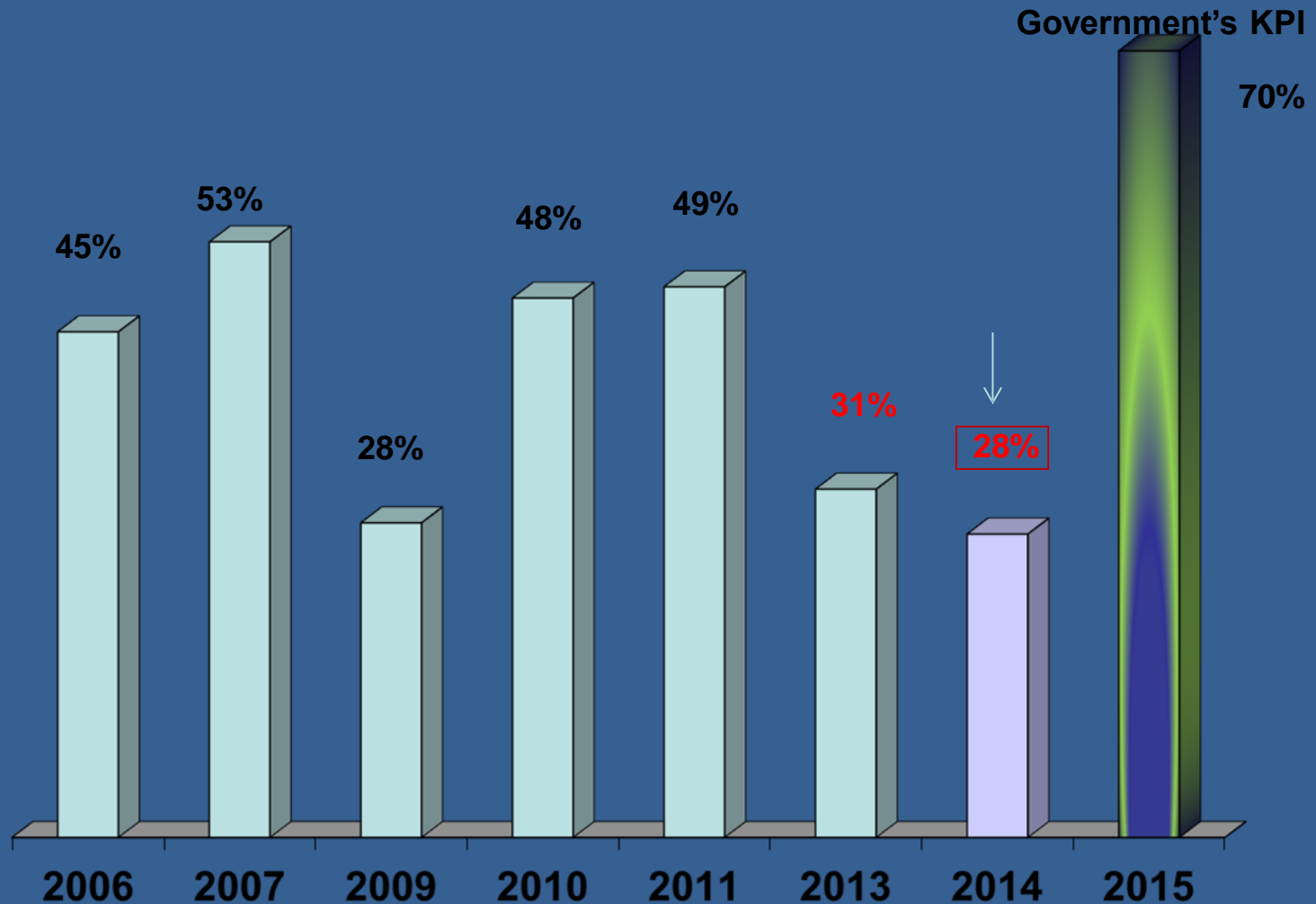
Arbitration

- Use of arbitration to resolve conflict and impose sanctions

- No use of arbitration

MOF may wish to consider full implementation of IP framework for selected public interest projects

MALAYSIA GOVERNMENT'S EFFECTIVENESS IN FIGHTING CORRUPTION: 2006-2014



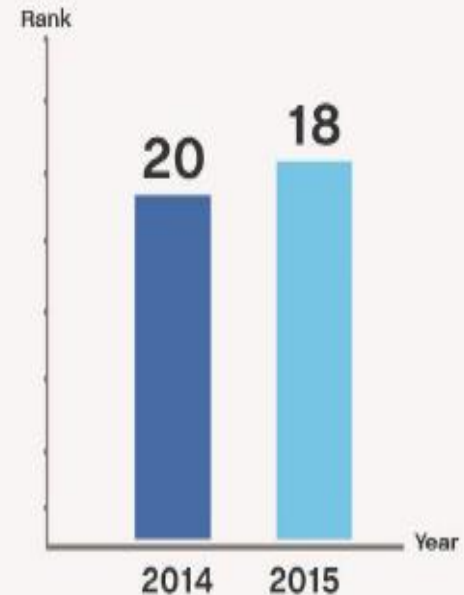
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OVERALL PERFORMANCE

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MALAYSIA'S TREND



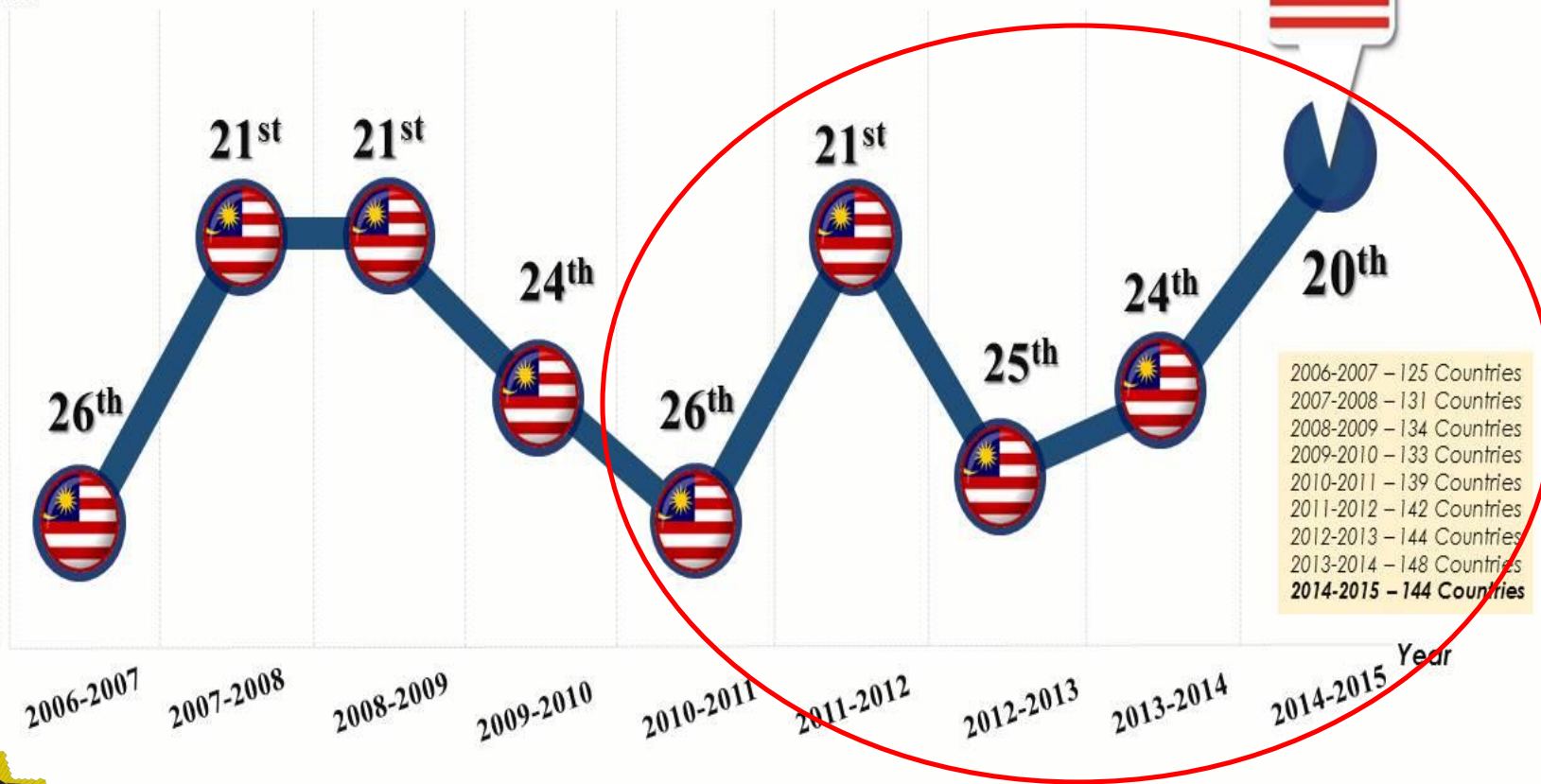
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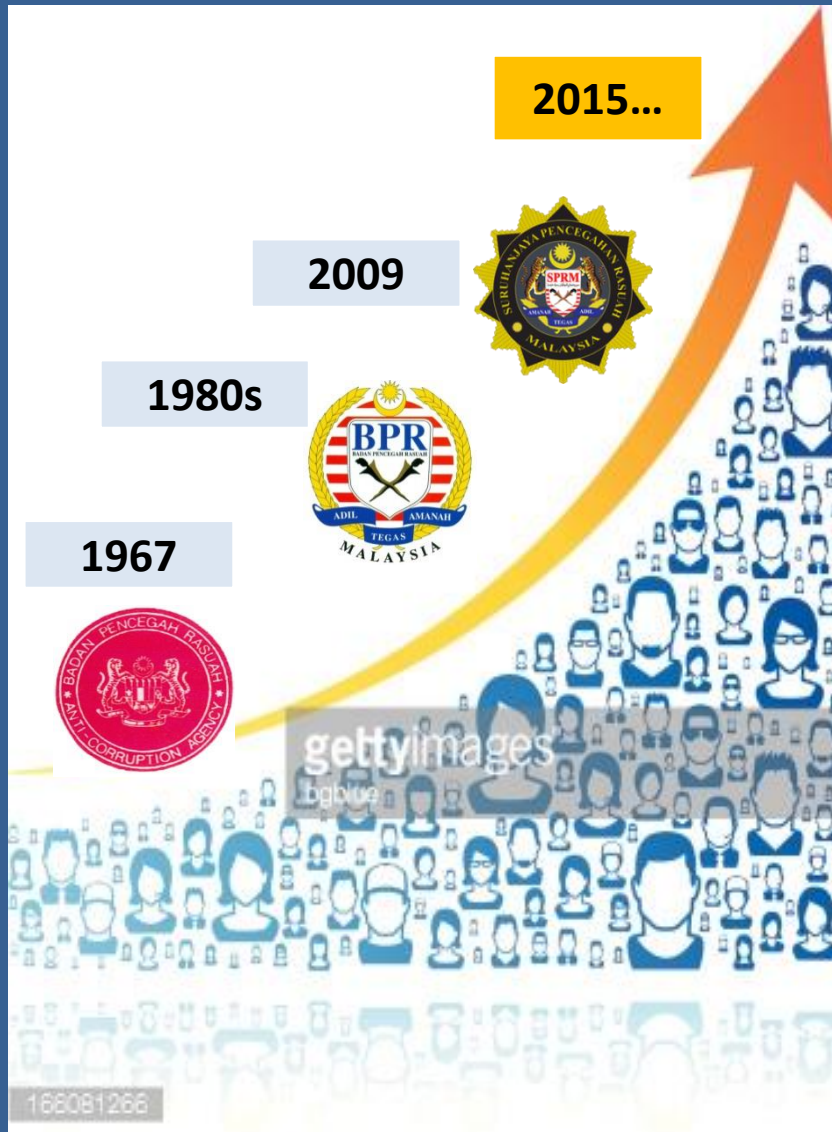
Malaysia is placed among the **top 20** of the world's most competitive countries



Malaysia continues its upward trend making it among the top 20 most competitive economies for the first time since current GCI Methodology was introduced in 2006



CONCLUSION – WAY FORWARD



- Improvements and positive changes taking place since 2009
- Holistic efforts to win the war against will continue
- We are confident we can win the war, including gaining the support of the society
- Comprehensive law reforms will take place, enhance engagements with stakeholders

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