

TRANSPARENCY INTERNATIONAL MALAYSIA (TI-M)

Donation Policy

1. Policy Statement

As a non-profit entity, TI-Malaysia accepts donations from individuals, government, private sector or any foundations/organisations who wish to support TI-Malaysia's mission and programs. Donations are the primary source of funding that enables TI-Malaysia to achieve its mission, namely to fight corruption. TI-Malaysia needs to secure the funding necessary to undertake its vital work. Secure and diverse funding enables TI-Malaysia to maintain its independence, protect its reputation and operate effectively.

2. Objective

This policy aims to establish a clear guideline for donations directed to TI-Malaysia. TI-Malaysia must not risk jeopardising its reputation for honesty, openness and integrity. Its reputation could be compromised if TI-Malaysia receives funding from sources that were perceived to be pursuing activities inconsistent with TI-Malaysia's mission.

3. Guidelines

- 3.1. Funding that enables TI-Malaysia to carry out its work should be sought from multiple sources, both locally and internationally. Care should be taken to ensure that project-related funding does not result in undue influence over TI-Malaysia's programme work.
- 3.2. It is TI-Malaysia's policy to accept funding from any donor and whether monetary or in-kind, provided that acceptance does not:
 - Impair TI-Malaysia's independence to pursue its mission; and
 - Poses a risk to TI-Malaysia's integrity and reputation.
- 3.3. If there is a significant risk that receiving funds from a particular source would impair TI-Malaysia's independence or if there is a significant risk to TI-Malaysia's reputation from public association with the donor, then funding from that source must be declined by TI-Malaysia.
- 3.4. It is TI-Malaysia policy to not receive any funding from any political parties or any politically exposed person.
- 3.5. TI-Malaysia can receive funds from the government for project funding purposes, for example to facilitate advocacy work to fight corruption.



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- 3.6. TI-Malaysia can receive funding from corporations and donors from the private sector. This does not imply any endorsement of a donating company's policies or record. TI-Malaysia should exercise discretion and caution on whether to accept funding from corporations currently or previously implicated in any corruption or bribery scandals unless the entity is able to demonstrate that necessary mitigation or rectification of the violation has been addressed in an appropriate manner, or that its policies have been amended to proscribe a similar violation in future.
- 3.7. It is the responsibility of the employee and EXCO members to ensure that TI- Malaysia's independence and reputation is not jeopardised. If there is any concern about TI- Malaysia's independence or reputation from donations already received, or about to be accepted, the person(s) should bring this to the attention of the Secretary-General.