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2019-2021 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

No.	Name	Position	EXCO Meeting Attendance
1	Dr Muhammad Mohan	President	13/14
2	Lawrence Chew Seng Chen	Deputy President	12/14
3	Raymon Ram	Secretary-General	13/14
4	Kanakaraja Muthusamy	Treasurer	14/14
5	Dorai Sinna	Member	11/14
6	Noor 'Akilah Saidin	Member	10/14
7	Nurirdzuana Ismail	Member	10/14
8	Shuhairoz Shukeri	Member	6/14
9	Ir Sulaiman Haji Abdul Rahman	Member	Resigned as at 9 June 2019
10	Sivasangaran Nair	Member	Resigned as at 18 September 2019

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is my honour to share with you this Annual Report for 2020 and highlight some of the important accomplishments for 2020, the challenges faced and what are our priorities moving forward.

Since the early 2020, Malaysia, just like many other countries around the world was hit with the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic which had an impact on our economy; loss of jobs and new challenges to fight corruption emerged. While the Perikatan Nasional government came up with several stimulus packages to help the rakyat, this opened up new opportunities for corruption when the funds were disbursed. When parliament was suspended in January this year, the government failed to protect parliamentary democracy in this country. More than RM 300 Billion has been dished out as stimulus packages without parliamentary scrutiny or any other form of transparency and accountability to the rakyat.

“TI-Malaysia will also continue to engage with the current government on issues of national interest.”



Dr. Muhammad Mohan, President of TI-M

Among the notable contributions of our society in 2020 was to thwart the attempt by some quarters to convince the PN government to postpone the Corporate Liability (CLP) implementation date in June 2020, and to consider repealing the new provision in the MACC Act. TI-Malaysia together with MICG, FMM and SME Corp had a meeting during the MCO period with GIACC and MACC to maintain the original implementation date and not give in to any pressure from those with vested interests.

The year 2020 also saw Malaysia's ranking and score in the Corruption Perception Index (CPI) go down after making a remarkable recovery in 2019. Similarly, the Global Corruption Barometer 2020 survey found that 71% of Malaysians believe that corruption in the government is a serious problem. The same survey also singled out members of parliament and the police force as the two most corrupted institutions in the country. TI-Malaysia together with other civil society groups will continue to engage with both the government and the police force to enact the Independent Police Complaints of Misconduct Commission (IPCMC) act.

TI-Malaysia will also continue to engage with the current government on issues of national interest such as amendments to the Whistleblower Protection Act 2010 and propose improvements to the Integrity Pact in public procurement with independent monitoring, especially for mega projects. Currently, we have joint collaboration with GIACC and MACC on advocacy work on Section 17A (CLP) and the implementation of 'Adequate Procedures' specially targeted for SMEs.

In 2020, the financial situation for our society was challenging with no core funding and limited opportunities to raise funds through project initiatives due to the movement control order caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. We undertook several cost reduction measures and we are grateful to our staff, and our secretariat in Berlin for their support to sustain TI's operations. However, we managed to secure funding from the USAID under the Malaysian Reform Initiative (MARI) for several projects since 2019. During the RMCO we conducted a physical programme under this initiative on the CLP and MARI have since approached us to carry on another series of projects involving the youth in combating corruption for this year.

Hence, the Exco is pleased to inform you that we interviewed and appointed TI-Malaysia's first Youth Committee with 7 of our youth members, who are tasked with youth engagement as well as programmes targeted at the youth of Malaysia.

In summary TI-Malaysia will focus on the following areas in the coming years:

- Support SMEs on implementing Adequate Procedures against corporate liability provision (CLP).
- Develop a CLP checklist for the private sector as a diagnostic tool.
- Engage with the government on the amendments of WPA (2010).
- Continue advocacy work with both the government and opposition to table the Political Financing Bill in parliament.
- Separation of power between the Attorney General and the Public Prosecutor.
- Elevate the MACC to be a commission under the Federal Constitution instead of the current by a Parliamentary Act.
- Engage with the government to implement the Integrity Pact in public procurement based on Transparency International's Model.
- Conduct studies on 'Deferred Prosecution Agreement' (DPA) implementation in other countries.
- Establish a 10-year Strategic Plan for the society.

Last but not least on behalf of the Exco, I want to thank all members for your continuous support for the society's work during the trying past two years.

Transparency Now!

Best Wishes,



Dr Muhammad Mohan
President
Transparency International Malaysia

INTRODUCTION

It is unfortunate to note that Malaysia dropped two (2) points in score and fell six (6) spots in ranking, on the Corruption Perception Index (CPI) 2020. However, with the attendance of policy makers, senior government officials and heads of law enforcement agencies during the virtual launch in January 2021, we saw great concern on our standing and interest towards improving our CPI score and country's ranking.

Our efforts for the year 2020 had included a well-accepted courtesy meeting with the Chief Commissioner of the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) to discuss the implications and hopes behind the newly enforced Section 17A, MACC Act 2009 (Corporate Liability Provision). This included the discussion on having a Deferred Prosecution Agreement (DPA), which allows companies to avoid harsh penalties under the Act by adopting remedial measures that safe guards the interests of the public, the commercial organization and its shareholders. It was agreed that TI-Malaysia will conduct research on the implementation and challenges of DPA in other jurisdictions.



Mr Raymon Ram, Secretary General of TI-M

“Throughout the year we received great support from our funders, members and other stakeholders. The President, Executive Committee, Members and Staff at the office had also demonstrated great agility and passion towards realizing the objectives set forth. “

The MACC had also invited TI-Malaysia to participate in the development of The Best Practices Guide for Adequate Procedures, under Section 17A. Here, we were made

part of a strategic team to develop a local guide for law enforcement based on the Ministerial Guidelines on Adequate Procedures, based on Subsection (5), Section 17A and Guidance under Section 9 of the UK Bribery Act, which is similar to our Malaysian Law.

Apart from providing our assistance and expert opinion, TI-Malaysia had also organized a Corporate Liability Forum on the 15th of September 2020, that prompted discussions on the challenges and remedial actions being practiced by the private sector towards adherence to the law and overall prevention and detection of bribery related offences.

TI-Malaysia was also called to action when the Government of Malaysia had summoned our views on improvement to the Integrity Pact (IP). Talks of improvement are now at the highest level within the administration and we are hopeful that measures proposed shall be enacted at the soonest.

Our President had also been active in addressing the masses during the pandemic. His participation at the the year. other stakeholders. The President, Executive Committee, Members

International Anti-Corruption Conference (IACC), 2nd Malaysia Anti-Corruption Forum and frequent presence in the mass media had echoed our need for greater transparency and business integrity. He had also been called to action when TI released the Global Corruption Barometer Asia 2020. We had briefed the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) on the survey results, as they were concerned with the findings where 71% of Malaysians feel that corruption in the government is a serious problem thus shows the lack of confidence among citizens on the integrity of the country's public administration and its personnel.

TI-Malaysia is also proud to announce that we have established a youth committee towards shaping the leaders of tomorrow as we continue to advocate for change. The committee has been selected from existing members whom have shown their commitment and drive towards spreading our message. This will ultimately increase our presence online and get youths involved in management of training events and awareness sessions. These members are groomed to join the exco in the future.

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towards realizing the objectives set forth. We are grateful that even though we faced massive financial concerns early on, the team managed to pull through by making sacrifices and adapting to the New Norm.

Moving forward, we will see a number of new projects coming our way. This includes the formation of Guidance/Checklist on Adequate Procedures for the Private Sector, research publication on the distribution of state and federal aid during the COVID-19 Pandemic, awareness and in-depth training for both the public and private sector and greater online presence with new digital content.

Thank You.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Raymon Ram', with a horizontal line underneath the name.

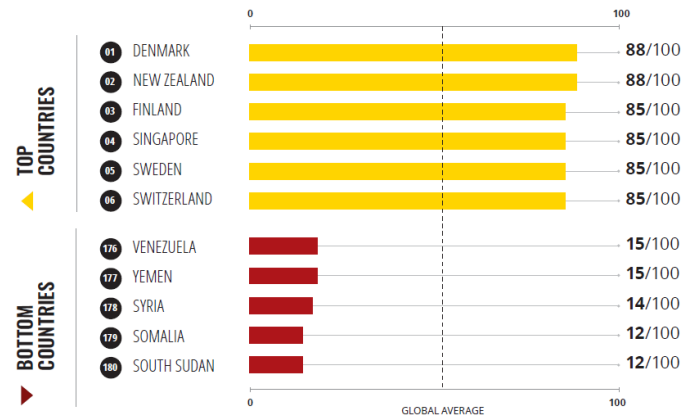
Raymon Ram
Secretary General
Transparency International Malaysia

CORRUPTION PERCEPTIONS INDEX (CPI) 2020

Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI) 2020 paints a grim picture of the state of corruption worldwide. While most countries have made little to no progress in tackling corruption in nearly a decade, more than two-thirds of countries score below 50. The analysis shows corruption not only undermines the global health response to COVID-19, but contributes to a continuing crisis of democracy.

Corruption is one of the key barriers to achieving the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and the COVID-19 pandemic is making those goals even more difficult to attain. The long-term effects of corruption on health care systems remind us that corruption often intensifies the effects of a crisis.

The index, which ranks 180 countries and territories by their perceived levels of public sector corruption according to experts and businesspeople, uses a scale of zero to 100, where zero is highly corrupt and 100 is very clean.



The top countries on the CPI are Denmark and New Zealand, with scores of 88, followed by Finland, Singapore, Sweden and Switzerland, with scores of 85 each. The bottom countries are South Sudan and Somalia, with scores of 12 each, followed by Syria (14), Yemen (15) and Venezuela (15).

With an average score of 45, the Asia Pacific region struggles to combat corruption and tackle the profound health and economic impact of COVID-19.

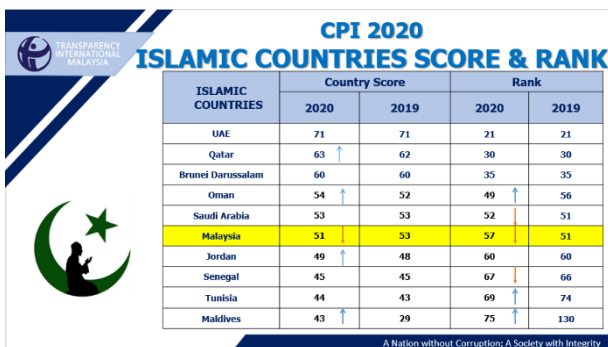
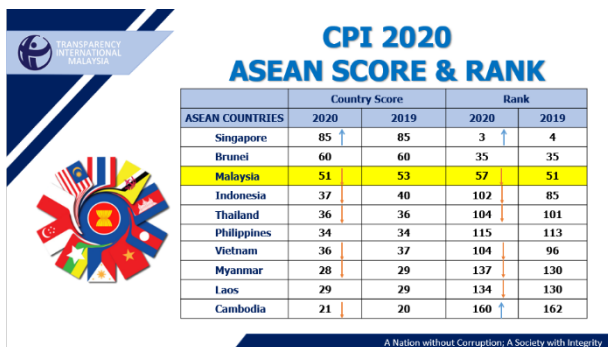
Malaysia dropped six spots to 57th position in 2020 compared to 51st position in 2019. Our score also deteriorated by two points to 51 in 2020 from 53 in 2019. Although a drop in the score appears statistically insignificant, the government must be cognizant that our rank falling 6 steps means that compared to other countries we are not improving as well as other countries are improving in their efforts to fight corruption.

Within ASEAN countries, Singapore is in top position (3rd) followed by Brunei (35th), Malaysia (57th), Indonesia (102nd), Thailand (104th) and last place Cambodia (160th).

Malaysia ranked 6th among the Islamic countries after UAE, Qatar, Brunei, Oman and Saudi Arabia.

Among the possible reasons for this deterioration are:

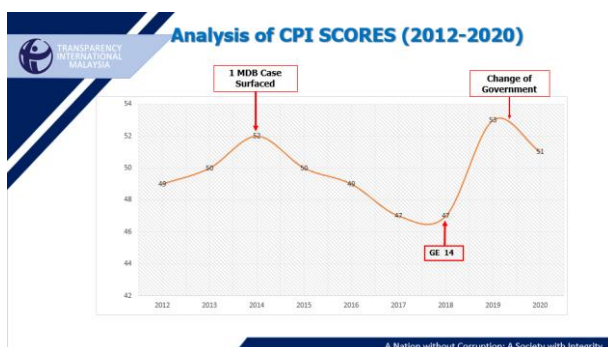
- 1) Institutional reforms have stalled. Among them are the Political Funding Bill which was to be tabled in Parliament by the last two governments but that did not happen. Also, the IPCMC Bill was revised to a watered-down version and a largely ineffective IPCC Bill. Further the separation of powers between the Attorney General and Public Prosecutor is yet to be initiated by the Government.
- 2) Discharge Not Amounting to Acquittal for some of those charged in high profile cases has given a negative perception on how the legal process is used.
- 3) Limited access to information on matters of public interest. For example, the compensation for cancelling the High-Speed Rail project and the compensation paid as settlement by Goldman Sachs in the 1 MDB case is not disclosed to the public.



- 4) Continued cases of abuse of power and corruption by public official despite crack down by MACC. For example, the recent months the arrest of immigration officers for issuing fake visas which remains a perennial problem.
- 5) Limited progress or public update on high profile cases e.g. Wang Kelian human trafficking case, Sabah Water Scandal and Littoral Combat Ship.
- 6) Non-Halal meat scandal reported to have operated with impunity for 40 years.
- 7) Government has yet to table Public Procurement Bill.
- 8) Continued adverse reports on wrong doings and poor governance by government officials in the Auditor General's report which seems to go unpunished.

TI-Malaysia's recommendations to improve CPI are as follows:

- 1) For improved transparency government should narrow the scope of the Official Secrets Act so that matters of public interest e.g., directly negotiated contracts can be released and only matters related to national security are protected
- 2) Provide regular public updates on the status of pending high profile cases.
- 3) Monitor implementation of the National Anti-Corruption Plan and disclose progress on the 115 initiatives via a public dashboard
- 4) Empower KSN to be responsible for the public service's role in the successful implementation and achievement of the NACP's goals
- 5) Adopt International Standards on Integrity Pact in Government Procurement for transparency and good governance
- 6) Improve the power and independence of the Enforcement Agency Integrity Commission (EAIC)



- 7) Mandate that the Auditor General's Report must be debated in Parliament and make the National Audit Department accountable only to Parliament
- 8) Amend the MACC Act to allow parliament to appoint the Chief Commissioner and decide his/her tenure of office
- 9) Amend the Whistleblower Protection Act 2010 to provide wider reporting channels for the public and strengthen protection for whistle blowers
- 10) Enactment of an Asset Declaration law to compel all politicians and high-ranking public officials to declare their assets and make it accessible to the public
- 11) Reduce large off budget projects that use public funds. Ensure they have publicly disclosed Cost Benefit reports and require parliamentary approval before starting.
- 12) Amend Election Offences Act 1954 to include sanctions against corruption
- 13) Compel public officials found guilty of corruption to vacate their official positions, even while they exhaust their appeal process
- 14) Enact a new law on Ombudsman to investigate complaints of public interest

GLOBAL CORRUPTION BAROMETER (ASIA) 2020

Booming economies, fast modernization and a continued growth of the middle class are some of the key trends that will shape Asia. While the disruptive effect of the COVID-19 pandemic and its economic consequences cannot be over-stated, many countries in the region are managing to recover quickly, while others still suffer the dual health and economic crises. Despite vast socio-economic and political differences, corruption remains one of the key challenges across the region.

The Global Corruption Barometer (GCB) – Asia, published by Transparency International, presents the largest, most detailed set of public opinion data on citizens' views on corruption and direct experiences of bribery in Asia, nearly 20,000 citizens surveyed.

The assessment was done on public perception for Malaysia from the period July 2019 to June 2020 and the survey was carried out from the 16 June to 28 July 2020. The period of assessment of public perception however involved two different governments ruling the country.

The results showed that 71% of the Malaysians feel that corruption in government is a big problem. Out of the 1000 people interviewed, 36% think that Members of Parliament are corrupt, followed by police (30%), government officials (28%), business executives (27%) and President/Prime Minister (25%). In another question, 39% believe corruption level has increased over the past 12 months.

When it comes to people's direct experience with corruption, through bribery, sexual extortion or vote-buying, the results are worrying, and call for immediate and coordinated action. 13% of the respondents who were interviewed said that they paid bribes for public services in the last 12 months while 15% Malaysian claimed that they had to use personnel connections to get public services, such as health care or education in the last 12 months. Meanwhile, 7% of them were offered bribes in exchange for votes.

For the first time, the Global Corruption Barometer – Asia highlights data on sextortion. Sextortion is the abuse of power to obtain a sexual benefit or advantage and often occurs in exchange for public services, like health care or education. The results found out that 12% of the Malaysians experience sextortion or know someone who has.

The survey also asked people how they rate their government's efforts at tackling corruption. Surprisingly, while most citizens consider corruption a big problem in their countries, they still voice positive support for the actions taken so far by their governments. From the finding, 67% Malaysian believe the government is doing a good job of fighting corruption and 74% perceive that Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) efforts worthy a praise.

This was a result of aggressive moves by the anti-graft agency and policies implemented by the National Centre for Governance, Integrity and Anti-Corruption (GIACC), including the National Anti-Corruption Plan.

The GCB raises hope for positive change. 68% of the people belief that ordinary people can make difference in the fight against corruption. The public is still hopeful and

have not lost trust towards the legal enforcement and public service, and believe that corruption can be eliminated.

Daily experience with corruption and bribery remains alarmingly high. Government needs to make an immediate and concerted effort to ensure the lives of ordinary people are free of corruption. For sustained anti-corruption efforts, the government, civil societies and the citizens should work together to combat corruption.

Among the key recommendations suggested by TI-Malaysia to the Government:

- 1) Full disclosure on the status of the high-profile graft cases; such as Sabah Watergate Scandal & Littoral Combat Ship.
- 2) Ensure successful implementation of the National Anti-Corruption Plan (NACP) & make disclosures on the progress of the 115 initiatives.
- 3) Chief Secretary to the Government (KSN) should be given the responsibility for the successful implementation of the NACP and achieve tangible results.

- 4) Declassify the Institutional Reforms Committee Report and present to parliament.
- 5) Government should continue with the institutional reform agenda started.
- 6) Need to have a Political Financing Law to curb money politics and vote buying during elections. TI-Malaysia has made 22 recommendations previously to the BN government.
- 7) Narrow the scope of the Official Secrets Act so that matters of public interest can be released.
- 8) Provide greater transparency when public projects are awarded (Mega Projects) by implementing the true model of Integrity Pact with Independent Expert Monitoring. Proven in other countries where substantial cost savings were achieved using Integrity Pact.
- 9) Good governance is the key for Malaysia to move forward. Fitch Rating downgrade also mentions about deterioration of governance.
- 10) We need to improve our CPI scores and global ranking.

Full report available:

<http://transparency.org.my/pages/what-we-do/indexes/global-corruption-barometer>

COURTESY MEETING TO CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF MACC

TI-Malaysia paid a courtesy call to Chief Commissioner of Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC), YBhg Datuk Seri Azam Baki on 16 July 2020 at MACC Headquarters, Putrajaya.

The objective was to further discuss on the implementation of Section 17A MACC (Amendment) Act and how civil society organisation can assist to raise the awareness among the corporate entities. Section 17A creates a new strict liability offence for a commercial organisation and the only line of defence is to ensure that adequate procedures are in place to foster a business environment free of corruption.

Also in the discussion was the exploration of deferred prosecution agreement (hereinafter referred to as “DPA”) to compliment the corporate liability in Malaysia. Unlike other countries that have introduced similar law, Malaysia does not offer DPA, which allow companies to avoid prosecution for financial crimes by paying fines and adopting remedial measures. A DPA could serve the public interest, and the interest of the commercial organization and its shareholders.

With the enforcement of Section 17A, commercial organisations should seriously

look into their internal processes, procedures and conduct trainings to avail themselves of the defence. As they say, it all starts with leadership and commitment at the top to resolutely shun all forms of corrupt practices, and a necessary change of mind-set for some organisations.

The meeting agreed that MACC and TI-Malaysia will cooperate in the areas of advocacy of CL & DPA.



Group photo of the TI-M delegation and MACC

CORPORATE INTEGRITY SYSTEM MALAYSIA (CISM)



The Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) handed over the Corporate Integrity System Malaysia (CISM) chairperson and secretariat function to the Malaysian Institute of Integrity (IIM) on 10 August 2020 during the CISM Roundtable Meeting Siri 37, No. 1, Year 2020 at Impiana Hotel, KLCC.

The surrendering of CISM chairperson and secretariat functions to IIM was to avoid conflict of interests' issues arising from the Section 17A of MACC Act 2009 investigations. MACC would continue its function as custodian and caretaker of the CISM system that served as the reference centre in the implementation of CISM initiatives by CIPv2.0 signatories.

CISM is a conceptual framework set up by the IIM and supported by various institutions in Malaysia. The main objective of the CISM initiative is to create a business environment that is transparent, fair and corruption-free through the enhancement of corporate governance and business ethics. As a CISM Implementation Partner, TI-Malaysia plays an important role in working with companies, state enterprises and other organisations to help them implement anti-corruption programmes.

Also present were other CISM Roundtable members that included Bursa Malaysia Berhad, Securities Commission Malaysia, Companies Commission of Malaysia and National Centre for Governance, Integrity and Anti-Corruption (GIACC).

GUIDELINES ON ADEQUATE PROCEDURES, SECTION 17A OF MACC ACT



The Secretary-General of Transparency International Malaysia, Raymon Ram attended the Development Meeting of the Guidelines on Adequate Procedures Best Practices under the Section 17A Malaysian Anti-Corruption (MACC) Act 2009 provision, on 26 August 2020 at Genting Highlands.

MACC has established a strategic cooperation with the private sector and regulatory bodies to assist in developing and refining five main principle of the Guidelines on Adequate Procedures, in accordance with Subsection (5) Section

17A MACC Act 2009. The five principles are as follows:

- i) Top Level Commitment
- ii) Risk Assessment
- iii) Undertake Control Measures
- iv) Systematic Review, Monitoring and Enforcement
- v) Training and Communication

This cooperation is important to ensure that an organization is ready to face the provisions of the new laws relating to corporate liability under Section 17A which came into force on 1st June 2020.

CORPORATE LIABILITY: ARE YOU AT RISK? FORUM



TI-Malaysia and Malaysia Reform Initiative (MARI) supported by United States Agency International Development (USAID) and Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) organized a forum titled “Corporate Liability: Are You At Risk” on 15 September 2020 at Grand Hyatt Kuala Lumpur. This forum aims to create awareness for Corporate Malaysia on the implications of, and compliance to the Corporate Liability Provision under Section 17A of the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) Act 2009 (Amendment 2018). Private sectors and the civil society’s involvement are critical in fighting corruption, and the private sectors need to ensure that the business sector environment is corruption free.

Section 17A which came into force on 1st June 2020, stipulated a corporate liability principle where a commercial organisation can be considered guilty if any of its employees and/or associates commit bribery with the intention to obtain or retain advantage in the conduct of business. The enactment of Section 17A is in line with the objectives of the National Anti-Corruption Plan 2019-2023 (NACP) launched by the Prime Minister’s Department in 2018.

YBhg Datuk Seri Azam Baki highlighted in his Keynote Address that Section 17A shall not be seen as a punitive measure, rather as a tool to eradicate the notion that ‘being corrupt in business is normal’. This new provision encourages commercial

organisations to take appropriate parallel steps to ensure businesses are conducted with integrity thus promoting good governance practices in the organisation.

If a commercial organisation is found guilty under Section 17A, the penalty under Section 17A (2) is a fine of not less than 10 times the value of the bribe or RM 1 million, whichever is higher, or imprisonment for up to 20 years, or both. However, the commercial organisations can defend themselves if they can show that the organisation has implemented 'Adequate Procedures' in their organisation.

The experts with different background were invited to share their organisations' best practices on corporate governance and experiences in implementing Adequate Procedures; they were Dato' Norazlan Mohd Razali (Investigation Director of MACC), Mr Devanesan Evanson (CEO of Minority Shareholders Watch Group), Ms Chuah Yean Ping (Head of Group Compliance and Integrity, Sime Darby Berhad) and Ms Eulis Rachmatiah (Head of Ethics and Privacy, Celcom Axiata Berhad).

For more info on the provisions of new law, please visit the official MACC portal at <https://www.sprm.gov.my/> , while the detail guidelines on adequate procedures are accessible at this link <http://qiacc.jpm.gov.my/qaris-panduan-tatacara>



INTEGRITY PACT IN MALAYSIA

President of TI-Malaysia, Dr Mohan attended a meeting with Ministry of Finance and Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission to present the concept of Integrity Pact (IP) and bring forward the proposal to the Government of Malaysian in implementing IP for the federal government project as a pilot project. IP is a tool developed by TI to bring a number of stakeholders (civil society, procuring or contracting authorities and bidders) who agree to adhere to transparency, fair competition, accountability and good governance in the public procurement process. Many countries, like Latvia, Mexico, Indonesia, Panama, South Korea, Bulgaria, Germany and Pakistan have successfully adopted IPs in various industries. IP helps to save tax payer money, ensure that infrastructure projects and other public works are delivered efficiently. The committee agreed to present TI's proposal to the Jawatankuasa Khas Kabinet Mengenai Anti Rasuah (JAKKMAR).



Group photo of Dr Mohan with Ministry of Finance and Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission

2ND MALAYSIA ANTI-CORRUPTION FORUM

International Strategic Institute (ISI) organized the 2nd Malaysia Anti-Corruption Forum (MACF) 2020 on 3 September 2020 at The Everly Hotel Putrajaya and Dr Mohan was invited as one of the speakers for “Tackling Corruption In Society – Civil Society Perspectives” session.

Dr Mohan talked about the role of civil society, particularly TI-Malaysia in helping government eradicate corruption and ways to prevent bribery practices within society. Corruption is a phenomenon which is difficult to tackle, and at the same time a problem that we cannot afford to ignore.



Dr Mohan at the 2nd Malaysia Anti-Corruption Forum

BRIEFING TO THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

TI-Malaysia was invited by the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) to brief and further explain on the Global Corruption Barometer Asia 2020 results. The PAC is very concerned with the findings that 71% of the Malaysians feel that corruption in the government is a serious problem and views that this figure shows that there is lack of confidence among citizens on the integrity of the country's public administration and its personnel. Therefore, PAC is committed to identify the factors that contribute to this worrying situation as well as to step up the efforts towards combatting corruption in the country.



PAC Chairman, YB Wong Kah Woh (left) and Dr Muhammad Mohan at the parliament after the briefing

TI-MALAYSIA AT THE BFM 89.9 BREAKFAST GRILLE

Following the decision by Attorney General (AG) to grant a discharge not amounting to an acquittal (DNAA) in relation to Tengku Adnan's RM1 million corruption case decision, TI-Malaysia President, Dr. Muhammad Mohan was invited to give comments. In the interview, Dr Mohan said that AG is duty-bound to give full explanation and the Public Prosecutor needs to provide valid and rational reasons for his decision to discontinue prosecution in a high-profile case such as Ku Nan's bribery case. The government has to do more to bring back the confidence of the general public. Also present, at the breakfast grill was the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) Chairman YB Wong Kah Poh.



L-R: BFM Presenter Mr Khoo Hsu Chang, Dr Muhammad Mohan and YB Wong Kah Woh at the BFM station

LUNCH MEETING WITH THE AMBASSADORS OF EU MEMBER COUNTRIES' & THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER



A briefing was given to the EU member countries' ambassadors and the British High Commissioner on the recent release of the Global Corruption Barometer 2020 on Malaysia. The meeting was to explain the findings of the GCB 2020 and possible reasons for high percentage of Malaysians surveyed think that government corruption is a big problem in Malaysia.

The President also briefed the ambassadors on the new Corporate Liability Provision Section 17A and the impact on the MNCs (Multinational Corporations) operating in Malaysia and why it is important for their companies to have adequate procedures as a defense against this new provision.

Other areas shared by the President were on the advocacy work done by TI-Malaysia such as pushing for the amendments to the

Whistleblower Protection Act 2010, use of the true model of the Integrity Pact in public procurement for mega projects by the government and continue the institutional reforms initiative by the previous Pakatan Harapan government. The foreign mission heads were concern about the rising level of corruption in the country and how the CPI will be for Malaysia for 2020.

The lunch event was hosted by the Norwegian Ambassador HE Gunn Jorid Roset. Others who attended the meeting were the Ambassador of Denmark, Ambassador of EU Delegation to Malaysia, Ambassador of Sweden, Ambassador of Switzerland, Ambassador of Ireland, First Secretary of the Embassy of Finland and the British High Commissioner.

INTERNATIONAL ANTI-CORRUPTION CONFERENCE

The 19th edition of the International Anti-Corruption Conference (IACC) was held from 30 November 2020 to 5 December 2020 virtually in Seoul, South Korea, with the theme 'Designing 2030: Truth, Trust & Transparency'. 2030 is the year that the Sustainable Development Goals – set by the UN General Assembly in 2015 – are intended to be achieved.

The IACC is the biggest global forum bringing together the leading experts in their fields to collaborate in the fight against corruption. Responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, the IACC was held virtually for the very first time. This year's edition is being hosted and organised by the Korean Anti-Corruption and Civil Rights Commission, along with the IACC Council and Transparency International.

TI-Malaysia President, Dr Mohan presented the Public Private Partnership (PPP)

Initiatives in Malaysia under the Collective Action for Trust and Integrity plenary session. This government initiatives started in 1983 under the

'Privatization Program' and PPP was officially launched in 2006.

PPP is a form of cooperation between the public and private sector whereby a stand-alone business is created, funded and managed by the private sector as a package that encompasses construction management, maintenance and repair works as well as replacement of public amenities comprising buildings, infrastructures, equipment and facilities.

Since the introduction of the privatization program from 1983 to 2020, about 647 privatized projects have been implemented throughout the country. The Government has benefited through savings in the form of capital expenditure amounting to RM287 billion. The burden of the Government's administrative expenditure was successfully reduced following the privatization of 58 Government agencies to the private sector.

This savings has enabled the Government to redistribute its limited development resource to more needy sectors such as education, health care, public transportation and poverty eradication programme.

Workshop

OECD: Strengthening Trust and Integrity Through Collective Action in a Post-COVID-19 Era

🕒 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM CET
📅 Thursday, December 3

IACC INTERNATIONAL ANTI-CORRUPTION CONFERENCE

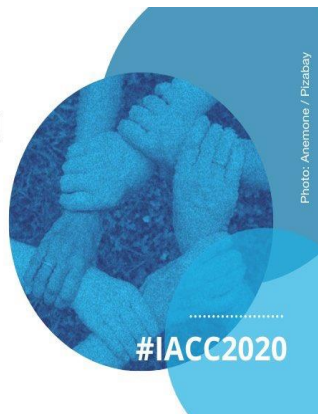


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*Missed the IACC 2020?
Worry not, re-attend the session here:
<https://iaccseries.org/>*

YOUTH COMMITTEE MEMBER

TI-Malaysia has established a committee composed of the existing young members to support the youth initiatives. This committee will focus on strengthening youth engagement in raising awareness on corruption among the youth community in Malaysia as well as to enable meaningful and structured youth participation in the fight against corruption. We are pleased to introduce the youth members who will be the forefront in changing Malaysia towards a better nation in future.



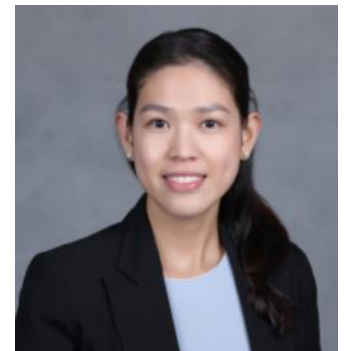
Afiqah Ayub



Nisha Kamilla



Nurul Aini Hosen



Tan Yi Li



Puvaneswaran



Suraj Kumar



Vickram Ragunath

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

During the year of 2020, the total funding accumulated was RM 210,828. This comprised of the membership fees, project grants and fundraising activities.

We want to thank our funder, Malaysia Reform Initiatives (MARI) and United States Agency for International Development (USAID) who have supported us. We also would like to express our gratitude to our corporate and individual members who have been with us to support our work.

MEMBERSHIP

Category	December 2020	December 2019
Individual	80	73
Corporate	16	14
Total	96	87

SECRETARIAT AND INTERN

No.	Name	Position
Secretariat		
1	Nuradlina binti Adnan	Manager
2	Maria Christina Stephenson	Accounts/Admin Executive
3	Nurizzati binti Mohamad Nor	Project Executive
Intern		
1	Fatimath Rayya Ibrahim	Intern

ACTIVITIES, MEETINGS AND EVENTS

No.	Dates	Events / Activities	Venue	Participant(s)
1.	22 January 2020	Meeting with Perdana Leadership Foundation	Perdana Leadership Foundation, Putrajaya	Dr Mohan, Raymon, Adlina, Izzati
2.	23 January 2020	CPI 2019 Results Launching	Royal Selangor Club	All
3.	3 February 2020	Meeting with Kingsley Strategic Institute	Kingsley Strategic Institute Office	Dr Mohan, Raymon, Izzati
4.	3 February 2020	Courtesy Meeting with Chief Commissioner of MACC, Pn Latheefa Koya	MACC Headquarters, Putrajaya	Dr Mohan, Nuri, Adlina, Izzati
5.	7 February 2020	GIAT Strategy Meeting	Sheraton Hotel, PJ	Adlina
6.	11-12 February 2020	Symposium on Gender Mainstreaming & Women Empowerment to Fight Corruption	Marriott Hotel, Kuala Lumpur	Adlina, Izzati
7.	17 February 2020	Meeting with SimplyGiving on crowdfunding account	Axiata Tower, KL Sentral	Dr Mohan, Raymon, Adlina, Izzati
8.	21 February 2020	Second Meeting with Perdana Leadership Foundation	Perdana Leadership Foundation, Putrajaya	Adlina, Izzati
9.	23 February 2020	Launch of Crowdfunding Platform (SimplyGiving)	TI-M Office	All
10.	27 February 2020	Fundraising Workshop	SOLS Headquarters	Christina, Izzati
11.	3 March 2021	Meeting with Malaysian Institute for Debate and Public Speaking for Youth Debate Program	Malaysian Institute for Debate and Public Speaking Office	Dorai, Adlina, Izzati

12.	26 June 2020	Meeting with Merdeka Center for Opinion Research	Merdeka Center Office	Dr Mohan, Raymon, Adlina, Izzati
13.	6 July 2020	CISM Meeting	MACC HQ, Putrajaya	Adlina
14.	15 July 2020	Presentation of Integrity Pact proposal to Ministry of Finance	Ministry of Finance Office	Dr Mohan
15.	15 July 2020	Ideas Roundtable Discussion on Procurement	Majestic Hotel, KL	Raymon, Adlina
16.	16 July 2020	Courtesy Call to Chief Commissioner MACC, Datuk Seri Azam Baki	MACC Headquarters, Putrajaya	Dr Mohan, Phye Keat, Adlina, Izzati
17.	10 August 2020	CISM Roundtable Meeting Siri 37, No. 1, Year 2020	Impiana Hotel, KLCC	Dr Mohan, Adlina
18.	17 August 2020	Integrity Pact Meeting with MOF and MACC	MACC HQ, Putrajaya	Dr Mohan, Adlina
19.	18 August 2020	Meeting with Sekata Rakyat	Sekata Rakyat Office	Adlina, Izzati
20.	26 August 2020	Development Meeting of the Guidelines on Adequate Procedures Best Practices under the Section 17A	Genting Highlands	Raymon
21.	3 September 2020	2nd Malaysia Anti-Corruption Forum by International Strategic Institute (ISI)	The Everly Hotel, Putrajaya	Dr Mohan, Adlina
22.	15 September 2020	Forum 'Corporate Liability: Are You at Risk?'	Grand Hyatt Kuala Lumpur	All
23.	17 September 2020	GIAT Meeting	IDEAS Office, KL	Adlina

24.	30 September 2020	Ideas Roundtable Discussion on Procurement Part 2	Majestic Hotel, KL	Raymon, Adlina
25.	3 October 2020	Annual General Meeting	Royal Selangor Club	All
26.	12 October 2020	Second meeting with Merdeka Center for Opinion Research on Penjana Economic Stimulus Package Survey	Hilton PJ	Raymon, Geetha, Adlina
27.	21 October 2020	Meeting with Merdeka Center	Merdeka Center Office	Dr Mohan, Raymon, Geetha, Adlina, Izzati
28.	30 November 2020	International Anti-Corruption Conference (IACC)	Virtual	Dr Mohan, Izzati
29.	9 December 2020	Interview with BFM 89.9 Breakfast Grille	BFM Studio	Dr Mohan
30.	9 December 2020	Briefing to The Public Accounts Committee on GCB 2020	Parliament	Dr Mohan
31.	9 December 2020	Briefing for MAXIS top management and staff	MAXIS Office	Dr Mohan, Nuri
32.	9 December 2020	Bank Islam Integrity Day 2020	Virtual	Nuri
33.	13 December 2020	MARI High Impact Partner Grant	Menara Tan & Tan	Dr Mohan, Nuri, Adlina, Izzati
34.	16 December 2020	Lunch Meeting with The Ambassadors of EU Member Countries' & The British High Commissioner	EU Office	Dr Mohan

GALLERY



Symposium on Gender Mainstreaming & Women Empowerment to Fight Corruption



Dr Mohan during the Maxis talk on the adequacy of the adequate procedures



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NURIRDZUANA ISMAIL
EXCO MEMBER
BUSINESS INTEGRITY PROGRAMME
TRANSPARENCY INTERNATIONAL MALAYSIA



Nurirdzuana Ismail participated in the Bank Islam Integrity Day 2020



Meeting with Malaysia Reform Initiatives (MARI) team on the 2021 initiatives



MACC Deputy Chief Commissioner (Prevention) Dato' Shamsun Baharin (left) presented the attendance certificate to Raymon Ram (right)

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