



DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, MALAYSIA

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Malaysia is willing to Offer Continually the Experience and Expertise among OIC Countries

PUTRAJAYA, 25 OCTOBER 2019 – Chair of the Statistical Commission of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC-StatCom) attended the **8th Session of the OIC-StatCom** from 23rd to 25th October 2019 in Ankara, Turkey which was organised by The Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Centre for Islamic Countries (SESRIC) in collaboration with Islamic Development Bank (IsDB).

The session discussed the following key deliverables and agreed to **strengthen statistical cooperation** through the trust of the New OIC-StatCom Strategic Vision for 2030; Statistical Capacity Building Programme (StatCaB), Electronic Data Collection Technologies in Population and Housing Censuses; Census of Agriculture for the 21st Century; and Developing National Statistics System on International Labour Migration.

Malaysia as a Co-Chair of the Working Group (WG) on the Development of New OIC-StatCom Strategic Vision, 2018-2024 actively contributed to develop the WG's First Progress Report on the Development of New OIC-StatCom Strategic Vision for 2030. This document will be a guideline for OIC member Countries for the period 2021-2030 that will enable countries to meet the ever-growing demand for high quality, timely and accessible statistical information for evidence-based decision-making and quantitative measurement development progress.

Statistical Capacity Building Programme (StatCaB) has initiated by SESRIC in early 2007 in order to enhance the National Statistical Systems capacity through the sharing of experiences by the more developed Countries. Malaysia is one of the beneficiaries of receiving and providing expertise in making StatCaB successful. Since 2012, 28 international training courses have been conducted by Malaysian's experts and eight (8) training courses conducted for the benefit of Malaysia.

Malaysia is willing to offer continually the experience and expertise that is needed for a capacity-building program in the form of technical assistance, study visits and training under StatsCAB initiatives.

YBhg. Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin also paid a courtesy call to the new Director General of SESRIC, HE Mr. Nebil Dabur. During the meeting, the progress of preparation MoU between SESRIC and DOSM was being discussed. The collaboration among OIC member countries will strengthen to new heights with several initiatives discussed during the meeting.

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