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**Pembukaan aktiviti ekonomi dan sosial yang berterusan dilihat akan merangsang
perniagaan dan memulihkan sektor pelancongan meskipun berdepan
peningkatan inflasi**

PUTRAJAYA, 27 APRIL 2022 – Pada hari ini, Jabatan Perangkaan Malaysia (DOSM) menerbitkan **Sorotan Statistik Ekonomi Malaysia (MESR) Siri 4/2022**. Penerbitan ini bermatlamat untuk menghebahkan kepada orang awam mengenai senario ekonomi terkini berdasarkan statistik makroekonomi rasmi yang dikeluarkan oleh Jabatan Perangkaan Malaysia (DOSM). Laporan ini memfokuskan kepada statistik terkini bagi Februari 2022 dan beberapa statistik akan datang bagi bulan Mac 2022. Di samping itu, artikel khas bertajuk "Kesan Pandemik COVID-19 terhadap Prestasi Pasaran Saham Malaysia" turut dimuatkan yang mengkaji tindak balas pasaran saham Malaysia susulan pandemik yang tidak pernah berlaku sebelum ini dan krisis antarabangsa yang berterusan.

Berdasarkan perspektif situasi sosioekonomi semasa, Ketua Perangkawan Malaysia, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin berkata, "Indikator ekonomi bagi tiga bulan pertama 2022 menunjukkan prospek ekonomi Malaysia yang positif dalam masa terdekat. Mobiliti yang tinggi dijangka berlaku dengan pembukaan sempadan antarabangsa serta ditambah pula dengan sambutan Aidilfitri. Lanjutan itu, pengeluaran khas kumpulan wang simpanan pekerja baru-baru ini dilihat akan meningkatkan permintaan barangan dan perkhidmatan yang seterusnya akan merangsang ekonomi. Namun begitu, senario global yang berterusan akan meningkatkan harga komoditi yang mendorong kepada jangkaan inflasi."

Mengulas mengenai sektor luaran Malaysia, Ketua Perangkawan berkata, "Jumlah perdagangan negara mengekalkan prestasi kukuhnya dengan mencatatkan pertumbuhan 17.5 peratus, mencecah RM184.8 bilion daripada RM157.3 bilion pada Februari 2021. Kedua-dua eksport dan import masing-masing melonjak kepada 16.8 peratus dan 18.4 peratus tahun ke tahun dengan merekodkan RM102.3 bilion dan RM82.5 bilion, menyumbang kepada lebih dagangan yang melebar sebanyak 10.7 peratus. Sementara itu, jumlah perdagangan Malaysia mengekalkan momentum dua angka pada Mac 2022, berkembang 27.3 peratus. Eksport meningkat 25.4 peratus, import tumbuh 29.9 peratus dan imbalan perdagangan kekal dalam lebihan, naik 10.3 peratus."

Melihat kepada prestasi sektoral, berikutan peningkatan dalam indeks Pembuatan (5.2%) dan indeks Elektrik (3.9%), Indeks Pengeluaran Perindustrian (IPP) meningkat 3.9 peratus pada Februari 2022 berbanding bulan yang sama tahun sebelumnya. Sementara itu, nilai jualan Pembuatan Malaysia pada Februari 2022 berjumlah RM131.6 bilion, tumbuh 11.2 peratus berbanding tahun lalu. Kenaikan nilai jualan didorong oleh peningkatan dalam Produk Makanan, Minuman & Tembakau; Produk Petroleum, Kimia, Getah & Plastik; dan Produk Elektrik & Elektronik. Nilai jualan Perdagangan Borong & Runcit merekodkan RM117.2 bilion pada Februari 2022, mencatatkan pertumbuhan 8.5 peratus tahun ke tahun disumbangkan oleh peningkatan jualan dalam semua subsektornya, iaitu Kenderaan Bermotor, Perdagangan Runcit dan Perdagangan Borong.

Pada Februari 2022, Indeks Harga Pengguna (IHP) Malaysia meningkat sebanyak 2.2 peratus kepada 125.2 daripada 122.5 pada bulan yang sama tahun sebelumnya, dipengaruhi terutamanya oleh peningkatan dalam indeks Pengangkutan; Makanan & Minuman Bukan Alkohol; dan Hiasan, Perkakasan & Penyelenggaraan Isi Rumah. Indeks Harga Pengeluar (IHPR) pengeluaran tempatan mencatatkan peningkatan 9.7 peratus pada Februari 2022 berbanding kenaikan 9.2 peratus yang direkodkan pada Januari 2022, didorong oleh indeks Perlombongan yang meningkat 23.3 peratus.

Menggambarkan senario buruh negara, beliau menyatakan "Kerancangan semula aktiviti ekonomi dan sosial yang berterusan mendorong kepada pemulihan perniagaan dan kebangkitan semula sektor pelancongan domestik yang banyak membawa manfaat kepada situasi buruh Malaysia. Bilangan penduduk bekerja pada Februari 2022 meningkat 3.0 peratus kepada 15.73 juta orang. Justeru, nisbah guna tenaga kepada penduduk meningkat sebanyak 1.1 mata peratus kepada 66.3 peratus pada

Februari 2022, iaitu lebih tinggi daripada Februari tahun lalu iaitu 65.2 peratus. Sementara itu, kadar pengangguran bertambah baik berbanding bulan sebelum dengan merekodkan 4.1 peratus."

Mengakhiri kenyataannya, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin berkata, "IP merekodkan penurunan marginal 0.5 peratus tahun ke tahun pada Februari 2022 berikutan krisis global yang menjejaskan pasaran saham. Namun, perbandingan bulan ke bulan, IP mengekalkan prestasi menaik 0.5 peratus, menandakan bahawa ekonomi Malaysia masih kekal utuh. Walaupun begitu, ketidaktentuan pasaran global dijangka akan memainkan peranan penting dalam mencorak pertumbuhan ekonomi negara dalam beberapa bulan akan datang."

Jabatan Perangkaan Malaysia sedang menjalankan Survei Pendapatan, Perbelanjaan Isi Rumah dan Kemudahan Asas (HIES/BA) 2022 bermula dari 1 Januari 2022 sehingga 31 Disember 2022. Jabatan ini amat menghargai kerjasama daripada responden yang terpilih untuk memberikan maklumat kepada pegawai DOSM serta menjayakan survei ini. Sila layari www.dosm.gov.my untuk maklumat lanjut.

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Continuous resumption of economic and social activities are seen to amplify businesses and revive tourism sector amid the rising inflation

PUTRAJAYA, 27th APRIL 2022 – Today, the Department of Statistics, Malaysia (DOSM) released the **Malaysian Economic Statistics Review (MESR) Vol. 4/2022**. This publication aims to keep the public informed on the most current economic scenario based on the official macroeconomic statistics by the Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM). This release focuses on the recent February 2022 and some forthcoming statistics for March 2022. In addition, a box article entitled "Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Malaysia's Stock Market Performance", is enclosed, which studied the response of the Malaysian stock market following the unprecedented pandemic and ongoing international crises.

In view of the current socioeconomic scenario, the Chief Statistician Malaysia, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin said, "Economic indicators for the first three months of 2022 indicate a positive Malaysia's economic outlook in the near future. High mobility is foreseen with the opening of the international border coupled with the Eid celebration. Further to these, recent special withdrawal of employees' provident fund is expected to increase the demand of goods and services that will stimulate the economy. Nonetheless, the on-goings in the global scenario is expected to increase commodities prices which lead to inflation expectation."

Commenting on Malaysia's external sector, the Chief Statistician said, "The country's total trade sustained its robust performance by posting a growth of 17.5 per cent, reaching RM184.8 billion from RM157.3 billion in February 2021. Both exports and imports soared 16.8 per cent and 18.4 per cent year-on-year to record RM102.3 billion and RM82.5 billion respectively, leading the trade surplus to widen by 10.7 per cent. Meanwhile, Malaysia's total trade maintained its double-digit momentum in March 2022, expanding 27.3 per cent.

Exports rose 25.4 per cent, imports increased by 29.9 per cent and trade balance remained in surplus, going up 10.3 per cent."

Looking at the sectoral performance, following the increase in Manufacturing index (5.2%) and Electricity index (3.9%), the Industrial Production Index (IPI) increased 3.9 per cent in February 2022 as compared to the same month of the previous year. Meanwhile, Malaysia's Manufacturing sales value in February 2022 stood at RM131.6 billion, grew 11.2 per cent as compared to the previous year. The rise in the sales value was driven by the increase in Food, Beverages & Tobacco Products; Petroleum Chemical, Rubber & Plastic Products and Electrical & Electronics Products. Sales value of Wholesale & Retail Trade recorded RM117. 2 billion in February 2022, registering a growth of 8.5 per cent year-on-year contributed by the increase in sales in all of its sub-sectors, namely Motor Vehicles, Retail Trade and Wholesale Trade.

In February 2022, Malaysia's Consumer Price Index (CPI) increased by 2.2 per cent to 125.2 from 122.5 in the same month of the preceding year, driven mainly by the increase in the Transport; Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages; and Furnishings, Household Equipment & Routine Household Maintenance indexes. The Producer Price Index (PPI) local production posted an increase of 9.7 per cent in February 2022 as opposed to a 9.2 per cent increase registered in January 2022, driven by Mining index that rose 23.3 per cent.

Reflecting on the country's labour scenario, he noted that "The continuous economic and social activities that led to the recovery of businesses and revival of the domestic tourism sector has greatly benefitted Malaysia's labour situation. The number of employed persons in February 2022 rose 3.0 per cent to 15.73 million persons. Thus, the employment-to-population ratio increased by 1.1 percentage points to 66.3 per cent in February 2022, higher than February of the previous year which was 65.2 per cent. Meanwhile, the unemployment rate improved as compared to the previous month to record 4.1 per cent."

Concluding his statement, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin said, "The LI recorded a marginal year-on-year decline of 0.5 per cent in February 2022 as the global crises spook the stock market. However, on a month-on-month basis, the LI remained upward by 0.5 per cent, indicating that Malaysia's economic recovery remained intact. However, the global market uncertainty is anticipated to play a pivotal role in shaping the national economy in the coming months."

The Department of Statistics Malaysia is conducting the Household Income, Expenditure and Basic Amenities Survey (HIES/BA) 2022 from 1st January to 31st December 2022. The Department greatly appreciates the cooperation given by selected respondents by sharing their information with DOSM officers and making the survey a success. Please visit www.dosm.gov.my for more information.

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