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Malaysia's total trade recorded a steady performance in February 2025, with a growth of 5.9 per cent or RM12.4 billion to RM223.9 billion as compared to RM211.5 billion in the previous year. The performance was attributable by an increase of 6.2 per cent or RM6.9 billion in exports and 5.5 per cent or RM5.5 billion in imports. The value of exports and imports reached RM118.3 billion and RM105.6 billion, respectively.

In addition, the trade balance continued to record a surplus with RM12.6 billion, grew by 12.2 per cent as compared to RM11.2 billion in the same month of preceding year.

As compared to previous month, exports, imports, and total trade fell by 3.7 per cent, 11.3 per cent and 7.5 per cent respectively. However, trade balance posted a substantial growth of 244.8 per cent or RM9.0 billion as compared to January 2025.

PERFORMANCE OF EXPORT

Malaysia's exports rose 6.2 per cent in February 2025 compared to the same month in 2024, corresponded with the increases in both domestic exports and re-exports. Domestic exports, which represented 82.0 per cent of total exports, posted an increase of 5.9 per cent from RM91.5 billion to RM97.0 billion. Meanwhile, re-exports worth RM21.3 billion, accounting for 18.0 per cent of total exports, grew by 7.3 per cent from RM19.8 billion as compared to the previous year.

Meanwhile, the month-on-month comparison indicated exports declined by 3.7 per cent or RM4.6 billion. However, based on a month-on-month (m-o-m) seasonally adjusted terms analysis, exports increased 2.3 per cent to RM133.3 billion.

PERFORMANCE OF IMPORT

Malaysia’s import sustained its positive momentum, posted an increment of RM5.5 billion or 5.5 per cent in February 2025. The increase made up the total imports to RM105.6 billion from RM100.1 billion recorded in the same month of the preceding year. However, monthly comparison indicated that imports experienced a contraction of 11.3 per cent as compared to the previous month.

Referring to the analysis in seasonally adjusted terms m-o-m, imports declined 2.4 per cent to RM118.7 billion. On a y-o-y basis, imports by End Use recorded an increase in all groups. Imports of capital goods expanded 35.3 per cent to RM13.8 billion, while intermediate goods and consumption goods rose by 5.8 per cent and 7.4 per cent respectively.

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