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Zakiah Jaafar is the Director of Macroeconomic Division at the Economic Planning Unit, Prime Minister's Department. Her current position entails preparation of medium and long-term macroeconomic framework for Malaysia. She is also involved in the studies to support macroeconomic forecasts and identify new sources of economic growth for the country. Within this capacity, Zakiah provides advices and proposed solutions to the Government in respect to various economic issues.

Her most recent achievement is leading the preparation of Eleventh Malaysia Plan, the five-year strategic plan which acts as a catalyst to pave the way for Malaysia to be an advanced economy and inclusive nation by 2020.

With almost twenty years of tenure in the Economic Planning Unit, Zakiah's vast experiences also include the conduct of policy researches for public housing sector and knowledge-based economy. In addition, she co-authored papers entitled *Processing Trade, Exporting and Efficiency of Establishments in Malaysia's E&E Industry*, and *Knowledge economy measurement: Methods, results and insights from the Malaysian Knowledge Content Study*

Zakiah also sits in the Board of Directors of the Malaysia Property Incorporated and Malaysia Productivity Corporation.

Zakiah received Masters in Social Science (Economics) in 1991 and Post-graduate Diploma in Public Administration in 1993.