Key Economic Indicators Petunjuk Kunci Ekonomi Malaysia

	2014 p	2015 f		
Population	30.3 Million	30.6 Million		
GDP	RM835.0 billion	RM877.2 billion		
GDP Growth	6.0 %	4.5 - 5.5 %		
Per Capita Income	RM34,123 (USD10,426)	RM35,572 (USD9,914)		
Inflation Rate (CPI)	3.2%	20-3.0%		
Labour Force	14.0 million persons	14.4 million perso s		
Unemployment	2.9 %	3.0 %		
Total Export (f.o.b)	RM726.0 billion	RM723.9 billion		
Total Import (c.i.f)	RM601 0 billion	RM629.7 billion		
Major Exports Products * (Jan - Dec 2014) Barang buatan	Electrical and electronic products Petroleum products Liquefied natural gas (LNG) Chemicals and chemical products Palm Oil Crude petroleum			
Major Export Markets * (Jan - Dec 2014)	 Singapore People's Republic of China Japan USA Thailand 			

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MALAYSIA REGISTERS RM57.4 BILLION OF INVESTMENTS IN Q1 2015 - Manufacturing Sector Continues to Soar

Malaysia catat pelaburan RM 57.4 billion dalam suku pertama 2015 Sektor pembuatan terus meningkat

Malaysia recorded RM57.4 billion of approved investments in the primary, services and manufacturing sectors for the first quarter (Q1) of 2015. The manufacturing sector led with investments of RM33.6 billion, accounting for 58.5% of the total, followed by the services sector at RM22.3 billion or 38.9% and the primary sector at RM1.5 billion or 2.6%.

International Trade and Industry Minister Dato' Sri Mustapa Mohamed said the amount represented a 18.8% increase over the same period last year, which recorded RM 48.3 billion in approved investments.

"This increase comes despite the World Bank's lower growth forecast for the Malaysian economy for 2015. It reflects the faith of investors in Malaysia as an attractive investment destination and Malaysia's ability to hold its own in an increasingly competitive environment," he said.

Kenyataan Menteri Industri dan Perdagangan Antarabangsa

MANUFACTURING SECTOR Sektor Pembuatan

Industri minyak & gas RM 29.5 billion

For the first three months of 2015, approved investments in the manufacturing sector surged 152.6% compared with the corresponding period in 2014. The higher level of investments were from the Petronal project in Pengerang, Johor, to build a refinery and cracker plant as well as expansion and diversification activities by existing electrical and electronics (E&E) manufacturers in storage devices, and semiconductor sub-sectors. The petroleum, petrochemicals, and E&E products accounted for RM29.5 billion or 87.8% of total approved investments in the manufacturing sector.

Industri elektik & eletronik RM 4.1billion

The E&E projects contributed RM4.1 billion or 49.4% of investments of the non-oil sector. The industry continued to attract high levels of investments after a strong performance of RM11.1 billion recorded in 2014. Almost three-quarters of the E&E projects approved in January-March 2015 will export 80% of their products, indicating their major role in generating export earnings.

CIPE= Perlaburan modal setiap perkerja

Capital-intensive projects continue to dominate the approved investments for the manufacturing sector. Capital intensity, as measured by the capital investment per employee (CIPE) ratio of projects approved in Q1 2015 was at RM1,221,812. The CIPE ratio of manufacturing projects in Q1 2015 has registered an increase of 62% compared with the ratio in Q1 2014 (RM753,203). Projects with investments of at least RM100 million or more accounted for more than 90% of approved investments. Encouragingly, investments in small and medium sized (SMI) projects held their own as well, with the approval of 176 projects of less than RM100 million each, compared to 174 projects in the corresponding period last year.

The largest number of projects will be located in Johor, Penang, Selangor, Kedah and Malacca, accounting for 96.1% or a total of RM32.3 billion of approved investments in this sector.

The leading sources of foreign investments for the first three months of 2015 were the United States, Japan, Netherlands, Singapore and China. These five countries jointly accounted for \$8.1% of total oreign investments approved in the manufacturing sector for this period.

Dato' Sri Mustapa said the manufacturing projects approved will create 27,553 job opportunities. The jobs created include 1,270 electrical and electronics engineers, 1,541 mechanical engineers and 1,070 chemical engineers. In addition, the approved manufacturing projects will also require about 1,827 killed craftsmen such as plant maintenance supervisors, tools and die makers, machinists, IT personnel, quality

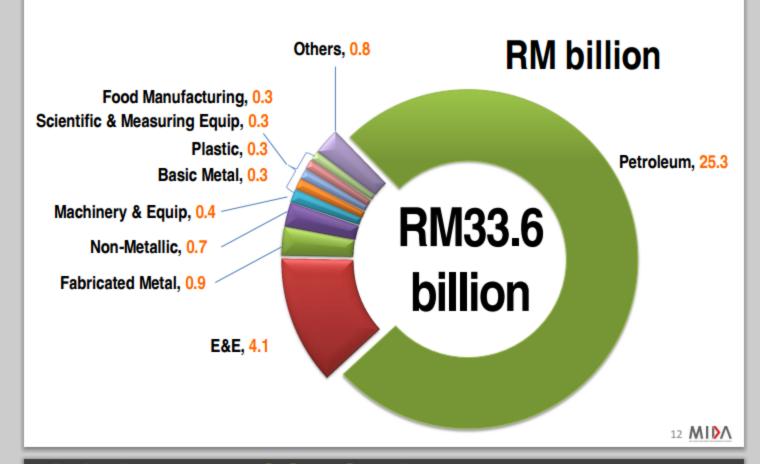




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