



SPEECH

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**THE OFFICIAL LAUNCHING OF
ON-SITE TRAINING PROGRAM FOR
MALAYSIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS**

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INTAN CAMPUS, SABAH

Bismillahirrahmanirrahim.

**Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi
Wabarakatuh.**

**A Very Good Evening, Salam
1Malaysia: ‘People First, Performance
Now’ and Salam Transformasi.**

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Director,

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**Central Officials Training
Institute(COTI)**

**Senior officers from the Public Service
Department and INTAN**

Distinguished Guests,

Course Participants,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

OPENING REMARKS

**On behalf of the Government of
Malaysia I would like to wish
“Selamat Datang” and “An Nyeang
Ha Se Yo” to all of you here today. It
is our pleasure to receive and
welcome you to Malaysia.**

2. This program is one of the programs to continuing the Malaysia's Look East Policy (LEP) which was introduced by the former Prime Minister Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad in 1982. Since the inception, a total of 1381 Malaysian government officials from all fields and backgrounds from various Ministries and Agencies have benefitted from the training conducted by COTI. And today, the delegate from COTI flew all the way to INTAN Sabah, one of INTAN's campuses to conduct this course.

3. Thus, it is no doubt that this programme enhanced better understanding and good relationship between government officials of Korea and Malaysia as well as enhancing understanding of Korean culture, work ethics and development strategies. The ex-participants also showed positive feedback in which they have expressed their satisfaction and hope that the programme will continue in the future.

4. It is also my hope and wish that this Visit will contribute to a further broadening of cooperation between

these two countries as well as better understanding of Malaysian government machinery and management system. Furthermore, it has been 30 years and counting since the Look East Policy was announced by our Honourable Prime Minister Dato' Seri Dr. Mahathir bin Mohamad. Since then, there have been tremendous changes in the socio-economic environment, educational, administrative and other development policy of Malaysia. Malaysia is now planning for a right-sizing public sector,

implementing privatization, human resource development, especially in skilled and advanced technology, with emphasis on science and technology, enhancement of research and development and the promotion of advanced and high technology. The ultimate goal of these plans and policies is for Malaysia to attain the status of a developed nation by the year 2020.

5. I personally hope that the program would achieve its objectives that are to encourage and motivate public leaders to develop a vision and

become catalysts to achieve the nation's development goals through the designed activities such as case studies of leadership development and administrative service delivery system innovation.

6. Here, I would like to take this opportunity to extend our appreciation to the Government of Korea for the continuous support and commitment in making this Look East Policy Programmes a success. We are indeed grateful for the training places offered to our officers and students and greatly appreciate the

hospitality and kind gestures of your people to our people. We feel that the Look East Policy and its programmes have brought about both tangible and intangible results. The tangible results can be seen in terms of human resource development that is increasing the supply of Korean trained graduates and skilled manpower, increase in trade and investment and etc. for both countries. The intangible results are manifested through improvement of Malaysia–Korea bilateral relations, acquisition and internalization of positive values and ethics, that has

resulted in quality improvement and increased productivity in public as well as in private sector.

7. Last but not least, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Working Committee of this programme from the Human Capital Development Division and INTAN of JPA, the delegates from COTI, and all the participants. The joint efforts between COTI, and JPA would ensure the continuing success of this programme, augurs well for greater understanding and cooperation for future collaboration.

8. On that note, I declare the official launching of the On-Site Training Program for Malaysian Government Officials 2014.

**Wabillahi taufiq wal hidayah.
Wassalamu ‘alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh. Thank You and “Kamsa hamida.”**