

CIRCULAR NO. 23



## (PEMERKASA PLUS)

Dear IEM Members,

Since the onslaught of the pandemic, the Government has announced various assistance packages and economic stimulus aid packages amounting to RM340 billion that have benefitted more than 20 million households and over 2 million businesses. The latest round of handouts is rolled out with the aim of cushioning the impact felt by the general populace, especially the most vulnerable segments among us, whose incomes are hit terribly by the shutdown of the non-essential economic sector, to be able to put food on the table.

The Government has rolled out a huge RM40 billion financial aid packages, known as PEMERKASA Plus (PEMERKASA+) to assist affected Malaysians and tackle the economic impact following the Full MCO (FMCO) beginning 1 June 2021.

The three (3) main goals of the PEMERKASA+ measures are:

- 1) Enhancing Public Health Capacity;
- 2) Continuing the 'Prihatin Rakyat' Agenda; and
- 3) Supporting the Business Continuity



Incorporated in this package are various initiatives that IEM has proposed to the Government to ensure the survival of SMEs, for instance wage subsidy plan, loan moratorium, discount for utility bills, among others. As all of us, both employers and employees are in the same boat together, it is hoped that

everyone can work closely and help one another to ride through this turbulent time and rise together even stronger towards recovery once herd immunity is achieved.

#### Selected measures from the PEMERKASA+

# MARA PRIHATIN Peace of Mind

30% discount on the rental of business premises for the months of May to July 2021 for MARA entrepreneurs affected by the economic downturn

## Extension of Wage Subsidy Programme

- RM1.5 billion
- Extension of 1 month for all affected economic sectors

Additional allocation for

affected SMEs - Targeted



## Exemption of Levy of Human Resource Development Fund

 Exemption of 1 month (June 2021)



## Special Prihatin Grant (Geran Khas Prihatin)

- For micro, small and medium enterprises
- Increase of quantum: RM1,000 to RM1,500
- Amount channeled: June 2021 – RM1,000; July 2021 - RM500

Appeal of Imposition

and Deferment Arrears

of Tax Penalties by

**Inland Revenue Board** 

(IRB)

postponing penalties

· IRB to consider

to year 2022

## Micro Credit Financing

- Financing institutions: BSN, TEKUN, MARA, SME Corp and YaPEIM
- Financing rate as low as 3%
- RM1.5 billion



 Loan rate as low as 3.5%

## Business (One-Off Special Assistance RM500)

Supports Sustainability

- One-off aid of RM500 for taxi, rental car, ehailing, school bus & tour bus drivers, as well as tour guides
- RM68 million

## Late Payment Exemption Business License Renewal

 Until December 31, 2021 for Micro SMEs, sole proprietorships & partnerships

## Improvisation of the Act 829 to help individuals and affected businesses

 Until 31 December 2021



## Extension of electricity bill discounts to affected sectors

 Hoteliers, tourist agencies, shopping malls, convention centres, theme parks, local airlines can receive 10% electricity discounts for additional three months from July to September

## Special tax deductions for building and business space owners who offer at least 30% rental discounts for

six more months

 Until 31 December 2021

Exemption on tourist tax and service tax for hotel operators is extended until 31 Dec 2021



## The Home Ownership Campaign (HOC), which ended May 31, has been extended

 Until 31 December 2021



# The Sales and Services Tax (SST) exemption for imported passenger vehicles is extended

 Until 31 December 2021



## PEMERKASA Plus Assistance Package2021: Key Highlights at a Glance

- Appeals on imposition of penalties, application for deferment of penalty payments and instalment plans for outstanding taxes payable of affected taxpayers and businesses will be considered.
- ➤ The period of claiming special deduction on rental discounts given by landlords of private business premises to Small and Medium Enterprises (SME) and non-SME will be extended to 31 December 2021.
- Q2Exemption for Tourism Tax and Service Tax will be extended until 31 December 2021.

- Prihatin Special Grant will be increased from RM1,000 to RM1,500.
- > Stamp duty exemption on the instruments of transfer and loan agreements for the purchase of residential homes will be extended until 31 December 2021.
- The period of full Sales Tax exemption for purchase of locally assembled cars and 50% exemption of Sales Tax for purchase of imported passenger cars will be extended until 31 December 2021.
- The HRDF (Human Resource Development Fund) levy payment for the month of June 2021 will be exempted.
- > 10% electricity bill discounts will be provided to affected sectors from July 2021 to September 2021

#### PEMERKASA + INFOGRAPHICS



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## MEMPERTINGKATKAN KAPASITI **KESIHATAN AWAM**



PERBELANJAAN BERKAITAN COVID-19

Tambahan RM1 bilion



PERBELANJAAN BERKAITAN COVID-19

## RM450 juta

Kementerian Kesihatan Malaysia, Hospital Pengajar Universiti Awam, Hospital Medan



PERBELANJAAN BERKAITAN COVID-19

RM550 juta

Menampung pertambahan kos operasi & pengurusan



PERBELANJAAN BERKAITAN COVID-19

>14,500 Pekerja Kontrak

Pekerja kontrak & pesara petugas kesihatan

http://belanjawan2021.treasury.gov.my/index.php/ms/pemerkasa-plus

## PEMERKASA+

Meneruskan Agenda Prihatin Rakyat



**BANTUAN PRIHATIN RAKYAT** 

Isi rumah berpendapatan <RM2,500

**RM500** 

Isi rumah berpendapatan RM2,501-RM5,000

**RM300** 

Golongan bujang berpendapatan <RM2,500

**RM100** 



MENERUSKAN AGENDA PRIHATIN RAKYAT



BANTUAN PRIHATIN RAKYAT

Tambahan RM2.1 bilion

Bermula akhir Jun 2021



BANTUAN PRIHATIN RAKYAT

RM2.4 bilion

September 2021



**RM500** 

RM100



Meneruskan Agenda Prihatin Rakyat



**BANTUAN PINJAMAN BANK BERSASAR** 

>5 juta Peminjam

## PEMERKASA+

Menyokong Kelangsungan Perniagaan



MELANJUTKAN DISKAUN BIL ELEKTRIK

Diskaun Bil Elektrik 10% 6 Sektor Terjejas

> Tambahan 3 bulan Julai - September 2021

## PEWERKASA+

Menyokong Kelangsungan Perniagaan



Kempen Pemilikan Rumah (HOC)

Sehingga 31 Disember 2021

## PEMERKASA+

Menyokong Kelangsungan Perniagaan



**BANTUAN GOLONGAN TERJEJAS** 

Pengecualian Bayaran Lewat Pembaharuan Lesen Perniagaan

31 Disember 2021 untuk PKS mikro, milikan tunggal & perkongsian

## PEMERKASA+

## Menyokong Kelangsungan Perniagaan



## **GERAN KHAS PRIHATIN**

## RM1000 → RM1500

Jun 2021: RM1000 | Julai 2021: RM500

## PEMERKASA+

Menyokong Kelangsungan Perniagaan



**BANTUAN GOLONGAN TERJEJAS** 

Rayuan Pengenaan & Penangguhan Penalti Cukai Tertunggak

Pembayar cukai & perniagaan yang terjejas



## PEMERKASA+

Menyokong Kelangsungan Perniagaan





**PEMBIAYAAN MIKRO KREDIT** 

## RM1.5 bilion

Kadar pembiayaan serendah 3%

For more information on PEMERKASA +, please visit <a href="https://belanjawan2021.treasury.gov.my/">https://belanjawan2021.treasury.gov.my/</a>

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We hope that all our members would remain safe and healthy during this challenging time. We will keep you updated on any further information promptly.

Thank you.

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Special Committee on COVID-19 The Institution of Engineers, Malaysia 11th June 2021

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