



**MEDIA STATEMENT**

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**42<sup>nd</sup> LAKSANA REPORT**

**IMPLEMENTATION OF  
BUDGET 2021, PERMAI,  
KITA PRIHATIN, PENJANA AND PRIHATIN**

**24 February 2021**



**INTRODUCTION**

1. We meet again for the 42<sup>nd</sup> LAKSANA Report. I hope everyone out there is safe at home, or at work for those who are still allowed to work in the office. In dealing with daily life amidst this pandemic, I advise you to continue to maintain self-discipline.
2. This report is preceded by a review on current issues, followed by the implementation status of key Government initiatives namely PERMAI Assistance Package, Budget 2021, PENJANA Economic Stimulus Package, and KITA PRIHATIN Assistance Package. The ongoing implementation status of the PRIHATIN Package initiative can be referred to in Appendix 1

**A. NATIONAL COVID-19 IMMUNISATION PLAN**

3. Last week saw several historic moments for our country. The most awaited moment was definitely the arrival of the first batch of COVID-19 vaccine supply. This arrival marks the beginning of Phase 1 of the National Covid-19 Immunisation Programme for the vaccination of 500,000 frontline workers by April this year. The government is also targeting 80% or 27 million Malaysians to be vaccinated by the first quarter of 2022 in order to achieve group immunity.
4. Economic recovery will also certainly follow public health recovery. The World Bank has announced Malaysia's economic growth forecast of 5.6 - 6.7% for 2021 following the launch of the COVID-19 vaccination programme globally. This is in line with the projected world economic growth at a rate of 4%.
5. Our economic recovery plan is on track with our own National COVID-19 Immunisation Programme, which started on 24 February 2021. Many economic sectors, such as

tourism and retail, await the opening of not only domestic but international borders. Those from the tourism sector are urged to take advantage of the RM1 billion **PENJANA Tourism Sector Financing** allocation for SMEs and micro SMEs still affected by COVID-19.

## **B. MYDIGITAL AND MALAYSIAN DIGITAL ECONOMY BLUEPRINT**

6. COVID-19 has had a huge impact on the world economy, and Malaysia is no exception. Our challenge now is to bounce back. As such, the MyDIGITAL initiative and the Malaysian Digital Economy Blueprint launched by YAB Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin are very timely.
7. MyDigital is a digital transformation plan that enables the business sector to compete on the global stage by strengthening operational competency and efficiency. The digital economy plays a big role in our effort to boost the country's economic status, and by 2025, the digital economy is expected to contribute 22.6 percent to the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP). This initiative will also be the starting point for attracting new investments worth RM70 billion in the digital sector from within and outside the country. The plan also aims to open up 500,000 job opportunities in the digital economy.
8. The 2021 budget also promotes the digital industry through various initiatives including:
  - a. **First, Technical and Digital Utilisation support for SMEs and Mid-Tier Companies (MTCs).** To date, **RM40.5 million** has been channeled to **8,580 businesses** in the form of grants and loans for digitalisation service subscriptions.
  - b. **Second,** the Government will allocate RM500 million for 2021 to implement the National Digital Networking, JENDELA initiative to secure the connectivity for 430 schools in all states throughout Malaysia.
  - c. **Third,** The Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission has allocated RM7.4 billion for 2021 and 2022 to expand broadband services nationwide.
  - d. **Fourth,** RM150 million for the SME and Micro SME e-Commerce Campaign, which includes training programs, sales and digital equipment assistance to 100,000 local entrepreneurs.
  - e. **Fifth,** RM150 million for Shop Malaysia Online initiative through joint ventures with major e-commerce platforms to encourage online spending, which will also benefit 500,000 local entrepreneurs including halal and handicraft product operators.
  - f. **Sixth,** the Government through BPMB will implement a RM1 billion Industrial Digitalisation Transformation Scheme aimed at boosting digitalisation activities with the availability of funds until 31 December 2023.
  - g. **Seventh,** to support automation and modernisation activities, an additional fund of RM150 million is provided under the SME Digitalisation Grant Scheme and Automation Grant. The eligibility requirements for this grant are also relaxed for Micro SMEs and start-up companies that have been operating for six months.
  - h. **Eighth,** the Government is also working to improve Government services through digitalisation. This includes expanding the use of the Road Transport Department's kiosks for several key services such as the renewal of motor vehicle licenses. The

kiosks will be located in 50 strategic locations nationwide to make it easier for people to obtain services even outside of working hours.

Looking ahead, with the launch of MyDigital, the Government will further strengthen efforts to help the people and SME operators through various digitalisation initiatives.

**C. NATIONAL UNITY POLICY**

9. Another major initiative launched by the Government is the National Unity Policy (DPN). The three main objectives of the DPN are to strengthen national unity and integration based on the Federal Constitution and Rukun Negara; forming a national identity with a spirit of identity, patriotism, caring, tolerance, mutual respect and responsibility; as well as producing Malaysians who appreciate and practice unity.
10. What caught my attention were the four Unity Enablers that have been identified, namely:
  - i. Efforts to increase equitable economic opportunities.
  - ii. Empowering minority and economically vulnerable groups.
  - iii. Strengthen social protection networks and empower social innovation.
  - iv. Bridging the development gap and accessibility between states and regions
11. All aspects are also given priority in Budget 2021, especially in supporting the achievement of the Shared Prosperity Vision 2030. For example, through the First Objective: People's Welfare - Strategy 2 of Budget 2021, namely Safeguarding the Welfare of Vulnerable Groups, the government has agreed to increase the monthly assistance rate for Person With Disabilities (OKU) who are Incapable of Work, the Elderly, Carers of Bed-ridden OKU and Chronically Ill Patient, OKU Workers and the Assistance for Children of Poor Families. This involves an allocation of RM2.2 billion, which is an additional RM700 million allocation compared to the 2020 Budget, and will benefit more than 400,000 recipients.

**D. BUDGET 2021 & PERMAI: NATIONAL ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN**

**OBJECTIVE 1: Safeguarding the Welfare of the People**  
**PERMAI One-Off Assistance for Drivers of Taxis and Buses**

12. This week also brings good news for 110,000 e-hailing, taxi, school bus and tour bus drivers where they have started receiving PERMAI assistance worth RM500 per person with a total allocation of RM55 million. This assistance was first paid on 23 February.

## Bantuan PRIHATIN Rakyat (BPR)

13. The YAB Prime Minister during his presentation of the PERMAI Assistance Package committed to make the payment for Phase 1 of the BPR at the end of February 2021. 8.45 million recipients have started receiving Phase 1 BPR payments on 24 February, involving an allocation of RM1.93 billion.

## PenjanaKerjaya Kebangsaan

14. In terms of generating jobs, for those of you who are looking for work, the Ministry of Human Resources (KSM) has launched the virtual National PenjanaKerjaya Carnival 2021 through the Cisco Webex application. This virtual carnival takes place from 23 to 26 Feb 2021, from 9am to 5pm. Apart from interview sessions by employers of various sectors, this carnival provides career webinar sessions to assist your job search. This is part of the Government's initiative to create 500,000 job opportunities for Malaysians. Interested participants can register via the link <https://careerfair.perkeso.gov.my>.
15. Don't forget to also visit the MyFutureJobs portal <https://www.myfuturejobs.gov.my> which is a one-stop centre and a major reference point for employment-related initiatives.

## PENJANA (National Economic Recovery Plan)

Ladies & Gentlemen,

16. I will now review the PENJANA Package as of **12 February, 2021**. This package is based on three goals, namely **Empowering the People, Propelling Businesses, and Stimulating the Economy**

### PENJANA OBJECTIVE 1: EMPOWERING THE PEOPLE

17. **First**, touching on the Objective of Empowering the People, **the Phase One Wage Subsidy Program (PSU 1.0)** is still ongoing. The program has achieved a distribution value of **RM12. 763 billion** for **322,177 employers** and **2.64 million registered employees**.

PSU 1.0

| Date As Of         | Amount Approved*<br>(RM billion) | No. of Employees*<br>(million) | No. of Employers* |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>12 February</b> | <b>12.763**</b>                  | <b>2.640</b>                   | <b>322,177</b>    |
| 5 February         | 12.763**                         | 2.640                          | 322,177           |
| 29 January         | 12.757**                         | 2.640                          | 322,177           |
| 25 December        | 12.682**                         | 2.640                          | 322,177           |
| 27 November        | 12.524**                         | 2.640                          | 322,177           |
| 30 October         | 12.255                           | 2.639                          | 322,175           |
| 25 September       | 11.930                           | 2.633                          | 321,633           |
| 28 August          | 10.383                           | 2.620                          | 320,440           |

|          |       |       |         |
|----------|-------|-------|---------|
| 31 July  | 8.995 | 2.582 | 318,258 |
| 26 June  | 7.074 | 2.455 | 307,518 |
| 29 May   | 4.018 | 2.197 | 286,338 |
| 24 April | 1.606 | 1.452 | 207,237 |

\* cumulative amount

\*\* The number of employers and employees has reached its maximum. However, since payments are made in phases, amount approved will continue to rise. Payments in phases is done to ensure that only eligible enterprises receive the subsidy.

18. **Second, the Hiring Incentive and Training Assistance Programme. A total of 130,871 employees** have secured employment through this programme. Manufacturing as well as wholesale and retail trade are among the key industries and sectors that employ workers. The details are as follows:

| Date As Of         | Category of People Who Secured Jobs |               |              |            | Amount*        |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|------------|----------------|
|                    | < 40 years                          | 40 – 60 years | Apprentices  | OKU        |                |
| <b>12 February</b> | <b>105,250</b>                      | <b>17,591</b> | <b>7,536</b> | <b>494</b> | <b>130,871</b> |
| 5 February         | 105,250                             | 17,591        | 7,536        | 494**      | 130,871        |
| 29 January         | 105,160                             | 17,586        | 7,534        | 548        | 130,828        |
| 25 December        | 102,623                             | 17,394        | 7,417        | 1,344      | 128,778        |
| 27 November        | 72,505                              | 11,370        | 5,808        | 1,247      | 90,930         |
| 30 October         | 56,315                              | 8,743         | 4,724        | 331        | 70,113         |
| 25 September       | 34,476                              | 5,456         | 3,782        | 284        | 43,998         |
| 28 August          | 18,354                              | 3,266         | 2,818        | 178        | 24,616         |

\* cumulative amount

\*\* The decrease compared with the previous week is due to certain employers who wrongly selected the category of employees prior to the actual applications.

List of top 5 recruitment industries / sectors by category

| No. | < 40 years                                                      | 40 – 60 years                                                   | Apprentices                                                     | OKU                                                             | Overall                                                         |
|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1   | Manufacturing                                                   | Other Services                                                  | Other Services                                                  | Wholesale and Retail Trade; Motor Vehicle and Motorcycle Repair | Manufacturing                                                   |
| 2   | Other Services                                                  | Manufacturing                                                   | Manufacturing                                                   | Other Services                                                  | Other Services                                                  |
| 3   | Wholesale and Retail Trade; Motor Vehicle and Motorcycle Repair | Wholesale and Retail Trade; Motor Vehicle and Motorcycle Repair | Wholesale and Retail Trade; Motor Vehicle and Motorcycle Repair | Manufacturing                                                   | Wholesale and Retail Trade; Motor Vehicle and Motorcycle Repair |
| 4   | Accommodation & Food Services                                   | Accommodation & Food Services                                   | Accommodation & Food Services                                   | Accommodation & Food Services                                   | Accommodation & Food Services                                   |
| 5   | Education                                                       | Construction                                                    | Information & Communication                                     | Education                                                       | Construction                                                    |

19. **Third, Reskilling and Upskilling Programme.** There was an increase in terms of individuals participating in the programmes to **135,751 participants** (an increase of

2,450 from 133,301 individuals in the previous week). The Ministry of Finance link lists the courses that are requested, while those who are interested can visit the websites of the respective Government agencies involved to obtain the relevant information.

| Bil. | Kementerian/Agensi                                                                                                                                                                          | Program / Skim / Inisiatif                                                                                                               |
|------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.   | <b>Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad (PSMB)</b><br>( <a href="http://www.penjanahrdf.com.my">www.penjanahrdf.com.my</a> )                                                                   | <i>SME Development</i>                                                                                                                   |
|      |                                                                                                                                                                                             | Industrial Revolution 4.0 (IREV4.0)                                                                                                      |
|      |                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>Place &amp; Train</i>                                                                                                                 |
|      |                                                                                                                                                                                             | Gerak Insan Gemilang (GIG)                                                                                                               |
|      |                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>B40 Development</i>                                                                                                                   |
| 2.   | <b>Ministry of Entrepreneur Development and Cooperatives (MEDAC)</b>                                                                                                                        | <i>INSKEN Business Training</i>                                                                                                          |
|      |                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>Program Micro Connector</i>                                                                                                           |
| 3.   | <b>Majlis Amanah Rakyat (MARA)</b><br>( <a href="http://penjana.mara.gov.my/">http://penjana.mara.gov.my/</a> )                                                                             | Modul Khas Penjagaan Kesihatan dan Keselamatan Kebiasaan Baharu                                                                          |
|      |                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>Building Internal Entrepreneur Capabilities by Engaging E-Commerce Bespoke Program (e-entrepreneur) -Training e-Commerce Platform</i> |
|      |                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>Building Capabilities and Providing Jobs Through Competencies / Short Courses Program</i>                                             |
|      |                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>Building Capabilities and Providing Jobs Through Industry Boot Camp</i>                                                               |
|      |                                                                                                                                                                                             | <i>Building Internal Entrepreneur Capabilities by Engaging e-Commerce Bespoke Program (e-entrepreneur) -Bespoke</i>                      |
| 4.   | <b>East Coast Economic Region Development Council (ECER)</b><br>( <a href="https://www.ecerdc.com.my/penjana/Website/index.html">https://www.ecerdc.com.my/penjana/Website/index.html</a> ) | <i>ETEP Enhanced Train&amp; Place (PENJANA)</i>                                                                                          |
| 5.   | <b>Northern Corridor Implementation Authority (NCIA)</b><br>( <a href="https://www.ncer.com.my/jomkerja_jomniaga/">https://www.ncer.com.my/jomkerja_jomniaga/</a> )                         | JomNiaga@NCER                                                                                                                            |
|      |                                                                                                                                                                                             | JomKerja@NCER                                                                                                                            |
| 6.   | <b>Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture Malaysia (MOTAC)</b>                                                                                                                               | Community Skills Development                                                                                                             |
| 7.   | <b>Ministry of Higher Education (MOHE)</b> ( <a href="https://great.mohe.gov.my">https://great.mohe.gov.my</a> )                                                                            | Gig Economy Programme                                                                                                                    |
|      |                                                                                                                                                                                             | Entrepreneurship Programme                                                                                                               |

20. **Fourth, MY30 public transport subsidy** which has been extended to 2021. A total of **751,414 of this monthly unlimited travel pass** have been sold, involving a subsidy of RM127.74 million (no increase over the previous week). I was informed that the Government is promoting this My30 pass with the initiative to "buy one free one" until this March. I hope these improvements will continue to help in terms of public transport costs for Malaysians.

## PENJANA OBJECTIVE 2: PROPELLING BUSINESSES

Ladies & Gentlemen,

21. Now we move on to the Second Objective of Propelling Businesses.
22. **First, the PENJANA SME Financing.** The Government's allocation of RM2 billion under this program prioritises SMEs that have never obtained any bank loans before. A total of **6,731 applications were approved with a total loan value of RM1.259 billion.**

| Date As Of         | Number of Approved Applications* | Amount Disbursed* (RM million) |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>12 February</b> | <b>6,731</b>                     | <b>1,258.5</b>                 |
| 5 February         | 6,613                            | 1,244.7                        |
| 29 January         | 6,507                            | 1,231.4                        |
| 25 December        | 5,764                            | 1,122.1                        |
| 27 November        | 5,301                            | 1,085.7                        |
| 30 October         | 4,488                            | 965.5                          |
| 25 September       | 3,351                            | 795.3                          |
| 28 August          | 1,615                            | 426.2                          |

\*Cumulative Amount

23. **Second, PENJANA Tourism Sector Financing.** The Government has allocated RM1 billion for SMEs and Micro SMEs still affected by COVID-19. There are **579 applications** for this financing, and of this total **282 applications have been approved** with a total financing of **RM57.1 million.**
24. **Third, PENJANA Credit Micro Financing** under Bank Simpanan Nasional (BSN). A total of **RM363.4 million** has been channeled to benefit **10,774 Micro SMEs including those from the retail and services sectors.**

| Date As Of         | Micro SMEs*   | Amount Disbursed* (RM million) |
|--------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>12 February</b> | <b>10,774</b> | <b>363.4</b>                   |
| 5 February         | 10,774        | 363.4                          |
| 29 January         | 10,037        | 340.0                          |
| 25 December        | 8,158         | 282.8                          |
| 27 November        | 6,492         | 227.5                          |



|              |       |       |
|--------------|-------|-------|
| 30 October   | 4,674 | 167.4 |
| 25 September | 2,007 | 73.7  |
| 28 August    | 399   | 15.2  |

\*Cumulative Amount

25. **Fourth, Bumiputera Relief Financing (BRF)** which was introduced by Perbadanan Usahawan Nasional Bhd (PUNB) with a fund of RM200 million, of which **572 SMEs** received a fund of **RM161.7 million** (compared to 548 SMEs having received a total fund of RM153.0 million in the previous week).

### PENJANA OBJECTIVE 3: STIMULATING THE ECONOMY

Ladies & Gentlemen,

26. We now review PENJANA's third objective of **Stimulating the Economy**.
27. For **Support for the Arts, Culture and Entertainment Sector**, among the allocations provided are funds worth RM100 million in the form of loans with interest rates of 3.5% and RM30 million grants for the creative industry, events and exhibitions organisation under MyCreative Ventures; while RM10 million is under CENDANA. A total of **221 applications** were received for **MyCreative Ventures worth RM104.5 million**, of which 35 applications were approved with a value of **RM13.6 million** (no increase compared to the previous week).
28. As for the **CENDANA** initiative, a total of **RM1.6 million** was channeled to **317 recipients** (compared to RM1.1 million for 246 recipients in the previous week). The recipients consist of artists, collectives and organisations that are actively involved in the Malaysian arts and culture sector. Creative industry players are encouraged to take advantage of the facilities provided in producing their works. All industry players involved can apply for assistance from both agencies involved. Please do visit [www.mycreative.com.my/penjana](http://www.mycreative.com.my/penjana) dan [www.cendana.com.my](http://www.cendana.com.my) for further information.

### KITA PRIHATIN (Kerangka Inisiatif Tambahan Khas PRIHATIN)

Ladies & Gentlemen,

29. **Under the KITA PRIHATIN package, for the Phase Two Wage Subsidy Program (PSU2.0)**, a total of **RM770.31 million** has been channeled to **65,398** employers to continue to operate and maintain employment for **534,183** employees. As stated during the Budget 2021, targeted PSUs were also introduced to assist the tourism and retail sectors, while all sectors affected by the implementation of the MCO this year are eligible to receive PSU 3.0 support under the PERMAI Assistance Package.



PSU 2.0

| Date As Of         | Amount Approved*<br>(RM billion) | Number of<br>Workers*<br>(million) | Number of<br>Employers* |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>12 February</b> | <b>770.31</b>                    | <b>534,183</b>                     | <b>65,398</b>           |
| 5 February         | 770.31                           | 534,183                            | 65,398                  |
| 29 January         | 741.16                           | 518,793                            | 64,345                  |
| 25 December        | 418.67                           | 420,193                            | 51,022                  |
| 27 November        | 239.73                           | 307,420                            | 39,203                  |

\*Cumulative Amount

## CLOSING

30. To end, once again I remind everyone to continue to follow the SOP in carrying out economic activities and daily life. The economic recovery is partly based on our ability to break the chain of transmission of the COVID-19 pandemic.

In the meantime, the Government will not stop providing support to public health, and ensure the continuity of business as well as protect the people's livelihood through continuous assistance. I end with a verse of pantun:

**Disimpan cermat tidak tersayat,  
Tenunan puteri selembat pua;  
Vaksin selamat diguna Rakyat,  
Lindung diri lindung semua.**

31. Take of yourself and family and stay safe. Terima kasih.

**YB Tengku Datuk Seri Utama Zafrul Tengku Abdul Aziz**  
**Minister of Finance**  
**Ministry of Finance Malaysia**  
**24 February 2021**

## APPENDIX 1 – PRIHATIN ACHIEVEMENTS

| OBJECTIVE 1: PROTECTING THE RAKYAT |                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.                                 | <b>i-Lestari Withdrawal Scheme under the Employees Provident Fund (EPF)</b> | As at <b>12 February 2021</b> , cumulative withdrawal stood at <b>RM17.67 billion</b> and involved <b>5.15 million recipients</b> (compared to RM16.96 bilion and involving 5.12 million recipients from the previous week). Retirement planning is crucial, and the people are encouraged to utilise the free <b>Retirement Advisory Service (RAS)</b> provided by EPF. Information on this free service can be found at:<br><a href="https://www.kwsp.gov.my/ms/member/retirement-advisory-service">https://www.kwsp.gov.my/ms/member/retirement-advisory-service</a> |
| 2.                                 | <b>Frontliners Allowance</b>                                                | <p>a. As of <b>12 February 2021</b>, a total of <b>RM484.85 million</b> has been channelled based on <b>1,453,454</b> from doctors, nurses and other medical personnel directly involved in the management and containment of the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>b. This special allowance is also extended to members of the military, police, customs, immigration, firemen, members of the Civil Defense Force as well as RELA members who are directly involved in implementing the Movement Control Order (MCO).</p>                                                    |

| OBJECTIVE 2: SUPPORTING BUSINESSES |                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                      |                                            |                 |                         |              |               |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |           |       |        |           |       |        |                  |       |        |             |       |        |            |       |        |              |       |        |           |      |        |
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| 3.                                 | <b>SME Soft Loans Funds Administered by Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM)</b> | <p>As of <b>12 February 2021</b>, the total number of applications approved by local banks and accepted by SMEs is <b>RM11.63 billion</b> which will benefit <b>24,628 SMEs</b>. This amount includes Special Relief Facility (SRF), Automation &amp; Digitalisation Facility (ADF), All-Economic Sector Facility (AES) and Agrofood Facility (AF) funds.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>SME Soft Loans Funds</th><th>Approved and Accepted Amount* (RM billion)</th><th>Number of SMEs*</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><b>12 February 2021</b></td><td><b>11.63</b></td><td><b>24,628</b></td></tr> <tr> <td>5 February</td><td>11.63</td><td>24,628</td></tr> <tr> <td>29 January</td><td>11.60</td><td>24,613</td></tr> <tr> <td>22 January</td><td>11.60</td><td>24,590</td></tr> <tr> <td>15 January</td><td>11.58</td><td>24,564</td></tr> <tr> <td>8 January</td><td>11.58</td><td>24,564</td></tr> <tr> <td>1 January</td><td>11.54</td><td>24,519</td></tr> <tr> <td>25 December 2020</td><td>11.29</td><td>24,012</td></tr> <tr> <td>27 November</td><td>11.13</td><td>23,711</td></tr> <tr> <td>30 October</td><td>10.87</td><td>23,305</td></tr> <tr> <td>25 September</td><td>10.67</td><td>22,984</td></tr> <tr> <td>28 August</td><td>10.3</td><td>22,440</td></tr> </tbody> </table> | SME Soft Loans Funds | Approved and Accepted Amount* (RM billion) | Number of SMEs* | <b>12 February 2021</b> | <b>11.63</b> | <b>24,628</b> | 5 February | 11.63 | 24,628 | 29 January | 11.60 | 24,613 | 22 January | 11.60 | 24,590 | 15 January | 11.58 | 24,564 | 8 January | 11.58 | 24,564 | 1 January | 11.54 | 24,519 | 25 December 2020 | 11.29 | 24,012 | 27 November | 11.13 | 23,711 | 30 October | 10.87 | 23,305 | 25 September | 10.67 | 22,984 | 28 August | 10.3 | 22,440 |
| SME Soft Loans Funds               | Approved and Accepted Amount* (RM billion)                             | Number of SMEs*                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                      |                                            |                 |                         |              |               |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |           |       |        |           |       |        |                  |       |        |             |       |        |            |       |        |              |       |        |           |      |        |
| <b>12 February 2021</b>            | <b>11.63</b>                                                           | <b>24,628</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                      |                                            |                 |                         |              |               |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |           |       |        |           |       |        |                  |       |        |             |       |        |            |       |        |              |       |        |           |      |        |
| 5 February                         | 11.63                                                                  | 24,628                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                      |                                            |                 |                         |              |               |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |           |       |        |           |       |        |                  |       |        |             |       |        |            |       |        |              |       |        |           |      |        |
| 29 January                         | 11.60                                                                  | 24,613                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                      |                                            |                 |                         |              |               |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |           |       |        |           |       |        |                  |       |        |             |       |        |            |       |        |              |       |        |           |      |        |
| 22 January                         | 11.60                                                                  | 24,590                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                      |                                            |                 |                         |              |               |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |           |       |        |           |       |        |                  |       |        |             |       |        |            |       |        |              |       |        |           |      |        |
| 15 January                         | 11.58                                                                  | 24,564                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                      |                                            |                 |                         |              |               |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |           |       |        |           |       |        |                  |       |        |             |       |        |            |       |        |              |       |        |           |      |        |
| 8 January                          | 11.58                                                                  | 24,564                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                      |                                            |                 |                         |              |               |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |           |       |        |           |       |        |                  |       |        |             |       |        |            |       |        |              |       |        |           |      |        |
| 1 January                          | 11.54                                                                  | 24,519                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                      |                                            |                 |                         |              |               |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |           |       |        |           |       |        |                  |       |        |             |       |        |            |       |        |              |       |        |           |      |        |
| 25 December 2020                   | 11.29                                                                  | 24,012                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                      |                                            |                 |                         |              |               |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |           |       |        |           |       |        |                  |       |        |             |       |        |            |       |        |              |       |        |           |      |        |
| 27 November                        | 11.13                                                                  | 23,711                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                      |                                            |                 |                         |              |               |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |           |       |        |           |       |        |                  |       |        |             |       |        |            |       |        |              |       |        |           |      |        |
| 30 October                         | 10.87                                                                  | 23,305                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                      |                                            |                 |                         |              |               |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |           |       |        |           |       |        |                  |       |        |             |       |        |            |       |        |              |       |        |           |      |        |
| 25 September                       | 10.67                                                                  | 22,984                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                      |                                            |                 |                         |              |               |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |           |       |        |           |       |        |                  |       |        |             |       |        |            |       |        |              |       |        |           |      |        |
| 28 August                          | 10.3                                                                   | 22,440                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                      |                                            |                 |                         |              |               |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |            |       |        |           |       |        |           |       |        |                  |       |        |             |       |        |            |       |        |              |       |        |           |      |        |

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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |  | July                      | 9.6 | 21,410 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |  | June                      | 8.4 | 19,539 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |  | May                       | 6.9 | 16,833 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |  | April                     | 1.5 | 3,636  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |  | <i>*Cumulative Amount</i> |     |        |
| <p>Although the SRF funds have been fully utilised, SMEs can still apply for available funding schemes under the BNM Funds such as <b>ADF</b>, <b>AES</b> and <b>AF</b>. SMEs can also acquire other funding via the <b>imSME platform</b> via the link <a href="https://imsme.com.my/portal/en/">https://imsme.com.my/portal/en/</a> that will help match the required funding by SMEs with multiple financial institutions.</p> |  |                           |     |        |

## APPENDIX 2 – PENJANA ACHIEVEMENTS

| OBJECTIVE 2: PROPEL BUSINESSES |                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                              |                              |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 2.                             | <b>TEKUN Business Recovery Scheme (TBRS) for Micro SMEs</b>                             | This RM100 million fund <b>has achieved its objective</b> by benefitting <b>14,946 Micro SMEs</b>                                                            |                              |
| 3.                             | <b>Technical and Digital Utilisation support for SMEs and Mid-Tier Companies (MTCs)</b> | As of now, <b>RM40.5 million</b> has been channelled to <b>8,580 businesses</b> in the form of grants and loans for subscription to digitalisation services. |                              |
|                                |                                                                                         | <b>Date as of</b>                                                                                                                                            | <b>Applications Approved</b> |
|                                |                                                                                         | <b>Amount Disbursed* (RM million)</b>                                                                                                                        |                              |
|                                |                                                                                         | <b>12 February</b>                                                                                                                                           | <b>8,580</b>                 |
|                                |                                                                                         | 5 February                                                                                                                                                   | 8,577                        |
|                                |                                                                                         | 29 January                                                                                                                                                   | 8,576                        |
|                                |                                                                                         | 25 December                                                                                                                                                  | 5,691                        |
|                                |                                                                                         | 27 November                                                                                                                                                  | 3,274                        |
|                                |                                                                                         | 30 October                                                                                                                                                   | 1,134                        |
|                                |                                                                                         | 25 September                                                                                                                                                 | 439                          |
| <i>*Cumulative Amount</i>      |                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                              |                              |

| OBJECTIVE 3: STIMULATING THE ECONOMY |                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| 4.                                   | <b>Support for Agriculture and Food Industry</b> | <p>Funding worth <b>RM400 million</b> has been allocated for farmers and fishermen. Under this scheme, RM350 million is an allocation under the Agrobank Microcredit Financing Scheme. A total of <b>RM85.1 million</b> has been channelled under this scheme to benefit <b>7,723 Agricultural Micro SMEs</b>. Food security is very much emphasised in the PENJANA Plan and Budget 2021.</p> |

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| 5. | <b>100% exemption from export duty to commodity sector</b> | Includes palm oil-based industries, to stimulate the growth of the country's commodity sector and export value. This initiative can help make it more convenient for smallholders to sell their produce to factories. The value of export duty exemption successfully utilised by the country's industry is <b>RM593.9 million</b> .                                                                                                                    |
| 6. | <b>Service tax exemption for hotels</b>                    | Specifically to support the tourism sector until 30 June 2021. The value of tax exemptions that have been utilised by accommodation premises operators has reached a value of <b>RM1.37 billion</b> (no increase compared to the previous week). Other initiatives to support the tourism sector include individual income tax relief of up to RM1,000 on travel expenses, as well as full tourism tax exemption.                                       |
| 7. | <b>Sales tax relief for passenger vehicles</b>             | This sales tax incentives include 100% exemption for locally assembled cars (CKD) and a 50% reduction for fully imported models (CBUs). The value of sales tax relief that has been utilised is <b>RM233.0 million</b> (no increase compared to the previous week). As informed, the Government has agreed to extend this tax incentive until 30 June 2021, as a measure to further boost the automotive sector and economic activities of the country. |