

MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND HRD CORP ORGANISE KARNIVAL TVET MADANI IN CONJUNCTION WITH NATIONAL TRAINING WEEK 2023

Kota Kinabalu, 27 May 2023 – The Ministry of Human Resources through its agency Human Resource Development Corporation (HRD Corp) has organised the Karnival TVET MADANI in conjunction with the National Training Week (NTW) 2023. The event was officiated Yang Berhormat Tuan Ts. Mustapha Sakmud, Deputy Minister of Human Resources at Masjid Bandaraya Kota Kinabalu, Sabah.

Taking place between 22 May and 28 May nationwide, NTW 2023 is a week of nationwide training events and activities that bring together organisations and individuals from various backgrounds and industries for training and development opportunities. It is the first initiative of its kind in the country, where training programmes will be organised all over the country by Malaysian individuals and organisations and offered for free to all Malaysians.

The Carnival was attended by over 3,000 Sabahan and saw the participation of the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Social Security Organisation (SOCSO), Department of Skills Development (DS) and Department of Labour. The agencies provided briefing sessions on occupational safety and health, the Housewives' Social Security Scheme, skills development and labour issues in Sabah.

Karnival TVET MADANI also featured important socio-economic activities such as the *Program Ekonomi Negara Insaniah* by Ad Access, Sleep Management Practice Session by Prof Dr. Louis Adailakam, Chief Executive Officer of Alpha International Training and Consultancy Sdn Bhd, a talk by the Universiti Malaysia Sabah as well as the *Motivasi Tahfiz Madani* session.

During his officiating speech, the Deputy Minister of Human Resources, Yang Berhormat Tuan. Ts Mustapha Sakmud said, the need to provide and ensure access to high quality education and training across all segment to maximise the potential of each individual and accelerate the growth of the country.

"Through *TVET MADANI* Carnival and National Training Week 2023, I hope the spirit of Malaysia MADANI can be practiced and strengthen the TVET sector in Malaysia. will be a key driver in driving the TVET sector in Malaysia. This is crucial to nurture a new generation of future Malaysian leaders" added the Deputy Minister of Human Resources.

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He also urged everyone, including the public sector, private sector, higher education institutions, technical schools, and students, to strengthen their cooperation and actively involve themselves in local human capital development.

Meanwhile, Wan Yon Shahima Wan Othman, Chief Customer Officer of HRD Corp, in her welcoming speech expressed hope that through this NTW initiative, it would be able to further strengthen preparations to produce a local human capital that is competent and possess world-class competitiveness.

She also announced that the National Human Capital Conference & Exhibition (NHCCE) 2023 – Borneo Region will be held in Sabah International Convention Centre (SICC) from 4-5 July. This is the first time HRD Corp is bringing its annual human capital conference to all principal regions in Malaysia.

Ministry of Human Resources and HRD Corp aim to officer 5,000 courses to 125,000 participants with a total of 500,00 training hours. However, as of Friday, 5.00 pm the number of courses has far exceeded the original target standing at 21,052. These included over 300 courses offered to Sabahans. Whereas, course participation stood at 103,823 while the total training hours completed was 404,312.

Malaysians can still visit <u>www.nationaltrainingweek.gov.my</u> to learn more and register for any available courses. These courses will be available for free until Sunday, 28 May 2023.

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About Human Resource Development Corporation (HRD Corp):

Human Resource Development Corporation (HRD Corp) was established in 1993 as the Human Resources Development Council. It was incorporated into Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad through the enactment of the Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad Act 2001.

As an agency under the Ministry of Human Resources, it is responsible for collecting levy from key industries and disbursing training grants to registered employers through its internal mechanisms known as the Human Resources Development Fund (HRDF).

In April 2021, HRDF became HRD Corp. The name change reflects its new responsibilities, directions and mission. These include expanding its workforce, upskilling and reskilling efforts to all Malaysian employers and individuals, and providing incomegenerating opportunities to all communities in need.

This transformation is in line with HRD Corp's ambition of driving Malaysia's talent development aspirations for the long term.

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