



MEDIA STATEMENT
MINISTRY OF WOMEN, FAMILY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
IMPLEMENTING THE 2030 DEVELOPMENT AGENDA FOR ALL
PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: LEAVING NO ONE BEHIND

Malaysia will continue to focus on enhancing inclusiveness and equitable opportunities for all Malaysians, including persons with disabilities. This statement has been made during The Ninth Session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention On The Rights of Person With Disabilities New York, attended by YB Dato' Sri Rohani Abdul Karim, Minister of Women, Family and Community Development.

Malaysia currently embarks on its five-year development plan – The Eleventh Malaysia Plan from 2016 to 2020. In many aspects, the Plan mirrors the multi-dimensional nature of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and has been formulated focusing on the people at the centre development efforts.

“The focus of the Eleventh Plan is to provide persons with disabilities a more conducive and friendly environment for active, productive and independent living. During the Plan, more programmes will be implemented to empower productive persons with disabilities. More accessibility to basic education and skill training will be provided, including entrepreneurship, to build relevant skills among persons with disabilities so that they are employable by the private and the government sector”, said YB Dato' Sri Rohani.

She also added that the Government has approved a new Plan of Action for Person with Disabilities (2016-2022) starting March 25th, 2016. The future development of persons with disabilities in Malaysia will be undertaken through the adoption of a dual approach, encompassing

Convention on the Rights of Person with Disabilities as a global mandate and the regional mandate for persons with disabilities in Asia and Pacific region, The Incheon Strategy to “Make the Right Real” for Persons with Disabilities (2013 –2022). The new plan of action is based on the general principles and obligations stipulated in the Incheon Strategy.

Malaysia through the Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development will continue to enhance efforts to further improve the status of persons with disabilities to enable them to reach their full potential and contribute towards the social and economic development of the country.

YB Dato’ Sri Rohani Abdul Karim will be joining two sessions of the conference namely Round Table 2 : Promoting the Rights of Persons with Mental and Intellectual Disabilities and Round Table 3 : Enhancing the Accessibility of Information and Technology and Inclusive Development.

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