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## PERKESO-SGK TÜRKİYE STRENGTHEN COOPERATION IN SOCIAL SECURITY

**KUALA LUMPUR:** Malaysia's Social Security Organization (PERKESO) and the Social Security Institution (SGK) of the Republic of Türkiye sign a Memorandum of Collaboration (MoC), aimed at enhancing cooperation in the field of social security.

The agreement marks a new milestone in bilateral relations, establishing a framework for knowledge sharing, exchange of expertise and best practices, as well as collaboration in areas such as digital innovation, policy development and mutual exchange of experts.

PERKESO Chairman Dato' Sri Subahan Kamal described the signing as a landmark occasion that reflects trust, mutual respect and a shared vision of social security protection between Malaysia and Türkiye.

"Although our national contexts may differ, our mission remains united, to safeguard the dignity, security and wellbeing of working people and to help them build a better future.

"This MoC provides a forward-looking framework that strengthens institutional ties and paves the way for meaningful and lasting cooperation," he said.

The collaboration paves the way for collaboration in areas such as contribution collection, benefit delivery, rehabilitation and actuarial sustainability, but also strengthens knowledge sharing to build more resilient social protection systems worldwide.

This milestone underscores the significance of World Social Security Forum (WSSF) 2025 and reaffirms Kuala Lumpur's standing as *The World Capital of Social Security*, showcasing Malaysia's commitment to advancing inclusive and sustainable systems.

Furthermore, Subahan also emphasises that both PERKESO and SGK carry significant mandates in protecting and empowering workers, whether through social protection, employment services or providing security during vulnerable times.

"The true value of this MoC lies not only in technical exchanges, but also in its ability to deepen institutional relations, foster stronger bonds of friendship, and establish enduring channels of cooperation between Malaysia and Türkiye.

"Together, we can build a more inclusive, resilient and innovative social security system, one that gives workers not only protection, but also dignity and hope," Subahan added.

The MoC was signed on Tuesday at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre (KLCC), on the sideline of WSSF 2025, which brings together over 2,000 participants from 133 countries from 29 September to 3 October.

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## **About PERKESO**

PERKESO (Social Security Organization) is a government agency that provides social protection to private sector employees, statutory bodies/government employees, self-employed individuals, and housewives, along with their dependents, against unforeseen circumstances. This coverage includes accidents, disability, illness, death, and job loss. PERKESO's protection operates on the concept of social insurance guided by the principles of 'Prihatin' (Caring) and 'no one left behind'. PERKESO operates from 54 offices, 5 Rehabilitation Centres, and 294 MYFutureJobs One Stop Centres across Malaysia. For more information, you can visit <a href="https://www.perkeso.gov.my">www.perkeso.gov.my</a> or contact their Customer Service Centre at 1300 22 8000.

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