



## BUDGET 2016 – PROSPERING THE RAKYAT

Selected Summary of Malaysia's Tax Budget 2016



### CHANGES AFFECTING INDIVIDUAL

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SUBJECT		CONTE	ΙΤ			EFFECTIVE DATE
Review Tax Rate for Individual	Resident individual taxpayer: Income tax rate be increased between 1% and 3% for chargeable income starting from RM600,001;				YA 2016 onwards	
	Chargeable Income (RM)	Previous Rates (%)		nt Rates (%)	Increase (%)	
	600,001 – 1,000,000 Above 1,000,000	25 25		26 28	1 3	
	Non-resident individual tax		3%.			
Changes to Tax Relieves for Resident Individual	Tax Relief			Previous (Max)	Current (Max)	YA 2016 onwards
Taxpayer	Spouse with no income ar who pays alimony to form	er wife	axpayer	RM3,000	RM4,000	
	Disabled child studying at	tertiary level		RM12,000	RM14,000	
	Child below 18 years of ag			RM1,000	RM2,000	
	Child above 18 years of level	age studying at	tertiary	RM6,000	RM8,000	
	Fees for tertiary education	า		RM5,000	RM7,000	
	Employees' contribution t	o SOCSO		N/A	RM250	
Tax Relief for Parental Care	<ul> <li>A new tax relief of RM1,500 for each parent is entitled to resident individual tax payer, subject to the following conditions:- <ol> <li>Taxpayer does not claim tax relief for expenses incurred on medical treatment and care of parents;</li> <li>Parents are the legitimate natural parents and foster parents in accordance with the respective law subject to a maximum of 2 persons</li> <li>Parents are aged 60 years and above;</li> <li>Parents are resident of Malaysia in the current year of assessment; and</li> <li>Parents have annual income not exceeding RM24,000 per annum for each parent.</li> </ol> </li> <li>This relief can be shared with other siblings provided that the total relief gained shall not exceed RM1,500 per parent.</li> </ul>			YA 2016 until YA 2020		
Exemption for Gratuity on Retirement from Employment	New Paragraph 25D Schedule 6 of Income Tax Act (ITA) 1967 enacted that an exemption of no more than RM1,000 is be given for every completed year of service of that individual for any sums received by way of gratuity on retirement from an employment under any written law or termination of a contract of employment regardless of the age and period of service of the individual.				YA 2016 onwards	
Changes to Basis Period to which Employment Income is Related	Amendment for Subsection 25(1) enacted that receivable income from employment will be treated as gross income and tax arrears assessed in the period received.			YA 2016 onwards		
	For departing taxpayer, the	provision remain	s the sar	ne.		



## CHANGES AFFECTING COMPANIES AND UNINCORPORATED BUSINESSES

	DIVALED BEGINESSES		
SUBJECT	CONTENT		EFFECTIVE DATE
Automatic Double Deduction for Research and Development ("R&D") Project for SMEs	≤ RM2.5 up to RM50 • Claim doub	Allowed to claim double deduction  Illy for R&D expenditure 1,000 for each YA.  Ile deduction on R&D expenditure 1,000 for each YA.  Ile upon Inland Revenue	YA 2016 to YA 2018
Deduction for Interest on Money Borrowed	Section 33(5) – Where interest is due to be assessment, the taxpayer is required to notify the not later than 12 months from the end of the receipt of such claim by the taxpayer, the Dirassessment accordingly.	the Director General in writing basis period for the YA. Upor	g 1
Debts Arising from Services to be Rendered or The Use or Enjoyment of Property	A debt owing that arises in a basis period in rendered at an of carrying on a of carrying on a of carrying on a control of the	rendered or to be ny time in the course a business; or enjoyment of any or to be dealt with at e course of carrying	YA 2016
	Shall be treated as gross business income for	or the relevant period.	
	<ul> <li>New Subsection 24(1A) – advance payment is be taxable in the year of receipt notwiths owing.</li> <li>However, if the advance payment is so deduction can be claimed in the year of refu</li> </ul>	standing that there is no debi	t



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SUBJECT	SUBJECT	EFFECTIVE DATE
Industrial Building Allowance (IBA)	A person is no longer entitled to claim IBA if the building or part of it is let out to another person who uses the building as:-  ❖ Licensed private hospital, maternity homes and nursing homes  ❖ Building used for/ as:  ➢ Research  ➢ Warehouses  ➢ Approved service projects  ➢ Hotels  ➢ Living accommodation in manufacturing, hotel, tourism, or approved projects under Schedule 7B  ❖ Schools or educational institutions	YA 2016
Review of Special Allowances on Small Value Assets	It is redefined that SME is a company which is resident and incorporated in Malaysia. SME company is eligible to claim 100% capital allowance on small value assets with value of not more than RM1,300 each.	YA 2016
Replacement Parts	It is enacted that where any part of an asset ceased to be used for purpose of a business in a basis period for a YA due to replacement and depreciated separately in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), that part of an asset is deemed to have been disposed for tax purposes.	YA 2016
Deductibility of Goods and Services Tax	<ul> <li>Any input tax paid or to be paid by a person in respect of Goods and Service Tax (GST) is not allowed as a deduction under the new Subsection 39(1)(o) of ITA 1967 if he is liable to be registered under the GST Act 2014 (GSTA) but failed to do so, or is entitled to the input tax credit under GSTA but has failed to claim.</li> <li>Any output tax paid or to be paid under the GSTA which is borne by a person who is registered or liable to be registered under the GSTA is also not allowed as a deduction under the new Subsection 39(1)(p) of ITA 1967.</li> </ul>	YA 2015
Tax Treatment for Goods and Services Tax under Schedule 3, 7A and 7B of Income Tax Act 1967	Qualifying expenditure incurred by a person for the purpose of claiming capital allowance and the capital expenditure incurred by a company for the purpose of claiming reinvestment allowance and investment allowance shall not include any amount paid or to be paid in respect of GST as input tax, if:-  (i) The person or company is liable to be registered under the GST Act 2014 and has failed to do so, or  (ii) The person or company is entitled under the Act to credit that amount as its input tax.	YA 2015



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SUBJECT	SUBJECT		EFFECTIVE DATE	
E-Filing	Employer's Return (Form E)  Furnishing of Estimate or Revised Estimate	<ul> <li>New Subsection 83(1B) of the ITA 1967</li> <li>Must be submitted by way of an electronic medium or electronic submission (via e-filing)</li> <li>Company, Limited Liability Partnership (LLP), trust body or co-operative society</li> <li>File estimate or revised estimate of tax payable for</li> </ul>	YA 2016	
	of Tax Payabe	each YA by way of an electronic medium or electronic submission (via e-filing)		



#### INVESTMENT INCENTIVES

SUBJECT	CONTENT	EFFECTIVE DATE
Special Reinvestment Allowance (RA) Incentive	To encourage reinvestments among companies whose RA incentive period has expired, it is enacted a special RA be made available for reinvestments made within a period of 3 years of assessment starting from YA 2016.	YA 2016 to YA 2018
Allowance for Increased Exports Incentive (SMEs)	Companies with paid-up capital not exceeding RM2.5 million are eligible to claim tax exemption of statutory income equivalent to 10% or 15% of the value of increase of exports, provided that the goods exported attain at least 20% or 40% value added respectively.	YA 2016 to YA 2018
Tax Incentive for Tour Operating Companies	In order to boost domestic tourism and promote Malaysia as the preferred destination for foreign tourists, the following tax incentive be extended till year of assessment 2018 for tour operating companies licensed under Tourism Industry Act 1992:-	YA 2016 to YA 2018
	Tour Packages within Malaysia  •100% tax exemption on statutory income •Participated by not less than 1,500 local tourist per year	
	Tour Packages to Malaysia  •100% tax exemption on statutory income  •Participated by not less than 750 foreign tourist per year	
Tax Incentive for Food Production Projects	The application of food production projects incentives from the Ministry of Agriculture and Agro-Based Industry is extended to 31 December 2020 for both the company which invest in a subsidiary company engaged in an Approved Food Production Project (AFPP) and its subsidiary company undertaking the AFPP.  The scope of food production projects also extended to:  • planting of coconuts, mushrooms and cash crops  • rearing of deer  • cultivation of seaweed  • rearing of honey (bees and kelulut)	Applications received by the Ministry of Agriculture and Agro-Based Industry from 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2020.

Agriculture and Agro-Based Industry and approved by the Ministry of

Finance



#### **TAX ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

SUBJECT	CONTENT	EFFECTIVE DATE	
Additional Penalty for Not Furnishing Tax Return	Taxpayer who is fail to furnish a tax return in any year of assessment for more than 2 years, upon conviction, shall be liable to a fine for in between RM1,000 and RM20,000 or imprisonment for not more than 6 months or both and a special penalty equal to treble the amount which the Director General may, according to the best of his judgement, determine as the income tax charged on the chargeable income of that person for those years of assessment.	Upon coming into operation of the Finance Act 2015	
Penalty for Not Providing Correct Particulars	Taxpayer who fails to furnish the correct particulars in its tax returns required by the Director General, shall be guilty of an offence and shall upon conviction, shall be liable for a fine between RM200 and RM20,000 or imprisonment not more than 6 months or both.	Upon coming into operation of Finance Act 2015	

#### **REAL PROPERTY GAINS TAX (RPGT)**

SUBJECT	CONTENT	EFFECTIVE DATE
Penalty on Additional RPGT for Late Filing	The Director General (DG) is empowered to impose additional penalty in accordance with Section 29(3) in respect of any additional tax payable by the person for year of assessment.	Upon coming into operation of the Finance (No.2) Act 2015
Tax Treatment for GST under Schedule 2 of RPGT Act 1976	incidental cost of the acquisition of disposal of a chargeable asset shall	
	Additional Subparagraph 7(d) and (e) of Schedule 2 of RPGT 1976, the following shall not be taken into account computing the acquisition price or disposal price of a chargeable asset:  ❖ Any input tax paid or to be paid by the disposer if he is liable to be registered under the GST Act 2014 and failed to do so, or if he is entitled under the GST Act 2014 to credit that amount as input tax.  ❖ Any output tax paid or to be paid under the GST Act 2014 which is borne by the disposer if he is registered or liable to be registered under the GST Act 2014	



and Sarawak to be exempted from GST

## **GOODS AND SERVICES TAX**

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SUBJECT	CONTENT			EFFECTIVE DATE
Amendment to the GST (Zero-Rated) Supply Order 2014	The scope of zero-rated items to be broadened food products:  Soybean-based milk for infant and children  Lotus root and water chestnut  Zero-rated items extended  Mee Kolok  Jaggery Powder  Mus see	1 January 2016		
Extended Scope of Drugs subject to GST at Zero rate (NEML)	The current zero rating for medicines and med include controlled drugs registered under the Dr  The list of drugs classified as medical devimedicines under the NEML are expanded to inclu  Controlled Drugs Over-the-counter Medicine Medical Devices	ug Control Aut	thority. r-the-counter	1 January 2016
Domestic Air Passenger Transport Services in Sabah	Domestic air transportation services for passe Sabah, Sarawak and Labuan for economy class Air Services to be treated as an exempt supply.	-		1 January 2016



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SUBJECT		CONTENT		EFFECTIVE DATE
Amendment of Approved Trader Scheme (ATS)	Companies in the aerospace in overhaul services (MRO) are efollowing conditions:  i. Obtained an Approval of Oris still valid and issued by the 2B Civil Aviation Act 1969 [Aii. Have a valid approval from:  a. Design Authority of Orib. Design Organisation Approval	1 January 2016		
Amendment to the GST (Relief) Order 2014	GST relief for procurement of training providers conducting a Development Act 2006. The lis approved by the Minister of Fin	1 January 2016		
Amendment to Time of Supply for Imported Services	The time of supply of imported services shall be treated to have been made at the earlier of the following date:  a) The date when any payment is made by the recipient; or  b) The date when any invoice is issued by the supplier who belongs in a country other than Malaysia or who carries on business outside Malaysia.			1 January 2016
Amendment to	If the taxable person fails to make payment for the tax due and payable, the penalty will be subjected to the followings:-			1 January 2016
Section 41 of the	Tax Remain Unpaid	Rate of Penalty	Cumulative	
Goods and Service Tax Act 2014 – Furnishing of Returns and Payment of Tax	1 – 30 days 31 60 days 61 – 90 days  Prosecution under Section 41(7	5% 10% 10% ') of the Act may be institu	5% 15% 25% uted after the expiry	
	of 90 days.  The penalty shall be ceased t General (DG) allows the paymen		e date the Director	
Relief for Re- importation of Goods which Exported Temporarily	The following re-importation transactions will be granted relief from payment of GST:  ✓ Goods which are exported temporarily for the purpose of promotion, research or exhibitions.  ✓ Eligible equipment which have been exported temporarily for the purpose of rental and lease outside the country. Eligible equipments are equipment which is used in the upstream oil and gas industry.			1 January 2016