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IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT, TALENTCORP OPEN MYXPATS CENTRE *One-stop expatriate service centre in the Klang Valley to offer enhanced Immigration services for expatriate applications*

PETALING JAYA, 30 JUNE 2015 – The Immigration Department of Malaysia and Talent Corporation Malaysia Berhad (TalentCorp) have announced that the new Malaysia Expatriate Talent Service Centre (MYXpats Centre) will open effective 1 July 2015.

Based in Surian Tower, Petaling Jaya, MYXpats Centre is a one-stop centre that will process and issue all Employment Pass (EP) applications and other EP-related passes for expatriates working in Malaysia. It is jointly managed by the Immigration Department of Malaysia and TalentCorp.

YAB Prime Minister had announced last year a target to approve EP applications within five working days for employers registered with the Immigration Department. From January to May 2015, 54 percent of EP applications were approved within five days. Since the MYXpats Centre started operations in June 2015, more than 70 percent of EP applications in the month of June have been approved within the five-day client charter.

Dato' Mustafa Ibrahim, the Director-General of Immigration Department of Malaysia, stated: "The opening of MYXpats Centre introduces a new level of enhanced immigration services. Through our oversight of the secure, government-run system, we will ensure that applications are processed in the most efficient manner, allowing us to deliver on the planned enhancement of immigration services started by the launch of the Expatriate Services Division (ESD) last year."

Johan Mahmood Merican, Chief Executive Officer of TalentCorp, added: "Leveraging on our experience working with leading employers in key industry sectors, we are proud to collaborate with the Immigration Department to better facilitate leading investors and employers access foreign skill sets needed through MYXpats Centre."

MYXpats Centre will process and issue the following expatriate passes: Employment Pass (Category I), Employment Pass (Category II), Dependant Pass, Social Visit Pass (Long Term) and Visit Pass (Temporary Employment) for Maids.



From 1 July 2015 onwards, the centre will implement the Electronic Referral Visa (eVDR), enabling companies to download and print the visa approval letter, and end the requirement for companies to collect the visa approval letter from the Immigration Department.

MYXpats Centre complements other government Approving Authorities that process expatriate EP applications such as Malaysian Investment Development Authority (manufacturing sector), Multimedia Development Corporation (MSC status & IT), Bank Negara Malaysia (banking, finance and insurance), Securities Commission of Malaysia (capital market), East Coast Economic Region Development Council and Iskandar Regional Development Authority.

For more information on MYXpats Centre, please visit <https://esd.imi.gov.my/portal/> or call 03-88923939.

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About Talent Corporation Malaysia Berhad (TalentCorp): TalentCorp was established on 1 January 2011 under the Prime Minister's Department to formulate and facilitate initiatives to address the availability of talent in line with the needs of the country's economic transformation. Collaborating closely with relevant Government agencies and employers in priority economic sectors, TalentCorp develops demand-driven initiatives to enhance graduate employability, optimise Malaysian professionals, engage Malaysians abroad and facilitate foreign talent.