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Statement:

- (a) MyCensus 2020 is the sixth Census undertaken after the establishment of Malaysia in 1963. The de jure approach is used where the information of the population is collected according to their usual place of residence on census day, 7 July 2020.
- (b) A total of 43,400 census officers comprising 7,600 supervisors and 35,800 enumerators were involved in field operations. The implementation of operations in the State is led by the Honorable State Secretary and involves senior officers at the district level (160 districts) and Local Authorities.
- (c) MyCensus 2020 utilises the usage of ICT through the modernisation and integration of the Malaysia Integrated Population Census System (MyIPCS). MyCensus 2020 data collection operation which started on 7 July 2020 has ended on 31 October 2021 (482 days) using the mode of e-Census, Computer-Assisted Personal Interview (CAPI), Computer Assisted Telephone Interview (CATI), Paper & Pen Interview (PAPI) and Drop Off & Pick Up (DOPU).
- (d) MyCensus 2020 comprises 108 questions and is a high-impact investment for the nation as it produces new national baseline data on social, economic, and environmental statistical dimensions. The challenge of conducting the recent census was the outbreak of the COVID-19 situation. Thus, the Census data collection operations were rescheduled four times during the period of July 2020 to October 2021.
- (e) Based on MyCensus 2020 operation, 23.7 per cent of the population was enumerated online through e-Census and CATI modes and 76.3 per cent through face-to-face via CAPI, PAPI and DOPU modes. From the 76.3 per cent face-to-face interview, 68.2 per cent were enumerated through CAPI (hybrid mode of online and face-to-face enumeration) and 8.1 per cent were counted via PAPI and DOPU. The current census was carried out by adapting digitization transformation and 91.9 per cent was electronic-based (paperless).
- (f) Malaysia fully understands the importance of establishing national statistical population registers. Based on the census master file, Malaysia will develop a population profile which includes address and population registers and is known as the Malaysia Statistical Address Register (MSAR) and Malaysia Statistical Population Register (MSPR). This development will also integrate administrative data from government agencies to

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complete the census profile.

(g) The Key Findings Report of the MyCensus 2020 launching ceremony was officiated by the Most Honorable Dato' Sri Ismail Sabri bin Yaakob, Prime Minister of Malaysia on 14 February 2022.

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