THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CIVIL REGISTRATION AND VITAL STATISTICS IN MALAYSIA

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Background

Malaysia has attended **Ministerial Conference on CRVS in Asia and The Pacific** on 24–28 November 2014 in Bangkok.

The Malaysian delegation was led by the **Deputy Minister of Home Affairs** and consist of Senior Government Officers from MoHA, MoH, EPU, NRD, AGC and DOSM.
Malaysia has adopted the resolutions proposed in the Ministerial Conference in a Ministerial Declaration to ‘Get Everyone in The Picture’ and Regional Action Framework (RAF) for the Decade.
Main National CRVS Stakeholders

- Ministry of Home Affairs (MOHA)
- Ministry of Health (MOH)
- National Registration Department (NRD)
- Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)
Governance of CRVS in Malaysia

**Tier 1**
Steering Committee
Chaired by Sec. Gen of MOHA
Consist reps from various related government agencies including MOHA, MOH, Foreign Affairs, Women & Family, Education, NRD, DOSM, AGC, EPU, MAMPU and Dep. of Islamic Development
To evaluate and endorse the suggestion, planning or enhancement activities on CRVS

**Tier 2**
Technical Committee
Chaired by Director Gen. of NRD
Consist reps from various related government agencies including NRD, MOHA, MOH, DOSM, Immigration, Police, Social Welfare, Department of Islamic Development, Sabah and Sarawak State Secretary
To prepare suggestion, planning and execute the enhancement on CRVS
Status of National Improvement Plan

- To address various challenges in capturing vital information of all individuals in the country
- Improve reporting of cause of death – latest version of ICD 10 (2010) and verbal autopsy approach
- Developed an integrated system between related government agencies
- Centralized registration system of birth and death
- National focal point have been identified
Malaysia achievement on CRVS

Rapid Assessment on CRVS (2010)

Baseline Report on CRVS (2016)


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1. Improvements on data quality and dissemination

- Data harmonisation with Ministry of Health:
  - Maternal death
  - Under five death
  - Stillbirth

- Data adjustment due to under reporting of death

- Reduce time lapse to publish annual publication of Vital Statistics and Causes of Death from 2 years to one year.
Improvement and achievement on CRVS Malaysia (cont.)

1. Improvements on data quality and dissemination (cont.)

- Production of Quarterly Vital Statistics
- Statistics at small area (by District)
- New indicators (i.e. Premature death, death rate for selected COD)
Improvement and achievement on CRVS Malaysia (cont.)

2. Improvement on legislation

- Revision on Birth and Death Registration Act (Act 299) 1957 in 2016.

- “Special provision as to registration of birth and death”

- Births and deaths can be registered at any NRD in Peninsular Malaysia (online system).
Improvement and achievement on CRVS Malaysia (cont.)

2. Improvement on legislation (cont.)

- Revision on Birth and Death Registration Act (Act 299) 1957 in 2016 (cont.).
- Extending the period of birth registration up to 60 days and abolished late birth registration.
- The extension of the death registration/confirmation of death and post mortem from 12 hours to 7 days.
Improvement and achievement on CRVS Malaysia (cont.)

2. Improvement on legislation (cont.)

- Combining burial permit with death registration as well as to introduce on line system for these two procedures.
- National Statistical Review to strengthen DOSM to obtain administrative data from other agencies.
Improvement and achievement on CRVS Malaysia (cont.)

3. Improvements on Cause of Death Statistics

- To improve Medically Certified Death by using verbal autopsy approach.
- To increase certification of coders that will improve data quality on Causes of Death.
Improvement and achievement on CRVS Malaysia (cont.)

4. Improvement in service delivery especially on birth and death registration

Empowerment of NRD Outreach Program

- to facilitate and deliver services to the people's doors, especially the rural people in remote areas that are less able in terms of transportation, physical and also income.

- also determine each citizen has access to basic services ie obtain identification document.

- Services and facilities in Rural Transformation Centre (RTC) and also Urban Transformation Centre (UTC)
Improvement and achievement on CRVS Malaysia (cont.)

5. Improve engagement and collaboration between agencies

- **Death Registration System**
  - National Registration Department
  - Royal Malaysia Police

- **Integrated System (Birth record)**
  - National Registration Department
  - Ministry of Health

- **Inter-Agency Planning Group (IAPG)**
  - Ministry of Home Affairs
  - Ministry of Health
  - National Registration Department
  - Department of Statistics

- **Lab Session**
  - National Registration Department
  - Ministry of Health
  - Department of Statistics

- **Project Team to Strengthen CRVS**
  - National Registration Department
  - Ministry of Health
  - Royal Police Malaysia
  - Department of Social Welfare
Improvement and achievement on CRVS Malaysia (cont.)

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- Agencies collaboration for the next 2020 Population and Housing Census.
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