



MALAYSIAN TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMME (MTCP) 2021

SEMINAR ON THE DYNAMICS OF YOUTH AND TERRORISM: UNDERSTANDING AND COUNTERING THE ISSUE 24 May - 1 June 2021

Organised by:



**Southeast Asia Regional Centre for
Counter-Terrorism (SEARCCT)**

ABOUT MTCP:

The Malaysian Technical Cooperation Programme (MTCP) was officially launched on 7 September 1980 at the Commonwealth Heads of State Meeting in New Delhi, India, to signify Malaysia's commitment to the South-South Cooperation, in particular, the Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries (TCDC).

The MTCP emphasizes on the development of human resources through the provision of trainings in various areas which are essential for a country's development such as the public administration, good governance, health services, education, agriculture, sustainable development, poverty alleviation, investment promotion, ICT and banking. Annually, Malaysia offered more than 65 technical and capacity-building programmes under the MTCP, which have benefited more than 34,000 participants from 144 countries.

OBJECTIVES OF MTCP:

- To share Malaysia's development experience with other countries;
- To strengthen bilateral relations between Malaysia and other developing countries;
- To promote South-South Cooperation (SSC); and
- To promote Technical Cooperation Among Developing Countries (TCDC)

ABOUT SEARCCT:

Established on 1 July 2003, the Southeast Asia Regional Centre for Counter-Terrorism (SEARCCT). The Centre aims to conduct research, capacity-building and public awareness programmes in countering terrorism. Since its inception, SEARCCT has held various types of training courses, seminars, workshops, conferences, and forums, in collaboration with numerous countries, under five (5) core areas, which are:

- (i) Investigation and Legal Aspects;
- (ii) Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive (CBRNE) and Crisis Management;
- (iii) Terrorism Financing;
- (iv) Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP); and
- (v) Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism (P/CVE)

SEARCCT conducts research activities in terrorism and counter-terrorism related issues such as Aviation Security, Youth and Terrorism, Internet Radicalisation and Cyber Security via field-work and academic exercises. The Centre has also published articles and monographs and is actively involved in delivering papers and lectures at the local, regional and international level.



SEMINAR BACKGROUND:

It has become common among terrorist groups and networks to target and recruit the youth in our society in becoming members of their terrorist groups. This webinar will attempt to critically examine and understand the factors that facilitate the involvement of youth in terrorism and how best to deal with the issue.

SEMINAR CONTENTS:

This webinar will cover the basic understanding of youth and the psychological view of youth; focusing on how they think, how they react and their perception. Moreover, the push and pull factors of youth engaging with terrorism will also be discussed. The modus operandi for recruiting youth to join terrorist groups and elements of extremism and radicalisation affecting university undergraduates will be presented. The webinar will also include Malaysia's experience in dealing with terrorism.

SEMINAR OBJECTIVES:

- To provide participants with the knowledge and understanding of the psychological make-up and behavioural patterns of youths that are susceptible to terrorism;
- To create awareness among participating countries on the dynamics of youth and terrorism;
- To provide the participants with an avenue to exchange views, experience and possible solutions on how best to address the issue and
- To provide the participants with the necessary knowledge to recommend to their respective governments on how to deal with the involvement of youth in terrorism.

METHODOLOGY:

The webinar will provide a series of lectures and group discussions. Representatives from each country will be required to present a presentation of their respective countries on a related topic.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This programme is offered to **junior to mid-level officials** (two participants from each country) who are involved in either one of the following:

- **Law Enforcement**: law enforcement officials with knowledge and background in Counter-terrorism.
- **Youth Development Officers**: Public officials dealing with Youth policies and development programmes.
- **Youth Leaders**: With knowledge and background in:
 - i) Youth programmes; and
 - ii) Dealing with issues involving the youth.

To be eligible to apply, applicants of the course are obliged to fulfil the following requirements:

- Must be **between the ages of 26 – 46 years** at the commencement of the course;
- Must possess a university degree;
- Fluency in both spoken and written English;

MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION:

This webinar will be fully conducted in English. Therefore, participants are required to have an appropriate level of proficiency in the English language, written as well as spoken.

SEMINAR DURATION: 24 May – 1 June 2021, at 1000hrs - 1600hrs (Malaysian time GMT+8)

SEMINAR FEES:

All course fees are borne by the Government of Malaysia.

ATTIRE:

Participants are to dress in formal or office attire throughout the sessions

APPLICATION PROCEDURE - HOW TO APPLY:

1. Applications should be made using the prescribed MTCP application that can be obtained from the nearest Malaysian Embassy/ High Commission in recipient countries or MTCP website:
mtcpcoms.kln.gov.my/mtcpcoms/online/list_course
2. The application must be completed and endorsed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs / Focal Points responsible for the MTCP Programme in the applicant's country, then submitted through the applicant's government with Note Verbale to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Malaysia via the nearest Malaysian High Commission / Embassy.
3. Incomplete and/or unendorsed forms will not be processed.
4. Online training link will be sent out via email to successful candidate.
5. Closing date of application submission: **23 April 2021**

NOTIFICATION

- Applicants who do not receive notification prior to the commencement of the course can assume their applications have been deemed unsuccessful.
- No written notification will be sent to unsuccessful applicants.

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