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# Strategies to Leave No One Behind

## INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' WELLBEING & FUTURE



# Indigenous Peoples of Malaysia



# Strategies to Leave No One Behind



- 11MTR: Outlines six pillar to support Inclusive Growth and Sustainable Development**
- 12MP: Economic empowerment environmental sustainability and social reengineering**
- SPV2030: Development for All, Addressing Wealth and Income Disparities**

# Have Inclusion strategies addressed realities on the ground?



Sound Inclusion Strategies... But:

- addressing realities on the ground need fine-tuning.
- whose mindset? Many still feel that IPs ought to be brought out of their current mindset and homes to lift them from poverty and improve their situation.
- service delivery marred with corruption.

# Unaddressed Persistent challenges

- ◆ Recognition and respect of indigenous rights  
example right to determine their own future.
- ◆ Government will continue to plan for IPs, while the private sector will continue to do their CSR.
- ◆ There is not much efforts to harness indigenous knowledge systems and use a human rights based approach to development.



# Unaddressed Persistent challenges



- ◆ Indigenous people have survived for millennia, the new system that is introduced is at best 10 decades old and it has already caused chaos with environment, economic and political crises.
- ◆ Genuine efforts needed to truly understand indigenous peoples' way of life and what it has to offer.

*POLICY/MEASURES to ensure indigenous peoples benefit equitably from the Shared Prosperity Vision 2030*



- ◆ Recognising land tenure rights - majority of indigenous peoples in the rural areas still live close to their traditional land,
- ◆ Emphasis to put equal weight on environment with economic dimension is fundamental,
- ◆ In terms of bridging income disparities, higher prices for agricultural commodities example rubber and oil palm can significantly improve economic status of many IPs.
- ◆ Improved infrastructure and basic amenities
- ◆ Communication to respect & understand culture and way of life



*POLICY/MEASURES to ensure indigenous peoples benefit equitably from the Shared Prosperity Vision 2030*



- Address decades of criminal neglect of IP's needs in terms of health, education, basic needs & infrastructure
- Zero tolerance for corruption that has resulted in the failure to ensure financial allocations reach remote areas and bring development to all.



## *uplifting the lives of the indigenous communities*



- Start-ups & entrepreneurs to benefit those who have resources such as land and human capital but do not have access to finance, education, formal labour market or live in remote areas.
- Guidance & training to match existing resources and knowledge and market needs, especially packaging and marketing.



**Thank you**