

# Legal Identity & Statelessness – SDG 16.9



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## Positive Progress

Permanent residents aged 60 and above to get full citizenship

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KUALA LUMPUR: Permanent residents aged 60 years and above who have applied for full citizenship will be granted this soon, Prime Minister Dr Mahathir Mohamad announced today.

✓ Increased approval of pre independence cases

✓ Commitment to address administrative gaps & challenges in the **JPN SOP**

**Dr Maszlee: Over 10,000 special needs children enrolled in schools under Zero Reject policy**

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✓ Zero Reject Policy “ Access to Education”

✓ TSMY attendance expressed Malaysia's first international commitment **on addressing statelessness** during the special session of UNHCR's Executive Committee High-Level Segment Meeting on Statelessness in Geneva, 7 Oct 2019

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## (-) Progress

- ✓ (NRD) has progressively given approval to pre-independence stateless cases holding birth certificate (BC) issued in Malaysia as a proof of birth. However, there was **no approval progress** with regards to cases **without BC**.
- ✓ Children with strong link to Malaysia (Adopted & born to either one Malaysia parent) placed in severe **mental trauma** over the state' of their birth with no fault of theirs
- ✓ Low intention to address **non-implementation of existing statelessness safeguards** in the law
  - ✓ Details of **JPN SOP** being reviewed remain **unavailable**
- ✓ Abandoned children **without parents' information cannot access education** through the Zero Reject Policy; Cost of Levy





- Malaysian citizenship laws do not practice **SDG 5: Gender Equality**
  - Malaysian mothers with children born overseas
  - Malaysian fathers with children born out of wedlock
  - Foreign spouses of Malaysian citizens
- Challenges: Healthcare, Education, Economic opportunities, Other social services, Statelessness, Vulnerability to Gender-Based Violence
- Commitment from the **Ministry of Women, Family & Community Development**
- **42 MPs** - in favor of a constitutional amendment
- Get to the root: **patriarchal colonial laws**