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## **MOSTI LAUNCH MYHACKATHON 2022 – COHORT 2**

**KUCHING, 22 November 2022 -** Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI) is pleased to announce the continuation of a programme that focuses on problem solving at the level of Ministries and government agencies through the ideation and innovation initiatives through **MYHackathon 2022 – Cohort 2.** 

Executed by Cradle Fund Sdn Bhd (Cradle), an agency under MOSTI, MYHackathon 2022 – Cohort 2 is an extension of the MYHackathon 2022 – Cohort 1 event held last July and one of the initiatives under the MYStartup Programme. This programme targets the participation and involvement of startup companies, software developers, coders and individuals who are skilled in the field of technology to jointly assist the government in producing the solutions to the problem statements thus improving the well-being of Malaysians.

MOSTI's Deputy Secretary General (Technology Development) Datuk Ts. Dr. Mohd Nor Azman Hassan said, "MYHackathon 2022 – Cohort 2 is an opportunity for startup companies, SMEs as well as individuals that offers digital solutions to improve the quality of the Government's deliverables, as well as highlighting each other's ideas and innovation to be commercialised."

Continuing the theme 'Hackathon Nasional Untuk Malaysia yang Inklusif', the second cohort of this programme officially started on the day of launch until 28 November with the total current participation of 130.

For this second cohort, 5 problem statements have been submitted by the Ministries and Government agencies, they are:

	PROBLEM STATEMENT	MINISTRY/ AGENCY
1.	Digital management solutions to help nurturing reading culture among students from different categories.	Ministry of Education (MOE)
2.	Solution to help monitor Chronic Kidney Disease patient's health status comprehensively.	Ministry of Health Malaysia (MOH)
3.	Technological solution to nurture Go-Green culture through community garden, 3R management and reward system towards a better environment's quality that is clean, beautiful and serene.	Ministry of Housing and Local Government of Malaysia
4.	Digital solution for communication and integrated information reach that is comprehensive for community's needs.	Johor Islamic Department
5.	Technological solution to deal with human and wildlife conflicts in agro-food sector's area.	Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry (MAFI)

"The second cohort of MYHackathon 2022 has successfully gathering almost 130 participation registration from multi-sector startups where they will work together with selected Ministries and Government Agencies to address the problem statement faced through various solution and ideas. The closing date for this cohort 2 will end on this coming 28 November 2022." said Datuk Ts. Dr. Mohd Nor Azman Hassan

MOSTI believes that the role played by technology and innovation together with creative startups are big and capable enough to provide brilliant solutions to these issues faced by Ministries and Government Agencies.

For cohort 2 MYHackathon 2022, winners stand to receive a startup grant of up to RM250,000 to execute their pilot projects and a dedicated one-to-one mentoring session for 12 months.

First cohort of MYHackathon 2022 had seen five (5) companies emerged as winners for each of the problem statement submitted and all of the winners are currently undergoing extensive mentoring sessions aligned with their pilot project development for 12 months.

For more information on startup ecosystem in Malaysia, upcoming programmes by Cradle and details about local startups, investors, industry players and ecosystem builders, do log on and register on MYStartup platform at <u>www.mystartup.gov.my</u>

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