About MTCP

The Malaysian Technical Cooperation Programme (MTCP) was first initiated at the First Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) for Asia Pacific Region in Sydney in February 1978. It was officially launched on 7 September 1980 at the Commonwealth Heads of State Meeting in New Delhi to signify Malaysia's commitment to South-South Cooperation, in particular Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries (TCDC).

In line with the spirit of South-South Cooperation, Malaysia through the MTCP shares its development experiences and expertise with other developing countries. The MTCP was first formulated based on the belief that the development of a country depends on the quality of its human resources. The programme forms part of the commitment of the Malaysian Government towards the promotion of technical cooperation among developing countries, strengthening of regional and sub-regional cooperation, as well as nurturing collective self-reliance among developing countries. The MTCP emphasizes the development of human resources through the provision of training in various areas which are essential for a country's development such as public administration, good governance, health services, education, sustainable development, agriculture, poverty alleviation, investment promotion, ICT and banking. Since its inception, more than 30,686 participants have been directly trained under MTCP. Currently, MTCP is extended to 142 recipient developing countries in the ten (10) key areas.

The objectives of MTCP

- To share 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)

Types of Assistance

- Short-term specialized courses
- Long-term courses (scholarships)
- Study visits and attachments
- Services of experts
- Socio-economic development projects
- Supply of equipment and materials

For more information on MTCP and general conditions of the award please visit http://mtcp.kln.gov.my/application/application-procedures

The Royal Malaysian Customs Academy (AKMAL) - Background

Established in 1956, AKMAL is a very important wing of the Royal Malaysian Customs Department (RMCD) in providing invaluable training and capacity building to the RMCD. Being one of the seven recognized World Customs Organization (WCO) Regional Training Centres (RTCs) in the Asia Pacific region, AKMAL also provides training to international customs administrations as part of her commitment as the RTC. Since AKMAL opened her training facilities to international customs administrations in 2003, AKMAL has to date, trained more than a thousand international participants from all over the world.

AKMAL's vision is A World Class Royal Malaysian Academy and developing human resource through quality training has always been her mission. With one main campus and five regional and subregional campuses throughout the country, AKMAL is more than capable of achieving her vision and mission and indirectly contributing to the nation's revenue through trained customs personnel produced by AKMAL

For more information, please surf : AKMAL : www.akmal.gov.my RMCD : www.customs.gov.my

APPLICATION

Kindly indicate the link to download application form: https://mtcpcoms.kln.gov.my/mtcpcoms/online/list_course
Applications must be endorsed and submitted by the participating countries through the respective Ministry of Foreign Affairs/focal points.

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AKMAL WCO Regional Training Centre for Asia Pacific





MTCP: International Course for Senior
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Identification and Narcotics Law
Enforcement

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Objectives:

Upon completion of the course, participants will be able to:

- Appreciate Malaysia's experience in achieving her vision
- Benchmark the Royal Malaysian Customs' experience in collection of revenue, promotion of trade /industrialization, enforcement of relevant legislations and secure the supply chain security
- Discover the WCO CLiKC modules as a component to effective training
- Identify the various types of dangerous drugs and the precursor chemicals
- Handle exhibits in cases involving drugs more effectively
- Identify methods of concealment of drugs and modus operandi commonly used in drug smuggling activities
- Enforce relevant laws related to dangerous drugs
- Share experience with other customs administrations on the subject matter

Course Contents:

- WCO CLiKC modules related to customs control
- Group dynamic
- Malaysia: History, Culture, Economy, Social and Political
- MTCP: Malaysian experience in developing human capital
- Introduction to the Revised Kyoto Convention (RKC) & Advance Passenger Information System (APIS): simplification and harmonization of customs procedures, facilitation & effective control, as well as, related supply chain security
- Overview of narcotics substances trafficking and international cooperation at the WCO level
- Identification of the various types of dangerous drugs & drug testing
- Precursor awareness and chemical control
- Investigation techniques in cases involving dangerous drugs & handling exhibits
- Enforcement of Dangerous Drug Laws at various modes sea, air & land.
- Offences under the Dangerous Drugs legislation, including the ingredients of the various offences
- Comparative study tour: sharing of good practices
- Presentation of Country and Attachment/Comparative reports

Target Group, Qualification & Application Procedures:

- The preferred international candidates (sponsored under the MTCP):
 - Senior or Mid-level Management Customs Officers who are heading an office or a station or a division or Customs Trainers listed in the MTCP recipients list, age between 26-56 years and have never participated in any MTCP program;
 - Proficient in English and possess preferably a tertiary education with at least 5 years of working experience in customs matters relevant to the course;
 - It is mandatory under MTCP for all the MTCP participants to follow the Visa With Reference (VDR) application procedure. Certified medically fit, travelers from South America and Africa are required to produce a Yellow fever Vaccination Certificate at the entry point in Malaysia. For more information please refer to website http://www.imi.gov.my/index.php/en/main-service/visa/visa-requirement-by-country. All emergencies of medical treatment at a government hospital will be borne by the Government of Malaysia while medical expenses at private clinics shall be borne by the participants;
 - The application must be made using the specified MTCP application form, completely filled and endorsed by the National Contact Point (if specified or the Office of the Ministry of Foreign / External Affairs) and submit via the Office of Foreign / International Affairs (National Focal Point) of the country with a copy directly send to AKMAL concurrently via fax or e-mail;
 - Economy class is for participants from recipient countries with GDP per capita below USD 5000.00. Therefore, some MTCP recipient countries may need to bear their own air fares;
 - Expenditures on all visa-related fees, airport-tax/airport user's charge, transit insurance, excess luggage, travel tax, transit fees, domestic passenger terminal fees, phone charges, private purchases, etc. are borne by the recipients. This also applies for vaccinations prior to travel to Malaysia; and
- Senior officers of the Royal Malaysian Customs (Grades W41, W44 and W48) who are heading an office, a station or a section and his/her core business is related to the subject matter are also encouraged to apply (sponsored under the RMCD's training budget).

Course Methodology:

- The course is an interactive course that will provide participants with the opportunity to freely exchange ideas, knowledge and experiences with the other fellow participants and facilitators/resource persons. These will be achieved through lectures, individual presentation, group discussion, questions and answers session and field visits.
- The use of the WCO CLiKC modules as supplement
- The course will be conducted in English (English proficiency, both oral and written, is required and our nearest Mission may interview the applicant to verify the claimed proficiency).

Country Paper (written and oral presentation):

 Guidelines: Each <u>selected</u> / <u>invited</u> participant has to prepare a case study on the subject matter related to the course, from own country's experience. It should not be regarded as an evaluation of the practice

- Length of Report:
 - 10 page on country/ administration general information and background, the subject matter from the country's perspective including the good practices, prospectors and challengers and conclusion on expectation and future plan
- Special Instructions:
 - Country Paper must be submitted to the Course Coordinator at least 2 weeks before the course; it is a prerequisite to the issuance of the air-tickets
 - The Paper should be typed-written, font 12-Arial in a Windows compatible programme and send by e-mail or fax
 - The participant will be required to make a 15-minutes presentation plus Q & A and discussion.

Course Schedule

This 2 weeks course is scheduled for 16-27 May 2016. The closing date for application is 15 March 2016. It is a gentle reminder to all the candidates to apply the course as early as possible since the seats offered are limited.

Note:

The selection of successful candidates will be done by a Selection Committee normally 4-6 weeks prior to the commencement of the course. If the applicant has submitted a complete and properly endorsed MTCP application form via the proper diplomatic channel and did not receive any feedback 4 weeks prior to the commencement of the course, please assume that the applicant was not selected.

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