

**COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS, EIGHTH SESSION
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**INTERVENTION NOTE
MALAYSIA**

Statement provided by:

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Agenda item

Agenda Item 3: (3b) ESCAP/CST/2022/3_CRVS

Honourable Chair, Ladies and Gentlemen.

1. Malaysia acknowledged the Report on the 8th meeting of the Regional Steering Group for Civil Registration and Vital Statistics in Asia and The Pacific.
2. Malaysia has adopted the suggestion and recommendation given by the Steering Group in the 8th meeting of the Regional Steering Group for Civil Registration and Vital Statistics in Asia and the Pacific on 9th and 10th March 2022 to ensure the improvement of civil registration and vital statistics. Other than that, Malaysia has been invited to chair the meeting on data protection, confidentiality and privacy laws; and strengthen the vital event notification capacity of the health sector.
3. To improve vital statistics, Malaysia strengthened cooperation with data providers by forming a technical working group consisting of members of the Ministry of Home Affairs (MOHA), the National Registration Department (NRD), the Ministry of Health (KKM) and the Royal Malaysian Police (RMP). This technical working group regularly reviews and discusses data sharing policies and data coordination among agencies, as well as ways to strengthen civil registration to reach marginalised groups in remote locations to Get Every One in the Picture. Prior to data dissemination, this technical working group will also be responsible for reviewing and validating the data that has been processed and analyzed.
4. Malaysia has also been invited to share experiences and best practices regarding the CRVS system to improve the CRVS system in Indonesia. For this purpose, Vital Strategies and BAPPENAS Indonesia are working together to benchmark best practices from neighbouring countries. Malaysia's CRVS system has been made a reference by UN ESCAP for system development for other countries.

Thank You

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