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# A Gathering of Global Defense and Security Industry for a Secure Tomorrow DSA & NATSEC Asia 2024: Exhibition Space is almost fully booked

Bangkok, 6 November - The organiser was pleased to announce that overwhelming feedback was received from its 2022 edition where 90.4% of the participants would like to return to DSA and NATSEC Asia 2024. A total of 380 VIP delegations from 34 nations have been part of history attending the largest and most efficient homeland defense and security show organised in Asia witnessing the world's most advanced technology, systems, hardware and electronic warfare offered at DSA and NATSEC Asia 2022. The show has proved its invaluable platform in bringing together various industry leaders, government, defence and homeland security agencies from across the region with the purpose of forging mutual trust and collaboration between all parties.

Preparations for the next edition of the show – DSA and NATSEC Asia 2024, scheduled for 6-9 May 2024 at Malaysia International Trade and Exhibition Centre (MITEC) – are well underway. Buoyed by the success of DSA and NATSEC Asia 2022, the organisers are eager once again to give the best for the success of DSA and NATSEC Asia 2024.

### **Building Resilient Nations for the Next Generation**

Continuous sustainable growth requires stability vis a vis peace, safety, security, and harmony. Hence it is vital for Nations to build resilience for their survivability and future generations. Bearing the theme of 'Building Resilient Nations for The Next Generation' for the upcoming edition, this strategic platform serves as an arena for decision-makers to discuss critical issues and formulate the best options that would ensure the stability of our future generations.

"All Nations aspire to progress and develop. Defence and security must be seen as an investment. Only Nations that invest strategically in their defence and homeland security will produce credible forces that can continuously protect their sovereignty and maintain law and order for their people to live a peaceful life and enjoy economic prosperity." DSA Executive Director, Mr. Nadzeem Abdul Rahman gave his comment on the foreword objective of the next edition's theme selection during the Malaysian Pavilion Launching at Defense and Security, Bangkok.

# Platform to Forge Resilience

In the recent budget announcement for 2024, the Malaysian government announced an increase in Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Home Affairs allocation to strengthen the level of defense readiness and national security. The Malaysia Ministry of Defense has been allocated RM19.7 billion (US\$4.37 billion) in the 2024 Budget announced today, an increase of RM2 billion compared to 2023 which will see the armed forces procure new assets. The Ministry of Home Affairs, on the other hand, has been allocated RM19 billion, an increase of RM500 million.

The government's comprehensive procurement plan encompasses a range of essential assets. This includes 12 new helicopters for the Royal Malaysian Air Force, significant additions for the Malaysian Army, such as 60 infantry fighting vehicles, 50 High Mobility Light Tactical Vehicles (HMLTV), six Hovercraft Integrated Fast Interceptors, and 733 support vehicles. Additionally, the plan involves crucial maintenance for two submarines, the continuation of the acquisition of three Littoral Mission Ships (LMS) for the Royal Malaysian Navy, and the replacement of outdated assets with seven twinengine aircraft and 5 light helicopters for the Royal Malaysian Police.







#### 6-9 MAY 2024 MITEC, KUALA LUMPUR

In parallel, the government is fortifying maritime security by acquiring 45 diverse types of boats for the Malaysian Army and nine cutting-edge patrol vessels. This initiative extends to the Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency (APMM), which will enhance border and maritime security by procuring nine new patrol boats, further reinforcing efficiency and control at international entry points. <sup>1</sup>

## **Gathering of Global Defence and Security Industry**

The organiser has received participation and early commitments since the conclusion of the 2022 edition. Many exhibitors including Roketsan Missiles Inc, CANiK (Samsun Yurt Savunma A.S), FNSS, Aselsan, East Gear International, SWAT Footwear (M) Sdn Bhd, International Securities Sdn Bhd (ISC), and many others have also signed the participation contract and show their early commitment.

Over the years, DSA's exhibition floor space has always been occupied by the majority of international exhibitors. For this upcoming edition, more Malaysian companies have increased their exhibition size, showing their confidence in this effective platform for the global defence industry.

At the contract handover ceremony during Defense and Security in Bangkok, Secretary General Malaysian Ministry of Defence, Datuk Seri Isham Bin Ishak and General Tan Sri Datuk Seri Mohammad bin Ab Rahman, Chief of Defence Force Malaysia witnessed the commitment from Ikramatic Systems Sdn Bhd, Mildef International Technologies, OpenApps Sdn Bhd, System Consultancy Services Sdn Bhd, Kemalak Group, Ketech Asia, dan Beijing Bunch Exhibition Services representing China Pavilion. More companies are expected to sign and confirm their participation by this year-end.

The national pavilions that have confirmed their participation include Austria, China, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Italy, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Slovakia, South Africa, Switzerland, Turkiye, the United Kingdom and the USA.

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