

Capacity Building on Ethical Recruitment and Employment of Migrant Workers for SMEs in Malaysia

In 2023, IOM started a collaboration with the Malaysia Employer Federation (MEF) to engage SMEs on fair and ethical recruitment and employment of migrant workers. Two trainings were recently concluded in Kuala Lumpur and Penang, with more planned in Johor, Pahang, Sarawak and Sabah for the rest of the year. SMEs are the backbone of the economy, accounting for well over 90 per cent of total businesses in Malaysia and are essential actors to engage to strengthen the protection of workers and ensure safe and dignified migration.

TRAINING

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22 & 23 May 2023 (2 workshops)	M Resort & Hotel, Kuala Lumpur
29 May 2023	Double Tree by Hilton, Melaka
7 & 8 June 2023 (2 workshops)	The Light Hotel, Seberang Jaya, Penang
24 & 25 July 2023 (2 workshops)	Holiday Villa, Johor Bahru, Johor
14 August 2023	Grand Darul Makmur, Kuantan, Pahang
11 September 2023	Hilton Hotel, Kuching, Sarawak
13 September 2023	Promenade Hotel, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah



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Improving Domestic Workers' Effective Access to Protection

In June, IOM and ILO Malaysia engaged key national stakeholders to discuss how to increase domestic workers' effective access to the national social security protection scheme (SOCSO), and challenges and opportunities of extending domestic workers' eligibility to more social security benefits. The event was attended by over 70 representatives from the government, private recruitment agency associations, international organisations, civil society organisations and domestic worker groups.



Shifting Narratives on Migrants and Refugees Through Media Engagement

IOM Malaysia collaborated with Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) in organising a workshop on "Story-Telling for Inclusion and Human Rights in Malaysia: Strengthening the Role of the Media", aimed at promoting inclusive and empathetic reporting in the Malaysian media. The workshop builds on the Dari Dapur campaign which promotes human rights-based narratives and a culture of welcoming migrants in Malaysia by using food and recipes from the migrant and refugees communities in the country. More information on Dari Dapur campaign can be accessed [HERE](#).



Launch of the IOM's Labour Migration Process Mapping Guide

IOM launched the Labour Migration Process Mapping Guide in May 2023. This practical tool for businesses is designed to identify, mitigate, and address the human and labour rights risks to migrant workers within international supply chains. During the event, speakers discussed trends, progresses and good practices on fair and ethical recruitment and how businesses can use the Guide to enhance supply chain transparency and address the specific vulnerabilities of migrant workers. IOM looks forward to continue to work with private sector partners in Malaysia to rollout the Guide.



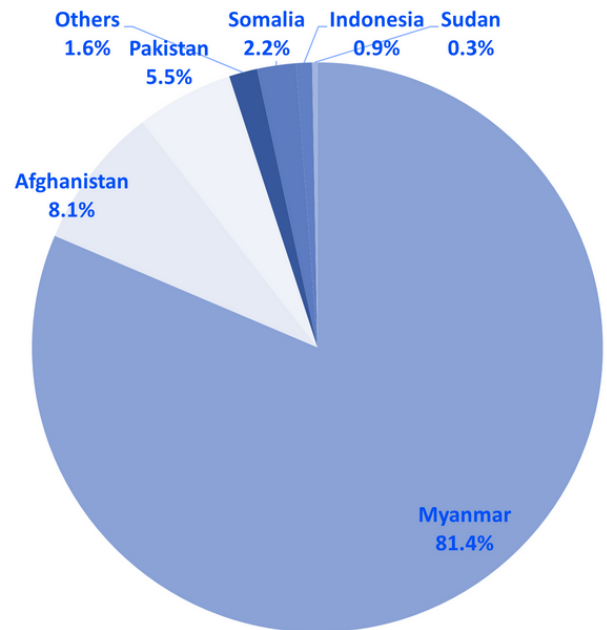
Refugee and Migration Movement Management

IOM continues to facilitate voluntary, safe and orderly migration with health assessments, and the movement of refugees resettling to 7 countries (with a larger percentage being resettled to USA, Australia, and Canada), as well as voluntary movement support to stranded migrants wanting to return home.

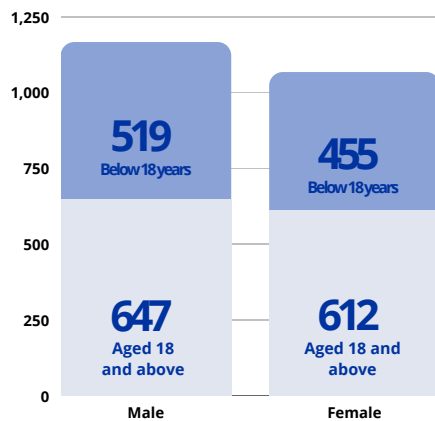
Countries of Resettlement of 2,446 Refugees in Q2 2023

Country	Percentage (%)
USA	80.6
Australia	12.9
Canada	5.2
UK	0.5
New Zealand	0.4
Netherlands	0.2
Norway	0.2

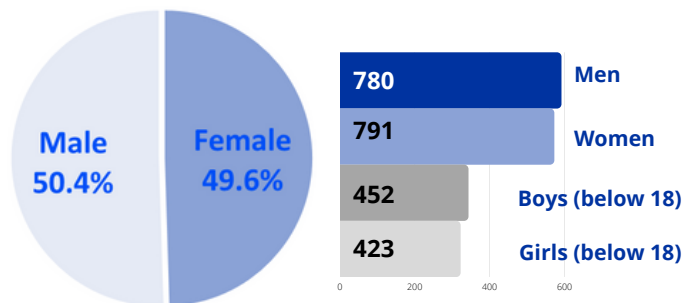
Countries of Origin of 2,446 Refugees Departing Malaysia for Resettlement in Q2 2023



Gender and Age Category of 2,233 Beneficiaries that were Supported with Health Assessments at Migration Health Assessment Centre (MHAC) in Q2 2023



Gender & Age Category of 2,446 Refugees Departing Malaysia for Resettlement in Q2 2023



Overall Mission Figures at a Glance (Since 2005 Until June 2023)

<p>113,166 refugees have been resettled out of Malaysia to third countries through IOM's facilitation.</p>	<p>989 individuals were assisted for voluntary return and repatriation.</p>
<p>645 Malaysian citizens were assisted to return home by IOM.</p>	<p>135,037 refugees had their health assessments conducted at MHAC.</p>

