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MyCC AND MARDI COMBATING BID RIGGINGS

KUALA LUMPUR, 6 MARCH 2019 – Malaysia Competition Commission (MyCC) in collaboration with the Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (MARDI) has organized a Forum on Understanding and Deterring Bid Rigging in Government Procurement Activities at Dewan Tan Sri Yusof Hashim MARDI, Serdang.

The forum was officiated by Dr. Kamariah Long, Deputy Director General (Research) of MARDI. MyCC's Chief Executive Officer, Iskandar Ismail and the Heads of Departments under the Ministry of Agriculture and Agro-based Industry have also attended the forum.

The forum was attended by more than 300 participants from the Ministry of Agriculture and Agro-based Industry (MoA), Department of Agriculture (DoA), Department of Fisheries (DoF), Malaysia Quarantine and Inspection Services (MAQIS), Federal Agricultural Marketing Authority (FAMA), Farmers Organisation Authority (PELADANG), Muda Agricultural Development Authority (MADA), Kemubu Agriculture Development Authority (KADA), Malaysian Pineapple Industry Board (LPNM), Veterinary Services Department (DVS), and Malaysian Fisheries Development Authority (LKIM) is part of MyCC's initiative in advocating the government officers on circumventing bid rigging activities in government procurement process. The participants been exposed to the methodology in identifying the elements of bid rigging that may exist in Government tenders.

"Pursuant to Competition Act 2010, bid rigging is an infringement under Section 4(2)(d) of the Act. Financial penalty of up to 10% of the enterprises worldwide turnover may be imposed to the enterprises should they infringed the Act" said Iskandar Ismail, Chief Executive Officer of MyCC.

“MyCC welcomes any complaints and information from the public should they suspected any bid rigging activity that is infringing the Act. An enterprises that wishes to stop its bid rigging activity and willing to provide full cooperation to MyCC can apply for leniency under Section 41 of Competition Act 2010” added Iskandar Ismail.

Further information regarding leniency regime can be accessed through MyCC website at <http://www.mycc.gov.my>.

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Picture Excerpt: Among the participants whom attended the forum organised by Malaysia Competition Commission (MyCC) and Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (MARDI)

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About Malaysia Competition Commission (MyCC)

Established in April 2011, MyCC is an independent body responsible for enforcing the Competition Act 2010, which was implemented to create healthy competition which would in turn stimulate productivity and innovation, thus creating wider choices of products for consumers with better quality and reasonable prices.

The Act applies to all commercial activities undertaken within and outside Malaysia that affect competition in the Malaysian market. It provides a regulatory framework including powers to investigate, adjudicate and impose penalties on the perpetrators of the competition laws. For more information on the Act and the MyCC’s activities, you can log on to www.mycc.gov.my.