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Safeguarding Malaysians workers and households: impacts and avenues for Malaysia's social protection in COVID-19 and beyond

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OVERVIEW

The COVID-19 pandemic has created one of the worst economic and human crises since the Second World War. The onset of the pandemic has exacerbated pre-existing inequalities-with marginalised and underserved communities and regions facing the largest socio-economic impacts from the virus. More than 400,000 households in Malaysia are currently living below the national poverty line, with hundreds of thousands more households vulnerable to falling into poverty as economic conditions worsen. Similarly, since the beginning of the year, more than 200,000 Malaysians have been put out of work. Moreover, employment data so far suggests that the impacts of the pandemic on jobs have unevenly impacted lower-skilled, part-time jobs, and have disproportionately affected marginalised groups like women and youth workers.

This webinar aims to focus on the distributional impacts of the crisis, and how it has affected social protection. What are the gaps in the existing Prihatin/Penjaja economic response packages and what else is needed? How can take advantage of this crisis to invest in building social protection systems now that can help Malaysia better weather a similar crisis in the future?

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