

INCOME TAX (EXEMPTION) (NO. 3) ORDER 2019

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IN exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph 127(3)(b) of the Income Tax Act 1967 [Act 53], the Minister makes the following order:

CITATION AND COMMENCEMENT

1(1) This order may be cited as the **Income Tax (Exemption) (No. 3) Order 2019**.

1(2) This Order is deemed to have come into operation on 1 February 2019.

EXEMPTION

2(1) The Minister exempts a person not resident in Malaysia from the payment of income tax in respect of income derived from Malaysia in relation to any payment received from any religious institution or organization for the following service throughout the period of service:

- (a) to provide religious lectures or study of a religious book including the translation of a holy book or related religious books; or
- (b) to preside prayers or rites of worship according to the ritual of each religion.

2(2) The exemption given under this Order is subject to the following conditions:

- (a) the religious programme or activity conducted and organized by the religious institution or organization exclusively for religious purpose and not for commercial or profit purposes;
- (b) the religious programme or activity is conducted and organized without imposing any payment on participants; and
- (c) the religious programme or activity is commenced on or after 1 February 2019.

2(3) For the purposes of this paragraph, "religious institution or organization" means a religious institution or organization—

- (a) which is established in Malaysia exclusively for the purpose of managing the place of worship in relation to religion or the advancement of religion and is not operated or conducted primarily for profit; and
- (b) which is registered with the Registrar of Societies Malaysia or under any written law governing such institution or organization.

RETURN OR STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT TO BE FURNISHED

- 3** Nothing in paragraph 2 shall absolve or be deemed to have absolved the individual from complying with any requirement to submit any return or statement of account or to furnish any other information under the Act.

NON-APPLICATION

- 4** Section 109A of the Act shall not apply to the income referred to in paragraph 2.