

INCOME TAX ACT 1967

INCOME TAX (DEDUCTION FOR EXPENDITURE INCURRED FOR PROVISION OF APPROVED INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME) (AMENDMENT) RULES 2023

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IN exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph 154(1)(b) and 33(1)(d) of the Income Tax Act 1967 [Act 53], the Minister makes the following rules:

CITATION AND COMMENCEMENT

- 1(1)** These rules may be cited as the **Income Tax (Deduction for Expenditure Incurred for Provision of Approved Internship Programme) (Amendment) Rules 2023**.
- 1(2)** These Rules have effect from the year of assessment 2022.

AMENDMENT OF RULE 2

- 2** The Income Tax (Deduction for Expenditure Incurred for Provision of Approved Internship Programme) Rules 2019 [P.U. (A) 398/2019], which are referred to as the “principal Rules” in these Rules, are amended in paragraph 2(b) by substituting for the words “the year of assessment 2021” the words “the year of assessment 2025”.

AMENDMENT OF RULE 3

- 3** Rule 3 of the principal Rules is amended—
 - (a) in the definition of “higher educational institution”, by substituting for the words “the Ministry of Education, Malaysia” the words “the Ministry of Higher Education, Malaysia or educational institution outside Malaysia which is recognized by the Ministry of Higher Education, Malaysia”;
 - (b) by substituting for the definition of “qualified course” the following definition:

‘ “qualified course” means a technical and vocational education and training programme (minimum Malaysian Skills Certificate Level 1) or its equivalent which is offered in or outside Malaysia and is recognized by the Malaysian Qualifications Agency or the Department of Skills Development’;
 - (c) in the definition of “student” —
 - (i) in subparagraph (b)(i)(A), by substituting for the words “a diploma or degree” the words “a diploma, Bachelors degree or Masters degree or its equivalent, or a professional certificate”; and
 - (ii) in subparagraph (b)(i)(B), by substituting for the words “his diploma or degree” the words “his diploma, Bachelors degree or Masters degree or its equivalent, or a professional certificate”; and

- (d) in the definition of “approved internship programme” by substituting for the words “the Ministry of Education, Malaysia” the words “the related Ministry”.

AMENDMENT OF RULE 4

4 Rule 4 of the principal Rules is amended—

(a) in subrule (2)—

(i) by substituting for paragraph (a) the following paragraph:

“(a) payment of the internship monthly allowance to—

(i) a student of Malaysian Skills Certificate Level 1 until 4 or diploma level or its equivalent, of not less than five hundred ringgit; or

(ii) a student of Malaysian Skills Certificate Level 5 or Bachelors degree or Masters degree or its equivalent, or professional certificate level, of not less than six hundred ringgit;”;

(ii) in paragraph (b), by deleting the word “and” at the end of the paragraph;

(iii) in paragraph (c), by substituting for the full stop at the end of the paragraph the words “; and”; and

(iv) by inserting after paragraph (c) the following paragraph:

“(d) expenditure incurred for digital and communication costs.”; and

(b) in subrule (3), by substituting for the words “paragraphs 2(b) and (c)” the words “paragraphs 2(b), (c) and (d)”.