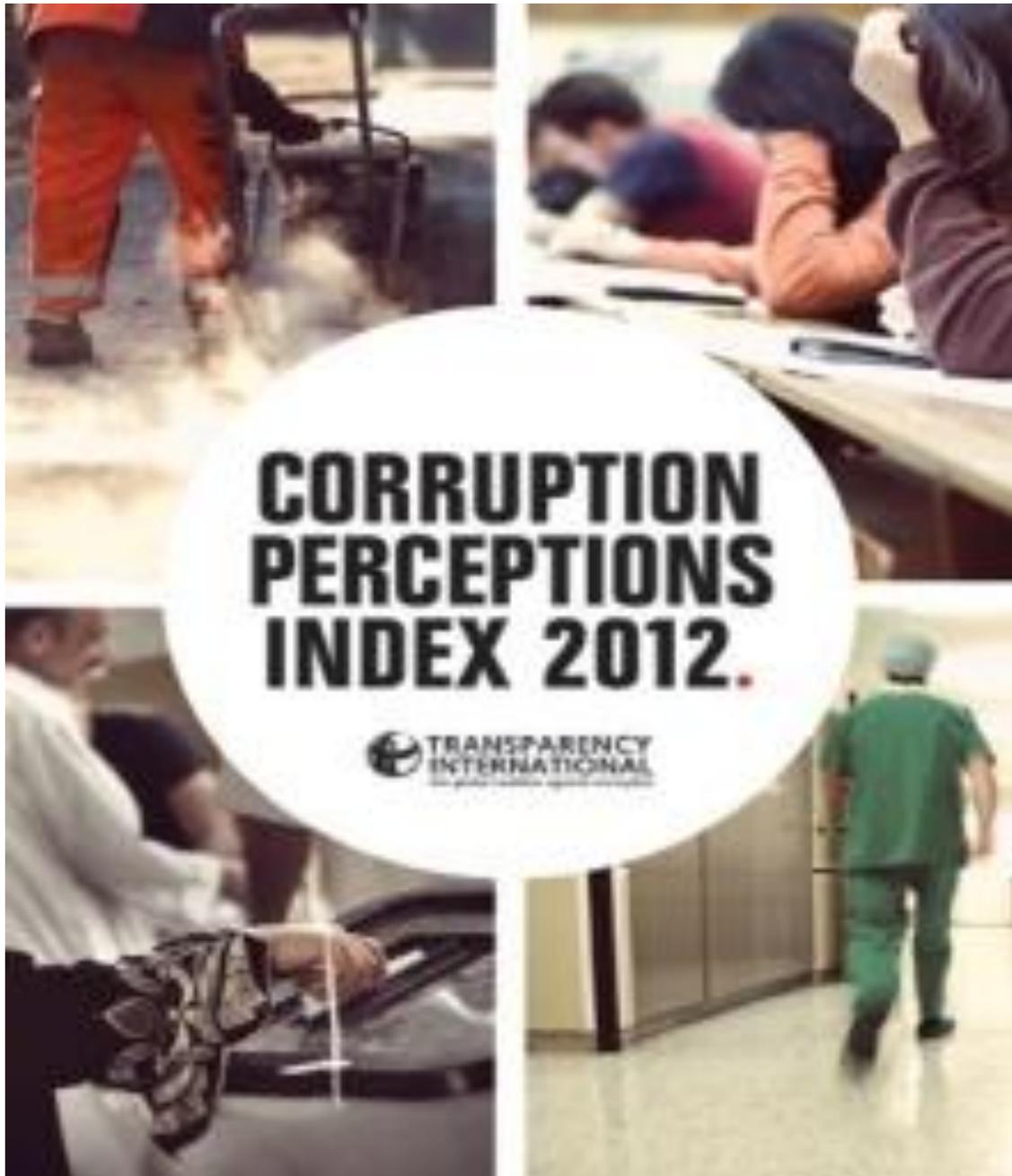


Malaysia's Performance In

**CORRUPTION PERCEPTIONS INDEX 2012
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Highlights on Malaysia

Malaysia is ranked 54th among 176 countries with a CPI score of 49 out of 100. The scores for 2011 is recalculated based on the new methodology to provide an estimate for comparison:

Malaysia's CPI	2012 (n=176)		2011 (n=183)	
	Score	Rank	Score	Rank
	49/100	54	43/100*	60*

Note: The assessment was made for 176 countries in 2012, based on the upgraded methodology which allow for more accurate year by year comparison. Instead of scores ranging from 1-10, the CPI 2012 scores range from 0-100 (0 being the most corruption and 100 be corruption free). As the methodology is an upgraded version, the results are therefore not comparable with previous results.

Malaysia's position continues to be in the mid-range average, indicating that while many initiatives have been undertaken under the GTP/NKRA, the respondents have not experienced significant decrease in corruption.

One very telling indicator of the feeling on the ground is the result of the **Bribe Payers Survey** which asked companies in 30 countries including Malaysia, the following question: *"In the last 12 months, do you think that your company has failed to win a contract or gain new business because a competitor has paid a bribe?".* 50% answered "Yes", the highest score among 30 countries. This is extraordinarily high response (in Nigeria only 24% says "Yes") and may indicate that corruption in the public sector is systemic and in some areas institutionalized.

In the ASEAN region, Malaysia is ranked 3rd after Singapore and Brunei as follows:

Rank	ASEAN Countries	Position out of 176 countries	CPI Score
1	Singapore	5	87
2	Brunei Darussalam	46	55
3	Malaysia	54	49
4	Thailand	88	37
5	Philippines	105	34
6	Indonesia	118	32
7	Vietnam	123	31
8	Cambodia	157	22
9	Laos	160	21
10	Myanmar	172	15

Countries with highest and lowest corruption index are:

Countries where corruption is perceived to be **lowest**:

<i>Rank</i>	<i>Country</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>Surveys used</i>
1	Denmark	90	7
1	Finland	90	7
1	New Zealand	90	7
4	Sweden	88	7
5	Singapore	87	9

Countries where corruption is perceived to be **highest**:

<i>Rank</i>	<i>Country</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>Surveys used</i>
172	Myanmar	15	4
173	Sudan	13	6
174	Afghanistan	8	3
174	North Korea	8	3
174	Somalia	8	3

Government initiatives

To date, there are many initiatives implemented and the building blocks are in place:

- Whistle blower Act
- 14 Corruption Courts
- Published more than 1000 corruption offenders on MACC website
- Improve political financing framework
- 52% reduction in business licenses
- Corporate Integrity Pledge
- Government Contracts published online
- More than 150,000 Integrity pacts signed
- Compliance Units in all key enforcement agencies

The future initiatives include:

- Special Committee on Corruption
- Executive Review Committee
- Project Management Office on prevention
- Corporate Integrity System Malaysia (CISM)
- Insertion of Corporate Liability Provision into MACC
- Fast tracking access to AG Performance Audit Report
- Implementation of comprehensive integrity pact for PPP projects

Recommendations from TI Malaysia

- Reforms in the political arena
- Continue to strengthen law enforcement institutions
- Uphold the rule of law without fear or favour

- Overhaul the Official Secrets Act and introduce a federal Freedom of Information Act
- Firm and consistent actions in upholding transparency and accountability in public procurement
- Tackle systematic corruption by focusing on specific sectors
- Further improve whistle blower legislation