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SSM, INSKEN Join Forces To Expand Business Registration Access For Entrepreneurs

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The Companies Commission of Malaysia (SSM) and the National Entrepreneurship Institute (INSKEN) have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) to improve entrepreneurs' access to business registration information, regulatory guidance and development programmes.

The partnership aims to raise awareness of the importance of registering businesses and complying with legal requirements, while expanding access to relevant information through INSKEN programmes nationwide.

SSM acting chief executive officer Rezy Izwan Ramly said the agreement would help the commission reach more entrepreneurs and encourage them to operate their businesses legally.

"I am confident that the signing of this MoU will open up more opportunities for SSM to expand the dissemination of information on business registration and compliance to the entrepreneurial community, while increasing awareness of the importance of conducting business legally and in an orderly manner," he said.

SSM also offers the Free Business Registration Scheme (SPPP) to eligible groups, including full-time students and entrepreneurs from the B40 income group. From June 1, 2026, the registration period under the scheme was extended from one year to two years.

A new category introduced on the same date provides senior citizens with free business registration for the first year.

As at Sept 30, 2026, a total of 229,656 businesses had been registered under SPPP, comprising 83,347 owned by full-time students, 145,270 by B40 entrepreneurs and 1,039 by senior citizens.

INSKEN Board of Trustees chairman Datuk Mustaffa Kamil Ayub said the collaboration was intended to increase the number of registered businesses and connect entrepreneurs with relevant government information, initiatives and assistance.

"Through this collaboration, we hope to raise entrepreneurs' awareness of the importance of business registration, thereby increasing the number of registered businesses in the country. Business registration is not only the foundation for more orderly business management, but also helps ensure that entrepreneurs can be identified and connected with relevant government information, initiatives and assistance to support their business growth," he said.