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## ***NEWS RELEASE***

### **MALAYSIA-INDIA BUSINESS COUNCIL PAYS COURTESY VISIT TO NEW INDIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER TO MALAYSIA**

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**KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 22, 2021:** The Malaysia-India Business Council's (MIBC) Governing Council made a courtesy visit to new High Commissioner of India to Malaysia Mr. B. N. Reddy.

The meeting took place at the office of the High Commissioner located at Wisma HRIH Lotus in Setapak, Kuala Lumpur.

President Tan Sri Ir. Kuna Sittampalam and his team congratulated Mr. Reddy for his appointment as the new Indian High Commissioner to Malaysia, and stated that he looked forward to future collaborations with the High Commissioner on issues related to bilateral trade relations between Malaysia and India.

The meeting kicked off with discussions related to the setting up of CDC/Vaccine Centre, and on the education front, the High Commissioner was keen to improve the recognition of India's higher learning institutions in Malaysia.

Apart from that, there was a call by the High Commissioner to come up with strategic initiatives that would benefit both Malaysia and India's bilateral trade and economic relations. This was followed by a lengthy discussion on palm oil, where India was looking at importing a larger quantity of palm oil over the next five years subject to having an offset/countertrade.

President Tan Sri Kuna and Mr. Reddy reaffirmed their commitment to work closely in the areas mentioned above, including efforts to revive the Malaysia-India CEO Forum meetings in both the countries.

Mr. Reddy officially started duties as the High Commissioner of India to Malaysia on October 4, 2021.

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***Here's to future collaborations:*** (Third from left): MIBC President Tan Sri Ir. Kuna Sittampalam presenting MIBC's presentation booklet to High Commissioner of India to Malaysia Mr. B.N. Reddy. Beside Tan Sri Kuna is Honorary Secretary Datuk Surendran Menon and Governing Council member Dr Mohamed Ali Salim. Standing next to Mr. Reddy is First Secretary (Commerce) Madam C. Sushma and Governing Council member Mr Chia Kee Loy.