Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh and a very good morning,

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Ladies and Gentlemen,

1. Allow me to extend my sincere appreciation to TES Secretariat for organising the Transforming Education Summit (TES) 2022. This Summit provides us the opportunity to collectively share our commitments and visions pertinent to education in this rapidly changing world. Malaysia affirms its support for TES 2022, and our broader efforts to deliver on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

2. Education is a fundamental right enshrined in the Malaysian constitution and vital for the development of a sustainable, just, and harmonious Malaysian society. Therefore, Malaysia continues to ensure that our educational system is more equitable, inclusive, relevant, and resilient in facing crises such as the recent pandemic, and any future shocks. In line with this, we continue to strengthen partnerships with institutions and industries to share experiences and engender innovation.

4. One of the key transformation steers that we have undertaken is to reshape our approach to early learning and childhood development. We want to foster positive values, attitudes, and behaviours while addressing the fundamental needs of mental health and wellness for schoolchildren. That is why we have introduced an overarching concept called Sekolahku SEJAHTERA, where we outlined 14 principles by which teachers can seamlessly integrate into everyday learning to instil positive values.
Furthermore, we have also prioritised early warning data systems to plan for targeted interventions and to reduce dropout rates. Malaysia has included components of Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) and Global Citizenship Education (GCED) into the national curriculum to promote a culture of peace, non-violence, and respect for human rights among our students from young.

5. Another transformative steer in our education sector is to reemphasise digital learning by enabling online and computer-based learning through Digital Educational Learning Initiative Malaysia (DELIMa). We believe in strengthening our digital education policy framework by continuing to develop and upgrade the ICT infrastructure and infrastructure in all school. This will equip teachers with the right tools to encourage digital learning and ensure students acquire digital literacy and competencies as we progress into a digital native future.

6. Malaysia also encourages the development of lifelong learning abilities, sustainable innovation capabilities in our education system as part of our transformation efforts. We are galvanising our Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) curriculum and extracurricular activities to provide students with a holistic learning experience.

7. As a way forward, we affirm our commitments in supporting, engaging and collaborating with all key stakeholders to ensure that no child is left behind. Achieving Sustainable Development Goals is indeed a global responsibility and together we are committed to transform education in creating a better future for all.

On that note, I thank you.