



### RANSITIONING TO A NEW PUBLIC SECTOR COUNTING LANDSCAPE - CURRENT STATUS AND THE WAY FORWARD



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## INTRODUCTION



### Governing Laws, Regulations & Standards

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- Federal Constitution
- Financial Procedure Act 1957
- Treasury Instructions
- Treasury Circulars
- Accountant General's Department Circulars
- Government Accounting Standards

- IPSAS Cash Basis
- Acts Specific To The Agency
- Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards (MFRS)
- International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)
- Private Entity Reporting Standards (PERS)
- PKPA 1/2011



#### **Accountant General's Authority**

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Accountant General is the **Chief Accountant** of the Federal Government and Chief of a Division of the Federal Treasury with the authority in all accounting matters and procedures relating to Federal and State Government accounts.

Treasury Instruction

#### Accountant General is the Head of Service for Accountants, Assistant Accountants and Book keepers (Accounting Technician)

Head of Service

Accountant General has been appointed by the Minister of Finance as the Registrar of Unclaimed Moneys under the Unclaimed Moneys Act 1965 effective from 1 Jun 1975.

**Unclaimed Moneys** 

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Registrar





## WHERE ARE WE NOW?





### **Current Basis of Accounting**

Components	Accounting Basis
Federal	Modified Cash Basis
State	Modified Cash Basis
Local Government	Accrual Accounting
Statutory Bodies	Accrual Accounting



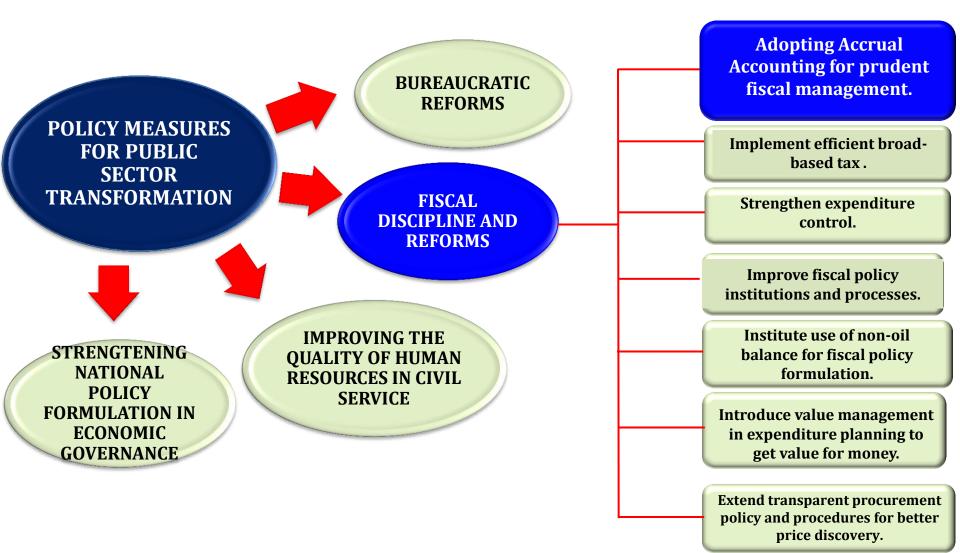


## THE WAY FORWARD





### **New Economic Model**





### **SRI Lab - Accrual Accounting**

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Migration to accrual accounting has been stipulated as a policy measure in the NEM Report.

The adoption will put the Malaysian public sector finance practice to be in line with the developed countries.

Aspiration of the Malaysian Government of attaining developed nation status with the drive for "People first, Performance now".







Prime Minister mandate in implementation of accrual accounting by 2015 -PEMANDU SRI-PFR Meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2011.



### **Outcome of Accrual Accounting**

Key Result Area (KRA) of Accrual Accounting

Enabling More Efficient and Effective Fiscal Management Information on consumption of resources that supports **sustainability** of fiscal policies

An essential component of the results framework of **accountability** of programs under Outcome Based Budgeting



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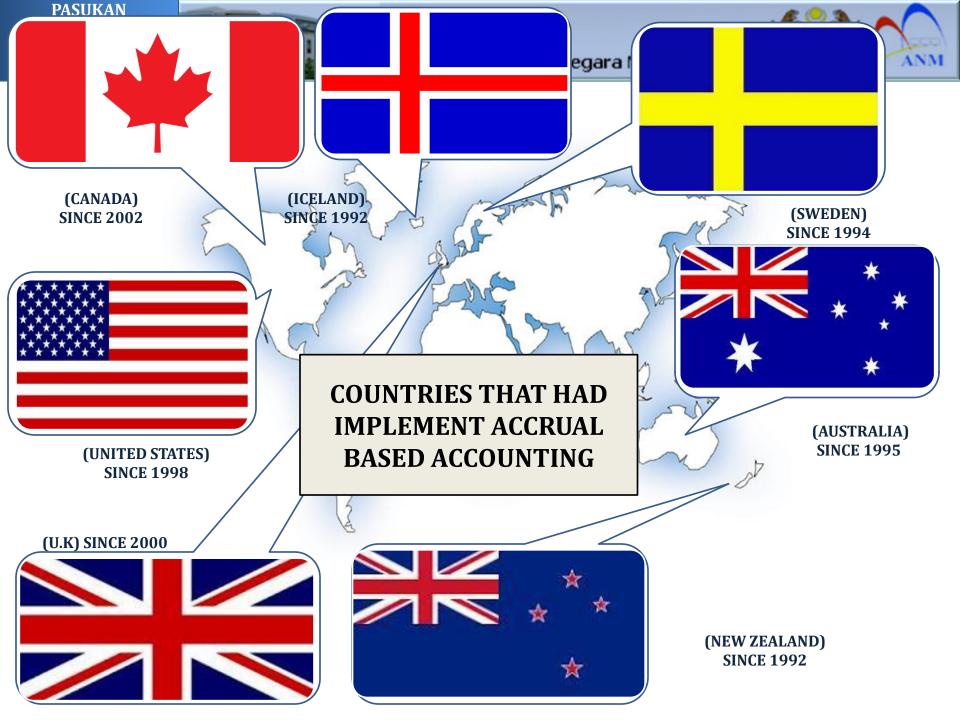
## Why Accrual Accounting?

#### How Can Accrual Accounting Benefit the Public Sector in Malaysia?

- Costing data of output enables more effective evaluation of alternatives to achieve the outcomes
  - Cost Savings
- Information on assets facilitate unlocking of values – Revenue Generation
- Assets listing provide a database for infrastructure management leading to better maintenance of assets – Better Service Delivery

Accountability	<ul> <li>Accounting for consumption of resources</li> <li>Improve performance and financial management of each agency</li> </ul>
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Sustainability	<ul> <li>Facilitate revenue management by each agency</li> <li>Promotes intergenerational equity of public policies</li> <li>Completeness of accountability of resources</li> </ul>
	resources
Better Measure of Policies Effect	<ul> <li>More effective measure in complimenting results framework of OBB</li> <li>Better accountability of executive government</li> </ul>
Organizational Efficiency and Effectiveness	<ul> <li>Compliment results framework of OBB</li> <li>Costing of outputs and measured against outcomes</li> </ul>
Promote Greater Integrity	<ul> <li>Curbs teeming and lading of expenditure</li> <li>Promotes transparency</li> <li>Minimizes year-end shopping</li> <li>Compatibility with developed economies</li> </ul>

More Efficient and Effective Fiscal Management







## **Trends in Developing Countries**

Selected ADB Developing Member Countries: Direction of Government Accounting

DMC	Current Basis	<b>General Direction</b>
Fiji Islands	Modified cash	Accrual
Indonesia	Modified cash	Accrual
Marshall Islands	Modified cash	Accrual
Philippines	Modified accrual	Accrual
Sri Lanka	Modified cash	Accrual
Azerbaijan	Accrual	Accrual
China, People's Republic of	Modified accrual	Accrual
Mongolia	Modified accrual	Accrual

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#### **Evolution (Federal/State)**

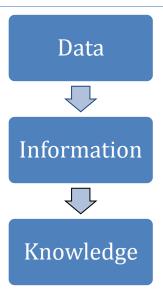
Before (< 2006)	Current	Future (> 2015 )
Modified Cash Basis	Modified Cash Basis	Accrual basis
Branch Accounting System/Manual	GFMAS/SPEKS	1 GFMAS/ SPEKS (Accrual)
IPSAS Cash	IPSAS Cash (Revised)	MPSAS Accrual

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#### **Migration Path** Accrual Accounting "To-be" in 2015 Assets and Modified liabilities are Cash accounted for Centralized "As-is" Status system with • Assets are not single database capitalized Liabilities are • Fully integrated recorded outside with OBB and the accounting other relevant system systems • System is • Full IPSAS distributed and compliant on disparate • IPSAS cash basis of accrual accounting accounting • Costing • Costing data on information is not outputs, integrated programs and activities

Accrual accounting together with Activity Based Costing will transform existing data to information and eventually to knowledge where better informed based actions can be taken



Action

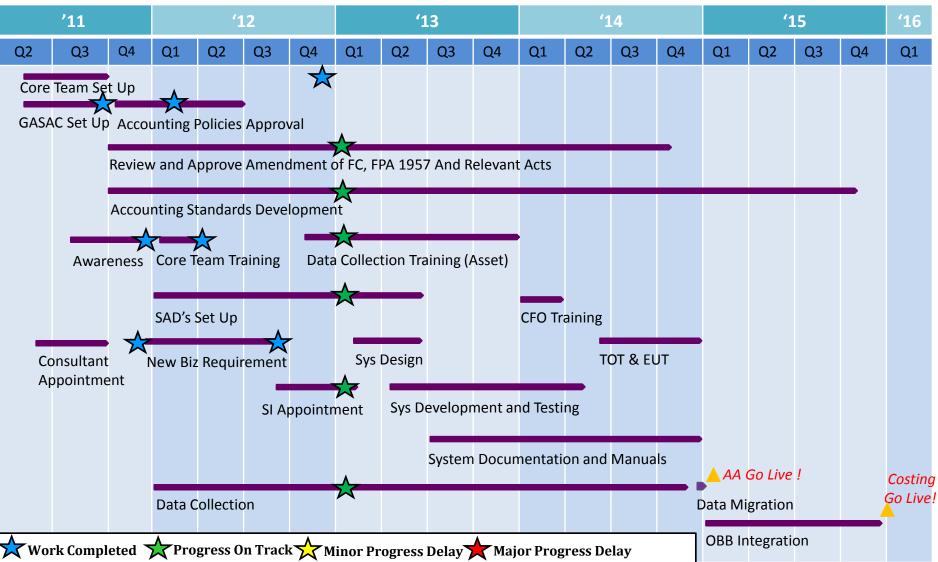




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#### **ACCRUAL ACCOUNTING TIMELINE**

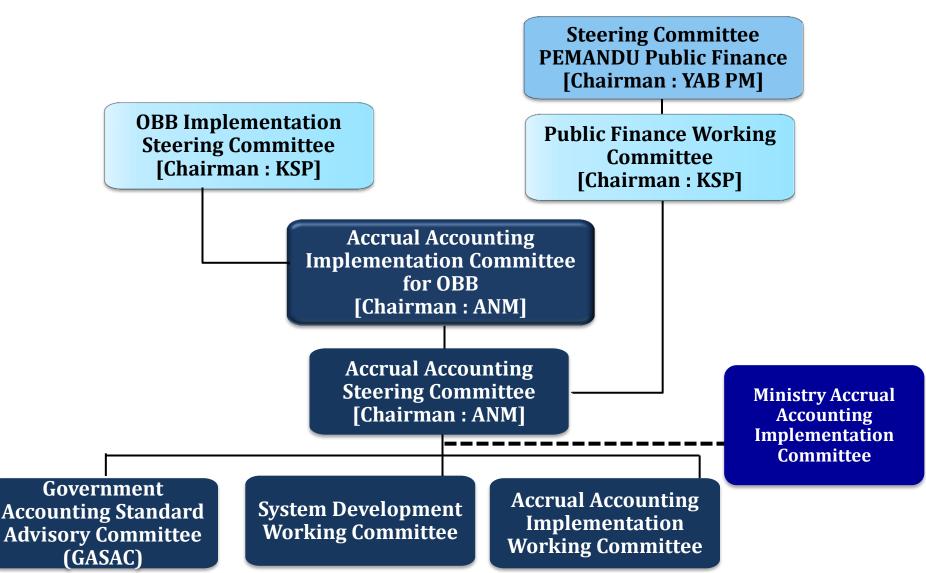








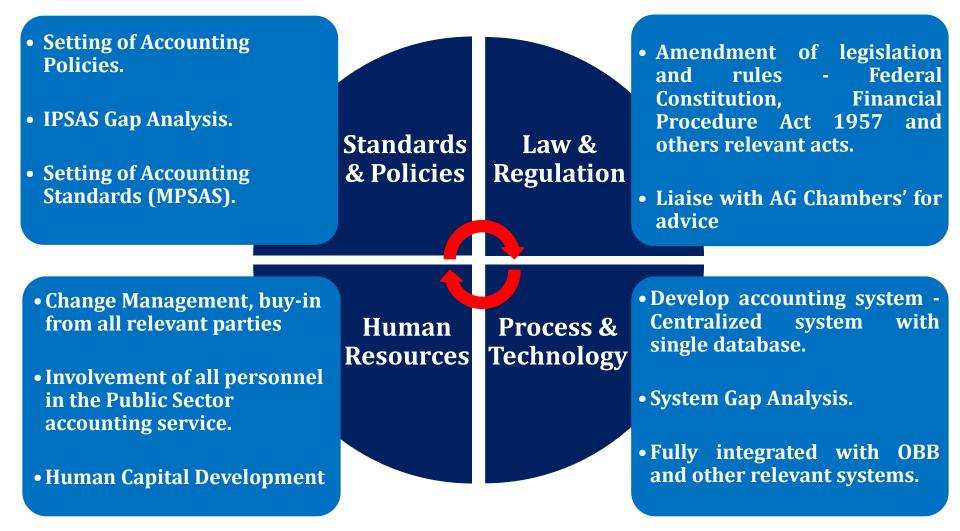
#### **GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE**







#### **IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY**





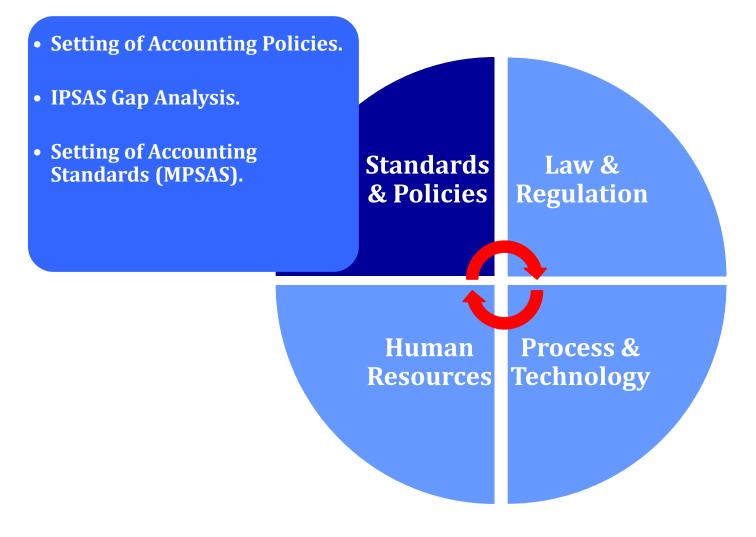


## IMPLEMENTATION STATUS



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#### **STANDARDS & POLICY**

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#### GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTING STANDARD ADVISORY COMMITTEE (GASAC) SETUP

#### Members: Representative from

- Ministries(Chief Accountant);
- > Auditor General;
- State Treasurers;
- > Statutory Bodies;
- Professional Accounting Bodies; and
- > Universities.
- Review and setting of the Accrual Accounting Standards and Policies.

SETTING OF MALAYSIA PUBLIC SECTOR ACCOUNTING STANDARD (MPSAS) & ACCRUAL ACCOUNTING POLICY

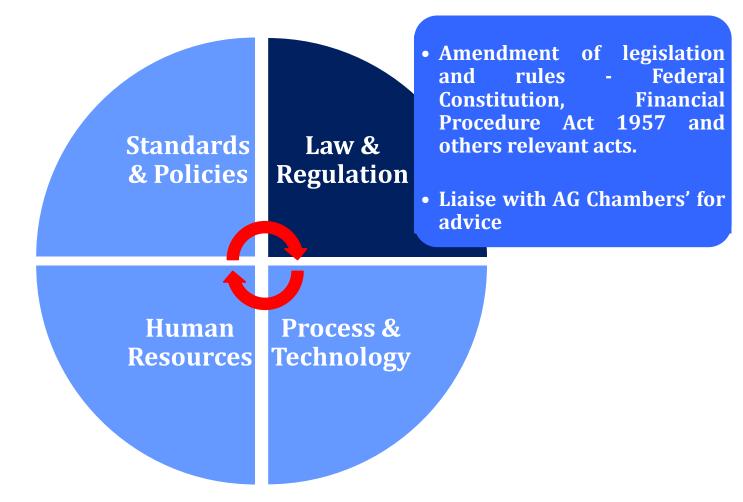
- 9 Exposure Draft (ED) MPSAS have been endorsed by GASAC.
- □ 3 MPSAS approved by Accrual Accounting Steering Committee.
- Timeline 30 MPSAS will be endorsed and issued by third quarter of 2015. As at to date still on track.

\* As at 31<sup>st</sup> January 2013

Accrual Accounting Policy document approved by Accrual Accounting Steering Committee in February 2012.



#### **IMPLEMENTATION STATUS**





## **LAW & REGULATION**

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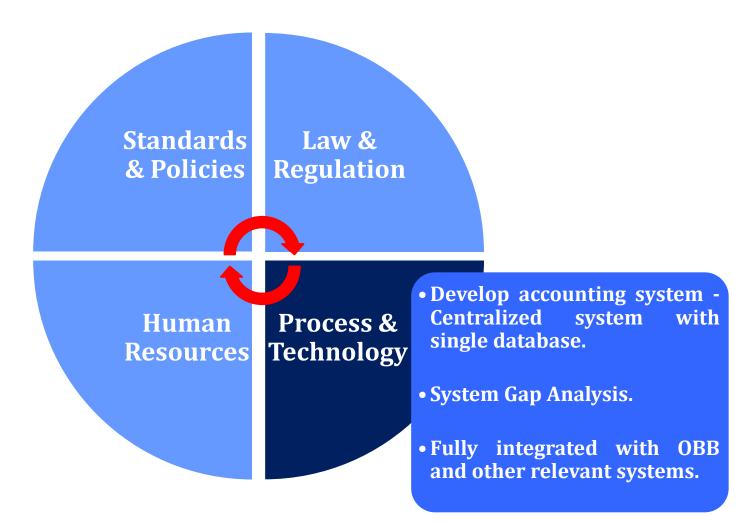
- □ Federal Constitution, Financial Procedure Act 1957 and relevant acts have been reviewed.
- □ No proposed amendment for Federal Constitution.

Proposed amendment for Financial Procedure Act 1957, Unclaimed Moneys Act, Housing Loan Act 1971 and National Trust Fund Act have been sent to Treasury's Legal Advisor on October 2012.





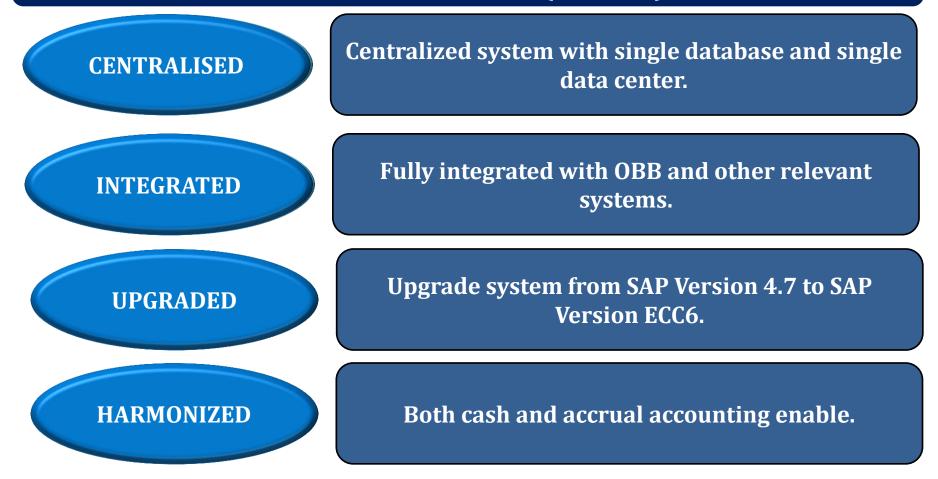
#### **IMPLEMENTATION STATUS**





### **PROCESS & TECHNOLOGY**

#### **KEY FEATURES OF 1GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING SYSTEM (1GFMAS)**









## **PROCESS & TECHNOLOGY**

#### **1GFMAS Reporting Hierarchy :**

**Financial Statements:** 

- Federal Government
- ✤ Ministry
- Department (Financial Controller)

Management Report according to Department/Responsibility Centre (PTJ)



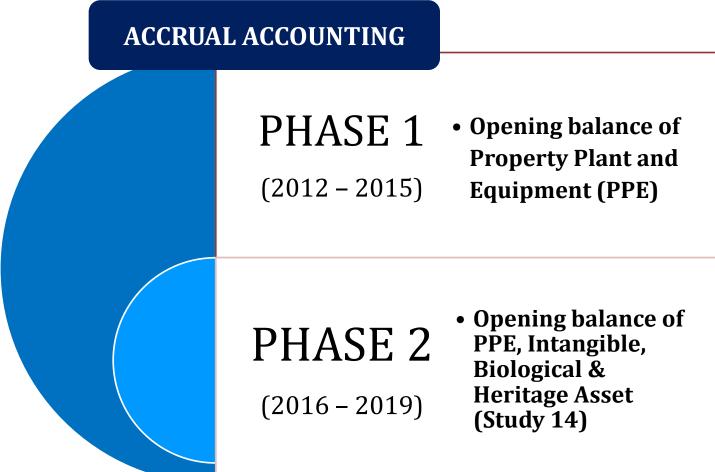
## **SERVICE PROVIDER (SP) APPOINTMENT**

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- Appointed on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2012. Scope of services include:
  - i. Data Collection for Assets and Liabilities;
  - ii. Preparation of Accrual Accounting Manual;
  - iii. Proposed and Implement Change Management Plan; and
  - iv. Implementation of Data Collection Training and Accrual Accounting Manual Training.



## STRATEGY OF NON-CURRENT ASSETS DATA COLLECTION





### **RESPONSIBILITY OF MINISTRIES**

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#### **Assets Monitoring**

Completeness and accuracy of assets register and records in Sistem Pengurusan Aset Alih (SPA) and Sistem Pengurusan Aset Tak Alih (mySPATA).

#### **Verify Opening Balance**

- Internal Auditor endorse opening balance of assets.
- Auditing and verifying the opening balance as at 1st January 2014 and 1st January 2015.

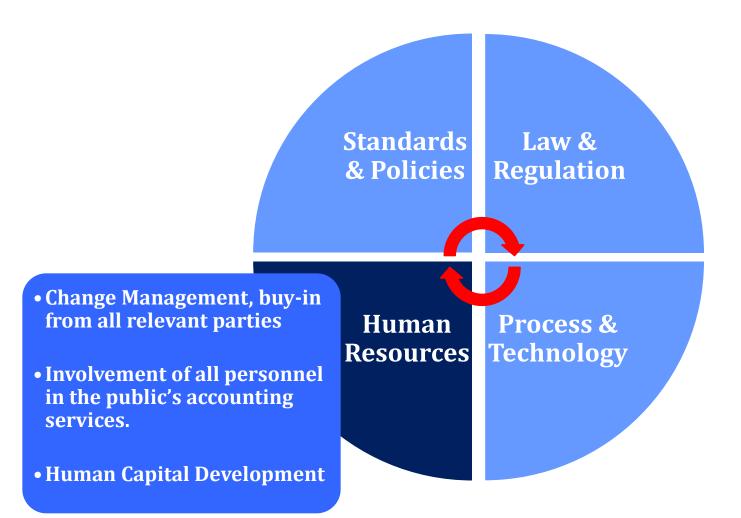
#### Report

- Submit the Statement of Assets to JANM.
- Opening balance as at 1<sup>st</sup> January 2014 by March 2014 and as at 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015 by March 2015.



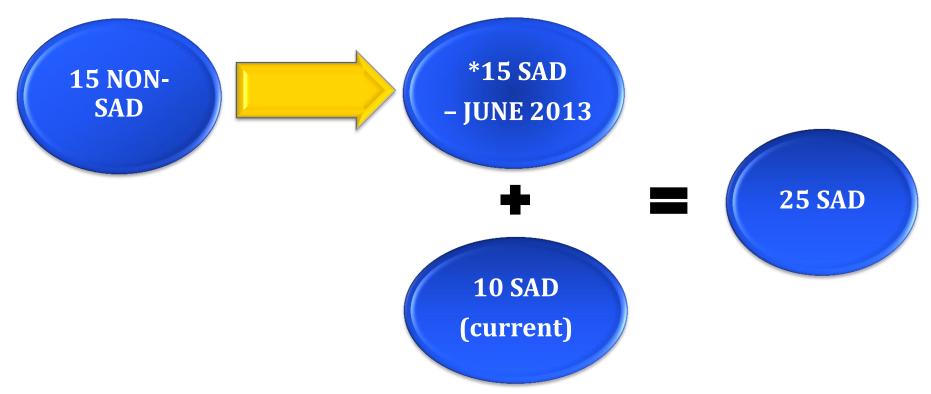


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#### STRENGTHENING THE ACCOUNT DIVISION IN MINISTRIES



\*In the process of finalizing the proposal paper for additional post to JPA.

Legend: NON-SAD – Non Self Accounting Department SAD – Self Accounting Department

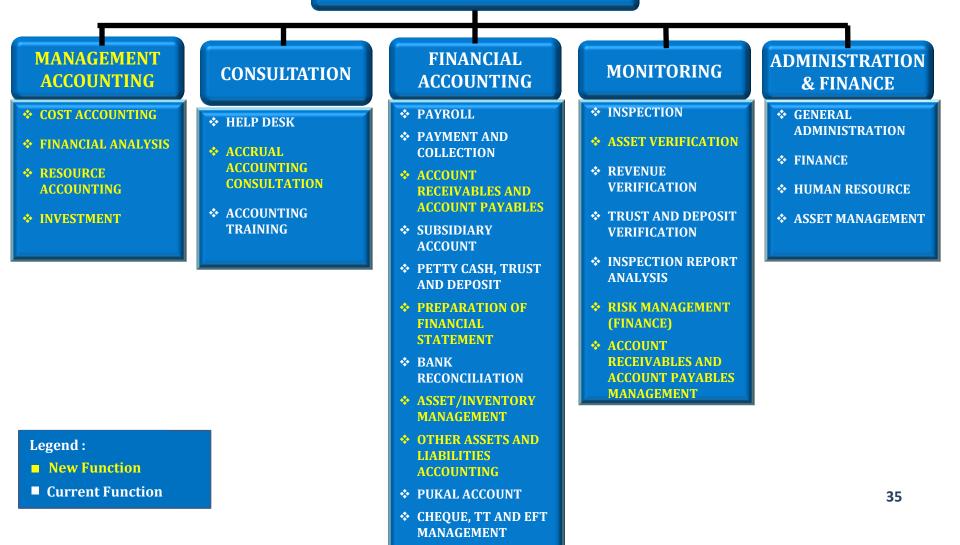


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#### **FUNCTION OF MINISTRY'S ACCOUNT DIVISION**

**ACCOUNT DIVISION** 



**\*** TECHNICAL SUPPORT



#### ACCRUAL ACCOUNTING TRAINING PROGRAMME 2012

AWARENESS PROGRAMME Awareness programme for top level management of ministries, agencies and department.

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TRAINING OF TRAINERS (TOT) Appointment of 114 trainers from 25 ministries to train public sector personnel.

□ Soft skills and IPSAS training.



#### ACCRUAL ACCOUNTING TRAINING PROGRAMME 2012

#### ACCOUNTING TRAINING

49 training programme in collaboration with Institut Perakaunan Negara (IPN), Professional Bodies (CIMA) and local university (UiTM) Focus group consist of:

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- 2,400 Finance Manager/Head Department;
- 1,250 Support Group (Accounting Personnel); and
- 1,250 Support Group (Non-Accounting Personnel)

TECHNICAL TRAINING



15 technical trainings.

Focus group - personnel from Accrual Accounting Implementation Team.



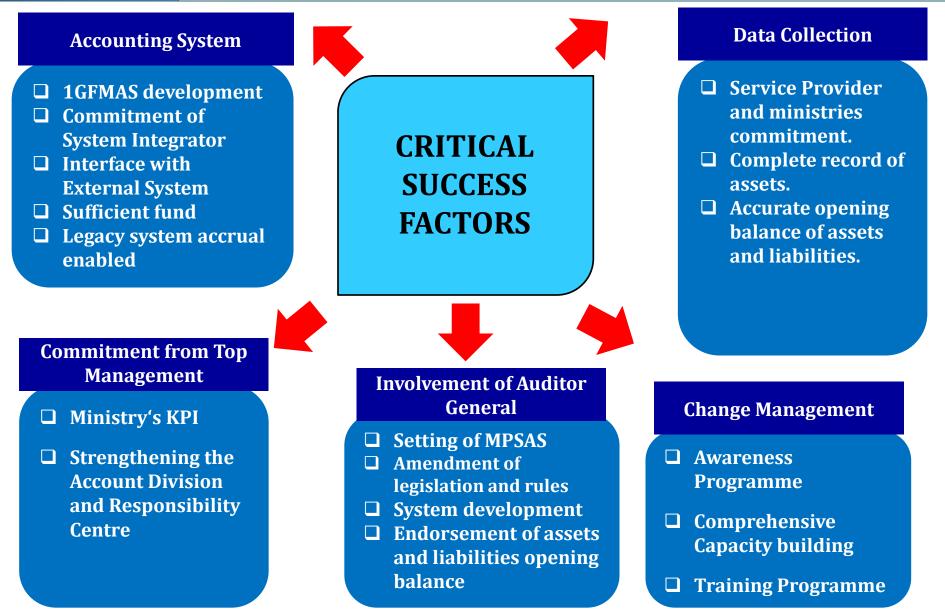


## CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTORS



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## CONCLUSION





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Implementation of Accrual Accounting is hoped to bring Malaysia at par with other developed countries

Full support , commitment and cooperation from every one of you is very much needed to make this transformation a success





## THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

# Together we make this happen.....