REGIONAL WORKSHOP

"ANTI-CORRUPTION AGENCIES: INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS AND PRACTICAL EXPERIENCES"

First Roundtable

"Anti-Corruption Agencies: Learning From International Experience"

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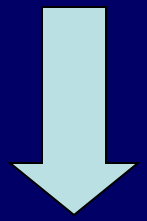
The Challenges...

- Public perceptions against the Government
- Public perceptions against the MACC
- Public demand:
  - apprehend the big fishes!
  - More initiatives in combating and eradication of corruption

The Efforts...

Anti-Corruption Agency
(under the Prime Minister's Department
(1 October 1967)



Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission
(MACC)
(1st January 2009)

FIVE ADVISORY BOARD/COMMITTEE/PANEL WAS ESTABLISHED

1. The Anti-Corruption Advisory Board;
2. The Special Committee on Corruption;
3. The Complaints Committee;
4. The Operation Review Panel; and
5. The Consultation and Corruption Prevention Panel.

NKRA AGAINST CORRUPTION

ASPIRATIONS AND KEY FOCUS AREAS

ASPIRATIONS

- Reduce corruption through enforcement and compliance
- Enhance transparency to improve our score in Corruption Perception Index (CPI)
- Improve public perception on the integrity of the government and civil service

- REGULATORY AND ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES
- GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT
- GRAND CORRUPTION





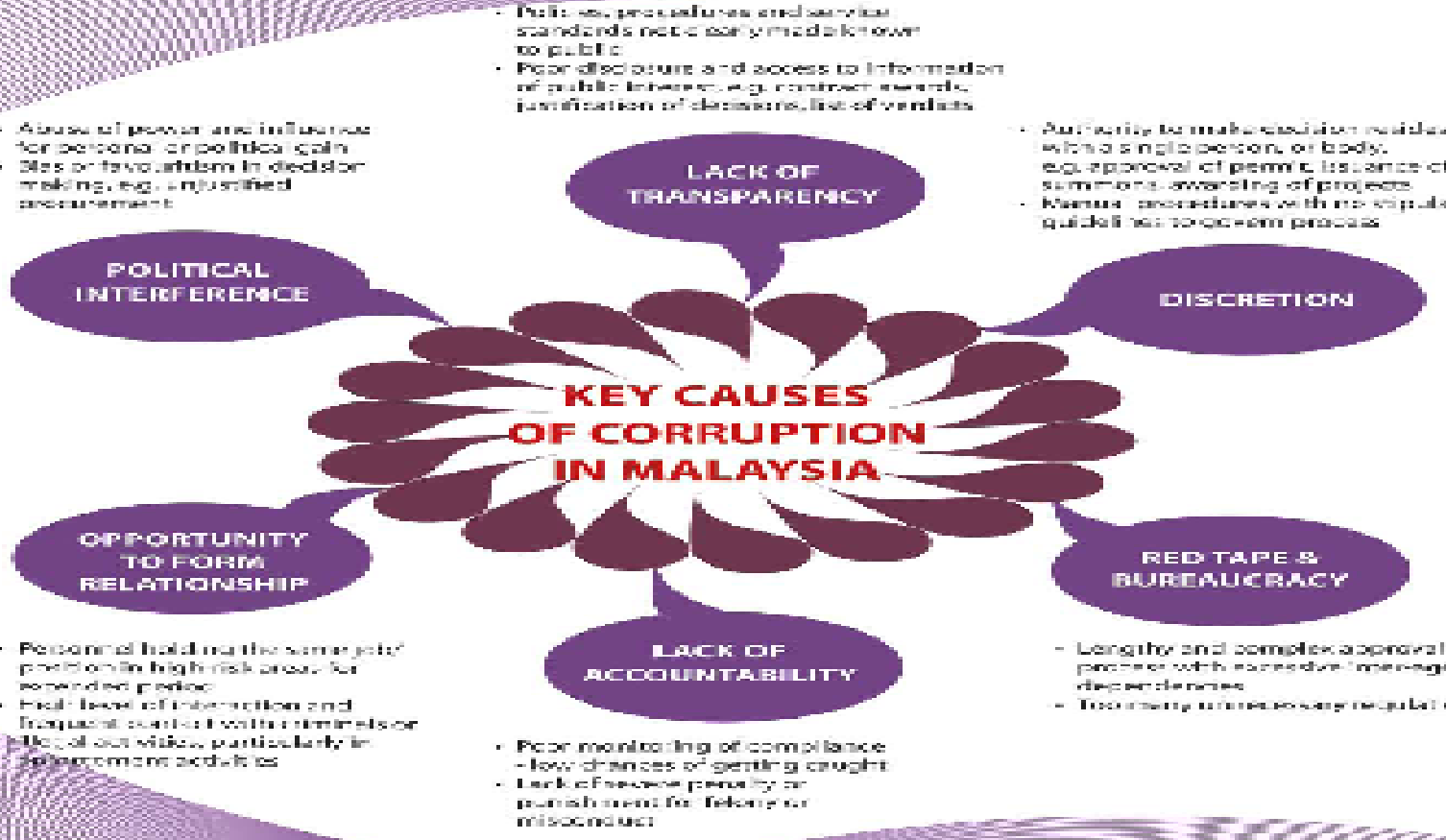


Eradications of corruption for the future

Ethical values and integrity

Root causes and impact of corruption

CORRUPTION = POWER + DISCRETION – ACCOUNTABILITY - TRANSPARENCY



Impact of Corruption

- **Economic Impact**
  - Loss of revenue
  - Inefficient use of public resources
  - Detrimental to Nation's competitiveness
- **Social Impact**
  - Jeopardisation of public welfare and security
  - Erosion of social values
  - Violation of human rights and its enforcement

Eradicating Corruption For The Future Generation

POLITICAL INTERFERENCE

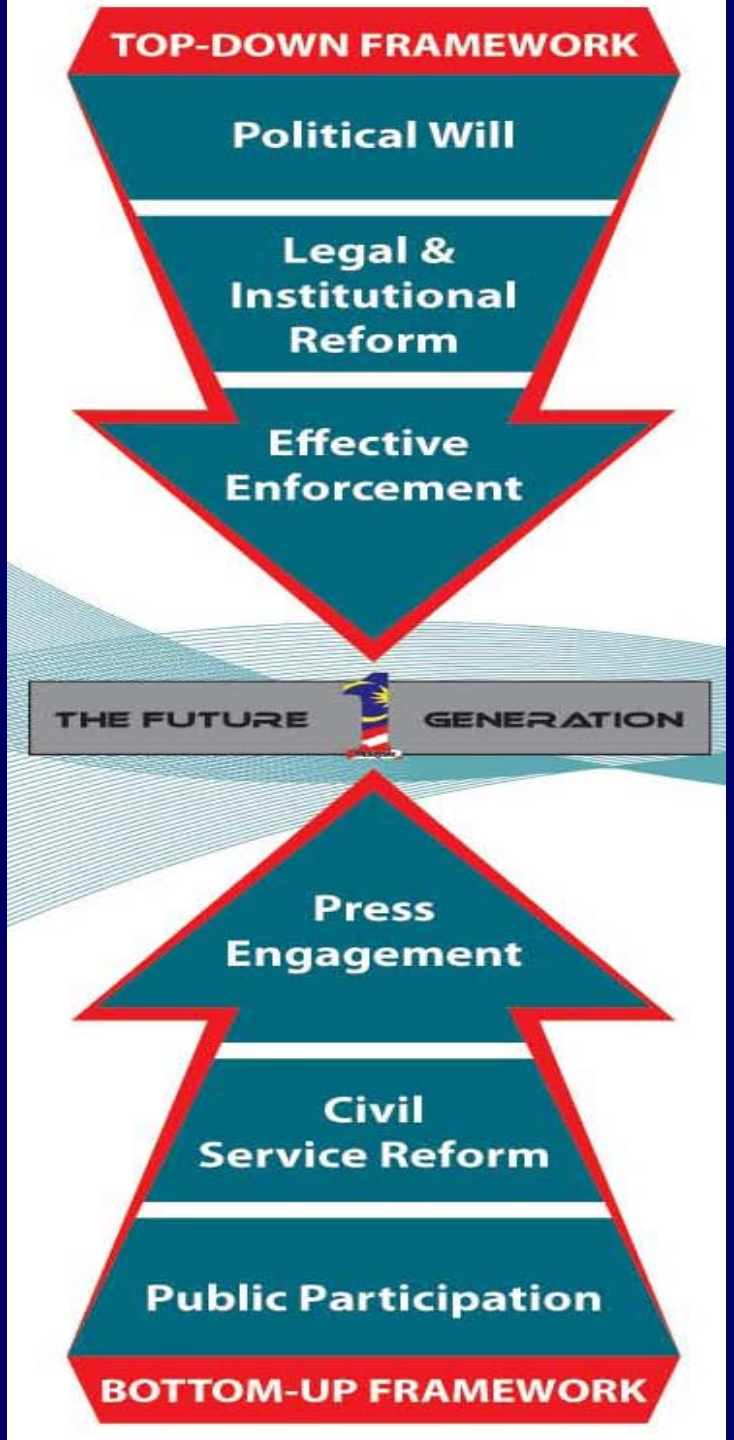
- Abuse of power and influence for personal or political gain
- Bias or favouritism in decision making, e.g. unjustified procurement

- Personnel holding the same job/ position in high-risk areas for extended period
- High level of interaction and frequent contact with criminals or illegal activities, particularly in enforcement activities

LACK OF ACCOUNTABILITY

- Poor monitoring of compliance - low chances of getting caught
- Lack of severe penalty or punishment for felony or misconduct

- Lengthy and complex approval process with excessive inter-agency dependencies
- Too many unnecessary regulations



ANTI-CORRUPTION FRAMEWORK

A two-tiered, top-down and bottom-up approach is adopted by the Government in its anti-corruption efforts

The Aspirations...

To achieve our aspirations, we need to address three key corruption areas and strengthen the institutional framework

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CORRUPTION = MONOPOLY POWER + DISCRETION – ACCOUNTABILITY – TRANSPARENCY IN DECISION MAKING

- GRAND CORRUPTION
  - –Ensure public resources are not used to fund for political parties
  - –Reduce misuse of allocation of resources by MPs and ADUNS
- GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT & PRIVATISATION
  - –Reduce leakage in the funds allocated for national development and operations
  - –Ensure fairness in the award of contracts
- REGULATORY AND ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES
  - –Regain public confidence in our enforcement agencies
  - –Enhance competitive-ness of Malaysia as a place to do business

Civil service integrity

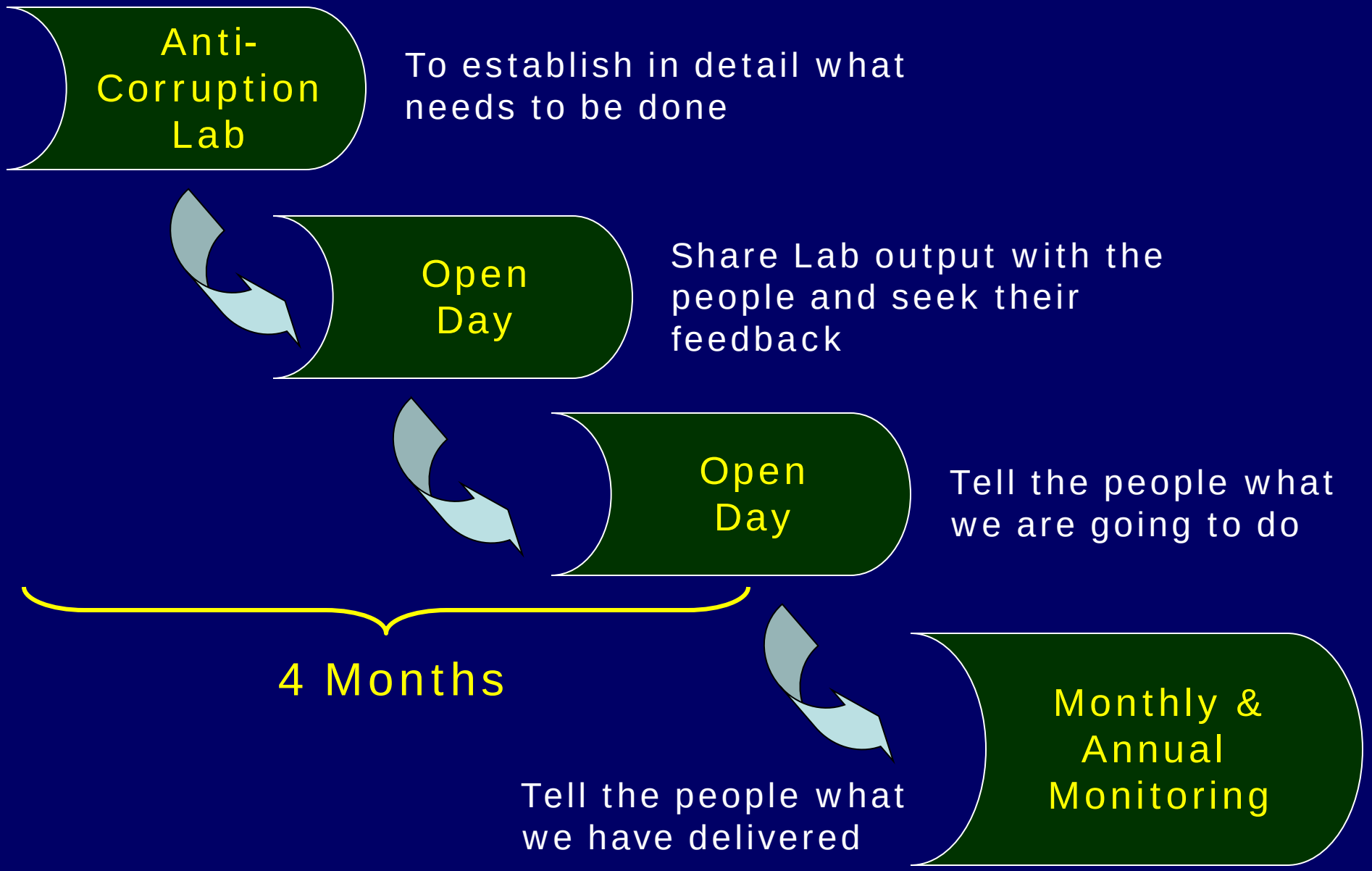
Legal and regulatory framework

Detection, prosecution and punishment

Commitment on Fighting Corruption...

A Lab on fighting corruption as a National Key Results Area (NKRA) was conducted to address corruption issues immediately with BIG BOLD moves

A radical approach towards addressing the needs of the people



Core initiatives & Future directions



REGULATORY AND ENFORCEMENT

1. Reduce discretion through automation
2. Reduce bureaucracy/institutionalise control mechanism
3. Central body to manage and dispose confiscated assets
4. Strengthen compliance unit
5. Hot job rotation
6. Increase public awareness on government agencies service levels, procedures and amendments in laws/regulations
7. Increase accountability on Local Council officers and councilors
8. League table for performance of local authorities

GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT

1. Directive from PM not to issue support letter, especially for direct negotiation
2. Tighten price negotiation and enforcement of direct negotiation
3. Demarcation between procurement and privatisation
4. Enhance technical capability at every ministry
5. Systematic and continuous training plan and the formation of National Procurement Institute
6. Disclosure at virtual procurement one stop centre
7. Integrity Pact between Government and vendors/suppliers

GRAND CORRUPTION

1. Study on political party and political funding regulation
2. Disclose disbursement of government allocation to the MPs
3. Segregation of duty between Sec-Gen and Ministers
4. Complete prosecution of high profile cases within 1 year – special court for corruption cases
5. Develop a database of offenders convicted of corruption
6. Develop a centralised database on declaration of asset and debt

...GRAND CORRUPTION

7. Increase the credibility and integrity of the media
8. Implementation of the Whistleblower Act and the framework
9. Develop a reward and recognition scheme for civil servants assisting in corruption cases
10. Stiffer punishment
11. Formalise political appointees at Ministries



Thank You

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