HIGH COMMISSION OF INDIA
KUALA LUMPUR

PRESS RELEASE

Indian Scholarship and Trust Fund (ISTF) to 66 Malaysian-Indian students

1. The High Commission of India has announced the disbursement of RM 300,000/- (Rs.45 lakhs approx.) under the Indian Scholarship & Trust Fund to 66 Malaysian-Indian students who are studying in various universities in Malaysia. This amount is substantially higher than in earlier years.

2. The selection of the deserving and meritorious students has been done by the eminent members of the Selection Committee of the ISTF consisting of Tan Sri Prof. Dr. T. Marimuthu, Tan Sri Dato' Dr. M. Thambirajah, Tan Sri Dato’ Ajit Singh, Datuk Dr. Achaiah Kumar Rao and Mr. Sathish Ramachandran.

3. The Indian Scholarship and Trust Fund was created in 1946 by the first Prime Minister of India, Shri Jawaharlal Nehru to benefit and assist Malaysian-Indian students on an annual basis. Over the years, the corpus of the Fund has been augmented by contributions from other Indian Prime Ministers, including recently when Hon’ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi announced an additional grant of Rs.5 crores (RM 3 million) during his visit to Malaysia in November, 2015 which made the disbursement of this higher amount possible. This is the 71st year of the activities of the ISTF.

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High Commissioner T. S. Tirumurti is flanked by the Committee Members of ISTF for scholarship interviews on 06.09.2017
ISTF scholarship interview with a candidate is in progress on 06.09.2017