## 445,000 Public Officers in Malaysia to Benefit from Generative Al Under the 'Al at Work 2.0' Initiative by the Ministry of Digital and Google Cloud

Google Workspace with Gemini suite of tools and training made available to government agencies under the newly enhanced and scaled iteration of 'Al at Work'

**Kuala Lumpur**, **Malaysia**, **Feb. 5**, **2025** – The Ministry of Digital and Google Cloud today announced the launch of "Al at Work 2.0," a joint initiative to equip public officers with Google Workspace's latest generative Al (gen Al) capabilities, empowering them to transform public service delivery.

"Al at Work," the first iteration of this initiative, was unveiled as a pilot program at the launch of Malaysia's National Al Office (NAIO) in December 2024. Following the successful pilot, the enhanced and scaled iteration of this program (i.e., 2.0) is providing the Government of Malaysia with an expanded Google Workspace with Gemini suite of tools and making them accessible to up to 445,000 public officers.

YB Tuan Gobind Singh Deo, Minister of Digital, was the guest of honor at the launch of AI at Work 2.0. Delivering officiating remarks to highlight the significance of this initiative, he said: "The ability of public and private sector organizations – which touch the lives of virtually all Malaysians – to improve service delivery using next-generation technologies, will play an essential role in establishing Malaysia as a digitally-driven, high-income economy. Through AI at Work 2.0 by NAIO and Google Cloud, the government is taking the lead in harnessing gen AI, with the right guardrails built in, to better serve the *rakyat* under our five-year AI technology action plan. We are swiftly progressing beyond the pilot, which reinforced our belief that AI can uplift the productivity and efficacy of a workforce. In the coming months, we look forward to highlighting the tangible value generated by our public-private AI partnerships, as we drive further AI adoption momentum across government agencies and our broader business ecosystem."

YBhg. Tuan Fabian Bigar, Secretary General, Ministry of Digital, said: "We are accelerating our efforts to ensure all government employees have access to gen Al assistants. Many government employees are already on Google Workspace through integration between <a href="MyGovUC">MyGovUC</a> and Google Workspace. We appreciate Google Cloud going a step further to provide its expanded set of gen Al tools and conducting bespoke training to help our government employees take full advantage of these tools. This partnership will help us streamline routine tasks across agencies, departments, and functions, freeing employees up to focus on more complex and strategic work that translates to improved public services delivery and citizen engagement."

Google Workspace with Gemini benefits public officers in four main ways:

- Contextually relevant content generation and richer meetings: Gemini in Google Workspace apps like Gmail, Docs, Sheets, Slides, Drive, Meet, and Chat will assist public officers with summarizing, analyzing, and drafting content based on insights from their emails and documents without them having to leave the app they are in. This helps them more effectively create documents, slides, and spreadsheets, and have gen Al take notes during meetings, enhance the quality of meeting audio and video, and catch them up on conversations if they join meetings late.
- More engaging employee and citizen communications: Google Vids, a gen Al-powered video creation app that is integrated with Drive and Photos, will enable government agencies to more easily produce explainer videos on various topics, communicate organization-wide updates in a more personalized way, and scalably deliver employee training and education. It helps public officers with no professional video production background map out a narrative using suggested visuals, scripts, and background music; use a built-in teleprompter to more confidently land their message when recording a video; and finalize videos with an intuitive, scene-based editor.
- Creative support while streamlining repetitive tasks: The Gemini Advanced app on public officers' work laptops or mobile devices will help them tackle complex tasks like coding and data extraction and analysis, or brainstorm new ideas for projects. To help them with repeatable or specialized tasks, such as analyzing citizen feedback to reveal sentiment trends over time, public officers can also build <a href="Gems">Gems</a>, their own customized team of AI "experts."
- Synthesize and extract insights from multiple information sources: NotebookLM Plus, a gen Al-powered research assistant, will allow public officers to simultaneously interact with up to 250 trusted sources, including their legislative and policy documents, to get grounded insights for quicker decision-making and improved responsiveness to citizen needs. They can upload sources (e.g., documents, web pages, or multimedia content) into a notebook and share it with team

members, who can then ask questions about the information in those sources and receive answers with inline citations, or generate briefing documents, FAQs, and AI podcast summaries.

Al at Work 2.0 will provide dedicated training and consultation to help public officers effectively use Google Workspace with Gemini. This includes hands-on workshops to help users write effective prompts and identify where these tools can deliver the most value.

Google Workspace with Gemini is one of the first gen Al productivity solutions to attain a comprehensive set of safety, privacy, and security certifications, including SOC 1/2/3, ISO 27001/17/18, and ISO 42001. It automatically applies Google Workspace's enterprise-grade data security and privacy controls, ensuring that Gemini only retrieves relevant data that the user has permission to access.

Rahul Sharma, Managing Director, Public Sector, Asia Pacific, Google Cloud, said: "The Ministry of Digital and NAIO are applying a comprehensive approach to enhance workforce proficiency and productivity, from deploying employee agents through Google Workspace with Gemini, to appointing and training gen Al champions to help accelerate adoption across agencies, to implementing before-and-after measurement to quantify value. Our partnership is establishing the Government of Malaysia as a leader in reimagining how work gets done and serving as the blueprint for governments and enterprises in the region looking to derive measurable value from Al adoption at scale. We look forward to continuing to advance Malaysia's national Al agenda through Al at Work 2.0, as well as other joint initiatives."

The AI at Work pilot was conducted with 270 public officers from various government agencies, including <u>Jabatan Digital Negara</u> (JDN). These officers leveraged Google Workspace's gen AI capabilities to accomplish day-to-day tasks quicker, such as drafting policy papers and written communications. User feedback and usage analytics revealed that 97% of pilot participants experienced time savings of 3.25 hours per individual per week, with 91% indicating that gen AI has helped enhance their quality of work.

Al at Work 2.0 builds upon Google's <u>ongoing commitment</u> to Malaysia, which includes a <u>US\$2 billion investment</u> in a new Google data center and Google Cloud region, and Al skilling initiatives like <u>Gemini Academy</u> and the <u>Google Al Essentials</u> course, offered via the <u>Gemilang</u> training program.

## About the Ministry of Digital

The Ministry of Digital Malaysia envisions establishing the country as a leading digital nation, committed to building resilient digital infrastructure, ensuring data protection, enhancing the digital economy, and fostering innovation through new technologies and talent development. It leads Malaysia's digital transformation agenda by focusing on three key pillars:

- Digital Government: Transforming government services to improve efficiency, accessibility, and responsiveness to public needs.
- Digital Economy: Driving economic growth through digital integration, fostering innovation, attracting investments, and creating job opportunities across various sectors.
- Digital Society: Promoting digital literacy, ensuring fair access to technology, and providing equal internet access and services to all citizens.

## **About the National AI Office**

The National AI Office (NAIO) serves as Malaysia's central authority dedicated to advancing the nation's artificial intelligence (AI) agenda. Established under the Ministry of Digital, NAIO is committed to positioning Malaysia as a regional leader in AI technology and applications. Its mission includes strategic planning, research and development, and regulatory oversight to promote ethical and sustainable AI adoption across various sectors. By fostering innovation, facilitating cross-sector collaboration, and integrating AI into government, industry, and society, NAIO aims to strengthen Malaysia's digital economy, enhance public services, and support sustainable development goals.

## **About Google Cloud**

Google Cloud is the new way to the cloud, providing AI, infrastructure, developer, data, security, and collaboration tools built for today and tomorrow. Google Cloud offers a powerful, fully integrated and optimized AI stack with its own planet-scale infrastructure, custom-built chips, generative AI models and development platform, as well as AI-powered applications, to help organizations transform. Customers in more than 200 countries and territories turn to Google Cloud as their trusted technology partner.

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