## MALAYSIAN ADMINISTRATIVE, MODERNISATION AND MANPOWER PLANNING UNIT (MAMPU)

MAMPU was established in May 1977 to pursue the following objectives in the public sector:

- o To strengthen administrative and manpower planning structures;
- o To improve and modernise administrative systems and procedures;
- o To introduce new management techniques and innovations; and
- o To introduce and coordinate systems for manpower planning and administration.

MAMPU which is in the Prime Minister's Department also functions as secretariat to the following bodies:

- o the Manpower Development Board
- o the National Data-Processing Committee
- o the National Development Administration Committee
- o the Guiding Committee for Planning Manpower Needs
- o the Public Services Ethics Panel, and
- o the Appointment of Private Enterprise Management Consultants Committee

The Information Technology Division within MAMPU acts as the in-house consultant in respect of all computerisation projects in the public sector. Any department whether local, state or federal would need to obtain clearance from MAMPU on the technical specifications of its planned computerisation project. This is to ensure the coordination of information resource planning with a view towards reducing redundancy in the public sector. MAMPU's role is to reduce not only the incompatibility of hardware but also the incompatibility of data elements and databases.

Proposals and feasibility studies on computerisation are the responsibilities of each end-user department. MAMPU intervenes only if the department lacks the necessary expertise. Private consultants are used as a last resort when MAMPU does not have the manpower or the expertise. Similarly the tender process is the responsibility of each end-user department. MAMPU's input covers the approval of technical specifications and assistance in tender evaluation only when necessary.