Quarterly Report
May-August 2022
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C4 Center, together with our organisational partners and members of the public, faced numerous challenges in advocating for justice in this case. The sentencing of Najib Razak has reaffirmed trust in the judicial process and has brought new optimism for a better Malaysia.

As we continue in our fight against corruption and abuse of power, we should take heed that victory can only come with the collective effort of the rakyat. The guilty verdict for the former Prime Minister serves as a testament to the efforts of whistleblowers, media workers, investigators, civil society organisations, public officials, and members of the public who spoke up and exposed his crimes for all to see.

The fight against corruption and abuse of power continues, but it shall continue in the belief that justice can and will be served.
C4 Center launched our PFI Report with the presence of some of the renowned media houses in Malaysia. The report has produced shocking revelations about the creative abuse of a public policy initiative. We are pleased to inform you, our Private Finance Initiative (PFI) Report is out for the public to access. Some of the key revelations that you can find in the report are the act of using pension funds to finance infrastructure projects, and putting pensioners’ money at risk is something the public must be made aware of.

Another critical revelation is the surfacing of a new player, the Federal Lands Commissioner (FLC). Ordinarily overlooked, the FLC’s role in the PFI scheme has shed light on how statutory bodies can be utilized beyond their original purpose to fund the government covertly and also provide gifts to former prime ministers.

The full report is available on C4 Center’s website.
KEY FOCUS AREAS (MAY-AUGUST)
Key Focus Area: Anti-Party Hopping

Throughout the month of May, C4 Center pushed for the enactment of the anti-party-hopping legislation which we believed would serve as the much-needed path for Malaysians who are yearning for a better future for which they aspire for their Tanah Air.

All the efforts paid off as on the 29th of July, 209 MPs voted in favour of the Anti-Hopping Bill. The historical move has the potential to restore the people’s confidence in the electoral and democratic system in our country.

Malaysians can now look forward to coming out once again to vote and not to worry that their MP’s would shift alliance and betray the mandate given to them. We hope this monumental change will restore the people’s confidence in the electoral system and get everyone voting in the next general election.
Whole of June, C4 Center highlighted the limits in the Whistleblowing Protection Act (WPA) which prohibited whistleblowers from speaking about the case with anyone other than enforcement agencies like the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission or the police.

C4 has also started discussions on collaborations on a one-stop portal to support potential whistleblowers with several other organisations, including the Bar Council.

We aiming for the system to be up and running by the end of the year, although some details needed ironing out in overcoming the legal limitations in supporting whistleblowers.
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Key Focus Area: Police Accountability

On Tuesday, 26 July 2022, Parliament passed the Independent Police Conduct Commission (IPCC) Bill 2020. Originally conceived as an independent body to provide oversight and ensure accountability over the Royal Malaysian Police (RMP), a cursory reading of the IPCC Bill is more than enough to deduce that it is ultimately set up to fail at fulfilling even its most basic function.

So, throughout August C4 Center expressed not just dismay at Bill’s passing but also a grave concern for the state of law enforcement in the coming years. From going live on Astro Awani to releasing our first-ever podcast on Youtube, we are all in for #IPCMC!
Major Events (May-August)
18th May- C4 Center team met with Public Private Partnership Unit (UKAS), Prime Minister's Department.

A fruitful discussion indeed.
14th June- A few Sabah & Sarawak CSO coordinators, visited the C4 Center office some time back.

Collective anti-graft efforts from both West & East Malaysia, will potentially lead us towards the much needed political stability, economic prosperity and social harmony.
17th June- C4 Center stood in solidarity for the independence of the judiciary and the protection of the basic structure doctrine.

To the streets we go! #w4ji
19th June- C4 Center attended the premiere of #sayaJUGAanakMalaysia short film today.

The film highlights Malaysia's discriminatory citizenship laws which treat Malaysian mothers and their overseas-born non-citizen children unfairly.

Thank you FamilyFrontiers for inviting us.
12th July- In conjunction with Integrity Month, C4 Center together with UNI-MLC and Rasuah Busters organized a special forum for work.

This forum will discuss the effects of leakages on workers and the role of trade unions in combating corruption.
12th July- Launch of the “Ketirisan Pemusnah Kesejahteraan Pekerja” poster sketched by Zunar.

HE ACTUALLY DREW THE POSTER LIVE ON THAT DAY!
20th July- The C4 Center team, Rasuah Busters and other coalition partners once again came forward to insist that the Six Political Demands of #MalaysiaTanpaRusuah presented last September be immediately placed as the main agenda presented in Parliament.
19th August- C4 Center co-organised a one day forum with the Bar Council. The forum featured 3 panel discussion sessions covering a diverse range of topics, including whistleblowing, climate crisis, access to information, anti-money laundering, and reforming the MACC.
29th August-C4 Center's Researcher, Bryan Cheah went to Fairview International School to give a talk on human right values to a group of 9-11 year olds. Just one word, CUTE!
27th May- C4 Center team had a lunch gathering in conjunction with the Raya holiday. Every now and then, it is good to take time to reflect and appreciate each other’s works. It is an important trait that fosters excellence, productivity and camaraderie.

**Good food, great talks**
1st pic- A candid snap of the C4 Center team who were all fully absorbed in a thought-provoking discussion.

2nd pic- On a lighter note, we threw a mini surprise birthday celebration for two of our July babies.
21st July- It was #plasticfreejuly, hence C4 Center team visited a zero waste store in KL to stock up our pantry and also got some essential needs.

C4 Center calls for toughened measures against plastic waste dumping if Malaysia is serious in efforts to stamp out the stigma of being labelled the world’s leading importer of plastic waste.
24th August- A small farewell party for our Legal Researcher, Arief Hamzan who is going off to Scotland to do his Masters' 's under the Chevening Scholarship.

Arief has been a monumental figure in all of C4 Center’s Whistleblowing campaigns. His mammoth efforts in the legal and reform field have further manoeuvred our efforts in the battle against corruption.
Social Media Highlights

From April to July 2022, C4 Center posted 57 content across all social platforms (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and YouTube.) C4 Center's followers grew by 14.1% on Instagram, 32% on Facebook, and 5% on Twitter. YouTube has no changes.

In the following pages, we have shared snapshots of all the best-performing content through the quarter.
Social Media Best Performing Contents
Internship Programme

Look at how contented all our interns look. In this quarter of the year, C4 Center welcomed five new interns onboard. Get to know them better on the next page.
Meet Our Interns

Chong Zhi Shin

A recent LLB graduate from Queen’s University Belfast. She did some research on Whistleblower Protection laws, and created presentation slides for Whistleblower Protection Act 2010. Also, assisted an investigative researcher and academician on their research topic.

Kieran Dass

Law Graduate 2022 from Queens University, Belfast. Working on LCS scandal data gathering and did a podcast on police accountability for C4.

Sangeetha Niscinta Nandini

First Year Law Student at the University of London. Currently working on the Business in Politics Project, provided minor assistance with the EIA process in Malaysia and minor assistance in the initial stages of the money politic card game. Did a podcast on police accountability for C4.
Meet Our Interns

Nicole Sarah Appukuttan
A penultimate year law student at Cardiff University. Was mainly working on the Covid-19 Project and the Card Game Project, and occasionally, she was tasked with other research or with promotional activities.

Keziah Lau Sing Ning
Finished a first-year law degree at the University of Malaya. During this internship, her main focus of work is on the research relating to the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process in Malaysia. She also helped out with the anti-corruption board game and made a poster for social media.
From May-August, C4 Center was featured a whooping 36 times across various media platforms not just in Malaysia but also Singapore and the US.
What's to Come in the Next Quarter?

The COVID-19 and Governance Research Project.

This project aims to collect the stories of disadvantaged communities such as women, indigenous people, and the B-40 group with regard to their experiences of applying for and receiving government financial aid throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. The study also seeks to assess the delivery of financial aid from a governance perspective and to identify the challenges that came with it. Information has been collated regarding all the different forms of financial aid that the government has issued.

Meetings have also been held with the All-Party Parliamentary Group for the Sustainable Development Goals (APPG-SDG) to lend their aid and expertise to the project in reaching out to the communities on the ground that will serve as the subjects of the study.

Wait until the next quarterly issue for more updates on this project.
C4 Center is committed to propagating good governance across various levels of the administrative institutions of Malaysia.

As we dedicate our efforts to combating corruption, the work that goes into it demands extensive labour.

These activities range from policy recommendations to pursuing in-depth investigations and engaging with anti-corruption stakeholders, including campaigning with grassroots communities.

For this reason, we hope you will join us in this cause and donate any amount to our work. Your financial contribution will be channelled into the following activities:

Most importantly, funding from the people also helps safeguard C4’s independence so that we can keep delivering critical information that seeks to keep our public institutions corrupt-free and accountable.

Our work is inspired by like-minded Malaysians who still believe in a brighter future for our nation. Any contribution, no matter how small or big, is significant for us.

Be our patron today.

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