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# CGC APPOINTS TWO NEW INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

**PETALING JAYA, 20 January 2026** — Credit Guarantee Corporation Malaysia Berhad ("CGC") has appointed Zaida Khalida Shaari and Rohan Krishnalingam as its new Independent Non-Executive Directors effective 1 January 2026 and 20 January 2026 respectively.

Zaida brings over 30 years of experience in governance, strategic investments and organisational transformation, having held senior leadership roles at Khazanah Nasional Berhad where she was the Executive Director of Investment, and Permodalan Nasional Berhad where she served as the Head of Legal Department and Joint Company Secretary. She previously served as Chief Executive Officer of Yayasan AMIR (incorporated by Khazanah Nasional Berhad) and currently sits on the boards of AEON Co. (M) Bhd., MNRB Holdings Berhad, Pelaburan Hartanah Nasional Berhad, and RHB Islamic Bank Berhad, and is a member of the Investment Panel of Kumpulan Wang Persaraan (Diperbadankan) [KWAP].

Meanwhile, Rohan has close to 30 years of experience in financial services, with extensive expertise in technology and digital transformation, technology risk management, cybersecurity, fintech and large-scale technology programme delivery. He previously served as Group Chief Digital and Technology Officer and Group Chief Operations Officer at RHB Banking Group, where he led major digitalisation and IT modernisation initiatives, and spent over two decades with Accenture as Managing Director (Senior Partner) of Financial Services Technology for the ASEAN region. He currently serves as a Non-Independent Non-Executive Director of Boost Bank.

In welcoming the new Directors, CGC Chairman, Dato' Mohammed Hussein said, "These appointments significantly strengthen our Board's strategic capacity with their collective and complementary experience and networking to execute CGC's growth plans. Our focus is squarely on supporting high-potential MSMEs—the backbone of Malaysia's next wave of economic growth. Importantly, to help us realise a key part of our mandate to be more inclusive: forging more substantive and participative partnerships between Bumiputera and non-Bumiputera businesses within the supply chains of these future-focused sectors."

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## About CGC

Credit Guarantee Corporation Malaysia Berhad (CGC) was established on 5 July 1972. It is 78.65% owned by Bank Negara Malaysia and 21.35% by the commercial banks in Malaysia. CGC aims to assist Micro, Small, and Medium-Sized Enterprises (MSMEs) with inadequate or without collateral and track records to obtain credit facilities from financial institutions by providing guarantee cover on such facilities. As of November 2025, CGC has availed over 540,000 guarantees and financing to MSMEs valued at over RM102 billion since its establishment.

On 9 February 2018, CGC introduced imSME, Malaysia's first MSME online financing/loan referral platform. The imSME serves as an alternative channel for MSMEs to source for financing products, saving them both the time and the hassle of going through time-consuming processes. Since inception, the imSME portal had received more than 3.09 million visits, with more than 96,805 registered MSMEs under the portal.

For more information, please visit www.cgc.com.my and https://imsme.com.my/.

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