What's New?

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- In exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph 154(1)(b) of, and paragraphs 10 and 15 of Schedule 3 to, the Income Tax Act 1967 [Act 53], the Minister makes the this rules.
- These Rules are deemed to have come into operation from the year of assessment 2018.
- The Income Tax (Accelerated Capital Allowance) (Automation Equipment) Rules 2017 [P.U. (4) 252/2017] is amended.



- a qualifying company which has carried on a qualifying project for a period of at least thirty-six months and has incurred qualifying capital expenditure on automation equipment:
 - In relation to a qualifying project relating to rubber, plastic, wood, furniture and textile, in the basis period for the year of assessment 2015 until the year of assessment 2023;
 - In relation to qualifying project other than those specified in above as determined by the Minister, in the basis period for the year of assessment 2015 until the year of assessment 2023





- The initial allowance as provided for in paragraph 10 of Schedule 3 to the Act entitled to be claimed by the qualifying company shall be equal to:
 - In relation to a qualifying project relating to rubber, plastic, wood, furniture and textile, one-fifth of the first four million ringgit (RM400m) qualifying capital expenditure incurred by the qualifying company; or
 - In relation to qualifying project other than those specified in above, one-fifth
 of the first two million ringgit (RM200m) qualifying capital expenditure
 incurred by the qualifying company.





- The annual allowance as provided for in paragraph 15 of Schedule 3 to the Act entitled to be claimed by the qualifying company shall be equal to:
 - In relation to a qualifying project relating to rubber, plastic, wood, furniture and textile, four-fifth of the first four million ringgit (RM400m) qualifying capital expenditure incurred by the qualifying company; or
 - In relation to qualifying project other than those specified in above, four-fifth
 of the first two million ringgit (RM200m) qualifying capital expenditure
 incurred by the qualifying company.

Meaning of "qualifying capital expenditure"







a capital expenditure relating to automation equipment used in Malaysia solely for the purpose of carrying on a qualifying project

Meaning of "automation equipment"







any plant or machinery used directly in a qualifying project which adopts technology that is more advanced than the current technology used by the qualifying company

Meaning of "qualifying project"







a project undertaken by a qualifying company for modernizing or automating its existing manufacturing activity of a product

Meaning of "qualifying company"





- incorporated under the Companies Act 2016 [Act 777] and resident in Malaysia;
- which engages in a manufacturing activity in compliance with the Industrial Co-ordination Act 1975 [Act 156];
- which holds a business license issued by the relevant local authority;

Non-application



- a) the qualifying company has been granted any incentive under the Promotion of Investments Act 1986 [Act 327];
- b) the qualifying company has made a claim for reinvestment allowance under Schedule 7 A to the Act or investment allowance for service sector under Schedule 7B to the Act;
- c) the qualifying company has been granted any exemption under section 127 of the Act except the Income Tax (Exemption) Order (No. 8) 2017 [P.U. (A) 253/2017]; or

Non-application



- d) the qualifying company has made a claim for deduction under any other rules made under section 154 of the Act except
 - i. the rules in relation to allowance under Schedule 3 to the Act;
 - ii. the Income Tax (Deduction for Audit Expenditure) Rules 2006 [P.U. (A) 129/2006];
 - iii. the Income Tax (Deduction for Expenses in relation to Secretarial Fee and Tax Filing Fee) Rules 2014 [P.U. (A) 336/2014]; or

Non-application



the qualifying company has made a claim for deduction under any other rules made under section 154 of the Act except-

iv. the Income Tax (Accelerated Capital Allowance) (Information and Communication Technology Equipment) Rules 2014 [P.U. {A) 217/2014].



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