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The Defence Services Asia (DSA) and National Security Asia (NATSEC Asia) exhibitions stand as enduring testaments to Malaysia's leadership and unwavering commitment to advancing global defence and security cooperation. Amid an ever-evolving geopolitical environment, these exhibitions exemplify Malaysia's pivotal role as a nexus for regional collaboration and global innovation in the pursuit of lasting peace, resilience, and stability.

Over the years, DSA and NATSEC Asia have evolved into strategic platforms where vision, innovation, and partnership converge. They provide a distinguished forum for nations, policymakers, industry leaders, and defence experts to exchange insights, explore cutting-edge solutions, and fortify collective security preparedness within an increasingly complex strategic landscape.

For the Ministry of Defence, these exhibitions represent far more than a showcase of capabilities. They embody Malaysia's drive for technological sophistication, institutional agility, and strategic foresight. Aligned with the National Defence Industry Policy (*Dasar Industri Pertahanan Negara*, DIPN) launched in 2025, these platforms serve as vital enablers to empower domestic industry players, enhance self-reliance, and position Malaysia as a competitive and resilient regional defence hub.

Through DSA and NATSEC Asia, Malaysia's defence industry gains privileged access to global markets, advanced technologies, and mutually beneficial partnerships. Such engagements are instrumental in realising the nation's aspiration to establish a sustainable, innovation-driven, and export-oriented defence ecosystem that strengthens both national security and economic prosperity.

The exhibitions further underscore Malaysia's proactive role in nurturing regional and international cooperation. They act as vital conduits for ASEAN collaboration and multilateral dialogue, upholding a rules-based international order and collective security framework. In an era defined by rapid technological evolution and emerging multidimensional threats, Malaysia remains resolute in advancing peace through readiness, collaboration, and innovation.







The 2026 theme, "Enhancing Capabilities and Resilience Through Technology," effectively reflects the core principles of modern defence transformation. Technology today defines operational superiority and serves as the foundation of national resilience, particularly in the critical domains of cyber defence, space security, and autonomous systems.

The continued success of DSA and NATSEC Asia reflects the unwavering commitment of organisers, partners, and stakeholders. The Ministry of Defence remains steadfast in leveraging these premier platforms to reinforce cooperation, align strategic objectives, and advance shared aspirations for global peace, security, and sustainable progress.



