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PRESS RELEASE

Aligned with CEFR Proficiency Levels
TOCFL Opens for Registration from April 15th

To encourage the learning of Mandarin (Huayu) in Malaysia, the Education Division of Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Malaysia is organizing the 2021 Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL) in Malaysia which will be held in Chinese Taipei School (Kuala Lumpur) on August 7th, 2021 (Saturday). Registration for TOCFL will be opened from April 15th till May 31st.

Cheng Ya Fen, Principal of the Chinese Taipei School (Kuala Lumpur) mentioned in the press conference that the 2021 TOCFL acts as a useful and standardized assessment tool for Huayu proficiency levels which is in corresponding with CEFR (The Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) and ACTFL (American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages) Proficiency Guidelines. The TOCFL can be used to reflect the candidates' real-life Mandarin skill as the content of the test includes daily conversations, advertisements, letter and other everyday life communicative materials. She also encourages students who are currently learning Mandarin in the international schools, language centers, and tuition centers to sit TOCFL in order to assess their Mandarin proficiency level.

Charlin Chang, the Education Director of TECO added that Mandarin is currently one of the most popular languages as the officials and corporates prefer talents who are multilingual. With over a billion language users, Mandarin is now one of the most spoken languages in the world. Learning a new language is definitely a bonus to one's competitiveness in this global marketplace and effective communication for mutual understanding in the multicultural society. As Taiwan now has more than 60 excellent Mandarin language center which provides high-quality and multi-level Mandarin courses for learners with different backgrounds, she also encourages students to learn Mandarin in Taiwan. For further information of Chinese Language learning, kindly visit the website <https://ogme.edu.tw/Home>.

There are three bands available for 2021 TOCFL in Malaysia, which are Band A, Band B and Band C, and there are both simplified and traditional Mandarin test papers available for each band. Candidates who pass the test will receive the certificate from the Ministry of Education, Taiwan which can be used as a reference document of Chinese Language Proficiency Level for universities applications or job hunting. For the target test takers for each band and more information, kindly download the mock test questions from this website: <http://www.sc-top.org.tw/mocktest.php>.

Candidate shall register via the online registration form: <https://tocfl.sc-top.org.tw/zoom/>. For group registration and a 10% discount for 10 individuals and above, kindly contact Education Division.

For further information regarding TOCFL, kindly visit the website of Education Division (<https://www.edutwmy.com>). For inquiries, please contact Education Division at 03-2162 3228, 03-2161 4439 ext. 184/185 or email: malaysia@mail.moe.gov.tw.

Attendees of the meeting included Director Charlin Chang, Alice Chen, Venice Yap and Jasmine Sim from Education Division, TECO and Principal Cheng Ya Fen, Phyllis Kiu, Chiu Chao Chen, Tan Meng Wah, and Chu Ta Wei from the Chinese Taipei School (Kuala Lumpur).



Education Division, TECO and Chinese Taipei School Kuala Lumpur announced TOCFL will be held on August 7th this year.