

Vape Factory to Open in Malaysia Despite Objections

In a move that has sparked controversy, Malaysia is set to become home to a [vape factory](#) despite strong opposition from the Health Ministry and anti-tobacco advocates. The Kilang Vape of Malaysia, located in Nilai Utama Enterprise Park, Negri Sembilan, was scheduled to be launched on May 12 but the launch did not take place as planned.

Concerns and Decision to Cancel the Launch

Originally, the Deputy Minister of Domestic Trade, Cooperatives, and Consumerism, Datuk Henry Sum Agong, was slated to inaugurate the factory. However, in response to calls from non-governmental organizations and medical experts, the ministry reconsidered its decision and decided against the launch.

The Health Ministry and concerned groups had sent objection letters highlighting their concerns about the opening of the factory. Acknowledging the objections, the Minister, Datuk Seri Hamzah Zainudin, confirmed that the launch did not proceed due to the opposition.

“He (Henry) did not open the factory. He did not attend the ceremony. We received objections against our ministry launching the factory and decided not to do so,” said Datuk Seri Hamzah Zainudin after participating in the National Cooperative Consultative Council Meeting 2017.

Business Opportunity and Compliance with Laws

Addressing the issue, Minister Hamzah stated that allowing the operation of the vape factory in Malaysia presented a business opportunity. He emphasized that there was nothing inherently wrong with conducting business in the country. Malaysia has established regulations that require businesses to obtain licenses to operate, and the Kilang Vape factory operators have obtained the necessary license.

Minister Hamzah clarified that the operations of the factory were in accordance with the law. However, whether the products manufactured by the factory can be sold in the country depends on the specific laws of the respective states.

Manufacturing Vaporisers and Nicotine-Free E-Liquids

The vape factory in Malaysia is expected to specialize in the manufacturing of vaporisers and nicotine-free e-liquids. This indicates a focus on catering to the demand for alternatives to traditional tobacco products. While the factory's launch has faced opposition, it aims to capitalize on the market potential for e-cigarettes and vaporisers.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

- Q:** Why is there opposition to the opening of the vape factory in Malaysia?
A: The opposition stems from concerns raised by the Health Ministry and anti-tobacco advocates regarding the use of e-cigarettes and vaporisers, which they believe pose health risks.
- Q:** Who decided against launching the vape factory after receiving objections?
A: The Ministry of Domestic Trade, Cooperatives, and Consumerism decided against launching the factory after considering objection letters from concerned groups and medical experts.
- Q:** Will the vape factory comply with the laws and regulations in Malaysia?
A: Yes, the vape factory operators have obtained the necessary license to operate in Malaysia and will adhere to the country's laws and regulations.
- Q:** Can the [vape products](#) manufactured by the factory be sold nationwide in Malaysia?
A: The ability to sell the products in the country depends on the laws specific to each state. Each state may have its own regulations regarding the sale and distribution of vape products.
- Q:** What will the vape factory produce?
A: The vape factory in Malaysia will specialize in manufacturing vaporisers and nicotine-free e-liquids, catering to the demand for alternatives to traditional tobacco products.