

2023

STATUS **RETENTIONIST**
LAST EXECUTION IN 2017

EXECUTION METHOD **HANGING**

THE DEATH PENALTY IN MALAYSIA



1,318 PRISONERS ON DEATH ROW AS OF MARCH 2023

PROFILE

CHARGES

+17.5%

EVOLUTION OF THE POPULATION ON DEATH ROW since March 2017 (3rd UPR report)

100+ PERSONS ON DEATH ROW FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS

AT LEAST **9%**
WOMEN

with no access to gender-specific health care services

AT LEAST **37%**
FOREIGN NATIONALS

whose isolation is worsened by language barrier

2%
OTHER



66%
DRUG TRAFFICKING

32%
MURDER

« ISOLATION AND DESOLATION »

A fact-finding mission report on the death penalty in Malaysia by ECPM and ADPAN (2020)

IN-DEPTH ANALYSIS of the criminal and penitentiary systems

ASSESSMENT of the conditions of detention

3 DEATH ROW PRISONERS INTERVIEWED, including 2 Malaysian men and 1 foreign woman from China + lawyers, psychiatrists and families



READ THE MISSION REPORT

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS TOWARDS ABOLITION

APRIL 2023

ABOLITION OF THE MANDATORY DEATH PENALTY

REDUCTION OF THE NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE OFFENCES

850

 PERSONS ON DEATH ROW AWAITING RESENTENCING

CONDITIONS OF DETENTION OF PEOPLE SENTENCED TO DEATH

PRISON OVERCROWDING

PROLONGED SOLITARY CONFINEMENT
23hr a day locked in individual cell

Insufficient and poor quality food, limited access to amenities, medicine and phone calls without outside financial support

110%
AVERAGE OCCUPANCY LEVEL IN MALAYSIAN PRISONS



MORE INFO AT www.ecpm.org

EC PM TOGETHER AGAINST THE DEATH PENALTY
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