

# Over 100 attend seminar on taxation



A section of the participants at the seminar yesterday. PHOTO: RAMIDI SUBARI

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**KUCHING:** More than 100 participants from various organisations attended a seminar on taxation organised by the Malaysian Employer Federation (MEF) in collaboration with the Inland Revenue Board of Malaysia Trade Association (IRB), yesterday.

The seminar was held at the Riverside Majestic hotel and M. Balamuthu (picture), the Assistant Director of IRB-Non Resident Branch said its main objective was to

highlight employers' tax obligations in the 2010 and 2011 Budget.

Balamuthu added that the seminar also covered real-life cases of employment income tax experienced by employers and to educate the latter on how to go about or treat the various employment income taxes under the Monthly Tax Deduction.

"The seminar also touch on the employers' responsibilities and consequences of withholding tax besides providing a guide to employers on planning and strategising taxation effectively.

"Furthermore, the seminar serves as a platform to foster closer cooperation and networking between the participants and IRB as well as to provide a better understanding of IRB's roles," commented Balamuthu.

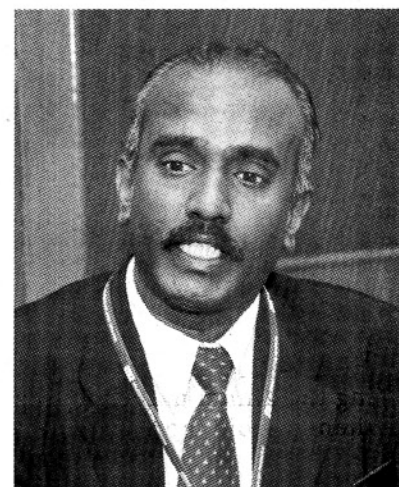
The MEF, established in 1959, is a nationally and internationally recognised Malaysian organisation for employers in the private sector.

The role of MEF is to promote, safeguard and defend the rights and interests of employers besides providing their

members a forum for consultation and discussion pertaining to matters of common interests.

MEF also looks into the adoption of valid and proper principles and practices of human resources and industrial relations through information, advice, research and training, among others.

According to MEF, their membership currently numbers around 4,500 with their offices located at Penang, Johore, Pahang, Perak and Kuching, Sarawak.



Also present at the seminar was Haslena Ismail, the Senior Manager of Public Relations for MEF.