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## **PNM, PBOBM can use copyrighted works without permission of owners - MyIPO**

KUALA LUMPUR, June 30 (Bernama) – The National Library of Malaysia (PNM) and the Malaysian Association for the Blind (PBOBM) are authorised to make, import, export and issue any accessible format copy of copyrighted works without the need to obtain permission from the copyright owners.

Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia (MyIPO) in a statement said that the permission effective today is for the needs of people with print disabilities (Print Disability Persons) and not for profit.

"It follows the amendments that have been enacted, namely Sections 4, 5, 6 and 10 of the Copyright (Amendment) Act 2022 for provisions involving the Marrakesh Treaty," the statement said today.

The treaty facilitates access to published works for persons who are blind, visually impaired or otherwise print disabled.

PNM and PBOBM are the bodies responsible for providing accessible format copies to people with print disabilities.

The two organisations were also gazetted by the Minister of Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs as authorised entities under the Copyright (Authorised Entities) Order 2022.

According to MyIPO, the amendments to the act enables PNM and PBOBM to best serve people with print disabilities in the country by increasing the production and distribution of copies of accessible formats such as braille, audio, large print, and so on.

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