



**JOINT MINISTERIAL STATEMENT OF
THE FOURTEENTH ASEAN MINISTERIAL MEETING ON YOUTH
(AMMY XIV)**

21 August 2026, via Videoconference

WE, the ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Youth, convened via video conference on 21 August 2026, for the Fourteenth ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Youth (AMMY XIV), under the chairpersonship of the Philippines.

1. We **commend** the successful convening of the AMMY XIV and support its Chairship theme, "Strengthening Youth Development for a Resilient, Innovative, Dynamic and Inclusive ASEAN Community: Navigating the Future Together." This theme reaffirms our shared commitment to empowering ASEAN youth to become resilient, innovative, dynamic, and inclusive contributors in building a people-centred, people-oriented, and future-ready ASEAN Community.
2. We **reiterate** the ASEAN Leaders' commitment to promote the critical role of youth in socio-economic development and ASEAN Community-building, and **note with satisfaction** the progress of ASEAN cooperation on youth as reported through the Fourteenth and Fifteenth ASEAN Senior Officials Meeting on Youth (SOMY XIV and SOMY XV), including the implementation of regional initiatives that advance youth development, strengthen ASEAN identity, and contribute to the realization of the ASEAN Community Vision 2045 and its Strategic Plans.

3. We **deeply appreciate** the dedicated youth delegates of the 4th ASEAN Youth Dialogue 2025 in Kuala Lumpur for their meaningful engagement and valuable contributions in articulating the aspirations and policy recommendations of ASEAN youth to the ASEAN Leaders. We **reaffirm** our steadfast commitment to fostering equitable, inclusive, and sustainable youth participation and leadership, while remaining firmly mindful of the challenges that must be addressed to advance socioeconomic development across ASEAN.
4. We **adopt** the ASEAN WORK PLAN ON YOUTH 2026–2030 as the overarching regional framework to guide ASEAN cooperation on youth over the next five years. We **reaffirm** our commitment to its effective implementation in support of the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC) Strategic Plan and task the ASEAN Senior Officials Meeting on Youth (SOMY), in collaboration with the ASEAN Secretariat, ASEAN entities, Dialogue Partners, and development partners, to facilitate its implementation, monitoring, and periodic review.
5. We **endorse** the ASEAN DECLARATION ON STRENGTHENING YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FOR A RESILIENT, INNOVATIVE, DYNAMIC AND INCLUSIVE ASEAN COMMUNITY: NAVIGATING THE FUTURE TOGETHER for subsequent submission to the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC) Council and adoption by the ASEAN Leaders at the 49th ASEAN Summit. We **look forward** to deepening regional cooperation to advance a coordinated, inclusive and future-oriented ASEAN youth development agenda.
6. We **affirm and endorse** the ASEAN YOUTH STATEMENT ON DIGITAL RESILIENCE for subsequent submission to the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC) Council and notation by the ASEAN Leaders at the

49th ASEAN Summit. We **welcome** the aspirations and recommendations of ASEAN youth reflected in the Statement and **reaffirm** our commitment to promoting digital resilience, digital literacy, responsible digital citizenship; building capacity for youth in the safe, responsible, and ethical use of digital technology and artificial intelligence; narrowing the digital divide; ensuring equal access to technology, digital skills, as well as learning and development opportunities in the digital environment; and enhancing meaningful youth participation in shaping an inclusive, safe, and sustainable digital future for ASEAN.

7. We **emphasise** the importance of ASEAN youth exchanges, interactions, and connectivity through cultural exchanges, volunteering programs, young officer exchange, skills development, and youth-led initiatives; and **encourage** expanded opportunities for youth across Member States to share experiences, build networks, and collaborate on addressing common regional challenges, thereby contributing to enhancing mutual understanding, friendship, and ASEAN identity.
8. We **welcome** Singapore as the forthcoming Chairman and agreed to meet again at AMMY XV in Singapore in 2028. We **express appreciation** to the Philippines for its leadership as Chair and Host of the AMMY XIV.
