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Introduction

Malaysia is famous with its variety of tropical fruits. The tropical fruits are rich with nutrients and delicious, making them comparable with temperate fruits. They provide an important asset to the socio-economy of Malaysian fruit industry. Malaysia has shown its concern towards this industry, which is a part of the agricultural sector, by the introduction of the Government's National Agricultural Policy (NAP) that sets the guidelines for agricultural development.

The hot and humid tropical climate in Malaysia permits the cultivation of different types of fruits. They can be divided into two broad categories, which are