

# **CURRENT POST-HARVEST QUALITY AND TECHNOLOGY PRACTICES OF THE TROPICAL FRUIT INDUSTRY IN MALAYSIA**

**Lilynorfeshah Mohd Shah**

Department of Agriculture of Malaysia

This report aims to share the current post-harvest quality and technology practices of the tropical fruit industry in Malaysia. The selected tropical fruit collectors/ distributors/ exporters and their postharvest facilities for both small and large scale agro-penueurs of durians, jackfruits, mangosteens were visited and interviewed. The areas were covered as the followings: (1) packinghouse operations; (2) packing and packaging materials; (3) decay and insect control; (4) temperature and relative humidity control; and (5) storage of horticultural crops. Their current postharvest practices and facilities, challenges, and alternative solutions, were documented. Thus, the potential implementations would benefit the tropical fruit players and they could increase the profit of the tropical fruit industry in Malaysia.