9.0 CONCLUSION

The objectives of this research project were successfully met.

The MSC is expected to plays a vital role in helping Malaysia's economy transition from a low valued add manufacturing dominated economy into a high value add knowledge-dominated economy. Governments find the establishment of technology regions highly attractive as they are characterized by higher productivity, provide employment opportunities and enable taxation without the drawbacks of pollution.

Case studies were conducted on Silicon Valley and Bangalore, two established technology regions and factors contributing to their success identified. Based on a combination of those factors a SWOT analysis was conducted in order to determine the MSCs success level achieved and success potential. It was found that the MSC was a modest success with room for improvement. The key factor hampering MSCs success potential was a lack of strong research capabilities. As such a list of recommendations with possible steps for the government to take in order to increase the MSCs success potential was developed.

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