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KUALA LUMPUR: A total of 49 teams have registered for the Malaysian Junior Hockey League (MJHL) from May 24-June 29.

Malaysian Hockey Confederation (MHC) competition committee chairman Datuk Seri Dr Anil Sandhu said the participation is the highest since 2016 as teams will compete in the men's Division 1, Division 2 and the women's category.

Anil said there would be no

restrictions on the number of national players allowed in the teams.

He said 10 men teams will vie for honours in Division 1 which kicks off next Friday at their respective official venues while 22 teams that participate in Division 2 will be divided into two zones.

The North Zone will feature action at the Bertam Hockey Stadium in Penang and Central Zone teams will play at the

National Hockey Stadium in Bukit Jalil starting June 4.

The women teams consisting of 17 in Division 2, will play their matches at the National Hockey Stadium in Bukit Jalil, also starting June 4.

"For the Division 1 competition, there would not be any changes in the process set before," he said in a statement released by the MHC yesterday.

"Last year's best Division 2

teams, MSSPP-PSHA and SMIDIN-MSNT have been promoted to Division 1 while the Division 2 competition will feature a number of new teams," he added.

In the last edition, SSTMI Thunderbolts emerged as the Division 1 champion and TNB Cup winners while the Division 2 title went to MSSPP-PSHA and SSTMI-PKS UNITEN emerged victorious in the women's category. — Bernama