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Selasa, 17 Julai 2018

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P.T.E. N.33 Engkilili

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43. Yang Berhormat Dr Haji Hazland Bin Abang Hipni  
P.T.E. *N.5 Demak Laut*
44. Yang Berhormat Encik Martin Ben  
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62. Yang Berhormat Encik David Wong Kee Woan *N.54 Pelawan*
63. Yang Berhormat Puan Irene Mary Chang Oi Ling *N.51 Bukit Assek*
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73. Yang Berhormat Ir Christopher Gira Anak Sambang P.B.K.	N.59 Tamin
74. Yang Berhormat Encik Rolland Duat Anak Jubin	N.48 Meluan
75. Yang Berhormat Encik Abdul Yakub Bin Haji Arbi	N.58 Balingian
76. Yang Berhormat Encik Safiee Bin Haji Ahmad	N.43 Daro
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79. Yang Berhormat Encik Majang Anak Renggi	N.70 Samalaju
80. Yang Berhormat Encik Mohd. Chee Bin Kadir A.B.S., P.B.S., P.J.P.N., J.B.S.	N.40 Kabong

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*Bentara Mesyuarat*
4. Inspektor Ismail bin Ali  
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| 3. Encik Moksen bin Sion                         | <i>Jabatan Agama Islam Sarawak</i>  |
| 4. Encik Junaidi bin Samsudin                    | <i>Kementerian Kerajaan Tempatan dan Perumahan</i>                          |
| 5. Encik Christopher Nyenggang anak Jameson Buau | <i>Jabatan Muzium Sarawak</i>   |
| 6. Encik Ideris bin Lamit                        | <i>Jabatan Pertanian Sarawak</i>  |
| 7. Encik Mohamed Nazeerudin bin Gulam Mohamed    | <i>Kementerian Permodenan Pertanian, Tanah Adat dan Pembangunan Wilayah</i> |
| 8. Encik Asri bin Abdul Hamid                    | <i>Kementerian Pembangunan Perindustrian dan Usahawan Sarawak</i>           |

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3. Cik Nur Azira binti Abdul Kadir
4. Puan Rabiah Binti Abdul Kadir
5. Puan Siti Norhiza binti Mohd. Yusri
6. Puan Hanisah Abdullah
7. Cik Ily Lyana binti Rosli
8. Cik Nur Shalazia binti Morshidi @ Ramzi
9. Encik Rasdi bin Ahmad @ Tarence Bobby Johnny
10. Puan Mary Kueh Woon Sim
11. Puan Norziana binti Haji Ahmad
12. Encik Harry Harold Daud
13. Puan Katheline Killah
14. Puan Nur Eliana Abdullah
15. Puan Nazmah binti Darham
16. Puan Tracy Liana anak Bana
17. Cik Natasha Nadia Binti Mohamad Saidi
18. Encik Zahari bin Bolhi
19. Encik Mohamad Zailani bin Junaidi
20. Encik Lukas Jammaany Anak Kated
21. Encik Hazrin Syah bin Hamzah
22. Encik Alwie bin Haji Ali
23. Cik Hawa binti Morsad
24. Puan Suraya binti Hamden
25. Puan Noraisah binti Ahmad
26. Cik Siti Zalilah binti Samsawi
27. Encik Mohamad Sabqhi Bin Ali
28. Encik Romzi Bin Bujang

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2. Cik Marena binti Hazemi
3. Cik Noorain binti Mahli
4. Encik Mohd Naqiuddin bin Bakery
5. Encik Mohd Izzuddin bin Mortadza
6. Cik Nurhaffizah binti Abdullah

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*[Tuan Speaker mempengerusikan Mesyuarat]*

## **DOA**

### **PEMASYHURAN OLEH TUAN SPEAKER**

**Tuan Speaker:** Bismilahirrahmannirrahim. Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh. Salam sejahtera dan selamat pagi. Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, I have granted leave of absence under Standing Order 81 to Yang Berhormat Encik Chong Chieng Jen, Honorable Member for N.12 Kota Sentosa, Yang Berhormat Encik Baru Bian, Honorable Member for N.81 Ba' Kelalan, and Yang Berhormat Encik Ali Anak Biju Honorable Member for N.39 Krian retrospectively from yesterday, today and tomorrow sitting.

### **SAMBUNGAN PERBAHASAN USUL PENGHARGAAN ATAS UCAPAN TUAN YANG TERUTAMA YANG DI-PERTUA NEGERI SARAWAK PENGKULUNGAN OLEH PARA MENTERI**

**Tuan Speaker:** Dengan segala hormatnya, saya menjemput Yang Berhormat Dato Sri Michael Manyin Anak Jawong, Menteri Pendidikan, Sains dan Penyelidikan Teknologi untuk menyampaikan ucapan pengkulungan.

**Menteri Pendidikan, Sains dan Penyelidikan Teknologi (YB Dato Sri Michael Manyin Anak Jawong):** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker. Terlebih dahulu saya ingin merakamkan setinggi-tinggi penghargaan dan terima kasih kepada Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak Tun Pehin Sri Abdul Taib Mahmud di atas ucapan perasmian Mesyuarat Pertama Bagi Penggal Ketiga Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak ke-18. Saya amat menghargai penekanan Tuan Yang Terutama Pehin Sri terhadap kepentingan pendidikan kepada pembangunan negeri Sarawak. Kita mendoakan agar Tuan Yang Terutama Pehin Sri sentiasa dikurniakan kesejahteraan dan kesihatan yang baik.

Di kesempatan ini juga, saya ingin mengucapkan tahniah kepada semua Ahli Parlimen yang telah berjaya dipilih dalam Pilihanraya Umum ke-14 yang baru ini. Saya juga mengucapkan tahniah kepada Kerajaan baharu Pakatan Harapan yang dipimpin oleh Yang Amat Berhormat, Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad. Tahniah juga kepada Yang Berhormat Ahli Parlimen Selangau, Encik Baru Bian atas pelantikan beliau sebagai Menteri Kerja Raya dan Yang Berhormat Encik Chong Chieng Jen, Ahli Parlimen Stampin atas pelantikan beliau sebagai Timbalan Menteri Perdagangan Dalam Negeri, Koperasi dan Kepenggunaan. Kita berharap agar Kerajaan Pakatan Harapan akan melaksanakan tugas dengan baik dan memastikan kesinambungan pembangunan bagi negeri Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, dengan berlakunya perubahan lanskap politik di negara kita, Kerajaan Negeri harus mengambil pendekatan baharu dalam melaksanakan agenda pembangunan dan hubungan kerjasama di antara Kerajaan Negeri dengan Kerajaan Persekutuan bagi memastikan agenda pembangunan Sarawak dan kepentingan rakyat tidak terjejas. Dalam konteks ini, hubungan kerja yang positif antara Kementerian Pendidikan, Sains dan Penyelidikan Teknologi Sarawak (MESTR) dengan Kementerian Pendidikan Malaysia, Kementerian Tenaga, Teknologi, Sains, Perubahan Iklim dan Alam Sekitar Malaysia, Kementerian Sumber Manusia serta agensi-agensinya persekutuan yang berkaitan amatlah penting dan perlu dipelihara untuk memastikan kepentingan rakyat sentiasa diutamakan. *More so in the area of education, which is important for the young generation and as such education should not be politicised.*

*Power of Education*

Tuan Speaker, if you want to destroy a nation, you do not need to drop an atomic bomb. All you need to do is destroy the education system.

We all agree on the importance and power of education, to fully develop an individual, society and the nation. The countries that do well today are those countries which have invested very very heavily and put a lot of emphasis on education not only the nation but also the people.

I wish to reiterate the findings by Jeffery D. Sachs and Andrew M. Warner of Harvard University which I did mention during the last sitting, which says that one of the surprising features of modern economic growth is that economies abundant in natural resources have tended to grow slower than economies without substantial natural resources. This is because the former did not put enough emphasis on developing their education while the later put a lot of emphasis on human capital, that is through examples of such countries are Singapore, South Korea, Japan, Hong Kong, Taiwan and the five (5) Nordic countries. The countries with abundant natural resources suffer from the curse of the luxury of their abundant natural resources as pointed out by the study. Sarawak as a State should emulate those countries which put a lot of emphasis on education which I mentioned earlier, which put a lot of emphasis in developing their human capital through education.

Tuan Speaker, the schools where we instil our children with good values and mould their characters should be well-equipped with good teachers, facilities and basic amenities. Our schools should aspire to produce children with rounded personality, equipped with necessary knowledge and skills. We are supposed to prepare them to face the challenges of the digital age and Industry 4.0.

And yet, Tuan Speaker the reality is, in Sarawak, we still have many schools that do not have basic amenities such as electricity and treated water supply. Until today, we still have schools that are without electricity, without treated water supply and without road accessibility, let alone internet connectivity.

*Schools Without Basic Amenities*

*Electricity*

As of 2018, there are 371 schools in Sarawak still without electricity supply and are fully dependent on generator sets. Under the Federal Ministry of Education current contract since 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2017 (that has attracted much controversy), all of these schools are to be installed with solar hybrid system. However, we are of the opinion that this is not a total solution.

In 2017, my Ministry submitted a proposal for 113 schools that are within 10 kilometres of the electricity grid to be connected to the grid. The estimated cost then was RM50 million. My Ministry intends to pursue this further with the Federal Ministry of Education in order to ensure that these schools can enjoy 24 hours supply of electricity. With the 24 hours supply of reliable electricity, students and teachers will enjoy the same convenience and comfort as their counterparts in the urban areas.

The remaining 258 schools that are located far from the electricity grid (more than 20 kilometres), probably can be considered to be installed with solar hybrid system.

### *Schools without Treated Water Supply*

To date, there are 428 schools that are still without treated water supply. These schools currently depend on various water sources such as rainwater harvest, gravity feed, tube well, water from the river. The quality of water supply is questionable and unreliable.

The State Education Department (JPNS) had submitted a proposal in 2016 to the Federal Ministry of Education for 62 schools that are within one (1) kilometres of the main water pipe to be connected involving an estimated cost of RM9.2 million. RM2.3 million was already approved by the Federal Ministry of Finance on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018, and the State Education Department is still waiting for the warrant.

### *Road Accessibility to Schools*

Proper and reliable road access to schools are important. For the information of this August house, 721 schools do not have proper road access. That is about half of the total schools that we have. Of these, 200 schools are accessible only by river or sea and 521 schools do not enjoy all-weather road access. This does not only affect students' attendance in schools, especially during unfavourable weather condition, but also affected teachers who have to commute every day. The commitment and morale of teachers serving in these schools are affected because the environment in the schools is not up to the expectation. That is why the attrition rate amongst teachers in these schools is very high as teachers deployed frequently request for transfer. All these disruptions have impact on students' overall performance. Furthermore, staff and students commuting to schools using rivers are constantly exposed to danger.

Our proposal to merge low enrolment schools into centres that have all-weather road access as well as all necessary facilities, amenities, including boarding schools, would help alleviate this situation. Unfortunately, Tuan Speaker the money is still not forth coming.

### *Dilapidated Schools*

The issue of dilapidated schools in the State is already well publicised. As reported in the last sitting, 1,020 out of 1,454 schools in the State are in dilapidated condition of which 415 are categorised as critically dilapidated. When we said critically dilapidated means that it's cannot be repair. They can only be rebuilt. 205 of the 415 dilapidated schools have been approved for rebuilding or upgrading under the 11<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan. The remaining 210 critically dilapidated schools were to be rebuilt under the special funding of RM1 billion over a period of two (2) years that was approved during the 2018 Budget, that is RM500 million for 2018 and RM500 million for 2019. This amount is supposed to be over and above the approved in 11<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan budget as agreed in the National Economic Council meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> October, 2017.

However, up to today the Federal Ministry of Education has awarded a contract to repair 116 schools – 50 to be implemented by JKR Sarawak and 66 directly under Federal Ministry of Education. And the total amount of the contract is RM419.05 million. Following the decision made during the presentation to the National Economic Council on 9<sup>th</sup> October, 2017, that amount should not be part of the RM1 billion approved under the budget. The 116 schools were supposed to be part of the approved amount under the 11<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan approved budget.

The above implementation is not following the State's priority list of critically dilapidated schools. In short, the utilisation of the RM500 million allocation is not in accordance with what was agreed during the National Economic Council meeting.

It was pointed out during a meeting chaired by Yang Amat Berhormat, The Chief Minister on 17<sup>th</sup> of April 2018. Just before the last Parliamentary Election that the amount of RM419.05 million should not utilise the special allocation of RM1 billion. So, this mean Tuan Speaker whatever had been committed that is the amount of RM419.05 million should not be part of RM1 billion. They should find their own money and RM1 billion is still intake.

We sincerely hope that Pakatan Harapan Government will honour the decision made then, in the interest of education of our young children. I have always emphasised that education should not be politicised at the expense of our children's future.

Tuan Speaker, while addressing the issue of dilapidated schools, we must also resolve the issue of schools frequently affected by flood.

On average, about 80 schools in Sarawak are prone to flooding. For example, early this year, a total of 78 schools were badly affected by flood. The damage caused by flood was estimated at RM16.1 million. The damages include furniture, ICT equipment, non-ICT equipment, electrical wiring and buildings. The State Government contributed RM4 million to help cover the schools' damages in addition to the allocation from the Federal Government.

This is an immediate measure to ensure that the schools' operation is not disrupted. There is a need for a long term solution, and that is to relocate the schools to higher ground. Some of these schools are low enrolment schools and dilapidated schools also. We indicated during our recent meeting with the new Minister of Education, Yang Berhormat Dr. Maszlee Malik that the relocation of these schools will be our priority.

#### *State Intervention in Development of Schools*

The State Government has recently approved State funding for the relocation and rebuilding of two schools namely SK Ulu Segan in Bintulu Division and SK Maludam in Betong Division amounting to RM40.1 million and RM48.2 million respectively. These two schools are critically dilapidated and prone to frequent flooding. The actual cost will definitely depend on the tender price.

Under the Rural Transformation Initiatives (RTI), a total of 67 schools are being repaired and upgraded with a budget of RM21 million. The works on some of these schools have commenced and are expected to be completed in 2018 and 2019.

In addition to this, the State Government had also approved a total sum of RM4.48 million grants to the Boards of Management of four (4) Sekolah Jenis Kebangsaan Cina and 10 Mission Schools.

These are among some of the States' initiatives to help facilitate the development of schools in the State.

#### *Efforts Towards Improving Schools' Performance*

To improve overall performance of schools, Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Research in collaboration with The State Education Department have embarked on various programmes as follows:

- i. Where the Headmasters Conference which were held in Miri (Northern region—the numbers of participants 340), Sibul (Central region - the numbers of participants 300), Kuching (Southern region - the numbers of participants 522). The objective of the conference was to enhance schools' leadership and strategic management capabilities of headmasters, at a total cost of RM1.5 million. Within this one Tuan

Speaker, because all this while the headmasters have been left to themselves in rural area especially without being exposed to any new technic new pedagogy and all those. So we found out it's not fair to blame them for the non performances because they have not been given any help. So that is why we started to have these conferences.

- ii. A workshop on Enhancing Science Teachers in Learning and Facilitation that is to improve the quality of teaching using new teaching approaches and technology, was also conducted in collaboration with a Pertubuhan Guru Sains Malaysia. The total of teachers attending was 50;
- iii. Sarawak English Language Education Symposium, the first of which was held in October 2017 and attended by 1,000 participants. The second symposium will be held in August 2018. That is next month and the numbers of participant expected to attend will be 1,000 also. So the two symposium will cost the State Government RM2 million. Because we, the last one we invited is foreign speaker;
- iv. Speak English Everyday, Everywhere that is SEED was launched in Bau on the 27<sup>th</sup> October 2017;
- v. The English Language Proficiency Programme at SK Nanga Ajau in Betong on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2018;
- vi. Sarawak English Language Proficiency Initiatives (SELPI) was launched by YAB the Chief Minister in Serian District on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2018;
- vii. Scriptwriting and Drama Workshop which was held in April 2018 and subsequently the Drama Competition will be held on 19<sup>th</sup> July this year. This is to encourage the use of English language amongst students in a creative and fun manner; and
- viii. The Ministry will also encourage schools to engage with parents to ensure greater participation of parents in their children's education. This will reduce first the disciplinary problems amongst students and second the improve the academic performance of students. Students' activities after school have significant impact on their academic performance as well as character development.

#### *Issues*

Tuan Speaker, I would also like to respond to the issues related to my Ministry raised by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat during the debate.

For information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Beting Maro, a full replacement for SK Kalok has been approved at a new site under the 11<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan. The new school will have 12 classrooms, six (6) teachers' quarters and one (1) administration block.

Meanwhile, at the current site of SK Kalok, an IBS project has been implemented and completed to address the dilapidated condition of the school. The project consists of seven (7) classrooms, one (1) science room, one (1) administration and toilet. However, this is just a temporary measure while waiting for the new school to be completed.

For SK Tambak, the upgrading project of the school has been proposed under the (IBS) Industrialized Building System by State Education Department. This is now pending approval from the Ministry of Education. Not my Ministry, Ministry of Education Kuala Lumpur.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tamin, the Chief Minister has already approved the allocation of RM500,000.00 for the multipurpose hall of SJK(C), Tong Ah in Selangau.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Meradong, SMK Bandar Bintangor has five (5) special education classes with 26 students. Based on this, the school is allocated six (6) special education teachers. At the moment, they already have four (4) teachers therefore, is short of two (2) teachers. The Sarawak State Education Department is waiting for approval of Federal Ministry of Education to train existing teachers for special education.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Repok, according to the Ministry of Education Malaysia, currently there is no plan to build a technical or vocational school in DUN Repok.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Lingga, for Sekolah Jenis Kebangsaan Cina Lingga and SK St. Dunstan a grant of RM300,000.00 and RM500,000.00 respectively has been approved by the State Government. In addition, a grant of RM42.2 million has been approved by the State Government for rebuilding SK Maludam as I have mentioned earlier.

For the information of Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat for Lingga and Simunjan, it is always nice to have these institutions in our own area as it will be easier for our constituents to access to them. However, we must be mindful of the importance of industrial exposure of TVET. Ideally, a significant portion of the training should take place in the industries and therefore it is necessary to place these institutions close to industrial centres. Rather than locating new institutions in rural areas where interactions with the industry will be difficult, it is recommended that we develop those that are already available in urban centres so that we can provide better facilities, attract experienced trainers and expose students to a more competitive learning environment. I therefore urge our Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat to consider the future of the students and encourage them to venture out and undergo training in TVET institutions that are close to industrial centres.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Batu Danau, the construction for SK Tanjong at total cost of RM23.85 million is behind schedule. At present, it is only 83% completed. The revised completion date for SK Tanjong is 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Serembu, SK Serembu is one of the 210 critically dilapidated schools that has been listed for rebuilding under the special RM1 billion budget which Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Research is currently pursuing.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Bukit Goram, at the moment the Ministry of Education Malaysia does not have any plan to build a vocational school in DUN Bukit Goram. You can advise your constituents who wish to pursue vocational education to enrol at the nearest vocational schools which are located in Sibul. The vocational school in Sibul has boarding facilities and sufficient places are still available.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Jemoreng, SMK Matu has been approved for implementation under 11<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan. However, the project has not been tendered out as it is still under the design stage. I have been verbally informed that in principle, projects that had been awarded and contract signed will proceed as per the contract. In cases, where contract has not been signed then the project will be subject to review.



For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Batu Lintang, for the period 2012 to 2014, the total contract cost is RM539.4 million given to 22 suppliers while for the period 2015 to 2016, the total contract cost is RM523.4 million awarded to 30 suppliers. Both contracts are for the supply of diesel and maintenance of generator sets.

For the period 2017 to 2019, total cost of the contract is RM1.325 billion (inclusive of 6% GST). This contract, for the design and build of solar hybrid system, supply of diesel and maintenance of generator sets for 369 schools, was awarded by Federal Ministry of Education to one (1) contractor, Jepak Holding Sdn Bhd The breakdown of the contract is as follows:

- i. General Conditions & Preliminaries – RM 25,459,757.00;
- ii. Solar Panel System – RM 754,838,127.00;
- iii. Design and build & Supervision – RM 10,569,340.80; and
- iv. Operation and maintenance of generator sets – RM 459,132,775.20.

The contract is a subject matter of Malaysia Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) investigation as has been widely reported in the media. Meanwhile, in order to ensure that there is no interruption of supply of diesel to the schools affected, the State Education Department had been authorised to do a direct purchase of diesel of up to RM20,000.00 per month at a ceiling of RM200,000.00 for 10 months for each school. The Director has issued a guideline on the procedure of purchase i.e. to appoint one company for one school, priority to be given to local company, supplier must be registered with Federal Ministry of Finance and strict compliance to financial procedures and Treasury Instructions. The State Education Department will ensure that no schools' operation will be affected by shortage of diesel.

Tuan Speaker, democratisation of education which is being practiced by many countries in the world including Malaysia, is to provide every child access to education and in the case of Malaysia up to Form 5 level, this is call the Universal Education. However, if we want to ensure the same level playing field for all in education then equalisation of education will be the solution. And to achieve this, first, education will have to be totally free at all levels up to tertiary. At the moment, Malaysia still cannot afford to have totally free education. So probably, Tuan Speaker to start with, Malaysia can practise positive discrimination something which is new. Yes.

**YB Encik Gerald Rentap Jabu:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. On the diesel matters sir, I believe that like my school in Layar that not been had electricity for the last five (5) days at least. This one in Bukit Saban area Nanga 3, I think about one (1) week now. I think in certain area especially in these areas RM20,000.00 is not enough supply for one (1) month if it is inclusive of transport. So that is one thing. Second thing, when will the department be able to sent this supply because this interruption especially those *yang berasrama* they have problem with keeping the supply of food because there is no refrigeration and so forth. If this can be done quickly or at least some other matter for intervention, if you wait for *perolehan* and all that and procurement the problem might not be solve within the next two (2) weeks even.

Thank you sir.

**Menteri Pendidikan, Sains dan Penyelidikan Teknologi (YB Dato Sri Michael Manyin Anak Jawong):** *Terima kasih*, Ahli Yang Berhormat for Layar, Layar is it. The Education Department actually just receive this circular or this is directive from Ministry of Education dated 20<sup>th</sup> June 2018. According to this circular, the Director of Education will have the power to empower the District Educational Officers to appoint suppliers and that suppliers must be registered with The Ministry of Finance. Meaning that, it is direct to the ground and as of yesterday, I was told that definitely there are about 50 which have not been supply but I

believe by today all will be supplied. So, 20 is at the moment the limit for one month, RM200,000.00 is the limit for 10 months. That is waiting for what will be in the next agreement because there was a contract or there is a contract and that contract is suppose to expire by the year 2019. So when there is a contract like this definitely there are legal issues involve. So the Ministry of Education together with MOF are at the moment looking at all this legal issues and what is the next step after that but this is the interim period interim measures that is RM22,000.00 per month and RM200,000.00 the limit for one (1) school and I believe that, no school will be in the dark for the next 10 months... (laughter)...

So I said practice positive discrimination. Whenever we talk about this discrimination we always have an acceptance of negative discrimination but now I'm putting the word positive discrimination. This means that Government should provide additional allocation over and above the normal per capita grant and better teachers for all schools in disadvantaged areas such as rural areas where socio-economy and level of education of parents are still low and where infrastructure and facilities are still lacking. This policy is practised in some Nordic countries.

I believe that if we can afford subsidies for many goods and all this, Government should be able to afford this positive discrimination and provide additional grant to these disadvantaged areas because if we were to give subsidies to all these people, they will not be able to uplift themselves and will not be able to move up the ladder in getting away from the poverty line.

So, equalisation of education will provide every child access to quality education right up to tertiary level and the means and necessary support for them to take advantage of these opportunities. Through positive discrimination, we can ensure that our children including those from rural areas will be provided with the means to realise their full potential and contribute significantly to their self-development, the society and the State. Consequently, the multiplier effect on the development of the State and the nation will be huge. Such policy will go a long way to increase the income of the rural community and eventually narrow the gap between the rural and urban communities. That means we will reduce the rate of poverty.

For many years, rural children have been deprived of facilities and support services that were enjoyed by their urban counterparts. Hundreds of children from rural areas with good potential with good brand probably had not been given the means to develop, nurture and finally realise their full potential and they become drop outs. This is a huge opportunity loss to the individual as well as to the society and the state. I personally believe that this policy is worth considering and implementing. So, we hope that the Federal Government will be triggered by this statement and think about it.

*For the last one Tuan Speaker*, bagi mengakhiri ucapan penggulungan ini, saya ingin merakamkan syabas dan terima kasih kepada Tuan Speaker, Timbalan Speaker serta pegawai-pegawai, dan petugas Dewan Undangan Negeri yang telah melaksanakan prosiding persidangan ini dengan penuh efisien dan jayanya. Saya juga ingin merakamkan ucapan terima kasih kepada semua pegawai Kerajaan serta agensi-agensi yang terlibat, khususnya pegawai-pegawai dari Kementerian saya dan Jabatan Pendidikan Negeri Sarawak atas komitmen dan kerjasama yang telah diberikan sepanjang persidangan ini.

Sekian, terima kasih.

**Tuan Speaker:** Dengan hormatnya, saya menjemput Yang Berhormat Dato Sri Wong Soon Koh, Menteri Kewangan II dan Menteri Perdagangan Antarabangsa dan e-Dagang untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan.

**Menteri Kewangan II (YB Dato Sri Wong Soon Koh):** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. First of all, I would like to express my utmost appreciation to Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak, Tun Pehin Sri Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud for his opening address in the First Meeting of the Third Session of the Eighteenth Dewan Undangan Negeri on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018. His Excellency address serves as an invaluable advice that will guide us in discharging our duties and responsibilities in transforming Sarawak to attain a high income State by 2030.

I also like to extend my congratulations to our Yang Amat Berhormat Chief Minister, on the formation of a new coalition, called Gabungan Parti Sarawak (GPS) on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 to further steer the development of the State in meeting the aspirations of our rakyat. Yang Amat Berhormat Chief Minister has reiterated that the State Government, will continue to cooperate and work closely with the Federal Government in developing the State as well as actively engaging with the Federal Government on the return of Sarawak right under the Malaysia Agreement 1963 (MA63).

We'll continue to give our fullest support to the leadership of our Chief Minister in his vision and new direction to leapfrog Sarawak economy into the next level of development through various strategic initiatives.

Tuan Speaker, I'm glad to note that Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat had in the past few days of this DUN sitting, debated and highlighted on the various issues and challenges that we face as well as giving constructive comments on how the State can move forward steadfastly. I would address and respond to some of the issues and matters raised that are within the purview of my Ministry.

#### *Global Challenges*

Tuan Speaker, we recognise that the global challenges and risks are increasing and becoming complex in nature. However, we should always remain optimistic of the future. Let us take a look at the significant events in the global scene that could affect us. The subject that is of serious concerns today is the on-going tit-for-tat trade war between the United State and China which has put the world's two largest economies at each other's throat. The escalating situation is not contained will trigger global trade tension, impacting global trade and threatening global economic growth. This is because the US-China bilateral, trade investment ties are integrated with global supply chains.

Furthermore, a global trade war arising from protectionism that is as oppose to free trade is unhealthy as it could hurt both the producers and consumers around the world by making it tougher for companies to operate, thereby forcing them to push higher prices onto consumers. Worst of all, it eventually may lead to rising geo-political tensions.

The next challenge is the exponential growth in disruptive technology and the massive emergence of digital economy that has changed the world dramatically, affecting and transforming the way we operate our business across all sectors. We must be more agile and adaptive in capitalizing on the expansion of digital economy and e-commerce, as well as the advancement into industrial Revolution 4.0 to enhance competitiveness and achieve high productivity. The State, at the same time needs to build the desired level of trained and skilled workforce to further drive innovation innovations into reaping the benefits of higher value of the global supply chain. In line with the aspiration of our Yang Amat Berhormat Chef Minister, the State has swiftly capitalized on the trend of technological advancement by embarking on the digital economy agenda aimed at transforming and accelerating Sarawak economy.

On the National front, the General Election (GE14) saw the formation of a new coalition Government at Federal level which is expected to bring changes to the country administration while ensuring harmony, sustainability and stability.

The Federal Government has announced its reform agenda including setting its policy direction, consolidating the country's fiscal position, reviewing the implementation of approved mega infrastructure projects and renegotiating on terms of awarded contracts or contractual commitments as well as institution reform. We would monitor the progress of these initiatives so as to protect the interest of Sarawak and the well-being of our people.

### *Economic Performance 2017 and Prospects For 2018*

Tuan Speaker, I would like to update this august House on the latest economic performance for the year 2017 and the outlook for 2018.

#### *World Economy*

The world economy grew at 3.8% in 2017 driven mainly by the pickup investment particularly in the advanced economies, and as well as accommodative monetary policy. Economy in the euro area expanded at a faster pace, supported by improvements in business and consumer confidence, which in turn encouraged spending.

Robust growth in investment contributed to stronger global trade that rebounded strongly to 4.9% in 2017. The demand for machinery, electronics and semiconductors was strong, which further stimulate growth in the Asian economies. The firming of commodity prices also supported the growth of commodity exports, particularly in the emerging and developing economies, which raised private consumption.

For 2018, the global economy is projected to strengthen further to 3.9% building on the positive momentum from 2017. In the first quarter of 2018, growth remained robust in both the advanced and emerging economies. Growth in the advanced economies was driven mainly by private consumption which was supported by the improvement in labour market conditions. At the same time, the emerging and developing economies have benefited from the continue expansion in global trade.

However, Tuan Speaker, the rise of protectionism policy, especially with the current trade war between China and the United State on the global trade flows will be among the downside risks that could hamper global growth if prolonged.

### *National Economic Performance 2017 and Prospects For 2018*

Tuan Speaker, the Malaysian economy grew faster than anticipated at 5.9% in 2017, driven by strong domestic demand from both the private and public sector spending. The improvement in global trade further reinforced the economic growth, particularly with higher demand from the major trading partners such as China, ASEAN, European Union, United States and Japan.

Private investment growth rose to 9.3% as firms embarked upon capacity expansion to meet higher demand and more rapid investment in the manufacturing and service sectors. Private consumption grew to 7.0% in 2017 as a result of continued wage and employment growth.

On the supply side, growth in 2017 was led by the service and manufacturing sectors which expanded at 6.2% and 6.0% respectively. In the first quarter of 2018, the services sector grew at 6.5%, attributed to higher growth in the finance and insurance sub-sector

while the manufacturing sector registered a sustained growth at 5.3%.

Tuan Speaker, for 2018, the Malaysian economy is projected to expand by 5.5 to 6.0%, supported by the strengthening of global economic conditions in the domestic front, continued income and employment growth coupled with improving consumer sentiments will be the underlying factors sustaining household spending.

Private investment is projected to be sustained at 9.1% in 2018. With the Federal Government reviewing the implementation of large-scale infrastructure projects such as the announcement on the suspension of contracts related to the Multi-Product Pipeline (MPP), the Trans-Sabah Gas Pipeline (TSGP), and East Coast Rail Link (ECRL) projects, it would impact the performance of public investment. Public investment is expected to decline by 3.2% in 2018. Public consumption is also projected to be moderate in 2018.

#### *Sarawak Economic Performance 2017 and Prospects for 2018*

Tuan Speaker, in 2017, the State economy benefited from the cyclical upswing in the global economy which accelerated to growth in our external demand. Sarawak economy grew at 4.7%, exceeding the earlier projected growth of 4.0%. For 2018, the State economy is expected to grow between 4.0 to 4.5%.

#### *Supply Side*

For 2017, on the supply side, the services sector grew at 6.3% supported by domestic consumption and trade related activities, especially in the wholesale and retail trade; and transport, storage and communication sub-sectors as a result of higher trade activities. In addition, the increase of 7.7% in the number of visitors to Sarawak further enhanced domestic consumptions during the year. Growth in the services sector is projected to sustain in 2018.

The manufacturing sector grew at 3.5% in 2017, particularly driven by the higher production of LNG, following the commercial operations of MLNG Train 9 and Petronas Floating LNG Facility. LNG being the significant contributor to the manufacturing sector, is expected to experience a moderate expansion in 2018. For the whole of 2018, the manufacturing sector is expected to sustain its growth at 3.5%.

In 2017, the mining and quarrying sector as well as the construction sector grew strongly. The mining and quarrying sector grew at 3.4%, sustained by growth in natural gas production. For 2018, the mining and quarrying sector is projected to grow moderately at 2.6%.

Growth in the construction sector in 2017 was robust at 20.0%, underpinned by higher civil engineering and residential building activities and supported by the implementation of major projects under the 11<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan, namely the Pan Borneo Highway, Rural Transformation Projects, and other private construction projects. Growth in the construction sector continued into the first quarter of 2018 with the Government's efforts to push for more infrastructure projects in order to speed up the development and connectivity in the State. For 2018, the construction sector is expected to grow at 5.1%.

The agriculture sector grew at 1.4% in 2017 and the production of crude palm oil and palm kernel increased by 15.1% and 18.1% respectively. In the first quarter of 2018, production of crude palm oil and palm kernel experienced a drop from the corresponding period in 2017. Despite that, the overall growth for the agriculture sector is expected to remain moderate in 2018 at 1.8%.

### *Demand Side*

On the demand side, the increasing trade activities boosted the performance of the Sarawak economy in 2017. Exports grew by 24.8% mainly due to the increased in commodity prices of crude petroleum and LNG. The increased in exports of manufactured goods especially aluminium and to some extent wood-based products; animal and vegetable oils and fats also contributed significantly to the higher export during the year. At the same time, imports increased by 1.2% in tandem with the strengthening of the global economy in 2018. The external sector is projected to remain resilient despite experiencing a contraction in export growth during the first quarter of 2018.

Private consumption grew at 5.3% in 2017. Several Government measures to increase household disposable income such as the reduction in employees' contribution to Employees Provident Fund, tax relief to middle-income group and to some extent, the revision of civil servants' salaries had provided impetus to higher consumption activities. For 2018, private consumption growth is projected at 5.1% on the account of robust export performance that will support better wages in export industries and domestic economy.

Public consumption grew moderately at 2.0% in 2017 mainly attributed to the expenditure on emoluments. It is projected that public consumption will grow to 4.7% in 2018 on the account of higher operating expenditure.

Tuan Speaker, on the investment side, a growth of 6.2% was registered in 2017, contributed by the positive growth from both the public and private investment. Higher public spending was recorded in 2017 due to the implementation of programmes and projects both in the urban and rural areas, which had supported public investment growth at 6.5 %. Some of the major infrastructure projects such as the Pan Borneo Highway, Batang Samarahan Bridge, Darul Hana Bridge and Matang Batu Kawa New Link Road had contributed to the growth. In addition, the State Government had also spent as substantial sum in the implementation of rural transformation projects throughout the State. With the State on going efforts in implementing its transforming initiative, public investment anticipated to remain strong in 2018.

In 2017, private investment grew at 6.1% underpinned by the improved business sentiments, continuous pro-business initiatives during the year as well as the implementation of the on-going and new investment projects in the State. A total of RM10.7 billion of investment was approved during the year. Private investment is expected to expand further a moderate rate in 2018 supported by the on-going initiatives from the State Government to embark on digital economy. Private investment is projected to grow at 5.2% in 2018.

### *Inflation*

Tuan Speaker, a higher inflation rate of 3.0% was registered in 2017 as compared to 1.6% in 2016. This was due to higher domestic fuel prices which impacted the transportation sector. With the zero-rated GST effective from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018, inflation is expected to remain manageable averaging between 2.0 to 2.5% for 2018.

### *Labour and Employment*

Tuan Speaker, the labour market remained stable in 2017 and the unemployment rate improved from 3.3% to 3.0 %. The total number of workers employed also increased by 2.8 %. A total of 86,223 job vacancies were reported to the Labour Department in 2017. The Labour market condition is anticipated to remain favourable for 2018.

*Financial Performance of The State 2017 and First Half 2018*

Tuan Speaker, Now I wish to highlight the financial performance of the State in 2017 and first half of 2018.

*Financial Performance for the State 2017*

*Revenue, 2017*

The State registered total revenue of RM6.864 billion in 2017 as compared to RM5.910 billion in 2016. The increase in revenue of RM854 million or 16% was mainly due to higher receipts from:

- i. Dividend from investment;
- ii. Cash compensation in lieu of oil and gas rights; and
- iii. State Sales Tax on crude palm oil (CPO).

*Ordinary Expenditure 2017*

Total Ordinary Expenditure in 2017 was RM5.811 billion. Out of the total amount, about RM2.311 billion was to meet operating expenditure while RM3.500 billion was appropriated to replenish the Development Funds Account. For the 2017, operating expenditure increased to RM2.311 billion from RM2.264 billion in 2016 an increase of RM47 million or 2%. The higher than expected revenue has contributed to a surplus of RM1.053 billion in 2017.

*Development Expenditure 2017*

For the year 2017, the State spent RM4.289 billion in development expenditure, an increase of RM370 million or 9% as compared to RM3.919 billion in 2016.

*Financial Performance of the State First Half 2018*

*Revenue, First Half 2018*

Revenue collection for the first half of 2018 was RM3.266 billion, which was 59% of the estimated revenue of RM5.525 billion for the year. Based on the performance thus far, the revenue collected is expected to surpass the estimated revenue for the year.

*Expenditure, First Half 2018*

Up to the first half of 2018, RM2.802 billion of Ordinary Expenditure of 49% out of the approved annual allocation of RM5.781 billion has been expended. Out of the total amount of Ordinary Expenditure expended, RM1.152 billion was for operating expenditure while the balance of RM1.650 billion was appropriated to the Development Funds Account.

As for the development expenditure, RM2.968 billion or 58% out of the approved annual allocation of RM5.745 billion had been expended for the same period. Development expenditure is expected to increase progressively in line with the on-going activities during the year.

I would like to urge all the implementing agencies to take proactive measures to ensure that programmes and projects approved under the Eleventh Malaysia Plan particularly those projects that are of high impact and have generating greater multiplier effects are being implemented speedily to stimulate domestic economic activities.

*Diversification of Revenue Base and Financial Sustainability*

Global economic slowdown has affected economics around the world and many countries are taking measures to tighten Government expenditure so as to ensure fiscal sustainability. At the National level, the Federal Government is also taking steps to consolidate its fiscal position. At the State level, we will to execute, will continue to exercise prudent financial management. With the current trend of revenue and development allocation, it would be necessary that the State utilize some of its reserve to fund strategic and impactful projects particularly those that are people centric.

As the State is very vast in geographical size and sparsely populated and that its development is lagging far behind our counterpart in Semenanjung Malaysia, the State requires substantial amount of funding to support its development agenda. Thus, the utilization of some of the reserve to fund such priority projects is justifiable. However, it is imperative that we strike a balance between ensuring a sustainable level of development against a healthy financial position for long term financial sustainability. Building and sustaining a strong and healthy financial position is of critical importance for the State to weather any unforeseeable eventualities arising from global uncertainties as well as to ensure adequate financial resources for our future generations.

The State Government has been over the years prudent in its spending to ensure that it is utilized wisely purposefully to maximize the intended outcomes. The increasing requirement for the provisions of basic infrastructures facilities and amenities, including rural water and electricity supplies as well as services to the growing population have resulted in a rising trend in both operating and development expenditure.

Tuan Speaker, the State sees the need to expand and diversify our revenue base to minimize dependency on revenue from natural resources. The State Government has over the years continue taking proactive steps to enhance our revenue-generating capacity provided under the State and Federal Constitutions. The efforts to diversify our State's economy and expand its revenue stream has always been an important agenda of the Government. Among other measures that have been taken is the setting up of Petroleum Sarawak Berhad (PETROS) which will enable Sarawak to participate in both the upstream and downstream of oil and gas activities.

As part of its initiatives to enhance revenue, the State has acquired 10% shares of MLNG Train 9, and also additional 15% equity in MLNG Tiga. The investment is expected to yield healthy return to the State.

A strong and ready revenue base will provide ready funding for the State to finance its development agenda and ultimately to ensure financial autonomy for the State.

Tuan Speaker,

*Prudent Financial Management*

Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, I am delighted to inform this august House that the State has once again been accorded a clean certificate of an unqualified report for its financial accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017. This is the 16<sup>th</sup> consecutive year that the State earned such clean record.

The State's commendable investment credit rating have also been re-affirmed at A3 and A- by the International rating agencies, namely Moody's and Standard Poor, respectively.



These achievements are good testimonies and clear reflections of the State sound financial management in exercising financial prudence and financial discipline at all levels. Despite our achievement thus far, we will continue to strengthen strategic financial management by benchmarking and adopting best practices leveraging on technology advancements as well as building capacity to achieve operational excellence and good governance. These efforts will further harness the long term benefits of cost effectiveness, efficiency, productivity and value to all stakeholders.

In the light of the current global economic challenges, it is crucial for every one of us to exercise effective leadership to ensure prudent and responsible financial management towards a resilient economy for a brighter future.

I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to all Controlling Officers, Heads of Departments, and CEO's of agencies and Government-Linked Companies in continuing to work closely together as well as collaborating with the private sector to optimize public value and to deliver better results for the people of Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker,

*Equitable Federal Allocation*

The development of Sarawak, particularly social-economic and provision of basic infrastructure facilities and amenities such as schools, clinics and rural water and electricity supplies are the responsibility of the Federal Government.

The Federal Government ought to allocate more funding to assist the State to step up its efforts particularly in the development of the rural areas, which are still largely under developed as compared to our counterparts in Semenanjung Malaysia. As part of the spirit in the formation of Malaysia. We must be accorded a fair and equitable share of the Federal development fund. Furthermore, the State has also contributed substantially in terms of tax collection and oil and gas revenues to the Federal coffers.

Tuan Speaker,

*Issued raised by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat*

Now, I would like to respond to comments and suggestions as raised by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat on several issues in respect of public finance.

*State Government Procurement*

Now let me briefly touch on the procurement policies and procedures. State procurement refers to the acquisition of supplies, services and works in accordance with the prevailing laws and regulations.

For the information of Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat of this august House especially Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pelawan. Generally, the State procurement is built upon the following principles, public accountability, transparency, value of money, open and fair competition and fair dealings.

The State procurement is governed by the following laws and regulations, Financial Procedure Act 1957 which includes Treasury Instruction, Government Contract Act 1949 and Circulars issued by the State Financial Authority from time to time.

I wish to inform this august House that there are several procurement methods established under the State procurement namely direct purchase, quotation, open tender, selective tender, turnkey contract or direct negotiation.

In accordance to the laws and regulations that are in place, the Government has the authority to procure through the most advantageous method as they deemed fit regardless of whether it is through tender, quotation or other methods of procurement.

In deciding on the method of procurement to be used on the implementation of the projects, the Government has to evaluate the nature of the project among others, in terms of its complexity, specialty, locality, capital intensiveness of the project as well as the required speed of delivery. The preferred procurement method must be economical in terms of resources and time, value for money to the Government and project meeting the required standard and quality as well as good governance.

#### *Local Contractors Participation*

In response to the issue on the participation of Federal registered contractors in implementing projects in the State as raised by Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pelawan, there are two (2) categories of projects in the State;

- i. Federal funded projects which must be in accordance with the Federal procurement procedure; and
- ii. State funded projects which must be in accordance with the State procurement procedure.

For Federal funded projects, one of the requirements by Federal Government is that the contractors must be registered with Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB) and having Sijil Perolehan Kerja Kerajaan (SPKK) before they are allowed to participate in any Federal tender.

For State funded projects, one of the mandatory requirements by State Government is that the contractors must be registered with *Unit Pendaftaran Kontraktor Juruperunding* (UPKJ) before they are allowed to participate in any State tender.

The State Government never neglects the local contractors with UPKJ licenses. As mentioned earlier, for all the projects funded by the State Government, the contractors must have Unit Pendaftaran Kontraktor dan Juruperunding (UPKJ) license before they are allowed to participate in any State tender.

Federal Government has agreed to the State Government's request to allow the local contractors with UPKJ licenses to participate in the Federal Government funded projects which was not allowed previously.

#### *State Investment in Zecon Medicare Sdn Bhd*

**Tuan Speaker:** Honourable Minister, are you taking?

**Menteri Kewangan II (YB Dato Sri Wong Soon Koh):** Yes, yes.

**YB Encik David Wong Kee Woan:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. Thank you, Honourable Minister. To my knowledge, there are still a lot of local council's contracts given to contractor without UPKJ licenses. That is why I asked to the State Government to make audit to all the State Government Ministry, Departments, Agencies, GLC, see how many of the contractors,

like you said have obtained UPKJ licenses. I can tell you, at this moment, even in Kuching, there are City Council, there are using PKK contractors. You can check on my information and then that would be, you can audit all these in order to find out where are the leakages.

Thank you.

**Menteri Kewangan II (YB Dato Sri Wong Soon Koh):** Ya, I will take note of your comments.

*State Investment in Zecon Medicare Sdn Bhd*

Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pending has raised questions on the State's investment in Zecon Medicare Sdn Bhd. In responding to these, let me first of all, clarify that Zecon Medicare Sdn Bhd is not the entity that involved in the development of Petra Jaya Hospital.

Zecon Medicare Sdn Bhd is a company that has a stable business model given a long term concession agreement entered into with the Federal Government, represented by Ministry of Education and *University Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM)* where it is responsible for the development and asset maintenance for the facilities and infrastructure of a Children's Specialist Hospital located at *Pusat Perubatan UKM* in Cheras.

The State Government, in deciding its investment in Zecon Medicare Sdn Bhd, had gone through a proper and thorough due diligence process and risk-return analysis. Professional financial-business consultants and corporate legal counsels had been engaged to assist in carrying out this exercise in analyzing and arriving at a risk-return profile of the investment. The decision to acquire an equity stake in Zecon Medicare Sdn Bhd is a commercial consideration based on projected positive return on the investment.

Tuan Speaker, in conclusion, it is pivotal that the Government manages its finances responsibly and prudently to maintain a strong, healthy and resilient financial position and support its economic development agenda. We will intensify efforts to explore opportunities and avenue for more revenue streams to ensure that the State revenue remains sustainable. Yes?

**YB Puan Violet Wong Wui Wui:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker and Minister. As you mentioned just now that the investment of RM155 million towards Zecon Medicare? That one is for the project of UKM at Cheras, the children hospital. But I was given to understand that the hospital project was less than 70% complete and it has been delayed for more than a year now. So what are the guarantee that our State can get from this investment? And it was link to the ex-Prime Minister wife project. So, can the Honourable Minister clarify on this because we are investing RM155 million.

**Menteri Kewangan II (YB Dato Sri Wong Soon Koh):** As I said, it is purely commercial consideration. It is commercially viable and therefore we take up the shares. Now as to when the hospital can be completed, now you are in the best position to find out. You find out from your Pakatan Rakyat Health Minister. I am sure you can get all the information from the Minister for Health.

Tuan Speaker, I would also like to express my utmost appreciation to your good self, Tuan Speaker for having capably and successfully conducted another fruitful sitting in this august House. My sincere thanks also go to the staff of the Dewan and all Government officers for their hard work, commitment and dedication.

Finally, I wish all Sarawakian Happy Sarawak Day and to all our Muslim colleagues and friends *Selamat Menyambut Hari Raya Aidilfitri*.

Thank you.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, we have a short break. Sitting resume at 11.15 a.m.

*(Mesyuarat ditangguh pada jam 10.55 pagi)*

*(Mesyuarat dimulakan pada jam 11:39 pagi)*

[Tuan Speaker mempengerusikan Mesyuarat]

**Timbalan Speaker:** Dengan hormatnya saya menjemput Menteri Kewangan Kedua, Menteri Perdagangan Antarabangsa dan E-Dagang, YB Dato Sri Wong Soon Koh, Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Bawang Assan untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan.

**Menteri Perdagangan Antarabangsa dan E-Dagang (YB Dato Sri Wong Soon Koh):**

Tuan Speaker, I am pleased to report that for the past one (1) year, Ministry of International Trade and eCommerce or MITeC has been able to conduct and implement programmes to promote and nurture eCommerce activities in the State. Apart from that, MITeC has also sought opportunities for our local companies to develop their potentials to explore the international market and to do their business online which is now growing worldwide at 'break neck' speed.

MITeC has and will continuously work closely with both Government and private sectors on programmes and activities concerning international trade and eCommerce. The aims are to strengthen ECommerce involvement among the communities while actively participating in regional and international business promotions, marketing and business matching to establish global networking. Other than that, we will be able to gather pertinent information which is useful in formulating our own international trade and eCommerce strategies, policies, plans and guidelines.

#### *Progress on eCommerce*

Tuan Speaker, in implementing its roles and functions, MITeC has conducted many workshops, courses and seminars in many parts of Sarawak. Among the target groups are university students and graduates who are encouraged to be onboard the digital technology and economy bandwagon such as online business. This may provide good opportunities for them to stay relevant in the challenging workforce market.

With that scenario, we hope the large segment of the society including the rural communities can enjoy the benefits of doing business online which is becoming more common, handy and in various platforms.

Tuan Speaker, for the first half of year 2018, more than 4,600 participants throughout Sarawak have benefited from the 46 programmes which the Ministry has jointly organized with the various agencies. The Ministry along with its counterparts has been actively performing their roles in creating awareness as well as connecting the eCommerce communities across the State. Until now, the Ministry has conducted eight (8) programmes

benefiting more than 1,200 participants focusing on educating existing entrepreneurs and start-up enterprises to onboard on eCommerce instead of the traditional ways of doing business. The programmes conducted are:

- i. Online Marketing Workshop (7 series);
- ii. Start-up Quest (1 series);
- iii. Start-up Borneo (1 series);
- iv. Apps Challenge (5 series);
- v. Kenyalang eSport Tournament, Training and Trade (4 series); and
- vi. eUsahawan Sarawak (5 series);

*Introduction to Digital Business Model; and  
Train the Trainers: Onboarding the Sarawak Product Portal.*

The Online Marketing Workshop has enabled the participants to assimilate the actual gist on how to get started in eCommerce. It is a hands-on workshop whereby the entrepreneurs are being assisted personally to acquire skills regarding eCommerce elements such as copy writing, social media ads, search engine optimization (SEO), shipping and delivery as well as Google placement. We have conducted this two (2) days' workshop in various places in the State (Lawas, Limbang, Miri, Bintulu, Sibu, Mukah and Serian) benefiting a total of 350 participants and entrepreneurs. Backed by popular demand, the Ministry will conduct more similar workshops in other parts of the State at the later part of the year. In order to monitor and keep track of their progress, the Ministry will organize follow-up programmes and courses for the participants.

The Start-up programme is to nurture business ideas among creative individuals and potential entrepreneurs. The Ministry is determined to assist the growing number of start-ups in the State, especially those who are involved in technopreneurship to be groomed and well established. Recently, the Ministry has worked with Selangor Information Technology and eCommerce Council (SITeC) and Borneo Start-Up to kick-start and polish the participants' skills on idea validation and pitching. The three (3) days programme received an encouraging response from the public and positive remarks from the 36 selected participants. Six creative (6) ideas have been selected for further polishing and improvement.

In April 2018, the Ministry conducted the first 'Samarahan Apps Challenge' in collaboration with UNIMAS. The objectives are to unleash the talents of secondary school students and educate them on coding and digital solutions on their daily errands including eCommerce related activities. The programme is targeting 60 students in which 30 have been selected from five (5) selected schools in Samarahan Division, namely:

- (a) SMK Sungai Tapang;
- (b) SMK Muara Tuang;
- (c) SMK Kota Samarahan;
- (d) SMK Wira Penrissen; and
- (e) SMK Sadong Hilir

The Ministry is also collaborating with Koperasi Belia Inovatif Sarawak (KOBIS), a private youth entity in organizing the "Kenyalang eSports Tournament, Training and Trade" programme. The eight (8) months' series programme is targeting 1,550 participants which so far has attracted 60 teams comprising 360 participants. The programme is aimed to promote interest in online trading and experience smart digital technology through eSports.

Recently, MITeC has also organised an awareness seminar in Miri on 'Introduction of Digital Business Model'. There are 65 participants who benefited from the seminar and the niche group are mostly entrepreneurs interested in expanding their conventional business to digital business. This seminar has created a good opportunity for the participants to continue deepen their understanding on how digital revolution is changing trade and eCommerce at all levels. An overwhelming response received in the first seminar which was held in Miri, has motivated and prompted MITeC to organise similar seminars throughout Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, in the previous DUN sitting, the Ministry has proposed a collaboration with Malaysia Communication and Multimedia Commission (MCMC) on forming rural eCommerce centres by utilising their existing Pusat Internet. We would like to report that for a start, 150 managers and assistant managers from 124 Pusat Internet had been trained on eCommerce elements and platforms. The idea of having them trained is for them to educate the surrounding dwellers on eCommerce knowledge and awareness in order to close the gap between the urban and rural communities. This is also to help them to get onboard on the existing eCommerce platforms such as Sarawak Produk Portal, Lazada and others.

Another online business programme initiated by MDEC is "eUsahawan". The Ministry together with MDEC has organized the programme to focus on narrowing the gap in digital knowledge and skills for youths, micro entrepreneurs and the general public. As at June 2018, 250 participants have benefited from this programme which provides a hands-on approach to online business knowledge and business development through digital platform. We expect to triple the number of participants by the end of this year.

Apart from the Ministry, other agencies are also conducting eCommerce programmes for the benefit of local entrepreneurs and the general public. Among the agencies are:

- (a) TEGAS has conducted four (4) programmes benefiting 1,190 participants;
- (b) SSM has carried out Online Networking Entrepreneurs Programme (SSM ONE) and attended by 531 participants;
- (c) MARA has held five (5) programmes related to eCommerce among the SMEs. The programme had benefited 350 SMEs in Kuching, Mukah, Sri Aman, Serian and Kapit;
- (d) MAGIC (Malaysia Global Innovation and Creative Centre) has conducted six (6) programmes benefiting 259 participants;
- (e) FAMA has implemented quite a number of 'Agro Bazaar Online' courses. The last one was attended by 61 participants. To date there are 203 entrepreneurs from Sarawak registered on 'Agro Bazaar Online' portal;
- (f) FAME College has organized seven (7) series of Digital Marketing Training involving 193 participants;
- (g) SME Corporation has run three (3) programmes attended by 125 participants;
- (h) Kuching Community College has carried out three (3) series of 'eRezeki' and one (1) eUsahawan Desa programme involving 80 participants;
- (i) SEDC Sarawak has implemented two (2) programmes benefiting 42 participants;
- (j) Pusat Internet Lundu has carried out 'eRezeki' programme for 35 participants;
- (k) UNIMAS has organized 'Celik IT Penuh Kocek' programme benefiting 26 participants; and
- (l) Telekom Malaysia has held one (1) programme 'My Shop9' benefiting 15 participants.

Judging from the number of agencies and the number of programmes related to eCommerce organized, I believe more and more people will have the opportunity to learn the subject of eCommerce sooner or later. It is up to the individuals themselves whether to take up the opportunities and join the bandwagon or to be left behind in their comfort zone.

*Progress on Sarawak Trade Performance*

Tuan Speaker, according to the World Trade Organization (WTO), the global trade growth in 2017 was the strongest since 2011. In 2017, developed economies' exports and imports grew 3.5% and 3.1% respectively, while developing countries have recorded export growth of 7.5 % and import growth of 7.2%. This strong performance was largely driven by cyclical factors mainly 'Real GDP' and 'income and consumption', in which the world 'Real GDP' growth has picked up to 3.0% from 2.3% in 2016. The WTO anticipates the merchandise trade volume growth of 4.4% in 2018, as measured by the average of exports and imports, roughly matching the 4.7% increase recorded for 2017.

*Malaysia Trade Performance*

Malaysia's trade performance is expected to continue to improve in 2018 despite the uncertainty in the global market. For the first five months of 2018, trade amounted to RM753.46 billion, risen by 4.2% compared to the same period of 2017. Malaysia's total export as at May 2018 increased by 6.9% to RM403.99 billion. The expansion was supported mainly by higher export to Hong Kong, ASEAN, China, The European Union (EU), Taiwan, Bangladesh and Republic of Korea, while Malaysia's import was expanded by 9.1% year-on-year to RM71.17 billion. This development has contributed to Malaysia's trade surplus of RM13.07 billion which marked the 246<sup>th</sup> consecutive months of trade surplus since November 1997.

In line with the national performance, Sarawak's trade has registered a positive growth in the first five (5) months in 2018. The total trade was valued at RM56.5 billion, an increase of 2.9 % as compared to the same period in 2017. Growth in trade was recorded by our trading partners such as Indonesia (increased by 70.9 %), Taiwan (increased by 37.2 %) and Thailand (increased by 35.2 %).

Yet, Peninsular Malaysia, Japan, The People's Republic of China, Republic of Korea and Taiwan remained as Sarawak's top five trading partners which has contributed 68.7 % of total trade in Sarawak. The contribution of %age shares by each trading partner are as follows:

- (a) Peninsular Malaysia (25.5%);
- (b) Japan (21.4%);
- (c) The People's Republic of China (10.5%);
- (d) The Republic of Korea (6.4%); and
- (e) Taiwan (5.0%).

Sarawak's total export for January to May 2018 was RM39.4 billion. The major products exported by Sarawak remain as follows:

- (a) Liquefied natural gas, RM16.0 billion, this is about 40.6% of total exports;
- (b) Crude Petroleum, RM4.6 billion, 11.8% of total exports;
- (c) Palm oil, RM3.7 billion, 9.4 % of total exports;
- (d) Aluminium, RM2.6 billion, 6.6 % of total exports;
- (e) Petroleum Condensate and Others RM2.6 billion, 6.5% of total exports; and
- (f) Timber and timber related products, RM2.2 billion, 5.5% of total exports.

Other than traditional major products, the export of ferroalloys as a considerably new product has shown a stellar performance contributing 5.0% of the total export value. The export of ferroalloys grew more than double from RM975.2 million in 2017 to RM2.0 billion in 2018. The main destinations for our state ferroalloys are Japan, EU and The Republic of Korea.

During the first five months of 2018, the value of import has amounted to RM17.1 billion. The top five (5) import products are:

- (a) Machinery and transport equipment that contributed the most with RM5.3 billion or 30.0 % of total import;
- (b) Chemicals, RM2.6 billion or 15.3 % of total import;
- (c) Manufactured goods, RM2.5 billion or 14.4 % of total import;
- (d) Food, RM2.6 billion or 11.5 % of total import; and
- (e) Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc., RM1.6 billion or 9.5 % of total import.

Sarawak has also recorded an increase in trading values with ASEAN countries. As of May 2018, the trade value has breached the RM6.1 billion mark, stretched by 38.3% compared to RM4.4 billion for the same period of last year.

The trade values are as follow:

- (a) Thailand RM1.8 billion;
- (b) Indonesia RM1.3 billion;
- (c) Singapore RM1.3 billion;
- (d) Vietnam RM0.9 billion;
- (e) The Philippines RM0.5 billion;
- (f) Brunei Darussalam RM0.2 billion;
- (g) Cambodia RM9.6 million;
- (h) Myanmar RM3.5 million; and
- (i) Lao People's Democratic Republic RM235.1 thousand

In the pursuit of Sarawak becoming the preferred trading partner, our Ministry is continuously undertaking initiatives to promote and improve the relationship with our present trading partners. At the same time, we are searching for new potential markets in order to increase the trade volume and register business growth.

Apart from that, we are also looking into potential agriculture, agro and aqua based products which can be exported. As such we would like to call upon our enterprises to take bold steps in producing such products either by expanding their businesses or through joint ventures with well-established foreign companies.

#### *Trade Promotion Programmes*

Tuan Speaker, one of the Ministry's approaches in promoting local businesses towards enhancing the State's trading volume is by actively participating in various major trade fairs and expositions organized nationally and internationally.

Among the objectives of participating in such events are:

1. To showcase and demonstrate Sarawak's products that have the potential to penetrate the global market;
2. To establish networking between Government to Government (G2G) and between business to business (B2B);
3. To explore and learn about new market segments and related technologies to enhance the production of products; and
4. To provide opportunities to our entrepreneurs to experience international environment and exchange information with international business community.



As of June 2018, the Ministry has participated in four (4) trade fairs in Kuala Lumpur namely:

1. Export Furniture Expo (EFE);
2. Malaysia International Halal Showcase (MIHAS);
3. Malaysia Online Business Expo (MOBE); and
4. Malaysia International Food and Beverage Trade Fair (MIFB 2018).

These events have benefited 18 local entrepreneurs from various sectors. Another four (4) local entrepreneurs will exhibit their products under the Malaysian Pavilion in the coming BIMP-EAGA IMT-GT Trade Expo, Conference and Business Matching 2018 to be held in Hatyai, Thailand from 19<sup>th</sup> until 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2018.

The Ministry will consistently enlist some local SMEs or entrepreneurs to participate in both domestic and international trade fairs.

In the meantime, the Ministry has also participated in two (2) trade fairs under the invitation of the Provincial Government of China, namely:

- (a) The 12<sup>th</sup> China (Henan) International Investment and Trade Fair (16 to 19 April 2018); and
- (b) The 25<sup>th</sup> China Kunming Import and Export Fair (13 to 19 June 2018).

Both trade fairs have been a good exposure and experience for MITeC on ways and approaches of reaching for international market and networking with global players.

On the other hand, MATRADE has organized 28 trade promotion programmes both locally and internationally for the past six (6) months. The programmes are international trade fairs, export acceleration missions, trade missions, international sourcing programmes and joint promotion activities, benefiting more than a thousand Malaysian companies. Of that number, 80 are Sarawak based companies that participated in these international events.

Meanwhile, STIDC has assisted local furniture vendors and SMEs to participate in five (5) expositions and business matching programmes in Kuala Lumpur, Brunei, Dubai and two (2) in India. Sales worth RM28 million was recorded and a lot of trade enquiries were received by participants of these events.

Tuan Speaker, the much awaited Sarawak-China Business Forum 2018 which is scheduled to be held on 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> August is the initiatives by the Ministry to promote trade between both parties. This forum is aimed to become the Sarawak-China Regulatory Business platform where participants can gain knowledge and get better understanding in doing trade with both entities. The programme is targeted to benefit about 500 entrepreneurs from both state and country who intend to do trading.

Besides the mentioned programmes, the Ministry has also planned to participate in eight (8) other international trade missions and expositions for the remaining period of the year.

#### *Support and Assistance*

Tuan Speaker, besides organizing various training programmes, the Ministry has also provided support and assistance to SMEs, trade and industry associations and chambers of commerce for them to participate in various programmes. The objective of the assistance is to enhance Sarawak's participation in regional and global trading as well as to increase the

state's trade volume. As to date, 391 entrepreneurs have received assistance for various costs in participating in trade fairs and promoting their products.

In addition, support and assistance are also provided to encourage and promote the adoption of eCommerce among Sarawakians. This assistance is open to individuals, entrepreneurs, companies, business chambers and associations to start online platform and application; fees for local products to be listed on international or established online platforms; and to organize eCommerce related activities. From January to June 2018, my Ministry has provided assistance to 410 entrepreneurs and associations to organize many eCommerce programmes and activities in Sarawak.

Other than my Ministry, MATRADE as was reported in this house in the last sitting, will continue with their eTRADE initiatives. From January until June 2018, four (4) local companies had been accepted into the programme, while in the past years, there were about 30 local companies that have ventured into eTRADE programme. In addition, MATRADE also provides Market Development Grants (MDG) to assist local companies to participate in trade promotional programmes. For the first half of the year, MATRADE has disbursed this Market Development Grants amounting to almost RM48,000.00 to Sarawak companies. The utilisation of Market Development Grants in Sarawak is expected to increase as the companies' claims for the recent trade events participated are still in the process of reimbursement. My Ministry together with MATRADE is hoping for more local companies to utilize the grant in the near future.

#### *Moving Forward*

Tuan Speaker, realizing the rapid development of online business and its potential, the Ministry will continue to work hard to promote and encourage the public as well as entrepreneurs to be actively involved and to benefit from various Government programmes on international trade and eCommerce. A number of programmes and activities will be implemented for the remaining of the year. Among the programmes are:

- (a) eCommerce awareness campaigns and trainings for community leaders such as Ketua Masyarakat, Ketua Kaum, JKKK and other grass root leaders with the aim to educate them on eCommerce and its benefits;
- (b) eCommerce 'Shout-Out' programme which aims to promote technopreneurship, cashless society, getting to know gist of eCommerce from the youth perspective and create more business opportunities for the public;
- (c) Digital Free Trade Zone (DFTZ) SME Onboarding Programme which targets 800 local SMEs to capitalize on the convergence of exponential growth by connecting and cross-border trade. The programme will be organized together with MDEC in four major towns in Sarawak (Kuching, Sibul, Miri and Bintulu); and
- (d) Development of Sarawak's international trade and eCommerce data system (SITeC). The development of data system will enable the Ministry to collect all relevant information systematically for the purpose of planning and implementation of international trade and eCommerce programmes in Sarawak. With the data system, the Ministry will be a referral body on information regarding international trade and eCommerce in Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, we in the Ministry would like to see as many Sarawakians as possible to be successful in business, be it locally or internationally either through conventional or

eCommerce businesses. Therefore, we will do our very best to assist them to work towards embracing eCommerce and trading.

*Politics*

Tuan Speaker, something on politics. In the recently concluded Parliamentary Election (GE14), the support for BN apparently ebbed away particularly among the urban voters. The forces at work which brought about a change of mind and a big swing to the Pakatan Harapan (PH) among the voters are not difficult to detect and the change of mind of the voters do pose some interesting questions:

- (a) Can the victory of Pakatan Harapan cause a major shift in the Sarawak political landscape as claimed by PH?; and
- (b) Will the PH victory presage a lasting shift of party alignment of the Sarawak people as was also claimed by PH?

We know very well that PH influences which were brought about, our say, by the fortuitous turn of events (or the wrongful doings of 1 or 2 persons and the ill-effect of GST) may not last and may prove to be temporarily or may be just a fleeting phase of political development.

But the lessons, of course, have to be learned and must be learned so that Gabungan Parti Sarawak (GPS) would be better prepared for the coming State Election which must be held in 2 to 3 years' time.

We, particularly UPP, would like to pledge our full support to GPS under the leadership of YAB Datuk Patinggi (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg. Our Party, a Sarawak-based party is ever ready to champion Sarawak rights and Sarawak interests. We are prepared to go to all extent to support our Yang Amat Berhormat's efforts to restore Sarawak's rights and to protect Sarawak's interest.

Tuan Speaker, we will be celebrating our 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Independence through Malaysia; we hoisted the Malaysian flag for the 1<sup>st</sup> time on 16<sup>th</sup> September 1963. 50 years are rather short in the life of a nation, but it is long enough to produce two (2) generations of people who were born after 1963. There is no denying that in the last 50 years, we have come a long way towards establishing of our nationhood. It is important for us to recognize that building our nationhood is a dynamic process, involving not just physical but also administrative, political, economic, cultural, social and psychological dimensions.

In the process of bringing about a Malaysian nationhood, the most formidable and daunting task is the administrative dimension which has, in recent years, become a case of argument and dispute between the State and Federal Governments.

Tuan Speaker, we are of the opinion that the nationhood process that took place in the years after the formation of Malaysia should be well understood and respected as it was clearly enshrined in the constitutional provisions governing the division of power and responsibilities between Sarawak and the Federal Governments.

We would like, once again, to reiterate our full support to our Yang Amat Berhormat Chief Minister and rally behind him in his effort to wrest back Sarawak's rights within Malaysia and what is due to the State particularly in the oil and gas resources and its operations.

We would like to appeal to the Federal leadership to consider giving back to the State the rights which are due to our State as promised in the election manifesto by GH, PH, sorry.

Tuan Speaker, we agreed to form Malaysia based on an international agreement called the Malaysian Agreement 1963. The Malaysian Agreement was executed by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Federation of Malaya, North Borneo, Sarawak and Singapore. There were five (5) parties to the Agreement when it was executed in London on 9th July 1963. The Agreement was registered by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on 21 September 1970.

It is an international agreement between sovereign states which cannot be amended unless by mutual consent of all the signatories. There is no amendment to this date. The signatories to the Malaysian Agreement remain bound by it.

Tuan Speaker, no law in Malaysia, not even the Constitution, can amend or override the Malaysian Agreement. There are specific safeguards in the Malaysian Agreement for the rights of Sarawak.

The so called Petroleum Development Act (PDA) is only a Malaysian statute and it cannot alter the rights enshrined in the Malaysian Agreement. The PDA was passed without the consent of the people of Sarawak.

Petronas filed a suit against the State of Sarawak to seek to enforce its purported rights under the PDA. Did Petronas do this with the tacit consent of the Prime Minister? If it did, then that is clearly contrary to the Pakatan Harapan Manifesto which promises to restore Sarawak's rights under the Malaysian Agreement.

On the other hand, if Petronas is on a frolic of its own in filing the Suit without the knowledge or approval of the Prime Minister, then it is incumbent on the Pakatan Harapan Federal Government to put a stop to any further steps that may be taken by Petronas after its initial Suit was dismissed by the Federal Court on a jurisdictional point.

We call on the Prime Minister to abide by and fulfil the Pakatan Harapan Manifesto to uphold and restore the rights of the parties to the Malaysian Agreement 1963. The restoration of such rights is clearly inconsistent with the Petronas's suit which is premised solely on the PDA.

The Malaysian Agreement supersedes the PDA and the Constitution. Without the Malaysian Agreement, there would be no Malaysia and therefore, no Constitution and no PDA.

Asking the Court to interpret the PDA without first recognising the supremacy of the Malaysia Agreement is like looking at a leaf on a tree without recognising that, without the root, there would be no tree and no leaf. The leaf (like the PDA) is insignificant. The root gives life to the tree just like Malaysian Agreement gives life to Malaysia. Without the Malaysian Agreement in the first place, there is no Federation of Malaysia. It is as simple as that.

Tuan Speaker, those who do not recognize the supremacy of the Malaysian Agreement is, in fact, calling into question the very formation of Malaysia in the first place. Sarawak is entitled to all its rights under the Malaysian Agreement. In this regard, Tuan Speaker, we are the master of our own resources.

We would therefore like to appeal to the Federal leadership to consider favourably giving back to the State the rights which are due to the State. On the other hand, Tuan Speaker, I am sure both our State leadership and that of the Federal would not want to adopt steadfastly the attitude of "winners take all" and "losers lose all". To resolve our dispute in all matters, all that is necessary is a little 'give and take', a little concern for each other's feelings, sincerity, care and conviction in our minds and hearts that we truly want and

value unity and co-operation and share the spirit of oneness and togetherness for the good of our State and our Nation.

Tuan Speaker, G14 ushered in a new administration under the leadership of Yang Amat Berhormat Tun Dr Mahathir bin Mohamad. With decisiveness of action and admirable courage, it has shown its determination to wipe out corruption and inefficiency and put in place all measures of strong and good governance.

It is hoped that equal zeal and determination can be shown to remove whatever forces of division and disunity which exist among us.

Tuan Speaker, we recall that some 50 years ago, our Yang Amat Berhormat Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir bin Mohamad very ably articulated the Malay Dilemma and some of his efforts later led to the formulation of the New Economic Policy, providing solution to the Malay problem, a formula which was generally accepted by all communities.

Today, some 50 years later, I must say that, we Malaysians of all races, are in the process of identifying each of our own dilemma, looking for a formula to a solution of the problem facing each of our community. There is no panacea, no easy solution.

I know and therefore, I would like to look up to our Yang Amat Berhormat the Prime Minister Tun Dr. Mahathir for his leadership which has, in a short span of two (2) or three (3) months, demonstrated a zealous determination and an iron will to establish a hallmark of a clean and efficient Government. Having gone through 50 years of ups and downs of his political life, he now, would be in the best position to articulate a fresh Malaysian dilemma and find solution to that dilemma. I am confident that our State leadership under YAB Datuk Patinggi (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg is willing to co-operate and work with PH Government to bring about the general well-being of all communities in Malaysia and Sarawak in particular.

#### *Conclusion*

Tuan Speaker, since we are still in the Raya and Gawai mood, I would like to wish Selamat Hari Raya Aidilfitri and Selamat Gawai to every member of this august House and all fellow Sarawakians. I would also like to take this opportunity to wish all Sarawakians Happy Sarawak Day which falls on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2018.

Heartiest congratulations to Tuan Speaker for his judicious handling of the proceedings of this august House. Similarly, I would like to thank the House officials led by the House Secretary who have provided us with efficient services. Sekian, terima kasih.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Terima kasih atas ucapan penggulungan Yang Berhormat Menteri Perdagangan Antarabangsa dan E-Dagang. Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, Majlis Pelancaran Pertandingan Fotografi Selfie dan Wefie berlatar belakangkan Bangunan Dewan Undangan Negeri akan diadakan sebentar lagi di Atrium Dewan Undangan Negeri. Pertandingan ini adalah satu acara bersempena dengan sambutan Ulangtahun ke-150 Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak. Sehubungan itu semua Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat dan pegawai-pegawai yang berada di Dewan ini adalah dijemput untuk menghadiri Majlis Pelancaran yang akan disempurnakan oleh Yang Amat Berhormat Ketua Menteri Sarawak pada jam 12:30 tengah hari. And with that the sitting is adjourned to 2:30 pm today.

*(Mesyuarat ditangguh pada jam 12.25 pagi)*

*(Mesyuarat dimulakan pada jam 2.45 petang)*

[Tuan Speaker mempengerusikan Mesyuarat]

**Tuan Speaker:** Dengan hormatnya saya menjemput Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah Bin Ali Hassan, Timbalan Ketua Menteri, Menteri Pembangunan Bandar dan Sumber Asli II dan Menteri Pembangunan Perindustrian dan Usahawan untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan.

**Menteri Pembangunan Bandar dan Sumber Asli II (YB Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah Bin Ali Hasan):** Tuan Speaker, terlebih dahulu, saya ingin mengucapkan setinggi-tinggi tahniah kepada Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak Tun Pehin Sri Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud atas ucapan perasmian Persidangan Dewan yang mulia ini pada 9 Julai 2018. Tuan Yang Terutama semasa menjadi Ketua Menteri Sarawak telah meletakkan asas dan landasan yang kukuh serta hala tuju yang jelas untuk kita mencapai wawasan pembangunan negeri Sarawak. Saya juga ingin mengucapkan jutaan terima kasih kepada semua Ahli Yang Berhormat yang turut serta dalam perbahasan dan memberi pandangan yang bernas berhubung dengan perkara-perkara di bawah bidang kuasa Kementerian Pembangunan Bandar dan Sumber Asli.

*Program Pengukuran Tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu*

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, Kerajaan sentiasa mengiktiraf hak rakyat ke atas tanah mereka. Sebenarnya, pengukuran tanah hak adat Bumiputera (NCR) telah pun dilaksanakan sejak tahun 1960an lagi melalui program Operasi Penyelesaian, sementara Program Pengukuran Kampung Tradisional telah dilaksanakan sejak awal tahun 2000. Kerajaan sentiasa berusaha untuk mempercepatkan pengukuran tanah NCR yang sah dengan melaksanakan pengukuran perimeter di bawah Program Pengukuran Tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu. Program ini telah dilaksanakan sejak Oktober 2010 dengan peruntukan yang dibiayai oleh Kerajaan Persekutuan. Sejak pelaksanaannya, sejumlah RM154.5 juta telah diperuntukkan dan bagi Rancangan Malaysia Ke-11 sahaja sejumlah RM90 juta telah diluluskan. Saya berharap Kerajaan Persekutuan akan meneruskan peruntukan bagi kelangsungan program ini. Program ini dilaksanakan melalui dua (2) peringkat iaitu peringkat pertama pengukuran perimeter dan peringkat kedua pengukuran lot individu.

Dalam peringkat pertama, pengukuran secara perimeter dilaksanakan untuk pewartaan kawasan tersebut sebagai Rizab Komunal (Pertanian) Bumiputera di bawah Seksyen 6 Kanun Tanah Negeri. Setakat Jun 2018, seluas 861,136 hektar (2,127,868 ekar) telah berjaya diukur perimeternya. Daripada jumlah tersebut, seluas 677,114 hektar (1,673,149 ekar) di seluruh negeri Sarawak telah pun diwartakan.

Dalam peringkat kedua program ini pula, kawasan di bawah Seksyen 6 tersebut akan diukur secara lot individu. Setakat ini, sebanyak 21,810 lot individu telah berjaya diukur yang melibatkan kawasan seluas 27,407 hektar (67,722.73 ekar). Sebanyak 9,461 lot seluas 10,512 hektar (25,974 ekar) telah pun dikeluarkan dengan surat hak milik tanah di bawah Seksyen 18 Kanun Tanah Negeri. Saya ingin menyeru semua Ahli Yang Berhormat dan semua pihak yang menuntut tanah NCR agar memberi kerjasama sepenuhnya kepada Jabatan Tanah Survei supaya kerja-kerja pengukuran ini dapat berjalan dengan lancar khususnya yang melibatkan lot-lot individu.

*Skim Penempatan Semula (SPS) dan  
Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK)*

Tuan Speaker, atas keprihatinan Kerajaan Negeri Sarawak terhadap rakyat yang berpendapatan rendah dan sederhana dan demi meringankan beban kewangan mereka untuk mendapatkan lot-lot kediaman, Kerajaan telah melaksanakan program yang dikenali

sebagai Skim Penempatan Semula (SPS) dan Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK). Setakat 30 Jun 2018, sejumlah 46,798 lot kediaman berjaya disediakan. Daripada jumlah itu, 36,150 lot telah diagihkan kepada mereka yang layak.

Di bawah Rancangan Malaysia Ke-11 dan Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-11, jumlah keseluruhan peruntukan yang telah diluluskan untuk melaksanakan 33 SPK dan tiga (3) SPS ialah sebanyak RM194.4 juta. Manakala, bagi skim-skim yang tidak diluluskan akan dicadangkan semula di dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12.

*Penurunan Kadar Premium Tanah dan  
Pembayaran Balik Premium Tanah Bagi Lot Kediaman*

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan telah membuat keputusan berkuat kuasa pada 6 Mei 2018, untuk menurunkan premium kepada tidak melebihi RM2,500.00 setiap lot di semua Skim Penempatan Semula (SPS) dan Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK) kecuali Skim Penempatan Semula Demak Fasa 3, 4 dan 6. Malah sebagai Kerajaan yang prihatin terhadap kebajikan rakyat, sebarang bayaran premium tanah yang telah dibuat melebihi RM2,500.00 bagi lot di SPS dan SPK akan dibayar balik. Pembayaran balik premium tanah ini akan melibatkan pemilik asal, lot yang telah dipindah milik kepada pemegang surat kuasa mentadbir (*Letter of Administration*) dan pindah milik atas dasar kasih sayang semula jadi (*natural love and affection*) dalam kalangan ahli keluarga tersebut. Walau bagaimanapun, pembayaran balik lebihan premium ini tidak akan melibatkan lot-lot yang dipindah milik melalui jual beli.

Pemilik tanah yang terlibat perlu mengemukakan permohonan kepada Jabatan Tanah dan Survei untuk mendapatkan bayaran balik lebihan premium tersebut. Permohonan ini boleh dikemukakan sehingga Oktober tahun hadapan iaitu 31 Oktober 2019. Keputusan pembayaran balik ini akan memberi impak kewangan kepada Kerajaan Negeri yang dianggarkan sebanyak RM43 juta yang akan dinikmati oleh 7,174 orang pemilik tanah. Ini membuktikan komitmen dan usaha serius Kerajaan dalam membantu pemilik tanah di SPS dan SPK untuk mendapatkan surat hak milik tanah dengan kadar premium yang sangat istimewa mengikut kemampuan mereka.

*Projek Pembangunan Semula Bandar dan Kampung*

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan juga melalui Lembaga Pembangunan dan Lindungan Tanah (PELITA) melaksanakan beberapa projek penempatan semula kampung dan pembangunan semula bandar di Sarawak. Projek ini bertujuan untuk menyelesaikan masalah perkampungan sedia ada yang mempunyai kepadatan penduduk yang tinggi. Projek Pembangunan Semula Bandar atau *Urban Renewal* ini turut dilengkapi dengan prasarana asas seperti jaringan jalan raya yang baik, sistem perparitan, rumah mampu milik dan pelbagai kemudahan awam.

Dalam pelaksanaan projek ini, PELITA juga menerima pakai konsep bandar pintar (*smart city*) untuk memudahkan kawalan keselamatan serta membantu usahawan untuk berkecimpung dalam bidang perniagaan. Ini termasuklah membina pusat komersil dalam projek-projek tersebut bagi menempatkan ruang untuk industri kecil (*cottage industry*) serta membekalkan kemudahan jaringan internet. Projek-projek yang sedang dijalankan oleh pihak PELITA untuk program pembaharuan bandar yang sedang dalam pelaksanaan terdiri daripada Darul Hana (Kuching), Kampung Sungai Bedaun (Kuching), Kemuyang (Sibu). Manakala projek-projek yang masih dalam perancangan melibatkan kampung-kampung seperti Kampung Sejingkat (Kuching), Kampung Tabuan Melayu (Kuching), Kampung Datu, (Sibu) dan Kampung Baru (Kapit).

Tuan Speaker, seterusnya, izinkan saya menyentuh perkara-perkara spesifik yang telah dibangkitkan oleh Ahli-Ahli Yang Berhormat semasa perbahasan di Dewan yang mulia ini.

Untuk makluman, Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Beting Maro, Lingga, Balingian, Simunjan, Tanjung Datu, Kalaka, Daro, Tupong, Sadong Jaya, Saribas, Lambir, Jemoreng dan Kabong yang telah menyuarakan keperluan SPS dan SPK bagi kawasan DUN masing-masing khususnya bagi menampung keperluan pertambahan penduduk. Di samping itu, Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat juga mencadangkan agar SPS dan SPK dilengkapi dengan kemudahan asas yang lebih baik serta mengkaji semula kelayakan peserta.

Untuk makluman Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, Kerajaan telah bersetuju untuk melaksanakan standard baharu bagi pelaksanaan prasarana dalam SPS dan SPK yang baharu dengan menyediakan jalan berturap, parit konkrit dan tapak lot-lot tersebut akan ditimbus dan diratakan. Ini merupakan penambahbaikan kepada standard semasa. Bagi skim-skim sedia ada, Kerajaan akan mempertimbangkan untuk menaik taraf kemudahan prasarana asas mengikut keperluan.

Kerajaan memang berhasrat supaya SPS dan SPK baharu ditempatkan berhampiran dengan penempatan sedia ada namun ini tidak dapat dilaksanakan sepenuhnya disebabkan oleh kekangan dalam mendapatkan tapak yang sesuai.

Seperti tujuan asal pelaksanaan SPK, pemilihan peserta bagi skim yang dilaksanakan diberi keutamaan kepada keluarga-keluarga tambahan di kampung asal. Walau bagaimanapun, keutamaan juga akan diberi jika terdapat keperluan yang mendesak yang menempatkan penduduk di kampung berkenaan yang terlibat dengan kebakaran dan bencana alam dan disebabkan oleh perkara-perkara yang lain.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Beting Maro, Kerajaan ada melaksanakan Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK) bagi Kampung Spinang/Semarang yang menyediakan 188 lot kediaman dan daripada jumlah itu, sebanyak 124 lot telah diperuntukkan. Terdapat baki 64 lot belum diperuntukkan kepada pemohon. Daripada jumlah tersebut, 60 lot dijangka akan diagihkan pada penghujung tahun ini setelah proses penyemakan ke atas permohonan yang diterima dibuat. Manakala, empat (4) lot pula kini dalam pertimbangan untuk pengagihan dalam masa terdekat. Cadangan bagi pelaksanaan SPK Kampung Tambak dan SPK Beladin pula, tidak diluluskan manakala belum ada perancangan buat masa ini untuk melaksanakan pembangunan SPK bagi kawasan Pusa. Berhubung dengan pengeluaran surat hak milik tanah kampung tradisional kepada penduduk Kampung Pusa iaitu Kampung Hilir, Tengah dan Hulu, di Beladin, Semarang, Spinang dan Tambak, sejumlah 2,037 surat hak milik telah dikeluarkan.

Sementara itu, permohonan oleh penduduk Kampung Batang Maro akan dipertimbangkan semula walaupun tidak diluluskan pada tahun 2014. Manakala permohonan bagi Kampung Tok Godam belum diterima setakat ini.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Beting Maro juga, pertapakan untuk Pusat Pentadbiran Baharu Pusa telah diluluskan oleh Majlis Perancangan Negeri (MPN) pada tahun 2017 yang melibatkan komponen pejabat pentadbiran, kuarters serta rumah rehat Kerajaan. Selain tapak pusat pentadbiran baharu ini, Pelan Tempatan kawasan Pusa juga menyediakan zon guna tanah untuk kawasan kediaman, komersil, dewan komuniti, kawasan rekreasi awam, kemudahan sukan dan sebagainya. Walau bagaimanapun, pelaksanaan projek-projek ini tertakluk kepada peruntukan kepada agensi-agensinya.



Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tamin, rekod individu pemilik tanah NCR yang menyertai pembangunan di bawah projek NCL *Development* diselenggarakan oleh PELITA sebagai ejen pengurusan. Setelah tamat tempoh perjanjian pembangunan tersebut, surat hak milik tanah individu akan dikeluarkan kepada mereka berdasarkan rekod sedia ada. Namun demikian sebagai bukti pemilikan, setiap peserta projek diberi Surat Pengesahan Peserta Projek yang antara lain mengandungi maklumat seperti keluasan dan lokasi tanah NCR tersebut. Pemberian dokumen ini merupakan proses yang berterusan.

Berhubung dengan pelaksanaan Program Pengukuran Tanah Hak Adat Bumiputera (NCR) Inisiatif Baharu, ingin saya ulangi bahawa peruntukan bagi membiayai program ini datang daripada Kerajaan Persekutuan yang disalurkan melalui Program Khas Bumiputera untuk Sabah dan Sarawak. Di bawah Rancangan Malaysia Ke-11, sejumlah RM90 juta telah diluluskan. Setakat ini, lebih kurang RM50 juta telah diperuntukkan. Kerajaan Negeri akan meneruskan kerjasama dengan Kerajaan Persekutuan untuk memastikan peruntukan dana bagi tujuan program ini diteruskan dan ditambah lagi kalau boleh.

Mengenai kemajuan pengukuran NCR Inisiatif Baharu di kawasan DUN Tamin, setakat 30 Jun 2018, sembilan belas kawasan seluas lebih kurang 88,482 hektar telah diluluskan untuk pengukuran perimeter di bawah Program Pengukuran Tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu. Daripada jumlah ini, sebanyak tujuh belas kawasan seluas 61,289 hektar telah siap diukur perimeter. Manakala satu kawasan lagi seluas 3,333 hektar akan diukur dan satu lagi seluas 482 hektar terlibat dengan bantahan di lapangan. Bagi pengukuran lot individu pula, empat kawasan seluas 37,626 hektar telah diluluskan untuk pengukuran lot individu tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu. Bagi keempat-empat kawasan tersebut, 961 hektar telah siap diukur lot individu yang menghasilkan 278 lot. Daripada jumlah ini, 63 lot telah pun dikeluarkan surat hak milik tanah di bawah Seksyen 18 Kanun Tanah Negeri.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Dudong, perancangan pembangunan di Sarawak dilakukan secara berpusat dan holistik melalui Majlis Perancangan Negeri (MPN). Ini untuk membolehkan perancangan, kawalan pembangunan dan penguatkuasaan dilakukan secara menyeluruh dan tidak "*fragmented*". Walau bagaimanapun, input tempatan (*local input*) tetap diambil kira terutama dari agensi teknikal seperti Pihak Berkuasa Tempatan, Pejabat Daerah, DID, JKR, SRB dan DCA serta pihak berkepentingan dalam proses menyediakan pelan pembangunan dan mempertimbangkan sesuatu permohonan pembangunan.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tanjong Batu, Pelan Induk *Samalaju Industrial Park and Township* yang telah diluluskan oleh Kerajaan merangkumi pelbagai komponen pembangunan termasuklah sekolah dan klinik yang akan dibangunkan secara berperingkat-peringkat mengikut keperluan. Setakat ini, permohonan pertapakan bagi pembinaan Klinik Kesihatan Samalaju telah diterima daripada pihak Jabatan Kesihatan Negeri Sarawak. Permohonan ini sedang dalam pertimbangan pihak Kementerian.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Lingga, di kawasan Lingga, terdapat tiga (3) Skim Pembesaran Kampung sedia ada yang dikenali sebagai Kampung Hulu Lingga Extension, SPK Kampung Lingga *Phase 1* dan SPK Kampung Lingga *Phase 2 Stage 1*. Sementara itu, di kawasan Maludam pula, terdapat dua Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK) iaitu SPK Maludam dan SPK Hilir Baru Maludam yang dilaksanakan oleh Kerajaan. Kelima-lima skim ini masih mempunyai baki lot kediaman sebanyak 216 lot yang kini dalam proses pengagihan kepada mereka yang layak. Skim-skim yang dilaksanakan ini dilengkapi dengan kemudahan infrastruktur asas seperti bekalan elektrik, bekalan air, sistem perparitan, jalan raya dan tapak rumah ibadat.

Bagi Kampung Hilir, Kampung Tengah dan Kampung Hulu Stumbin pula, pihak Jawatankuasa Kemajuan Kampung (JKKK) bolehlah mengemukakan permohonan kepada Jabatan Tanah dan Survei untuk pertimbangan bagi pelaksanaan SPK di kampung-kampung tersebut.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Balingian, cadangan pembesaran kampung untuk Kampung Litong dan Kampung Sau bolehlah dikemukakan kepada Jabatan Tanah dan Survei untuk pertimbangan Kerajaan.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Balingian juga, Kerajaan telah melaksanakan Matading/Bedengan *Sub-Centre* dan Kuala Balingian *Sub-Centre* dalam kawasan DUN Balingian. Pelaksanaan Matading/Bedengan *Sub-Centre* dilaksanakan dalam dua (2) fasa. Fasa 1 telah disiapkan dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-10 iaitu merangkumi jalan gravel sepanjang 3.7 kilometer untuk kemudahan bagi sejumlah 317 lot kediaman. Manakala Fasa 2 pula telah disiapkan dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-11 yang melibatkan pembinaan jalan berturap sepanjang 2.7 kilometer.

Dalam pada itu, Kuala Balingian *Sub-Centre* juga dilaksanakan melalui dua (2) fasa. Fasa 1 telah disiapkan dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-10 dengan pembinaan jalan *gravel* sepanjang 2.5 kilometer. Pembangunan seterusnya untuk *service centre* ini akan diteruskan oleh pihak PELITA. Buat masa ini, Kerajaan belum mempunyai rancangan untuk membangunkan *service centre* yang lain di kawasan DUN Balingian.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Simunjan, pihak PELITA sedang mengemaskini pindaan Pelan Pembangunan Bandar Baharu Simunjan termasuk mendapatkan maklum balas daripada Ahli Yang Berhormat dalam tempoh terdekat ini sebelum dikemukakan kepada pihak Majlis Perancangan Negeri untuk pertimbangan.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Simunjan juga, satu tapak berkeluasan 52 hektar yang terletak bersebelahan dengan SPS Simunjan telah pun dikenal pasti untuk tujuan mewujudkan skim pembesaran kampung di kawasan berkenaan. Cadangan pelaksanaan skim pembesaran kampung ini akan dimasukkan dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12. Kawasan yang dicadangkan ini merupakan kawasan yang sama yang dicadangkan oleh Pejabat Daerah Simunjan.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Pujut, bidang tanah yang terletak di antara Jalan Pujut 3 dan 4 yang dikatakan sesuai untuk kegunaan pusat sukan dan rekreasi merupakan tanah milik Pesuruhjaya Tanah Persekutuan (FLC) iaitu Lot 2317 dan Lot 2519, *Miri Concession Land District*. Memandangkan tanah tersebut merupakan hak milik Kerajaan Persekutuan, saya mengesyorkan supaya Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Pujut membawa perkara ini kepada Kerajaan Pusat untuk pertimbangan.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kalaka, lot perumahan di Pagan Hilir, Saratok itu merujuk kepada Skim Pembesaran Kampung Kupang. Pembinaan prasarana asas telah dicadangkan untuk dilaksanakan dalam Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-11 namun tidak diluluskan. Projek ini akan dicadangkan semula untuk dilaksanakan dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12 kelak.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Serembu, setakat 30 Jun 2018, sebanyak 75 kawasan komuniti Bidayuh seluas 113,124 hektar (279,529 ekar) telah siap diukur perimeter di bawah Program Pengukuran Tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu. Sebanyak empat (4) kawasan lagi seluas 19,817 hektar (48,968 ekar) juga telah siap diukur perimeter tanah NCR melibatkan tuntutan campuran komuniti Bidayuh dan Melayu. Bagi pengukuran lot individu tanah NCR di bawah program ini pula, sebanyak 2,911 lot seluas 2,073 hektar telah diukur

lot individu melibatkan kawasan komuniti Bidayuh. Daripada jumlah tersebut, sebanyak 1,606 lot telah dikeluarkan dengan surat hak milik tanah.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Murum, berdasarkan rekod Jabatan Tanah dan Survei, kawasan asal tapak empangan dan kawasan yang telah ditenggelami air yang tertakluk kepada tuntutan Hak Adat Bumiputera yang sah telah pun dibayar pampasan. Berhubung dengan dakwaan bahawa paras air yang sebenar lebih tinggi daripada paras jangkaan asal, perkara ini akan dirujuk kepada pemilik HEP Bakun. Tindakan sewajarnya akan diambil setelah disahkan oleh pihak pemilik HEP Bakun kelak. Merujuk kepada permohonan pengukuran Tanah Hak Adat Bumiputera di kawasan tersebut, sekiranya ini tertakluk kepada hak adat bumiputera yang sah, maka kerja pengukuran akan dilaksanakan melalui program Pengukuran Tanah Hak Adat Bumiputera Inisiatif Baharu (NCR).

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Krian, maklumat *Provisional Lease* merupakan domain awam yang boleh didapati melalui carian di kaunter ataupun melalui perkhidmatan dalam talian eLASIS. Manakala maklumat berkaitan dengan *shareholder* juga boleh didapati daripada pihak Suruhanjaya Syarikat Malaysia (SSM).

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Sadong Jaya, skim Pembesaran Kampung Jemukan telah diluluskan dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-11 manakala cadangan Skim Pembesaran Kampung Iboi, Pelanduk tidak diluluskan namun ianya akan dikemukakan semula dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12. Bagi SPK Semera pula, pelaksanaannya akan dilakukan dalam dua (2) fasa. SPK Semera Fasa 1 yang menyediakan sebanyak 336 lot kediaman. Daripada jumlah itu, 302 lot telah diagihkan. SPK Semera Fasa 2 Peringkat 1 pula menyediakan 170 lot kediaman dan kesemuanya telah diagihkan. Manakala SPK Semera Fasa 2 Peringkat 2 tidak diluluskan dalam Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-11. Oleh itu, projek ini akan dikemukakan semula dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Saribas, Kerajaan telah melaksanakan satu (1) Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK) di kawasan DUN Saribas iaitu SPK Debak Laut yang mempunyai 122 lot kediaman. Daripada jumlah tersebut, sebanyak 70 lot telah diagihkan. Dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-11, terdapat lima (5) SPK lagi telah diluluskan untuk dilaksanakan iaitu SPK Sebemban, SPK Balingan, SPK Manggut, SPK Serembang dan SPK Bungin yang akan menyediakan sejumlah 638 lot kediaman.

Pembangunan prasarana asas bagi kelima-lima skim ini dirancang untuk disiapkan sebelum penghujung Rancangan Malaysia Ke-11. Jabatan Tanah dan Survei (JTS) juga telah mengemukakan cadangan pelaksanaan Skim Pembesaran Kampung Tuie dan Skim Pembesaran Kampung Debak dalam Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-11 namun kedua-duanya tidak diluluskan. Jabatan Tanah dan Survei (JTS) akan mengemukakan semula cadangan bagi kedua-dua skim ini dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12.

Manakala bagi Kampung Tanjung Assam, Kampung Buda, Kampung Supa, Kampung Medang, Kampung Serabang dan Kampung Dit, pihak Jabatan Tanah dan Survei belum menerima sebarang permohonan rasmi bagi mewujudkan skim-skim pembesaran kampung tersebut.

Komponen kediaman di Tanjung Assam-Sebemban-Balingan *Service Centre* merujuk kepada tapak Skim Pembesaran Kampung Sebemban yang telah diluluskan oleh Majlis Perancangan Negeri pada 21 Julai 2016. Pembinaan prasarana asas bagi SPK Sebemban ini dijangka akan disiapkan pada penghujung tahun ini.

Komponen kediaman turut disediakan di Supa-Tuie-Manggut *Service Centre* fasa II namun penyediaan prasarananya akan dicadangkan dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Saribas juga, Jabatan Tanah dan Survei telah menerima permohonan pertapakan seluas 60 ekar daripada Majlis Islam Sarawak (MAIS), bagi mewujudkan tapak perkuburan Islam berpusat untuk Kampung Buda, Balingan, Sebemban dan Tg. Assam Spaoh. Permohonan ini akan dikemukakan kepada Majlis Perancangan Negeri (MPN) untuk kelulusan setelah penyiasatan terperinci dilakukan.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Lambir, seperti yang telah saya jelaskan di Dewan yang mulia ini pada sesi DUN Mei 2017 yang lalu, kawasan perkampungan Lusut, Lambir seluas 287.4 hektar telah diwartakan pada 4 Mei 2016 sebagai Rizab Kerajaan (Kampung) di bawah Seksyen 7 (Kanun Tanah Negeri). Walaupun demikian, Jabatan Tanah dan Survei tidak dapat menyiapkan kerja pengukuran kerana terdapat bantahan daripada segelintir pemilik rumah di kawasan berkenaan. Oleh itu, saya memohon agar Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Lambir turut membantu dalam menasihatkan mereka yang membantah untuk memberi kerjasama sepenuhnya kepada Jabatan Tanah dan Survei.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Lambir juga, Kerajaan telah memutuskan untuk pengeluaran surat hak milik tanah di kawasan Bakam dan Beraya dibuat melalui Operasi Penyelesaian Tanah di bawah Bahagian V (5) Kanun Tanah Negeri (KTN). Operasi penyelesaian ini telah pun dimulakan. Sementara itu, tuntutan ke atas tanah hendaklah dikemukakan kepada Jabatan Tanah dan Survei Bahagian Miri mulai 2 hingga 30 Ogos 2018. Surat hak milik tanah hanya akan dikeluarkan sekiranya tanah yang dituntut merupakan tanah hak adat bumiputera yang sah dan bebas daripada sebarang pertikaian.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Machan, permohonan untuk pengukuran rumah panjang di kawasan DUN Machan boleh dikemukakan kepada Jabatan Tanah dan Survei Bahagian Sibu untuk pertimbangan. Jika diluluskan, kawasan ini akan diwartakan sama ada di bawah Seksyen 6 atau Seksyen 7, Kanun Tanah Negeri (KTN) sebagai Rizab Komunal Bumiputera (Rumah Panjang) tertakluk kepada status tanah yang diduduki sekarang.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Opar, setakat ini Jabatan Tanah dan Survei telah menerima sebanyak 19 permohonan bagi Program Pengukuran Perimeter Tanah Hak Adat Bumiputera Inisiatif Baharu di kawasan DUN Opar. Daripada jumlah permohonan tersebut, 16 permohonan telah diluluskan dan sepuluh (10) daripadanya telah diukur. Sembilan (9) daripada sepuluh (10) kawasan ini telah diwartakan di bawah Seksyen 6 Kanun Tanah Negeri. Dua (2) kawasan sedang dalam proses pengukuran dan satu (1) lagi kawasan akan diukur dalam masa terdekat manakala tiga (3) lagi didapati bertindih dengan hutan simpan dan kawasan pembangunan tanah SALCRA.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Bukit Goram, Kerajaan mengambil maklum akan cadangan untuk mewujudkan *Kapit New Township di Jalan Kapit/Nanga Yong*. Walau bagaimanapun cadangan ini memerlukan kajian terperinci dari pelbagai faktor seperti aspek kesesuaian tapak sebelum pertimbangan dapat dibuat.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kabong, cadangan untuk menyediakan prasarana asas bagi skim Kampung Gerigat, Kampung Empelam dan Kampung Sessang yang telah dikemukakan dalam Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-11 tidak diluluskan. Oleh itu, pihak Jabatan Tanah dan Survei akan mengemukakan semula cadangan tersebut dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12 untuk pertimbangan. Walau bagaimanapun bagi SPK Sungai Endot, Kerajaan akan memberi keutamaan untuk menyediakan prasarana asas dalam tempoh Rancangan Malaysia Ke-11.

### *Dasar Perhutanan di Sarawak*

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan sangat komited untuk menguruskan hutan secara mampan dan memastikan sektor perhutanan terus memainkan peranan yang signifikan kepada pertumbuhan ekonomi negeri. Kementerian saya bersama-sama dengan agensi perhutanan seperti Jabatan Hutan Sarawak, Sarawak Forestry Corporation, STIDC dan Harwood Timber Sdn Bhd sedang dalam proses mengkaji semula dasar-dasar mengenai perhutanan dan industri perkayuan bagi memastikan dasar-dasar tersebut mengambil kira perkembangan semasa serta dapat memberi faedah yang lebih optimum kepada Negeri Sarawak.

#### *Sustainable Forest Management (SFM)*

Tuan Speaker, Negeri Sarawak telah lama mengamalkan sistem pengurusan hutan secara mampan (*Sustainable Forest Management*). Sebagai langkah memperkasakan sistem pengurusan hutan di kawasan *Heart of Borneo*, Kerajaan pada tahun 2015 mengarahkan semua pemilik lesen pembalakan jangka panjang di kawasan tersebut wajib mendapatkan pensijilan pengurusan hutan. Manakala untuk kawasan di luar *Heart of Borneo*, Kerajaan juga menghendaki pelesen-pelesen pembalakan jangka panjang mendapatkan pensijilan pengurusan hutan menjelang tahun 2022.

Sebanyak 23 *Forest Management Unit* (FMU) telah mengemukakan Pelan Pengurusan Hutan (*Forest Management Plan*) dan daripada jumlah ini, sembilan (9) Pelan Pengurusan Hutan telah diluluskan, manakala enam (6) FMU telah melalui pelbagai peringkat auditan. Sehingga kini, sebanyak tiga (3) FMU telah berjaya mendapatkan pensijilan pengurusan hutan di Sarawak.

Di samping itu, Kerajaan turut menggalakkan pelesen-pelesen ladang hutan untuk mendapatkan persijilan pengurusan ladang hutan. Sehingga kini, terdapat enam (6) *Forest Plantation Management Unit* (FPMU) telah berjaya mendapatkan pensijilan tersebut.

Bagi membantu para pelesen mendapatkan pensijilan hutan ini, pihak SFC telah melaksanakan program "*internship conservation*" bagi menyediakan latihan kepada graduan muda agar mereka mahir dalam pelbagai aspek terhadap kawasan Unit Pengurusan Hutan (FMU). Pada tahun 2017, 13 orang pelatih telah menamatkan kursus dalam program ini dan sekarang mereka telah berjaya bekerja dengan syarikat-syarikat pembalakan. Manakala 13 orang lagi masih menjalani program latihan selama sembilan (9) bulan.

#### *Operasi Membanteras Pembalakan Haram*

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, Kerajaan amat serius dalam usaha banteras pembalakan haram. Kita akan terus memperkasakan lagi operasi pencegahan aktiviti haram tersebut dengan menggunakan teknologi terkini seperti *remote sensing, hyperspectral, compact airborne tactical (CAT)* dan *drone* bagi memastikan pengesanan awal dapat dilakukan. Ini penting bagi memastikan hutan terpelihara dan pembalakan haram dapat dibanteras sepenuhnya.

Bagi tempoh Januari hingga Jun 2018, sebanyak 44 kes pembalakan haram telah disiasat dengan isi padu balak rampasan sebanyak 6,697 meter padu dengan nilai royaltinya RM435,287. Daripada jumlah tersebut, satu (1) kes telah selesai didakwa di mahkamah, manakala sebanyak 26 kes tiada suspek dan 17 kes masih dalam siasatan. Dalam tempoh yang sama, empat (4) orang pesalah telah dijatuhkan hukuman penjara 10 bulan atas kesalahan memiliki hasil hutan secara haram.

Pada tahun 2017, sebanyak 144 kes pembalakan haram telah dikesan dengan isipadu balak rampasan berjumlah 18,114 meter padu dengan nilai royaltinya RM1.17 juta.

*RIMBA Sarawak*

Tuan Speaker, Research for Intensified Management of Bio-rich Areas of Sarawak or RIMBA Sarawak was established in 2015 to provide a platform for international collaborative research in the conservation of our diverse flora and fauna. Currently, six (6) projects are being implemented in Lanjak Entimau Wild Life Sanctuary.

Another similar project is now being implemented at Binyo-Mina Conservation Area with Louisiana State University on Birds Ecology study. Since the implementation of RIMBA, 15 new species of insects and plants were discovered.

A total of seven (7) local scientists, five (5) field staffs and 58 local communities (on rotation basis), participate with foreign scientist under the RIMBA project. Specific and specialized training were conducted for three (3) Field Assistants by Hornbill Research Foundation expert on tree climbing, nest survey, maintenance and repair. One (1) staff was sent to train on hornbill research and management in Khoa Yai National Park and Budo National Park, Thailand from the 12 to 24 May 2018. Other specialized training includes two (2) staffs to undergo phenology and botanical training with National University Singapore (NUS) on October 2018 and training on specimen preparation of Avifauna by Smithsonian's Institution from 11 to 12 July 2018. RIMBA has produced a total of eight (8) publications through international on-line articles, journals, newsletter, magazines and conferences.

*Research and Development on Value Added Products from Plantation Timber*

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak Forestry Corporation had completed the R&D on properties and utilization of Sarawak timber from natural forests. These R&D findings will be used for the development of value added timber products by the industry.

Emphasis is also being given on R&D on value-added product from plantation timber to utilize these fast growing species beyond pulp and paper. These include the production of glue-laminated timber (glulam) and treated timber for structural and outdoor purposes.

Research on polymerized wood (Wood polymer materials by inserting resins or chemicals into wood) produced from five (5) year old fast growing species of Batai, Kelampayan and *Eucalyptus pellita* is also being conducted. This will enhance the physical and mechanical properties of the young plantation timber for manufacturing of value-added products in the future.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tanjung Datu, bagi menambah baik kemudahan yang sedia ada di Taman Negara Tanjung Datu dan Taman Negara Talang-Satang, pihak Sarawak Energy Berhad (SEB) telah membekalkan sistem solar untuk menjanakan elektrik di taman-taman tersebut.

Manakala, bagi Taman Negara Gunung Gading, kerja-kerja menaiktaraf *plank walk* di sekitar kawasan pemuliharaan bunga pakma (*rafflesia*) telah dilaksanakan. Kerja-kerja naik taraf kemudahan sedia ada di beberapa taman negara dalam kawasan Tanjung Datu akan dilaksanakan di bawah Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-11.

Sarawak Forestry Corporation (SFC) sedang bekerjasama dengan pihak Sarawak Multimedia Authority (SMA) untuk meningkatkan capaian internet dan liputan talian komunikasi di beberapa buah taman negara yang menerima kedatangan pelawat yang tinggi termasuk Taman Negara Tanjung Datu.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Lingga, kemudahan asas di Taman Negara Maludam sudah disediakan. Walau bagaimanapun, bekalan air dan elektrik perlu dinaik taraf dengan menyambungkannya kepada grid utama dan saluran paip utama. Ini akan dilaksanakan pada tahun ini.

Selain itu, *Sarawak Forestry Corporation (SFC)* dengan kerjasama *Divisional Tourism Task Force Group (DTTG)* Sri Aman, sedang merangka program untuk membangunkan Pulau Seduku sebagai produk eko-pelancongan berasaskan buaya.

Di samping itu, pada awal tahun ini, masyarakat di sekeliling Taman Negara Gunung Lesong telah menubuhkan satu Jawatankuasa Pembangunan Eko-Pelancongan Komuniti yang bertujuan untuk menaik taraf sosio-ekonomi komuniti setempat melalui aktiviti pelancongan di samping membantu Kerajaan dalam melindungi alam semula jadi di taman negara tersebut.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Simunjan, Kementerian saya mengambil berat untuk melindungi kawasan yang mempunyai kepelbagaian biodiversiti yang tinggi dan tempat bersejarah. Memandangkan Gunung Ngeli yang berkeluasan kurang daripada 1,000 hektar merupakan tapak bersejarah dan berpotensi sebagai tarikan pelancong, Kerajaan akan mempertimbangkan untuk mewartakan kawasan tersebut sebagai rizab semula jadi (*Nature Reserve*) jika perlu.

#### *Prestasi Industri Perakayuan*

Tuan Speaker, pada suku pertama tahun 2018 nilai eksport barangan kayu telah mencatat RM1.3 bilion, menurun sebanyak 23.5% berbanding dengan RM1.7 bilion dalam tempoh yang sama tahun 2017. Penyusutan ini disebabkan oleh penurunan dalam pengeksportan balak dan produk-produk utama seperti kayu bergergaji, papan lapis, venir ekor dan pengurangan dan kekangan keluaran balak.

Pada masa ini, Kerajaan sedang giat melaksanakan pelan tindakan transformasi industri perakayuan untuk terus memajukan pertumbuhan industri hiliran. Antara lain, Kerajaan akan menubuhkan *Anchor Program*, memperluaskan penggunaan bahan mentah dari ladang hutan, melaksanakan program *Pool of Young Designers (POYOD)* dan mempergiatkan program galakan pasaran. Bagi memperkukuhkan pertumbuhan industri perakayuan pada masa hadapan, Kerajaan melalui PUSAKA sedang menjalankan kajian untuk menggubal pelan induk jangka panjang (2020-2040) bagi industri ini. Kajian tersebut dijangka siap pada penghujung bulan November 2018.

Pelan Induk ini akan merangkumi aspek-aspek yang berikut:

- i. Meningkatkan keluasan ladang hutan dan memastikan pemilihan spesis kayu yang bersesuaian dan benih yang berkualiti tinggi;
- ii. Meningkatkan R&D dalam bidang perladangan hutan dan produk kayu;
- iii. Melatih semula pekerja-pekerja dalam industri ladang hutan dan industri perakayuan;
- iv. Menerapkan teknologi tinggi dalam operasi pengeluaran produk kayu selaras dengan peralihan penggunaan kayu dari hutan asli kepada ladang hutan;
- v. Meningkatkan kolaborasi dengan pihak industri, institusi-institusi pengajian tinggi dan institusi penyelidikan yang dianggap bersesuaian di dalam dan luar negara; dan
- vi. Mengukuhkan pasaran sedia ada dan meneroka pasaran baharu.

#### *Pemeliharaan Alam Sekitar*

Tuan Speaker, pemeliharaan dan pengawalan kualiti alam sekitar tidak akan dikompromi dalam usaha rancak Kerajaan melaksanakan pelbagai aktiviti pembangunan. Melalui penguatkuasaan Ordinan Sumber Asli dan Alam Sekitar 1993 (Ed. 1958) keperluan kajian impak alam sekitar atau EIA bagi semua projek pembangunan yang tersenarai di bawah *Natural Resources and Environment (Prescribed Activities) Order* 1994, sebarang impak negatif daripada pelaksanaan projek-projek berkenaan akan dapat dibendung atau dikurangkan.

Bagi memastikan syarat kelulusan EIA dipatuhi, pada tahun 2017 pihak NREB telah menjalankan pemantauan di lapangan yang melibatkan 1,408 tapak projek yang sedang dalam peringkat pelaksanaan atau masih beroperasi di Sarawak. Purata peratusan pematuhan terhadap terma dan syarat kelulusan EIA juga tinggi, iaitu melebihi 80% sejak tahun 2013 sehingga 2017. Pada tahun 2017, pihak NREB telah mengeluarkan sebanyak 257 Surat Arahan (*Directive Letters*), 27 Kertas Siasatan (*Investigation Paper*) dan sembilan (9) kompaun yang berjumlah RM93,200.

Di samping itu, pada awal tahun 2018, sebuah syarikat perladangan telah didakwa atas kesalahan melakukan aktiviti pembakaran terbuka tanpa permit. Mahkamah telah menjatuhkan hukuman denda sebanyak RM39 ribu ke atas syarikat tersebut.

#### *Pemantauan Kualiti Udara*

Jabatan Alam Sekitar (JAS) Sarawak dan NREB sentiasa bekerjasama untuk memantau dan memastikan kualiti udara di negeri ini sentiasa bersih dan sihat. Pihak JAS Sarawak mengendalikan 13 buah stesen pemantauan kualiti udara (*Air Quality Monitoring Station – AQMS*) di bandar-bandar utama dan kawasan perindustrian. Sementara itu, pihak NREB pula memantau kualiti udara dan jerebu rentas sempadan di tiga (3) stesen yang terletak di perbatasan Negeri Sarawak. Maklumat mengenai tinjauan cuaca yang dilaporkan oleh Jabatan Meteorologi meramalkan bahawa bulan Julai hingga Disember 2018 tinjauan cuaca berada dalam keadaan normal dengan jangkakan jumlah hujan bulanan 140 milimeter hingga 580 milimeter kecuali bagi bulan Ogos 2018 cuaca dijangka sedikit di bawah normal. Oleh yang demikian, diramalkan bahawa kita tidak akan berdepan dengan masalah jerebu.

#### *Supply of Jet A1 Fuel Issue*

Tuan Speaker, with regards to the local participation in the supply of Jet A1 fuel in Sarawak as raised by Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pelawan, indeed, the market share for the Jet A1 fuel is still largely controlled by PETRONAS (85%) and the balance of 15% by Shell and a local Sarawak Company. The contract for the supply of Jet A1 fuel is based on successful open bidding by the major airlines (Malaysian Airlines, Malindo, Air Asia).

In the past, the State had assisted to facilitate the necessary approvals from Malaysia Airport Holdings Berhad (MAHB) for the local company to be able to participate in the bidding process. We thank Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pelawan for highlighting this matter and we will continue to monitor the progress of local participation in the supply of Jet A1 fuel in Sarawak.

#### *Penutup*

Tuan Speaker, demikianlah Ucapan Penggulangan saya bagi Kementerian Pembangunan Bandar dan Sumber Asli. Saya berharap perkara-perkara yang telah saya sebutkan tadi dapat menjawab pelbagai isu yang dibangkitkan oleh Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat pada persidangan kali ini.

Sekian, terima kasih.

**Tuan Speaker:** Honourable Minister, your winding up sebagai Menteri Pembangunan Perindustrian dan Usahawan. You want to continue or you want a break?



**Menteri Pembangunan Perindustrian dan Usahawan (YB Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah Bin Ali Hasan):** I will continue.

**Tuan Speaker:** You continue? Okay. Please proceed.

**Menteri Pembangunan Perindustrian dan Usahawan (YB Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah Bin Ali Hasan):** *Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker. Kementerian Pembangunan Perindustrian dan Usahawan.* I will now report on the achievements, efforts and direction of my Ministry to spearhead the industrial growth and entrepreneur development of Sarawak.

*Industrial Development Performance of the State's Manufacturing Sector*

*Performance In 2017*

In 2017, under the Industrial Coordination Act 1975 (ICA), Sarawak managed to attract 20 projects worth RM10.5 billion, which was the third highest investment in Malaysia after Johor (RM21.9 billion) and Penang (RM10.8 billion).

The RM10.5 billion investments approved were mainly in the following sectors:

- i. Petroleum related products – RM9.3 billion (*Liquefied Natural Gas*);
- ii. Non-Metallic Mineral Products – RM700.7 million (*Cement*); and
- iii. Electronics & Electrical Products – RM300 million (*Solar Silicon Ingots*).

These projects are expected to create about 750 employment opportunities in the State.

For the same year, the State Industrial Coordination Committee (ICC) had also approved 44 projects totalling RM260 million mainly in Services (*Warehouse, Transportation and Logistics*), Food Manufacturing (*Ice Plant, Frozen Goods, Sauce, etc.*), Non-Metallic Mineral Products (*Concrete Poles, Marble, Granite and Natural Stone Products*), Basic Metal Products, Transport Equipment Products, Wood and Woodbased Products, etc.

These investments are expected to create about 1,200 employment opportunities in the State.

*Performance in 2018*

As at June 2018, State Industrial Coordination Committee (ICC) had approved four (4) ICA projects totalling RM2.28 billion, mainly on *Electronic and Electrical Products, Basic Metal Products, Wood and Woodbased Products and Non Metallic Mineral Products*). These projects are expected to create about 320 employment opportunities in the State.

For the same period, the State ICC had also approved eight (8) ICC projects totalling RM75.75 million mainly in Services, Wood and Woodbased Products, HDPE products and furniture, etc. Five (5) projects worth RM65 million are still under consideration. These investments are expected to create about 310 employment opportunities.

*Sarawak Corridor of Renewable Energy (SCORE)*

Tuan Speaker, to date, SCORE has successfully attracted a total investment of RM33.64 billion, which does not include the proposed RM17 billion Steel Project and RM6 billion Methanol Project that are still at the evaluation stage.

In order to expedite the development of central and northern regions, the Government has expanded the area of SCORE and established three (3) agencies under RECODA, namely:

- (a) Upper Rajang Development Agency (URDA).  
Which is to oversee the development of Upper Rajang region, encompassing Kapit and part of Southern Bintulu;
- (b) Highland Development Agency (HDA).  
To oversee the development of Baram Highland area, including Bario, Mulu, Ba'kelalan, Meligan and part of Marudi District; and
- (c) Northern Region Development Agency (NRDA).  
To oversee the development of the Northern Region, encompassing Limbang Division.

Consequently, the boundary of SCORE is now being enlarged from 7.07 million hectares (7,070,900 ha) to 10.4 million hectares (10,414,239 ha) to cover new areas in Miri and Limbang Divisions.

Tuan Speaker, I am very perturbed by the comments of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tanjung Batu where he seems to have a strong views against foreign investments in Samalaju Industrial Park (SIP). Every country in the world is looking for FDI and we are no exception. Sarawak is not only competing with other States in Malaysia, but also with neighbouring countries. Some countries are even offering better incentives to entice FDI. Bintulu would not have enjoyed its rapid pace of development to be what it is today if it is not for oil and gas industry, which also involves foreign investments.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tanjung Batu, not all investments in SIP are owned by foreigners. Press Metal Bintulu Sdn Bhd is a Malaysian owned company whereas OM Materials (Sarawak) Sdn Bhd, Pertama Ferroalloys Sdn. Bhd. and Malaysian Phosphate Additives (Sarawak) Sdn Bhd have Sarawak local equity participation. Therefore, it is incorrect to claim that SIP is only for foreign investors.

Samalaju Industrial Park is established to attract energy intensive industries where the technologies, expertise and know-how required are new to our country. These industries act as trigger industries that have the potentials to create their respective clusters, thereby creating more business opportunities for the local SMEs.

I am pleased to inform that the industries operating within the SIP are already engaging the local SMEs for transport and logistics, maintenance, consultancy services, construction works, supply and services. On average, the monthly operating expenditure of the industries in SIP amounts to RM500 million thereby benefiting the local economy. Consequently, the development of SIP has contributed to the accelerated growth of real estate in Bintulu.

Currently, the industries in SIP employ a total of 6,755 workers where 3,690 or 54.6% are Sarawakians, 100 or 1.5% are non-Sarawakians and 2,965 or 43.9% are foreigners. These foreign workers are engaged mainly in jobs where the working conditions are tough and not attractive to the locals. And of course, the State Government want more locals to be employed but there are jobs that the locals just simply refuse to take it up. And the State Government's target is to achieve 70% of local workforce in SIP.

As Samalaju Township is gradually developing, it will take time for the amenities such as schools, clinics, bomba and the police station to be in place. Sites for these amenities have been identified and are waiting for funding.

SCORE initiative has brought about many positive socio-economic impacts. Apart from attracting huge investments particularly at Samalaju Industrial Park, SCORE has also opened up the hinterlands for development. Therefore, it is imperative that the Federal Government continues to provide sufficient funds for infrastructure development in the SCORE region...*(Interruption)*...

**YB Encik Chiew Chiu Sing:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. Ya, we welcome foreign direct investment. That is for sure we all support. But as there is so much concern on the oil and gas industry in Bintulu, especially the LNG plants, that there has been so much outcry that the PETRONAS MLNG is getting so much, we are getting so little. And that is because, in order to avoid this, because right now, we are all fighting for more rights. That's because in the past maybe we have not been able to emphasize that much. So, whether the Minister have measures or how are we going to increase the local contents in our industry so that we do not get caught up with this kind of problem that we are facing now in the MLNG and oil and gas industry. Thank you.

**Menteri Pembangunan Perindustrian dan Usahawan (YB Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah bin Ali Hasan):** Thank you. Thank you very much for your comments. I will take note of your comments. Thank you. Ya, that is also our aspirations to have more local participations. Thank you.

#### *Sama Jaya High Tech Park*

Tuan Speaker, the State Government's effort to establish Sama Jaya High Tech Park in Kuching has resulted in a successful and thriving electronics and electrical cluster in Sarawak, with total investments valued at more than RM12 billion.

With global demand picking up in the last few years, several multinational corporations have embarked on expansions of their operations to cater for the increasing demand, including:

- i. Capacity expansion of X-FAB Sarawak Sdn. Bhd. through installation of new production equipment worth RM499 million;
- ii. LONGi (Kuching) Sdn. Bhd is investing an additional RM300 million to expand its solar production line from ingots and wafers to cells and modules;
- iii. Taiyo Yuden (Sarawak) Sdn. Bhd. is also investing an additional RM493 million in a new facility that will cater to the increasing demand in the global Multi-layer Ceramic Capacitor (MLCC) market;
- iv. Toko Electronics (Sarawak) Sdn. Bhd. invested RM105 million to upgrade its machinery and equipment; while
- v. Iljin Materials Malaysia Sdn. Bhd. from South Korea has started the construction of its production facilities and is expected to complete by the end of 2018. The total investment from Iljin for the production of copperfoil used in smartphones and electric vehicles is estimated at RM2.2 billion.

The Park has continued to grow and has increased its workforce, generated millions in wages as well as billions in exports. For 2017, total wages paid out in Sama Jaya was RM380 million, while the exports stood at RM3.2 billion. All these have created many spin-offs into the local economy as well as created more business opportunities for our local SMEs such as construction works, supply of equipment and machinery, transportation, warehousing and logistics, catering, laundry, repairs and maintenance, etc.

Tuan Speaker, for the information of this august House, I am happy to report that Sama Jaya has a very high %age of Sarawakians in its workforce. Currently, Sama Jaya has a workforce of 10,850, of which 99% (10,705) are locals. I would like to take this opportunity to thank these MNCs for their commitments to recruit and train Sarawakians and I am sure they will continue to give priority to Sarawakians in their recruitment exercise, as well as to engage more local SMEs to support their operations in Sarawak.

While the Government can only facilitate, the SMEs themselves must be proactive to grab the opportunities created by the Government and private sector initiatives. They must continuously upgrade their capabilities and capacities to remain competitive in this globalised and challenging environment. They have to be creative and innovative by adopting the latest technology, instead of continuing to rely on the low cost, low tech and labour intensive strategy. Industry 4.0 is the way forward in digitalising our manufacturing sector.

### *Pembangunan Usahawan*

Tuan Speaker, as SMEs are the backbone of our economy, making up 98% of the total establishments in the State as well as in the whole country, the Government will continue to give serious attention in the development of SMEs.

Kementerian Pembangunan Perindustrian dan Usahawan sebagai sebuah agensi peneraju pembangunan usahawan dan PKS, turut menyelaraskan pelbagai program bantuan yang ditawarkan oleh Kerajaan dan agensi-agensi berkaitan pembangunan keusahawanan. Ini termasuklah program pembangunan kapasiti, pembangunan produk, serta mempelbagaikan rangkaian pasaran. Program-program yang telah dijalankan sehingga Jun 2018 termasuklah:

### *Program Pembangunan Kapasiti*

Antara program Pembangunan Kapasiti yang dilaksanakan adalah seperti Kursus Teknologi Pemprosesan Makanan, Latihan Berpusat, Program Jerayawara Keusahawanan dan kemudahan kewangan seperti Skim Pinjaman Industri Kecil dan Sederhana (SPIKS), Program Graduan Ke Arah Keusahawanan (GERAK) dan Program Usahawan Teknikal Vokasional (USTEV). Program-program ini akan ditambah baik dari masa ke semasa mengikut keperluan dan kesesuaian.

Selain MIED, agensi lain juga menawarkan pelbagai program dan bantuan kewangan untuk membangunkan kapasiti dan kebolehpayaan seperti STIDC, SEDC, LKIM, MARA, TERAJU, SME Corp, SME Bank, AIM, TEKUN, MIDF dan sebagainya.

### *Pembangunan Produk*

Untuk pembangunan produk, selain daripada menggalak dan menyelaraskan pembangunan produk sedia ada, Kementerian juga memfokuskan kepada dua produk utama bermula tahun ini, iaitu Gula Apong dan ikan Tahai.

Pada masa ini, produk gula apong mendapat permintaan pasaran yang menggalakkan. Namun, industri ini masih menggunakan kaedah pengeluaran secara tradisional. Oleh yang demikian, terdapat keperluan untuk menggunakan kaedah dan teknologi moden bagi mengoptimumkan pengeluaran gula apong. Untuk tujuan ini, Kementerian akan bekerjasama dengan sebuah institusi tempatan untuk mengkaji kaedah pengeluaran bagi meningkatkan hasil.

Selain itu, industri tahai juga menghadapi masalah bekalan sumber yang terhad dan bermusim. Perusahaan tahai memerlukan ikan laut jenis Tamban yang bekalannya tidak menentu serta bergantung kepada keadaan cuaca dan persekitaran semasa. Kementerian akan bekerjasama dengan agensi yang berkaitan untuk mengkaji serta memastikan sumber ikan Tamban ini mencukupi dan berterusan.

#### *Promosi dan Pemasaran Produk*

Kementerian juga membantu PKS dari aspek promosi dan pemasaran produk untuk membolehkan lebih banyak PKS meluaskan pasaran di peringkat domestik dan antarabangsa.

Antara aktiviti promosi dan pemasaran yang telah dianjurkan dan disertai oleh Kementerian adalah:

- (a) Program Brunei Consumer Fair 2018;
- (b) Program International Energy Week di BCCK;
- (c) Program Himpunan Usahawan Bumiputera (HUB);
- (d) Program LeFest Tour di Stadium Perpaduan Sarawak;
- (e) Program MIHAS;
- (f) *Business Mission* di Kalimantan Barat bersama Sarawak Business Federation (SBF);
- (g) Showcase Keusahawanan telah diadakan di Miri, Saratok, Meradong, Sibuti, Kuching dan Lubok Antu; dan
- (h) Program Roadshow Keusahawanan pula telah diadakan di Bekenu, Gedong, Kapit, Lawas dan Limbang. Program ini telah dimanfaatkan oleh 1,353 orang usahawan.

Kementerian akan meneruskan semua program yang tersebut untuk manfaat masyarakat niaga.

#### *Sarawak Entrepreneur Development Coordination Committee (SEDCC)*

SEDCC adalah bertujuan untuk menyelaras semua program, projek dan aktiviti pembangunan keusahawanan yang dirancang oleh agensi-agensi Persekutuan dan Negeri untuk mengurangkan pertindihan pelaksanaan. Buat masa ini, SEDCC dalam proses penyediaan Direktori dan Portal Interaktif Pembangunan Usahawan Negeri Sarawak.

Direktori tersebut berfungsi sebagai rujukan tentang program pembangunan kapasiti dan bantuan-bantuan lain yang ditawarkan oleh agensi-agensi Kerajaan kepada para usahawan di Sarawak. Selain itu, portal interaktif yang dibangunkan adalah sebagai platform untuk para usahawan memohon bantuan dan mendapat maklumat mengenai program-program yang ditawarkan oleh agensi-agensi yang terlibat.

Direktori dan Portal tersebut akan memanfaatkan semua usahawan sedia ada atau baru mula (*startup*), khususnya para belia, sesuai sepertimana cadangan Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tupong. Selain daripada itu, Kementerian juga memberi khidmat nasihat dan bimbingan kepada semua pihak yang berminat, sama ada penganggur, lepasan sekolah atau universiti.

Dengan wujudnya SEDCC, adalah diharapkan agar semua agensi pembangunan usahawan di peringkat Kerajaan Persekutuan dan Negeri memberi kerjasama penuh kepada Kementerian saya supaya usaha penyelarasan yang padu dapat direalisasikan.

*Sarawak Product Pavilion, Kuala Lumpur*

Seperti yang telah dimaklumkan sebelum ini, *Sarawak Product Pavillion* (SPP) di Jalan Tunku Abdul Rahman, Kuala Lumpur adalah satu inisiatif baru Kementerian untuk memperluaskan pasaran bagi produk khusus negeri Sarawak di Semenanjung Malaysia dan sebagai *gateway* ke pasaran global.

Premis tersebut telah beroperasi pada awal tahun ini dan pra perasmian (*soft launching*) telah diadakan pada 7 Februari 2018.

Semenjak beroperasi, usahawan dari Sarawak telah menyambut baik inisiatif Kerajaan ini. SPP telah mencatatkan penambahan bilangan usahawan hampir setiap hari. Sebanyak lebih kurang 220 produk (*700 SKU*) telah berada di SPP, terdiri daripada pelbagai produk seperti produk makanan kering, produk makanan basah atau sejuk beku, produk kesihatan dan kecantikan, produk seni dan kraf dan perabot daripada usahawan Sarawak.

*Development of Industrial Parks and Anjung Usahawan*

Tuan Speaker, under 11 Malaysia Plan (MP) Mid-Term Review, an additional ceiling of RM114.8 million has been approved for my Ministry. These are for six new Anjung Usahawan/Mini Industrial Parks in Lawas, Limbang and Gedong. The increase in ceiling is also for eight existing projects in Sematan, Bau, Rantau Panjang Sibu Phase 1 & 2, Marudi, Biovalley Park, Samalaju SME Clusters and Sibu Industrial Park.

The total ceiling approved for my Ministry for industrial parks and Anjung Usahawan now stands at RM361.7 million under the whole of 11MP for 25 projects. Five projects had been completed, Biovalley Park, Samajaya Extension Phase 5, Demak Laut Industrial Park Phase 2B Stage 1, access road at Demak Laut Industrial Park, Tebedu Industrial Park, while the rest are in various stages of implementation. Land acquisition is on-going for Bau, Sematan and Rantau Panjang Phase 2, Sibu and are expected to be completed by 2019.

Physical works for three industrial parks namely, Demak Laut Phase 2B Stage 2, Kapit and Marudi are on-going and are scheduled to be completed this year. The upgrading works for Rantau Panjang Phase 1 Sibu is also expected to be completed by year end.

The industrial parks for Betong, Demak Laut Phase 2C, Sri Aman and Samalaju SME Clusters are at various stages of tendering. The design for Sibu Industrial Park has been completed, pending funding from the Federal Government for implementation. However, the Sebuyau Mini Industrial Park project is delayed due to land dispute.

Tuan Speaker, mengenai permohonan untuk pembangunan pusat IKS atau Anjung Usahawan oleh Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Beting Maro, Lingga dan Simunjan, sukacita saya maklumkan bahawa Kementerian akan mempertimbangkan permohonan-permohonan tersebut dengan sewajarnya. Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat bagi kawasan-kawasan DUN berkenaan adalah diharapkan untuk membantu dalam mengenalpasti tapak cadangan yang sesuai bagi tujuan kegunaan pusat yang dimaksudkan.

Tuan Speaker, pada tahun 2017, Kerajaan melalui Kementerian saya dan agensi-agensi seperti SEDC, MARA, TEKUN, AIM, SME Corp, LKIM, SME Bank, TERAJU, MATRADE, dan MIDF telah meluluskan peruntukan melebihi RM641 juta untuk pembangunan PKS Sarawak. Sehingga bulan Jun 2018, jumlah peruntukan yang telah diluluskan kepada agensi-agensi yang saya sebutkan tadi adalah sebanyak RM440 juta. Ini membuktikan komitmen Kerajaan yang sentiasa memberi keutamaan kepada PKS tempatan termasuk usahawan mikro. Oleh itu, usahawan PKS harus lebih proaktif dan berinovatif untuk menyahut cabaran dan memanfaatkan program-program yang telah disediakan oleh

Kerajaan, khususnya ke arah penerapan Ekonomi Digital seperti yang disarankan oleh Yang Amat Berhormat Ketua Menteri.

SMEs must embrace the modern technology to upgrade the quality of their products, increase productivity and efficiency, and go global.

Tuan Speaker, although the political landscape has changed at the Federal level, the State Government under the capable leadership of YAB Ketua Menteri will continue to serve the *rakyat* of Sarawak. *Gabungan Parti Sarawak (GPS)* looks forward to working closely with the Federal Government to ensure that our development programmes and projects which are to benefit the *rakyat* are not interrupted.

The State Government will carry on with our business friendly policies and provide a conducive environment for the private sector to grow and prosper. We want to see foreign investments continue to flow into Sarawak and the domestic investments continue to flourish.

As a responsible Government, we would like to ensure that there are jobs for our people, there are jobs for our school leavers, and there are jobs for our graduates. We want to ensure that there are business opportunities not only for the big multinational corporations, but also for the small and medium enterprises, including the micro-entrepreneurs. Let us all work together for a progressive, prosperous and harmonious Sarawak.

*Penutup*

Tuan Speaker, sebelum mengakhiri ucapan penggulungan ini, saya ingin menyampaikan penghargaan kepada Tuan Speaker kerana berjaya mengendalikan persidangan DUN dengan tegas dan baik yang memudahkan urusan kita berjalan dengan lancar. Saya juga ingin mengucapkan terima kasih kepada Ahli-Ahli Yang Berhormat atas sokongan serta cadangan-cadangan yang membina di sepanjang persidangan DUN ini.

Akhir sekali saya mengambil kesempatan ini untuk mengucapkan Selamat Menyambut Hari Sarawak pada 22 Julai, kepada semua Ahli Yang Berhormat dan seluruh rakyat Sarawak.

*Daun selasih, dimakan kuda,  
Burung kenyalang, tepi jendela,  
Meski parti, berbeza-beza,  
Hak Bumi Kenyalang, tetap dibela.*

*(Applause)*

*Hak Sarawak harus dibela,  
Team Abang Jo terus memerintah,  
Bumi Kenyalang negeri tercinta,  
Pertahankan hingga ke titisan darah.*

Sekian, terima kasih.

**Tuan Speaker:** Well done for your marathon winding-up. Now I shall call upon Yang Berhormat Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Masing, Timbalan Ketua Menteri dan Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Masing):** Terima kasih Tuan Speaker. Firstly, I would like to convey my sincere appreciation and full support to the mandate given by Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak, Tun Pehin Sri Abdul Taib Mahmud on his gracious opening speech at the first meeting of the Third Term of the 18<sup>th</sup> State Legislative Assembly sitting on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

In his speech, His Excellency Tuan Yang Terutama reiterated on the importance of governance and collaboration between the Federal and the State Government regardless of the difference in political ideologies because only when there is political stability, is the Rakyat able to enjoy the fruits from continuous development.

This, of course requires some level of political maturity from representatives from both State and Federal Governments. Since the first day I was appointed as the Minister for Infrastructure Development and Transportation, I have emphasised my Ministry of Infrastructure Development and Transportation (MIDT) shall plan and build according to Sarawak's needs and not wants. Because the needs of Sarawak are paramount, and in order to achieve that objective, my Ministry and I will work closely with the new Pakatan Government to ensure that these objectives are attained. State development and Rakyat's well-being shall precede any political interest and MIDT shall continue to plan and seek for budget as what we have done all these years.

Secondly, Tuan Speaker my Ministry and I wish to congratulate Yang Berhormat Encik Baru Bian, Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri for N81 Ba'Kelalan who is also the Member of Parliament for P214 Selangau and Yang Berhormat Encik Chong Chieng Jen, Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri for N12 Kota Sentosa and who is also the Member of Parliament for P196 for Stampin for their appointments as Minister for Works and Deputy Minister for Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs, respectively.

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak's sheer size is one point that I do not need to pounce on. But because of our size, Sarawak needs infrastructure development desperately. One of Sarawak's assets is land, and without infrastructure development, these assets could never be productive. They will be left undeveloped, uncultivated, idle and unproductive. Therefore, part of MIDT's jobs is to plan for better infrastructure network and build this infrastructure so that Sarawak could prosper. While trying to accomplish this, it is inevitable that Sarawak will have to seek financial assistance from the Federal Government.

While past allocations for infrastructure development by the previous Federal Government might not have been sufficient, infrastructure development has never been deemed as "unimportant" or worst "negligible" as far as the previous Federal Government is concerned. Sarawak is after all part of Malaysia like our Malayan cousins and friends, Sarawakians also deserve to be given the opportunity to have basic necessities and infrastructure.

Nobody has put it better than Yang Berhormat Encik Baru Bian in his speech on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2017, I quote Tuan Speaker, "The amount for Sabah and Sarawak is only 2.4% of the total budget allocation. This is, more than anything else, is a clear indication of how the Federal Government views us, a convenient fixed deposit vote bank, but of inconsequential importance when it comes to sharing of the pie. How is that paltry amount going to help us play catch-up with Peninsular Malaysia, which was one of the stated aims of Sarawak in agreeing to the formation of the Federation of Malaysia in 1963? Is this how Malaysia treats it's equal partners? All the more reason we must fight for full Devolution of Powers to us, including greater fiscal allocations, unquote.



A lot of Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat for the past few days have made reference to latest guidelines based on an official letter distributed by our newly minted Minister for Finance.

Today, I thought it is only correct that the content of the official letter is highlighted to this august House and members of the press, because it is only singular most important document, so far that will determine if infrastructure development in Sarawak will see the light of the day.

The Ministry of Finance (MOF) via its letter dated 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018 referenced. This one I must quote Sir S/K.Kew/PK/MOF/D/00 JLD.10 SK.6(14) has directed that all projects of more than RM10 million of which Letters of Award have not been issued or where the progress of the construction is less 15%, shall be implemented according to level of priorities.

According to the same letter, project are divided into three categories namely, critical, moderately critical or '*Sederhana Kritikal*' and not critical or '*Tidak Kritikal*'. Based on the same letter, rural infrastructure development is classified as '*Sederhana Kritikal*' or moderately critical. In other words Sir, the new Malaysia sees development of rural infrastructure as secondary, and in layman's term '*ada, tak ada, tak apa*'.

As Sarawak has large hinterland, Sarawak and Sarawakians are the ones who would lose out the most based on the new guideline. It is indeed a slap on our face that our relatives and friends in the rural areas may continue to live without access to towns and cities and cut off from development.

Whilst our new Malaysia thinks that rural infrastructure development is no longer a priority, the overall infrastructure development in general has been classified as '*tidak kritikal*' hence will not be given priority when it comes to budget. The latest guideline and directives from the Ministry of Finance (MOF) seems to show that Sarawak's development and Sarawak's well-being are just an after thought.

Tuan Speaker, my Ministry and I do not understand the present new Government is trying to improve the infrastructure processes and procedures for procurement, which is commendable. Sorry, I repeat Sir. My Ministry and I do understand, sorry, I mean do understand that the present new Government is trying to improve the administrative processes and procedures for procurement, which is commendable. But while doing that, the new Malaysia should remember that Malaysia does not consist of Peninsular Malaysia alone and should take into consideration of Sarawak's needs as part of prescribed equation.

Blanket policy of categorizing infrastructure development as not critical may be suitable to Peninsular Malaysia which is already well developed. That approach should not have been forced onto Sarawak, which is under developed as far as infrastructure is concerned. One size Tuan Speaker doesn't fit all.

*Infrastructure Connectivity and Development  
Coastal Road and Second Trunk Road*

Tuan Speaker, since the last DUN sitting, Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) is in the process of finalizing procurement procedures and project work scopes for the commencement of physical works scheduled in the first quarter of 2019.

The main components of the Coastal Road Network projects are:

- (a) Batang Rambungan Bridge and Batang Igan Bridge, which were supposed to be funded by the Federal Government;

- (b) Batang Lupar Bridge, which was supposed to be jointly funded between the Federal and State Government on a 50:50 basis;
- (c) Batang Rajang Bridge including a 17kilometres access road to be State funded;
- (d) Batang Saribas Bridge, to be State funded;
- (e) Sungai Krian Bridge, also to be State funded;
- (f) Batang Paloh Bridge, also to be State funded;
- (g) Muara Lassa Bridge, also State funded;
- (h) Bintulu Jepak Bridge (Kemena); also State funded
- (i) Upgrading of Kidurong to Samalaju Coastal Road including connecting road to Bakun junction; and
- (j) Pavement rehabilitation and upgrading to critical stretches of the whole of the existing coastal road.

There are three (3) sections for the Second Trunk Road. The Second Trunk Road serves to provide alternative shorter routes to the main trunk roads, Pan Borneo Highway and the coastal road network. The first section is from Kota Samarahan to Roban, which is approximately 112 kilometer of single carriageway JKR R5 2-lane highway.

The second section links Sebuyau to Sri Aman/Betong, which is approximately 94 kilometres of single carriageway JKR R52-lane highway. The last section includes the upgrading of the existing Jalan Kelupu/Jalan Tanjung Genting to Lanang Bridge, Sibu from two (2) lanes to four (4) lanes JKR R5 highway.

The State Government is committed to construct both the Coastal Road and Second Trunk Road. Although building of infrastructure might no longer be a priority as far as the Federal Government is concerned, the State Government is committed in building them in order to provide the necessary connectivity which will allow Sarawak to grow economically.

Based on the decision by the State Government, the three bridges namely Batang Rambungan, Batang Igan and Batang Lupar which originally are dependent on the funding from Federal Government are still waiting for final confirmation by the Federal Government. However, should the Federal funding is not forthcoming, then the State Government shall take the responsibility to ensure that these bridges are built. Whilst Peninsular Malaysia can wait for their high-speed rail, the people of Sarawak cannot do without basic connectivity and cannot wait in perpetuity for these developments to take place. The building of coastal road network and Second Trunk Road will be benefit 60% of our population residing in these areas.

The procurement process shall be based on tender basis to ensure transparency. In order to nurture local construction companies in Sarawak, local Sarawakian contractors shall be given preference while other performance based tender pre-qualifications are still being finalized.

#### *Jiwa Murni Road*

Tuan Speaker, Jiwa Murni Roads are constructed purely for connectivity. The reason why Jiwa Murni Roads exist is purely based on logic. Logic that rural villagers in Sarawak cannot be left disconnected and almost abandoned, while waiting for enough budget allocation to construct roads based on Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) road standard.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Honourable Minister, are you taking a question?

**YB Encik Wong King Wei:** Thank you Tuan Speaker, thank you Honourable Deputy Chief Minister.

Honourable Deputy Chief Minister has mentioned about second trunk road and also coastal road. My clarification to the Honourable Deputy Chief Minister is that, whether the Government is considering to segregate the two back-up projects into few various parts so that not only one selective or selected company or consultant will be benefitting out from these project. Whether the State Government is considering into proportion or segregate it into various portions and make it open tender so that more Sarawakian's company can involve. Because there has been accusations that the Ministry has favored one or two particular companies, huge companies for them to be involved in this project and I believe with the policy of open tender that the accusation will not last at the end of the day. So whether there is:

1. Open tender; and
2. Whether there is segregation in various portions?

Thank you Deputy Chief Minister.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Masing):** Thank you very much Tuan Speaker. In fact if you have waited a bit longer I will have answered that question later. So, I will answer that as I approach and respond to the question alright. I will answer your question later.

Tuan Speaker, Jiwa Murni Roads are constructed purely for connectivity. The reason why Jiwa Murni Roads exist is purely based on logic. I repeat this again. Logic that rural villagers in Sarawak cannot be left disconnected and almost abandoned, while waiting for enough budget allocation to construct roads based on Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) road standard.

Because Jiwa Murni Roads are designed and built out of necessity of connectivity, these roads are meant for light use by villagers. In no way are these roads meant for heavy vehicles laden with palm oil and timber. Unfortunately, this is exactly what happened.

To stop these heavy vehicles from prowling on the fragile Jiwa Murni Roads, Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) is presently designing suitable gantries and half culverts where it is appropriate. At the same time, I would also like to urge Jabatan Pengangkutan Jalan (JPJ) to carry out more enforcement activities as these appeared to be inadequate.

Tuan Speaker, there are a total of six (6) Jiwa Murni Roads with a total length of 197 kilometres in Sarawak. Out of the six (67), two (2) are in need of rehabilitation works due to impact caused by frequent use by heavy laden trucks. These two (2) roads are Long Luping-Ba'Kelalan Road (which is 66 kilometres in land) and Belaga-Menjawah Road (34 kilometres). My Ministry has sought funding under the Mid Term Review (MTR) as allocation from the Federal Government is not forthcoming. I hope that the Minister for Works, Malaysia take notice as the funding is needed especially the Long Luping-Ba'Kelalan Road, which is badly damaged by heavily laden truck and this is directly in his own Kawasan.

My Ministry of Infrastructure Development and Transportation (MIDT) is also looking at incorporating design based on Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) road standard for low volume rural roads (LVRR) to cater for light vehicles for all present Jiwa Murni Roads. After all, vehicles do need to travel the road to supply goods and construction material to these populations residing along these roads.

The appointment of Yang Berhormat Encik Baru Bian as the Minister for Works is indeed good news to all of us, as who else knows better the plight and injustice done to the Sarawakian communities other than a rural boy himself. I will always remember the statement he made on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2017, I quote, "*the rights and safety of rural Sarawakians are equally as important as that of city dwellers*" unquote.

With such sheer determination and conviction, my Ministry believes that Yang Berhormat Encik Baru Bian will fight against all odds, storm for the equal rights of rural Sarawakians and get all the budget required for the upgrading and rehabilitation of the six (6) Jiwa Murni Roads in Sarawak despite the policy that 'rural infrastructure development' has been deemed to be '*sederhana kritikal*' by the Ministry of Finance (MOF).

#### *Baram River Infrastructure Planning*

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak currently does not have a comprehensive road network and much of the hinterland is still not easily accessible by road. With the correct infrastructure in place, rich resources could be tapped, value added and transported efficiently to its buyers not just in Sarawak but nationwide. The tourism potential of the areas could be harnessed as a result of connectivity.

Since the last DUN sitting, the Government had carried out a plan to develop and link the road in rural areas. The Government is keen to start this access road to the east from Long Lama passing Long Bedian, Long Terawan and to Mulu National Park. These projects shall be put up in the Twelfth Malaysian Plan (12<sup>th</sup> MP) for consideration.

My Ministry has a plan also to set up a road passing through Tinjar to the west, through Usun Apau and ultimately linking the whole road network toward the Belaga District. At the present moment, Tinjar linking to Usun Apau is currently still in the early proposal stage.

#### *Land Transport, Traffic Management*

Tuan Speaker, last year the State Government had initiated smart mobility initiative to address Kuching's traffic woes. The smart mobility components include Intergrated Intelligent Traffic Light System and Waze's Connected Citizens Program.

The conventional signal fixed timing model is less efficient when it comes to managing critical traffic congested intersections. The Intergrated Intelligent Traffic Light System uses inputs from sensors to carry out real-time calculation which prompts the system and automatically re-time the duration of traffic lights signals in accordance to traffic volume of each direction.

This pilot project Intergrated Intelligent Traffic Light System transcend across the mentioned five agencies regardless of areas of jurisdiction, namely Dewan Bandaraya Kuching Utara (DBKU), Majlis Bandaraya Kuching Selatan (MBKS), Majlis Perbandaran Padawan (MPP), Majlis Perbandaran Kota Samarahan (MPKS) and Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) Sarawak. The pilot routes are:

- (a) Green Road;
- (b) Jalan Tun Razak;
- (c) Jalan Satok to Kuching Sentral; and
- (d) Kota Samarahan to Jalan Song.

For the information of Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, this year, installation of sensors and controller upgrading works are being carried out. Green Road and Jalan Tun Razak pilot routes are still under preliminary traffic light phase-timing synchronization which shall be carried out until the end of the year.

The data collection on traffic volume and throughput for junctions along these pilot routes will be compiled and utilised by respective agencies in formulating an effective strategy on road traffic management.

Tuan Speaker, can I have some water please. My throat doesn't last very long without water. Thank you very much.

Tuan Speaker, as of march 2018, the State Government is now collaborating with the Waze through Connected Citizens Program. The collaboration is royalty free and provides drivers using Waze smart navigation application with anonymous, real-time traffic and incident reports. The publicly available traffic and congestion information promotes greater efficiency and safer roads navigation for our motorist.

In exchange, Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) provides real...*(Interruption)*...

Thank you very much. We have the Minister incharge of Women Affair and Mens affair this time.

In exchange Tuan Speaker, *Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR)* provides real-time Government-report such as construction, flood, and road closure data. *Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR)* will also be able to provide road users with advances notices of major traffic events such as parades and road closure that will affect their daily driving routes. The smart mobility is executed through to year 2021.

#### *Stage Bus Service Transformation (SBST)*

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak Government is committed to meet the objectives of the Stage Bus Service Transformation (SBST) itself, i.e., to reduce traffic congestion, improve reliability and efficiency of existing bus services.

The Federal Government is currently embarking on the implementation "SBST" and Kuching has been selected as one of the five (5) cities under this program. The contract agreement was signed on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2017 between Malaysia Government represented by the then Prime Minister's Department and Konsortium Bas Bandaraya Kuching (KBBK) Sdn Bhd, an amalgamation of companies registered in the State of Sarawak.

For the information Ahli Yang Berhormat, companies involved in Konsortium Bas Bandaraya Kuching (KBBK) Sdn Bhd are: -

1. City Public Link Bus Service Sdn Bhd,
2. Sarawak Transport Company Bhd,
3. Bau Transport Company Sdn Bhd,
4. Petra Jaya Transport (Sarawak) Sdn Bhd; and
5. Biaramas Express Sdn Bhd.

*Konsortium Bas Bandaraya Kuching (KBBK) Sdn Bhd* is expected to carry out an implement the program as required within five (5) years from the date of the contractual agreement.

Tuan Speaker, the original plan is to use 130 diesel buses covering a total distance of 560 kilometres, a total of 27 routes, 15 core routes and 12 intermediate routes. However, in February 2018, the State Government has come up with recommendations for the Federal Government's considering having 100% electric bus instead. As I have mention in my earlier speech, the new PH Government is presently reviewing and reassessing all applicable procurement contract as per MOF circular dated 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

Because of that, it is still waiting for the decision from the relevant Federal Authority with regard to the status of SBST. Should green light be given within the next two (2) months, the SBST project should take off by the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of this year that is 2018.

*Road Safety*

Tuan Speaker, as Sarawak's road network continue to expand and improve, road safety remains a major concern in Sarawak. In spite of significant improvements in road engineering and vehicle safety features, the current number of deaths and injuries is remains unacceptable high. An average of 50 traffic accidents occurs daily in 2017 with a total of 432 lives perished resulting in an estimated RM561 million losses to Sarawak. From January to June this year, a total of 165 fatal road accidents has occurred.

Compared to the same period in 2017, the number of fatal road accidents although have decreased by 25 cases which is equivalent to 13% reduction, are simply not good enough as lives are involved. Human factor remains the major factor in road safety. Because 80% of traffic accident are caused by reckless driving, it is important to implement measures are directed at specific target group of road users intended to change their behaviour.

In this aspect, The Road Safety Council is continuously conducting safety campaigns. Apart from road engineering and enforcement measurement, education plays an important role in shaping attitudes the younger generation so they could be responsible riders, responsible drivers, passengers and pedestrians as well.

The new road safety module *Pendidikan Keselamatan Jalan Raya (PKJR)* inserted into the Bahasa Melayu subject will be introduced in all primary schools by the year 2019. The module which includes graphic, highway codes and safety guidelines among others will be taught for two periods a week by trained road safety teachers to 1,264 primary schools throughout Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, apart from road safety education, *Jabatan Keselamatan Jalan Raya* JKJR also conducts joint advocacy programs with Social Security Organisation (SOCSO) on safety commuting to workplace, community road safety awareness programs with Lebuhraya Borneo Utara (LBU) in high traffic areas, Safe Roads Program for youths in rural areas such as in Kapit, Lawas, Baram and Long Lama.

In the efforts to harmonize standards of our roads, the International Road Assessment Program (iRAP) metric are being adopted as ensures to maximize the reduction of traffic crash trauma. Road safety curriculum for lower secondary school students is currently being developed focusing on character development and behaviour for those would be drivers.

Studies have been shown that the drivers with better knowledge and understanding in performing their journeys have lower risk in committing an accident. As such, Safe Driving Program is introduced to commodity and manufacturing transporter in Miri and Bintulu.

Tuan Speaker, improving road safety in our State is important to influence the outcome of the Malaysia Road Safety Plan 2014-2020 which aims to stabilize and reduce level of road fatalities to 50% by 2020. The road Safety Council, led by my Ministry, will continuously support and facilitate initiatives taken by relevant agencies in achieving this objective. In doing so, I would like to have everyone on board including Ahli-Ahli Yang Berhormat in this august House to take part in our efforts to make our road safer.

*Road Safety Measures Implemented at Pan Borneo Highway Sarawak*

Tuan Speaker, the Project Delivery (PDP) for Pan Borneo Highway Sarawak, Lebuhraya Borneo Utara (LBU) Sdn Bhd, takes road safety seriously while constructing the Highway. Since the inception of the project 2015, the Project Delivery (PDP) has taken various initiatives and measures in compliance with approved Traffic Management Plan (TMP). In addition, the Project Delivery Partner has gone further to beef up its traffic management program to ensure road safety is not compromised.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Honourable Minister, are you taking a question?

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** Yes.

**YB Encik David Wong Kee Woan:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. Thank you, Honourable Minister. All you need is Honourable Minister to go to Sibü. And then from Sibü, you drive to Sibü Airport. Okay, you just go there, you know there was a road diversion because of the Pan Borneo Highway. That's was an old road owned by the Government and its not out kept properly. It's so dangerous I have made it in the news several times. After we complain, they fill it up with just plaster. For last two (2) days, and then everything happens. I don't think they taking safety seriously, honestly Tuan Speaker. I am talking about the safety of the *rakyat*. I'm not talking about, for us members here don't have to take care of the big companies. We have to take care of rakyat especially life and this kind of things. You can come to Sibü, I give you a ride myself. Is that fair enough before you say they are taking it seriously?

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** Tuan Speaker, you know I haven't finished what I was supposed to say. If I may continu on what are the alternative that they are going to do. I haven't finished yet. Let us argue whether that's a correct procedure if you give me a chance sir. I will have to continue on just now.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Please proceed.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** All right. The Traffic Management Project is to ensure road safety is not compromised. These are the following measure that they are going to take. They have been taking and will continue to take.

(a) Dedicated Traffic Management Unit at Project Delivery Partner (PDP) Level

Traffic management is contractually the responsibility of the various works package contracts. To ensure safety for road-users during construction especially on 'live' road, Lebuhraya Borneo Utara (LBU) as the Project Delivery partner, has set up a dedicated Traffic Management Unit at the head office.

This Unit led by a manager-in-charge and further assisted by a Traffic Management Officer stationed at each of the 11 work package. The role of this unit is to work closely with the onsite Work Package Contractors (WPC), Traffic Management teams to oversee implantation of traffic management program over the stretch from Telok Melano all the way to Miri.

(b) Other Traffic Management Enhancements Introduced

Following the set-up of the traffic management unit, several enhancements had been implemented so far to beef up the traffic management at the 11 works packages.

These are: -

- i. Standard uniforms with more reflective colours for traffic controllers and flagmen;
- ii. Additional reflective plates for plastic and concrete barriers;
- iii. Beacon lights and direction arrows on traffic vehicles;

- iv. New standard operating procedures (SOP) for critical activities, i.e., working ingress that is entry and egress that is exit;
- v. Enforcement by the Project Delivery Partner to ensure all traffic equipment installed at site is in accordance with the approved Traffic Management Plan;
- vi. Training of traffic personnel; and
- vii. Guidelines and procedures on "Traffic Safety Procedures" for the Project Delivery Partner (PDP) and main contractors.

These are the things that they are doing. If it not very good they will get to improve on that.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Are you taking the question Minister?

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** Ya, go ahead.

**YB Encik David Wong Kee Woan:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. Thank you Deputy Chief Minister. What you say on paper on theories, everything is fine. Go to the ground it is totally opposite. I'm talking about, let me explain Sibu situation. Because of the construction of the Pan Borneo Highway the road supposed to be very good going to Sibu Jaya, going to the Airport has been diverted. You using the old Oya Road. Old Oya Road has been deserted, not been in use for more than 10 years, 20 years maybe. So, they are using that road and I don't know why the junction of the road that you have to close the roundabout for two (2) years. That's what they are doing. Okay, now the old road is not maintained by SMC, is not maintained by JKR. It's supposed to be maintain by the contractor or sub-contractor of Pan Borneo Highway but they are not doing their job. And when we called SMC and the SMC say that is not under their jurisdiction, this under the contractor obligation. The point is I know everything on papers it goes very fine but it goes to the ground the road is not maintained. What is the use of the safety equipment? All these are diversion whatever, reflective gazette. The road must be properly maintained and someone has to supervise it. Thank you.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** Tuan Speaker, thank you very much for the information. Sitting in this Dewan is not only us. They are my officers, including LBU and thank you for the information I'm sure that they will bare that in mind. If I may to continue Tuan Speaker.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Yes, please proceed.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** The last one I mention was D, no its B now is C.

(c) Emergency Response Teams on Site

In addition to the above, the Project Delivery Partner (PDP) has also made it a requirement that eleven (11) works packages has an Emergency Response Team (ERT) at their respective stretch. This is to ensure that immediate assistance could be rendered during emergency cases such as road accidents.

#### *Road Safety Campaigns*

Project Delivery Partner has also organised many road safety campaigns which have been well participated by all the works packages. During these road safety campaigns, relevant enforcement agencies, like Royal Malaysia Police, Road Transport Department and



Road Safety Department, have also taken part in this collaborative effort to promote road safety.

#### *Radio Campaigns During Festivals*

Radio campaigns have also been embarked by the Project Delivery Partner (PDP) during all major festivals such as Chinese New Year, Gawai Dayak, Hari Raya Aidilfitri and Christmas where road safety messages are aired between songs on popular radio channels, that is, on Hitz FM, Era FM, My FM to remind road users to drive safely during the *balik kampung* rush. I hope this will give Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pelawan some places, some clues of what they have to do and I will of course, Tuan Speaker, remind my officers to ensure that what has been said here will be implemented on the ground.

#### *River Transportation*

Tuan Speaker, to date, a total of 1,169,442 passengers on-board using waterways recorded and as of 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018, the Board has registered a total of 5,183 vessels of various tonnages. The figure indicates that river transport remains an important part of our major transportation network in Sarawak.

I am pleased to announce to this august House that to date there are zero river casualty cases being reported. The credit is due to the effective actions and strict enforcement by Sarawak Rivers Board (SRB). Congratulations to them for job well done.

In order to improve navigation channel, enhance safety and smooth navigation for vessels and boats plying the Sarawak waters, all vessels are required to carry and display a valid River Transport Permit (RTP). In addition, a total of 165 numbers of Aids to Navigation (AToN) were installed within Southern Region of Kuching, Central Region of Sibu and Northern Region of Miri. A total of twenty (20) enforcement boats are now available for river patrol, enforcement activities, site inspection, support logistic flood operation and preparatory services.

#### *Air Transportation*

Tuan Speaker, Rural Air Service (RAS) has been helping rural people to travel to their places easily for years. Travel time has been shortened and remote places previously inaccessible are now within reach. Nonetheless, of late, a number of issues related to flight delays had been highlighted. Based on the report, technical reasons had been the main cause of these delays. As a resulted, it is suggested that more aircrafts should be made available and there is a need to review maintenance schedule to ensure works are completed on time while increase in frequencies to certain destinations might be required.

Under the Mid Term Review (MTR) of the Eleventh Malaysia Plan (11<sup>th</sup> MP), the State Government has approved the implementation of airfield projects at Bukit Sadok, Betong Division and Sungai Tunoh in Kapit Division. Such air connectivity should help provide better access to those remote areas thus spurring the growth of tourism industry. These activities will also stimulate economic growth in those areas and help raising the living standard of rural communities involved.

#### *Ports*

Tuan Speaker, the year of 2018 marks an optimistic start for the industry. Some of the port Authorities, namely Rajang Port Authority (RPA) and Miri Port Authority (MPA)

experienced positive trend with a rise in throughput and volume handled. Compared to the same period of the first five (5) months in 2017, this year, Rajang Port Authority (RPA) recorded an increase of 9 percent, handling a total of 535,755 tonnes of cargo.

Miri Port Authority (MPA) also recorded an increase of 6 percent with cargo throughput of 2,141,432 tonnes.

Kuching Port Authority (KPA) experienced a slight decrease of about 0.3 percent with total cargo throughput recorded at 3,681,446 tonnes.

Tanjung Manis Port Authority (TMPA) reported a 19% decrease with cargo throughput recorded at 1,380,171 tonnes mainly due to the decrease in the export of timber products at Tanjung Manis anchorage area.

The number of ship calls also reported an increase of 116% by Miri Port Authority (MPA). The total of 525 out of 679 vessels called at private jetties or wharves operated by Miri Port Authority (MPA) at Sungai Miri, catering for Oil and Gas offshore activities and containers handling, as an effort in collaboration with private sectors in providing alternative interim solutions to facilitate the industries' needs pending the deepening of port access channel at Kuala Baram.

Tuan Speaker, the Authorities shall continue to focus on their strategic objectives which include amongst others, enhancing Customers and Stakeholders satisfaction, enhancing port operating efficiency, improving operating profits and focus on revenue generation.

To achieve a sustainable and robust economic growth, the State ports will continue to work together with port users to improve the profitability, productivity and overall efficiency of the logistic supply chain to continue to support the economic development of the State. Measures will include provision of supplementary revenue sources and cost saving strategies in order to keep its operating cost down.

I would also like to update the august House on the capital dredging works of the Sarawak River that is undertaken by Jabatan Laut Malaysia under the Federal Ministry of Transport (MOT). It will take two (2) years to complete from November 2017 to 2019 and the physical work is scheduled to start this month.

Upon completion, the dredged navigational channel with a nine (9) metre depth below Chart Datum will facilitate the arrival of bigger cargo and passenger vessels, allowing for the increase in economies of scale in transporting goods, curise vessels with more tourists coming to our State which will see an increase of ringgit to be spent and circulated in our local retail market.

#### *Border Regions Development Plans*

Tuan Speaker, a good bilateral relationship between Sarawak and West Kalimantan province of Indonesia would benefit both sides of the border in terms of economy and security.

**YB Dr Ting Tiong Choon:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. Thank you, Deputy Chief Minister. Just want to clarify a little bit. Two (2) years ago, the Honourable Deputy Chief Minister said that in Miri, said that you, the State Government has invited the private sector to carry out

the deepening of Miri port. Can the Minister please update on that? Or whether that offer for private sector is still valid, still stands? Thank you.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Masing):** Tuan Speaker, the PH group are way ahead of me. I have yet to come to that yet. I will reply to you if you patient enough. Please ya. I have enough problem with my voice now and you keep on coming interrupting me, have problem later on. I will not be able to reach where I am suppose to answer you later. If you don't mind Yang Berhormat for Pujut...*(laughing)*. Maybe...May I continue sir?

**Timbalan Speaker:** Sure, please proceed.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Masing):** A good bilateral relationship between Sarawak and West Kalimantan province of Indonesia would benefit both sides of the border in terms of economy and security.

Because Tebedu is one of the international entry points for Indonesians into the State, the State Government has approved the Master Plan for Tebedu comprising a new Immigration, Customs, Quarantine and Security (ICQS) complex, free industrial zone, commercial and residential areas.

The said proposal will also revive the Tebedu Inland Port, while fostering cross-border trade and tourism between Indonesia and Malaysia and in particular, Sarawak.

The previous Federal Government has agreed to provide RM100 million for infrastructure development that is, ICQS complex and road while the State Government will fund the another RM100 million for purpose of land acquisition and economic activities.

The development was planned to be implemented in stages. However, due to the change of Federal Government and its policies, the proposal is subject to further deliberation by the Federal Government.

#### *Cabinet Committee on Rural Transformation*

Tuan Speaker, as emphasized by our Yang Amat Berhormat Chief Minister, the State's top priority is to develop rural infrastructure and utilities. Despite high implementation costs, rural transformation initiatives is crucial in order to bring more development to the rural communities. It is the obligation of the State Government to provide basic infrastructures to all Sarawakian regardless of their race, religion and region.

#### *Rural Transformation Initiatives 2017*

Tuan Speaker, for 2017, the Cabinet Committee on Rural Transformation under my Chairmanship, through its Key Result Areas (KRA) group has successfully completed the following projects:

1. The setting-up of a Cluster-Clinic System at Klinik Kesihatan Long Lama serving nearby eleven (11) rural health clinics and has benefitted 20,000 people;
2. The mobilization of fifteen (15) Rural Clinic Visiting Doctor (RCVD) teams which served 85 nearby rural health clinics;
3. The completion of repair and upgrading works on seven (7) dilapidated rural health clinics;

4. The completion of 52 flood mitigation prone areas projects which had benefitted about 100,000 people, for example, *Cadangan Menaiktaraf Sistem Saliran di Jalan Selirik, Kapit* (RM735,322). The project was completed on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018;
5. The completion of sixteen (16) rural water supply projects under the Compipe and Submain programmes;
6. The completion of one (1) upgrading of 1 kilometres ex-logging road in Limbang under the *Projek Mesra Rakyat (PMR)*;
7. The completion of electricity connection to 6,528 households via Rural Electrification Scheme (RES), 497 households via Hybrid Scheme and 720 households via Sarawak Alternative Rural Electrification Scheme (SARES). The State Rural electrification coverage has increased from 87% in 2016 to 89.6% in 2017;
8. The completion and operationalization of 87 1BestariNet (1BRIS) telecommunication towers covering 87 schools, and
9. And getting out survey works on residential lots, agriculture lots and home garden at Metalun Resettlement Scheme.

*Rural Transformation Initiatives 2018*

Tuan Speaker, for 2018, we will continue to implement various high impact rural intervention projects, namely:

- (a) The repair and upgrading works on 33 dilapidated rural schools and 29 dilapidated rural health clinics;
- (b) To equip the 15 Rural Clinic Visiting Doctor (RCVD) teams with medical equipment and transportation worth RM2.17 million;
- (c) To equip the Cluster-Clinic System at Klinik Kesihatan Sungai Asap with medical equipment worth RM700,000.00;
- (d) The implementation of ex-logging roads, frond-end engineering works on seven (7) road projects and preliminary studies for coastal road and Second Trunk Road and
- (e) The implementation and completion of:
  - i. Five (5) Sarawak Alternative Water Supply Scheme (SAWAS) projects, 54 projects under Compipe and Submain program, two (2) projects under retrofit of treatment plants/reservoirs program and renewal/replacement of old pipes;
  - ii. Electricity connection to 781 rural households, through Rural Electrification Scheme (RES), Hybrid Schemes and Sarawak Alternative Rural Electrification Scheme (SARES) under both State and Federal funding;
  - iii. 62 flood mitigation projects;
  - iv. Additional survey works on residential lots, agriculture lots and home gardens at Tegulang Resettlement Scheme; and
  - v. Various program under the new Key Result Areas (KRA) on Effective Enforcement and Environment.

Tuan Speaker, as I have mentioned earlier, our rakyat in the rural areas deserves to be provided with basic infrastructure and utilities within the shortest possible time. The rural communities could then embrace and benefit from the new digital initiatives that could improve their standard of living and quality of life.

This, Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat requires our total commitment to work together as one united team regardless of our political affiliations.

*Issues Raised By Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat*

Please allow me Tuan Speaker, to respond to various issues raised by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat while debating on Tuan Yang Terutama's address in this august House.

*State Road*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tamin, the following proposed roads have been submitted under the State Mid Term Review (MTR) but were not approved. These roads are:

- i. Upgrading of Jalan Rh. Janggit to Rh. Bubong Ulu Dijih which is 9.5 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM48 million;
- ii. Jalan Sk Pakoh to Nanga Bunau Ulu Oya (11 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM66 million); and
- iii. Jalan Rh. Bubong to Nanga Dijih Tamin (8 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM45 million).

I wish to inform Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat for Repok, Pelawan, Telang Usan, Engkilili, Balingian, Samalaju, Daro dan Murum, the following road projects were submitted under the State Mid Term Review (MTR) but were not approved. Nevertheless are mention it to you.

- i. Upgrading of Jalan Repok up to CTC Junction and it is 3.8 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM47 million;
- ii. Jalan Sibu Outer Ring Road (30 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM300 million);
- iii. Jalan Lapok/Ulu Tinjar (80 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM250 million);
- iv. Jalan Stuga/Basi/ljok/Brayun, Sri Aman (12 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM47 million);
- v. Jalan Kampung Medong/Lebrasau/Klid and Jalan Kampung Klid/Narub/Nanga Boah, Dalat submitted under Jalan Stapang/Tamin/Dalat (24 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM114 million);
- vi. Upgrading of Jalan Ulu Suai (48 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM150 million);
- vii. Jalan Kampung Pemasu/Nanga Semah,Daro (12 kilometres) including Jalan Kampung Pemasu/Nanga Semah/Nanga Semop RGC/Sibu/Tanjung Manis (49 kilometres and it is estimated cost of RM287 million); and
- viii. New alternative road to Lusong Laku (10 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM70 million).

My Ministry will pursue all the said projects with a total estimated cost of RM1424 Million under the State Twelve Malaysia Plan (12<sup>th</sup> MP) for consideration.

Tuan Speaker, Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pelawan has been quite persistent in his request for the Sibu Outering Road of RM300 million. I will persue this to Yang Berhormat Minister of Work Malaysia as soon as possible time.

For the information of Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat for Jemoreng and Daro, the proposed Jalan Sungai Ilas (13.5 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM69 million), Jalan Pantai Kaul Igan (2.3 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM4.5 million), Titi Konkrit Kampung Tian (2.8 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM6.2 million) and the proposed Jalan Sungai

Passin/Matu (16 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM65 million) had been approved under the State Mid Term Review (MTR). The design of these roads will commence in early 2019.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tupong, the upgrading of Jalan Matang from Matang Jaya to Jalan Matang/Batu Kawa Junction to a dual carriageway has been approved under the Mid Term Review (MTR) with the increase in ceiling from RM20 Million to RM60 Million. The physical work is expected to commence in early 2019.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Bukit Goram, the proposed Jalan Exit Kapit Hospital is expected to be tendered out by the end of this month. As for the proposed construction of Jalan Sungai Menuan (9 kilometres) and Jalan Sungai Ibau (10 kilometres), Kapit which are both under design stage, construction is expected to commence in 2019.

The State funded proposed construction of SK Sungai Kapit Bridge is currently under technical and cost evaluation stage. The construction is expected to commence in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2018.

*Request for New Road*

In response to the other various road requests, I would like to highlight the road projects requested by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, namely, this I have to mention, so you know that your request was, has been taken into account and we will consider them and due time and the fund available. In this way, I need the help of the Minister of Work Malaysia to assist me on this.

- i. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Batu Danau, the improvement and upgrading of the following roads:
  - (a) Jalan Bukit Sagan/SK Ulu Lubai (from Nanga Merit to SK Ulu Lubai);
  - (b) Jalan Kampung Pulau Brunei;
  - (c) Jalan Long Serangan;
  - (d) Jalan Bawang Ubor/Induk Sangkar;
  - (e) Jalan Kampung Rantau Kiran;
  - (f) Jalan Kampung Banbangan/Braong to Jalan Utama;
  - (g) Jalan Rh. John Nonong, Kampung Kelati;
  - (h) Jalan Rh. Peter Ipok, Kampung Sepangih; and
  - (i) Jalan Rh. Agan Siran, Ulu Tubai.
- ii. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Telian on Jalan Rh. Empi, Nanga Sikat to Rh. Megong, Nanga Taroh, Mukah;
- iii. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pelawan, when asking quite a bit, on the upgrading of Jalan Ulu Sungai Merah to a dual carriageway, that we have taken that into account that is your request;
- iv. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Kalaka on the construction of Jalan Saratok/Kampung Kaba;
- v. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Serembu on the construction of overtaking lane along the old Jalan Kuching/Bau;
- vi. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Bukit Begunan on the construction of Jalan Kampung Enciap, Pantu, Kampung Semulang Ili and Langgir, Lingga;
- vii. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Krian on the resurfacing of Jalan Kabo/Sungai Bangkong;

- viii. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tamin on the upgrading and construction of the following roads;
- (a) Upgrading of Jalan Nanga Tajam to Nanga Dijih Tamin;
  - (b) Upgrading of Jalan Sapudun, Balingian, Sibul;
  - (c) Jalan Rh. Pengarah to Rh. Emong, Ulu Mukah; and
  - (d) Jalan SK Nanga Selangau to Rh Dinggai, Ulu Mukah.
- ix. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Daro on the construction of Jalan Bawang Assan/Tanjung Manis/Sungai Illas, Kampung Sebena, Meradong;
- x. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Meluan on the construction of Jalan Kubu Brooke, Nanga Meluan/SK Nanga Maong and SK Nanga Ju;
- xi. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Murum on the following roads:
- (a) New alternative road to SK Kuala Kebulu;
  - (b) Upgrading ex-logging Road to Lusong Laku, Murum;
  - (c) Upgrading ex-logging road to Long Urun, Murum;
  - (d) Upgrading Jalan Rh. Mering Madang/Rh. Wan/Rh. Resah/Rh. Ramli, Tubau;
  - (e) Upgrading Jalan Rh. Ding Taman/Rh. Ugak, Tubau;
  - (f) Upgrading jalan Long Bala;
  - (g) Upgrading Jalan Long Koyan; and
  - (h) Upgrading Jalan Rh. Joseph and Rh. Jeranding, Ulu Jelalong.
- xii. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Enkelili on the construction of permanent concrete bridges to replace temporary bridges along Jalan Ulu Skrang and finally for;
- xiii. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Krian on the sealing of Jalan Senyawan/Lubuk Renit, sorry;
- xiv. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pelagus on the following roads:
- (a) Jalan Nanga Mujong passing through Rh. Belaja, Nanga Benin and connecting it by building iconic bridge over Pelagus Rapid to rehabilitate and restore back the Pelagus Resort in Pelagus;
  - (b) Upgrading of Ex-logging road to Rh. Jugah, Rh. Belikau, Rh. Sangau and Rh. Jonnya Nyengat in Ulu Sungai Sut;
  - (c) Construction of bridges at Rh. Taing Bena, Sungai Sut;
  - (d) Construction of one bridge at Rh. Undi, Sungai Bena Sut;
  - (e) Construction of road to Rh. Ai, Ulu Bena; and
  - (f) Construction of road from Rh. Tang, Nanga, Dap to Rh. Sabang, Nanga Buya, Batang Rajang.
- xv. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Layar on the construction and upgrading of Jalan Linsum/Mara/Kerapak/Sepak and Jalan Ajung/Merunjau/Nanga Laweh, Batu Lintang; and
- xvi. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Bukit Goram on the upgrading of Jalan Nanga Melipus/Ulu Melipis.

My Ministry recognizes the importance of all these road requests and *Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR)* will study them, taking into consideration of their benefits and financial implications to the State Government before implementation.

*Second Trunk Road and Coastal Road Bridges*

Tuan Speaker, I wish to inform Ahli Yang Berhormat for Padungan the proposed Second Trunk Road and various bridges under the coastal road program has been approved by State Government in principle.

Letters of Intent (LOI) for the projects had been issued to two (2) proponents on a design, building, build and Pay-After-Completion Methodology. This Methodology is a Private Funding Initiative (PFI) whereby, the project proponents are required to design, finance and the whole constructions costs and completes the projects before getting any payment from the Government.

Letters of Intent (LOI) are not contractually binding documents and thus the Government is not committed to award the projects to these proponents. The reason why Letters of Intent (LOI) were issued are so that proponents could embark on their proposals, having a basis to discuss with their commercial financiers for appropriate funding and so on.

At the same time Tuan Speaker, the State Government is also looking at the implementation method which may include, I repeat at the same time Tuan Speaker, the State Government is also looking at other implementation method which may include pre-qualification tendering. Under this, only companies having satisfied the required criterions in terms of technical capability, financial stability and management capacity will be considered.

The Government has also conducted a Value Management Lab on both projects and JKR Schedule, I repeat again Sir, the Government has also conducted a Value Management Lab on both projects JKR's Schedule of Rates (SOR) were used as yardstick to project the cost.

*Coastal Road*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tanjung Datu, Sadong Jaya and Jemoreng, the preliminary engineering design for the proposed construction of Batang Rambungan Bridge is completed and ready for Value Assessment Lab to come out with final detailed design. The proposed Igan Bridge has been tendered. The implementation of the proposed Batang Lupar Bridge is still under preliminary design.

However, please note that these bridges are classified as moderately critical project, and will be referred to Economic Planning Unit (EPU) for the further deliberation and we are waiting for the instructions.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Daro, Kalaka and Saribas, ...*(interruption)*...

**YB Encik Wong King Wei:** Thank you Tuan Speaker, thank you Honourable Deputy Chief Minister on the coastal road and second trunk road. Is the State Government committed since as stated by Deputy Chief Minister that LOI is not legally binding; it's not a legal binding document. Now, whether the State Government is committed to make the two (2) mega projects in open tender as per instructed by the Ministry of Finance, Federal Ministry of Finance that all the mega projects should be done by open tender?

And number two (2), whether it will done in terms of segregation in portions as we all know there are many competence Sarawakian's company in our State, and building of roads does not require special expertise in which that some special knowledge are required on the consultant of contractors. Many road builders are competent in Sarawak but why is the State Government in favour one or two (2) contractors when comes to this mega project to that



extend. These are my two (2) questions, whether the State Government are committed to do that?

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** Thank you Tuan Speaker, I did mention that there are two ways, one is the first one that I said is LOI was given to two opponents. There's another one if you are listen to me I will repeat again just in case you missed it out. At the same time Tuan Speaker, the State Government is looking for other implementation method which may include pre-qualified tendering. Under these only prequalified satisfied required criterion in term of technical capability, financial stability and many more will be considered. I did mention before that local companies will be considered more on this issue.

**Timbalan Speaker:** I think the Minister has answered your query saying that ...*(inaudible)*... Member for Padungan, I think the Minister has respond, no, he has responded to your question.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** Ya, I need to repeat just in case the Member of Padungan didn't hear.

**Timbalan Speaker:** No, he has responded. Padungan ...*(interruption)*...

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** No, I'm not repeating the answer so that you hear better. Ok, coastal road...*(interruption)*...

**Timbalan Speaker:** Order, Padungan...*(interruption)*...

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** For the information Ahli Yang Berhormat Tanjung Datu...*(interruption)*...Padawan, I've answered it. Please...*(inaudible)*... I've answered the question and if you listen carefully you would have understood it.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Now Padungan, order order please.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** I did not evade, I answer your question, so can you please listen.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Now Padungan...*(inaudible)*... Now the Minister have said they are considering other alternative ...*(interruption)*...

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** Ya, ya, other method.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Has answered the question, Padungan...*(interruption)*...

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** I've said, I've said that it would be other method will be considered. Can't you understand in English?

**Timbalan Speaker:** Ok. Now, just proceed on Minister.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** Ok, I'll start coastal road Tuan Speaker. Sorry Sir.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Can you proceed, proceed with your ... *(interruption)*...

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** I suggest you sit down. ... *(inaudible)*... Tuan Speaker, for the information Ahli Yang Berhormat ... *(interruption)*...

**Timbalan Speaker:** Order. Can we have some order Padungan? Can we have some order? ...*(interruption)*...

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** Sadong Jaya and Jemoreng ...*(interruption)*...

**Timbalan Speaker:** Can we have some order.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** The parliamentary engineering design...*(interruption)*...

**Timbalan Speaker:** No, he don't have to satisfy you, he has responded to your question, you don't expect him to, you know you don't expect him to answer the question you want. The Minister has answered, if he doesn't answered according to what you want, you cannot, you cannot force an answer out of him according to what you want. Ok. ...*(inaudible)*...

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** That is the answer that I have, if you can't understand it, it's hard luck lah, I'm sorry that you couldn't understand what I said. Is that my fault? It's your fault, that you don't have a brain to do it.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Minister, Padungan, can you let the Minister proceed please? ...*(interruption)*...

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** I proceed. Let me proceed. ...*(inaudible)*... I've answered. Why is it so difficult for you to understand that I ...*(inaudible)*... I said tender, I said tender, aiya. ...*(interruption)*...

**Timbalan Speaker:** Ok. Now Minister, you can proceed. He has replied but you cannot force him to give the answer you want. He has responded. Please proceed Minister. ...*(inaudible)*...

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** Thank you. Ok... *(inaudible)*...

**Timbalan Speaker:** No, no, no, no. I think he has answered. Can you please sit down Padungan...*(inaudible)*...Padungan, I think you cannot force the Minister to give the answer that you want. He has responded. Ok. Can you please proceed? Can you seat down Padungan.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** I have to answer to Pujut later own. I have still yet more to come, you know... *(inaudible)*...

**Timbalan Speaker:** Ok. Padungan, I think you have enough. Ok.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** Ok, for the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tanjung Datu, Sadong Jaya and Jemoreng, the preliminary engineering design for the proposed construction of Batang Rambungan Bridge is completed and ready for Value Assessment Lab to come out with final detailed design. The proposed Igan Bridge has been tendered. ...*(interruption)*...

**Timbalan Speaker:** Can you please allow the Minister to proceed with his speech? There must be a decorum in the House, please.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** The implementation of the proposed Batang Lupar Bridge is under preliminary design.

However, please take note that these bridges are classified as 'moderately critical' project, and will be referred to Economic Planning Unit (EPU) for further deliberation and we are waiting for the instructions.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Daro, Kalaka and Saribas, the Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) is finalizing the project work scopes and procurement process in preparation for the commencement of physical works of Jambatan Muara Lassa, Jambatan Batang Paloh, Jambatan Sungai Krian and Jambatan Batang Saribas which is scheduled in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2019.

The construction of Jambatan Muara Lassa and Jambatan Batang Paloh is expected to be completed in five (5) years time.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Sadong Jaya, the road standard adopted for coastal road network is JKR R3 standard. However, should need the to upgrade certain critical sections of the road to JKR R5 standard arises, the Government may conduct the studies to determine the needs.

#### *Kementerian Kemajuan Luar Bandar dan Wilayah (KKLW) Projects*

Tuan Speaker, for the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Meluan, Jalan Nanga Entabai/Rantau Limau has achieved a physical progress of 84% and is being closely monitored by Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) to ensure that the contractor complete the work expeditiously.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tamin, the upgrading of Jalan Sungai Kua and kampung Pengarah, Ulu Mukah with a total length of 17kilometres has achieved a physical progress of 92%. Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) is also closely monitoring the delayed project in ensuring completion. The remaining works are road premixing, roadline painting and spot turfing. The project is expected to be completed by the end of August in 2018.

For the information Ahli Yang Berhormat for Krian, the proposed sealing of Jalan Ulu Krian Phase 2 cost RM16 million was approved in the Federal Eleventh Malaysia Plan (11<sup>th</sup> MP) under Rolling Plan 2 which is currently under tender evaluation, while Jalan Kupang/Bajau, RM90 million and Sungai Krian Bridge, RM90 million are also approved in Rolling Plan 2 and both have undergone Value Management Lab.

For the information Ahli Yang Berhormat for Opar, the proposed Selampit Bridge has been approved in the Federal Eleventh Malaysia Plan (11<sup>th</sup> Plan) under Rolling Plan 2 with a cost of RM10 million. However, the allocation is insufficient and currently awaiting approval for the budget to be increased to RM30 million. The proposed Jalan Biawak/Kampung Pasir

Hilir/Kampung Kendaie/Kampung Selampit has been submitted under the Rolling Plan 4 for consideration.

For the information Ahli Yang Berhormat for Engkelili, the proposed Jalan Lidong/Tisak, Serian, 10.5 kilometres with an estimated cost of RM63 million was approved under the Key Result Areas 3 (KRA3) for design and tender documentation which is ongoing. The funding for the construction has been submitted under Rolling Plan 4 for consideration.

For the information of Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat for Meluan and Krian, the proposed Nanga Entaih/Rh. Sang, Rantau Chire, 18 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM54 million, upgrading of Jalan Ulu Awik, 13.5 kilometres at an estimated cost fo RM67.5 million and improvement and upgrading of Jalan Ulu Paku/Nanga Alum, Pakan, 11.8kilometres at an estimated cost of RM300 million had been submitted under Rolling Plan 4 for consideration.

For information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Murum, I wish to inform you the following updates:

- i) The upgrading of ex-logging Road to Ulu Jelalong, Tubau, 40 kilometres at estimated cost of RM17 million and upgrading of Jalan Rh. Julaihi, 2.8 kilometres have been approved under Rolling Plan 1 of the ex-logging Road Phase 2. They are both under tender process;
- ii) The construction of new road Lot Pertanian of the Bakun Resettlement Scheme, Sungai Asap, Phase 1, 13 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM9 million has been approved under Rolling Plan 2 and is currently under preliminary survey; and
- iii) Upgrading of ex-logging road to Penempatan Semula Tegulang, Murum, 9.3 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM61 million and upgrading of ex-logging road to Penempatan Semula Metalun, Murum, 19 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM112 million have been approved under Rolling Plan 3 and are awaiting Value Management Lab.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pelagus, I wish to inform you on the following updates:

- i. Jalan Rh. Juntan to Nanga Sut (12 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM60 million) has been approved under Rolling Plan 2 and is awaiting Value Management Lab; and
- ii. Upgrading of ex-logging road to Rh. Sekudan, Ulu Pelagus (2.6 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM2.4 million) has been approved under Rolling Plan 1 of Ex-Logging Road Phase 4 and is under design.

Again, I wish to remind Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat that although all the mentioned *Kementerian Kemajuan Luar Bandar dan Wilayah (KKLW)* projects were approved previously, all these projects are subject to further instructions and approvals from Economic Planning Unit (EPU) pursuant to the official letter from the Ministry of Finance (MOF) Malaysia dated 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018. For further information, please be informed that these projects are rural infrastructure projects and is classified under Category B which is moderately critical.

*Pan Borneo Highway*

Tuan Speaker, for the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Bukit Semuja, the Pan Borneo Highway construction from Serian roundabout to Pantu Junction which is delayed by 7.9% is being closely monitored by Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) and the Project Delivery Partner (PDP) to ensure that the contractor is putting all efforts to complete the work expeditiously.

*Score Road*

For the information of Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat for Pelagus, the design of the SCORE road from Nanga Merit to Sangan, Tatau (81.4 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM950 million) and Jalan Akses Tunoh from Jalan Baleh Hydro Dam (37 kilometres at an estimated cost of RM690 million) have been completed and request for their construction were submitted under Rolling Plan 3 but was not approved.

My Ministry however will continue to pursue to get the necessary funding for these roads.

*Other Roads*

Tuan Speaker, for the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Serembu, out of the 21.5 kilometres Jalan Bau/Kuching, a 4.5 kilometres stretch from 7<sup>th</sup> Mile junction to Jalan Stephen Yong junction is currently at the design stage under the State funded Inner Ring Road. For the remaining 17 kilometres stretch from Simpang Jalan Stephen Yong to Bau, this road will be submitted under the State funded Twelveth Malaysia Plan (12<sup>th</sup> MP) for consideration.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Piasau, Implementation Coordination Unit (ICU) Malaysia has approved in April 2018, RM12 million improvement of the roundabout at GK Supermarket in Miri. However, the project is also subject to review as per official letter from the Ministry of Finance (MOF) Malaysia dated 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018. Construction of new infrastructure is categorized as 'not critical'.

*Road Maintenance*

Tuan Speaker, for the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Balingian, the State Government will ensure that improvement works continue to be carried out for the Balingian/Kuala Balingian/Kuala Tatau Coastal Road, from time to time through the Annual State Road Improvement Program under Malaysian Road Record Information System (MARRIS) funding. The said road has been handed over to the State Road Concessionaire for routine maintenance.

*Road Maintenance Contract*

I wish to inform Ahli Yang Berhormat for Padungan, only 18.7% of all State roads are maintained by CMS Roads (CMSR) Sdn Bhd. In terms of kilometers, CMS Roads (CMSR) Sdn Bhd maintenance cover only 5,713 kilometres out of the 30,524 kilometres of State roads of various categories. The rest are maintained directly by *Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) Sarawak, Pihak Berkuasa Tempatan (PBT)* and others.

*Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) Sarawak* had also reviewed CMS Roads (CMSR) Sdn Bhd performance under the Performance Based Contract (PBC) using performance indicator Road Maintenance Index (RMI). Based on the Index, CMSR had fulfilled their obligations to maintain and sustain the contracted roads not only in the same but also increasingly better

condition as indicated by the Index. The performance indicator Road Maintenance Index (RMI) has been steadily increasing from 60.5 in 2003 to 84.8 in 2017 for paved roads, and 36.3 in 2003 to 67.9 in 2017 for unpaved roads.

*Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) Sarawak* has also carried out a supplier audit of CMS Roads (CMSR) Sdn Bhd to assess their capacity in providing road management and maintenance services under Performance Based Contract (PBC) to ascertain their strength in terms of resources and competencies and to gauge gaps in their capability and efficiency. The supplier audit concluded that CMS Roads (CMSR) Sdn Bhd has the capacity, resources, competencies and strength in many aspects that outweigh the capability shortcomings and efficiency gaps and they are capable of providing the services satisfactorily. However, State Government has given CMS Roads (CMSR) Sdn Bhd a one-year extension until 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019 to allow the Government to further carry out a review.

#### *Ferry Service*

On the request for ferry service at Tanjung Embang from Ahli Yang Berhormat for Demak Laut, the construction of a pair of ferry ramps for... *(interrupted)* no, I do not give way ferry operation has been included in the Proposed Jalan Kampung Sungai Pinang/ Tiang Api/ Beradek/ Semilang/ Tanju Ulu/ Beliong/ Tambirat, Kuching Division (25 kilometres with an estimated cost of RM92 million) which has been submitted under the State Eleventh Malaysia Plan (11<sup>th</sup> MP) Mid Term Review (MTR) and was not approved. In this regard, my Ministry will put it up again in the Twelveth Malaysia Plan (12<sup>th</sup> MP) for consideration....*(Interrupted)*...

**Timbalan Speaker:** Ahli Yang Berhormat for Padungan, Padungan.

#### *Rural Transformation Projects (RTP)*

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** Tuan Speaker, for the information of Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat for Tasik Biru, Ngemah and Layar, in implementing the Rural Transformation Projects (RTP), the State Government has recently approved the creation of 239 professional/technical posts on *Jawatan Berasaskan Caruman* (JBC) basis ...*(interrupted)*

**Timbalan Speaker:** Ahli Yang Berhormat for Padungan, Minister is not giving way, so please sit down.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** I think this is may be important because this is involving RTP, how can you work and do it correctly? If you listen carefully it would be much better more to understand what we are doing. Tuan Speaker, for the information of Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat for Tasik Biru, Ngemah and Layar, an implementation...*(interrupted)* I think it is better you switch off his mic.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Okay, please proceed with your winding-up speech.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** Ya.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Ahli Yang Berhormat for Padungan you better sit down. Ahli Yang Berhormat for Padungan, the Standing Order says if the Speaker gives way then you can asked a question, he is not giving way, he want to proceed with his speech.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** No, I am not giving way.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Okay.

**Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan (YB Tan Sri Datuk Amar Dr James Jemut Anak Masing):** Okay, alright, basis for a contract period of two (2) years to bolster the manpower capacity of the Divisional Offices of the *Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) Sarawak* throughout the State in order to enhance the implementation of the high number of projects under Rural Transformation Projects (RTP) and Federal Minor Rural Projects (MRP) Programs. Empowerment of authority is given to the Divisional Engineers and the Residents of respective Divisions to manage all Rural Transformation Projects (RTP) of value less than RM2 million each.

Decentralisation of design functions is also proposed by setting up of dedicated “RTP Unit with design function” in each of the major Divisions namely Kuching, Sibu and Miri. These Rural Transformation Projects (RTP) units will provide the design services to other divisions defined by JKR’s Regional boundaries and thus could embark on designing work in a less time consuming manner. Works of more complex nature and those projects valued more than RM2 million each will still be handled by the technical branches in *Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) Headquarters*. “RTP Unit without design function” will also be set up in the rest of the *Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) Divisional Offices*. These Rural Transformation Projects (RTP) units will focus on post contract project management. This requires the deployment of professional staff, that is, engineers, and supporting staff like Assistant Engineers at the Districts and even Sub-District levels. This will enhance project supervision, quality control and technical problems resolution at the ground level. Specifically, two (2) Engineers would be assigned to every District in Sarawak.

Divisional Engineers are answerable to Residents for the minor projects Rural Transformation Projects (RTP) and Minor Rural Projects (MRP)] and services delivery while still maintaining the functional relationship with *Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) Headquarters*. With the decentralisation of the pre-contract (design and tender documentation) functions from *Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) Headquarters* to the Divisional Engineers, and the strengthening of the post-contract capacity of *Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR)* at the District levels, the Divisional Engineers would be in a better position to deliver their services to the *Rakyat*. This is certainly a win-win situation for both parties.

With the Divisional Engineers answerable and reporting to the Residents of each Division, both parties are now accountable for the projects and service delivery in their respective Divisions. To further enhance service delivery, it is proposed that the development warrants be directly issued to the Resident offices, so that these offices can effect payment directly to the contractors. The existing system of “*cabut undi*” for projects of value less than RM750,000 is still maintained.

An Audit committee comprising relevant officers will be established to constantly monitor and audit the work processes and decisions to ensure that good corporate governance is complied with. A Steering Committee for performance monitoring will be maintained at the State level and to be chaired by the Yang Berhormat State Secretary.

Ahli Yang Berhormat for Batu Lintang, your sincere statement that “*I am impressed that they [Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) Sarawak] are all hardworking and efficient in delivering the works that are undertaken by them, with quality*”, really deeply touched my heart. Thank you for your compliments.

*Street Lightings*

Tuan Speaker, for the information Ahli Yang Berhormat for Seremban, the State Government has approved an allocation of RM957,498 for Padawan Municipal Council (MPP) for the installation of the street lighting along Old Jalan Bau/Kuching from Jalan Haji Baki junction to Jalan Bunga Rampai junction. An allocation amounting RM532,014 is also provided for the installation of street lighting along Jalan Stephen Yong.

On the requests made by Ahli Yang Berhormat for Repok, Lingga and Simunjan on the installation of street lightings, namely along:

- i. Jalan Nyelong by-pass to Simpang Merudu;
- ii. Hospital Sarikei to Taman Susur Jambu Sarikei;
- iii. Jalan Merudu to Simpang Jakar;
- iv. Jalan Nanga Peruan;
- v. Jalan Skait Baru;
- vi. Semayang Ban, Tanjung Bijat;
- vii. Jambatan Simunjan; and
- viii. Jambatan Gedong.

I wish to inform that my Ministry has submitted a proposed program to install street lighting amounting to RM30 million under the State Eleventh Malaysia Plan (11<sup>th</sup> MP) and State Mid Term Review (MTR). However, it was not approved. My Ministry will be resubmitting this proposed program again under the State Twelveth Malaysia Plan (12<sup>th</sup> MP) for consideration.

Notwithstanding, it has always been the policy that all major bridges undertaken by *Jabatan Kerja Raya* (JKR) are installed with street lightings. For the other minor bridges, street lightings are installed on a case by case basis depending on the safety needs and localities.

For the other minor bridges, street lightings are installed on a case by case basis depending on the safety needs and their localities. I wish to inform Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat that Jambatan Simunjan and Jambatan Gedong were undertaken by other agency and not under my Ministry's purview.

*Bus Transportation*

To address the issue raised by Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pending, it is in the best interest of the Government to solve the traffic congestion in Kuching, Miri and Sibu during peak hours. Stage Bus Services Transformation (SBST) program is to improve the current public bus transportation system in terms of network coverage and quality of services rendered to the general public which will be more systematic and efficient.

This project will be implemented in Kuching City as well as in some areas in Samarahan. If this is deemed successful, the State Government shall apply to the Federal Government to replicate to other cities/towns in Sarawak in stages such as Sibu and Miri.

Again, due to the change of the Federal Government, the project is now under review and subject to further deliberation, based on the official letter from the Ministry of Finance (MOF) Malaysia dated 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018.



*Kuala Baram Dredging*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pujut, both the State and Federal Government acknowledged the need to dredge the shallow access channel of Kuala Baram to spur the economic activity and the development of Kuala Baram Industrial Estate in particular, Miri Port and the shipping industries.

The State Government is pursuing seriously with the Federal Government on the deepening of Kuala Baram access channel. The proposed Kuala Baram deepening estimated to cost RM511 million has been submitted to the Federal Government under Rolling Plan 1, 2 and 3 of the Eleventh Malaysia Plan. All submissions were not approved. The proposal has been resubmitted under the Rolling Plan 4 of the Eleventh Malaysia Plan (11<sup>th</sup> MP).

On the other hand, the Government has received a number of proposals by private sectors. Our State Planning Unit is currently studying the proposals holistically, including the methodology of private sectors' involvement. My Ministry is seriously looking into the proposal and urges the proposed dredging of Kuala Baram access channel to be done urgently. Okay Ahli Yang Berhormat Pujut? Okay.

*Express Boat Subsidy*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pujut, public transport services are privately driven on a commercial consideration basis. On the understanding of the river boat passengers' background, who are mainly from the lower and medium income group especially in the rural areas, the Government does provide subsidy to ease its operational cost.

The express boat is no exception, in which fuel subsidy, diesel to the Ministry of Domestic Trade and Consumers Affairs Malaysia is being provided.

Please bear in mind that Ahli Yang Berhormat Deputy Minister for Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Malaysia, Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri for Kota Sentosa he, who is also a Member of Parliament for Stampin, will be made aware of this, sooner or later.

*Tanjung Datu Lighthouse*

For the information of Yang Berhormat for Tanjung Datu, the proposal to upgrade Tanjung Datu Lighthouse has been approved under the State Mid Term Review (MTR) Eleventh Malaysia Plan (11<sup>th</sup> MP) with a ceiling cost of RM2.4 million. The upgrading work is expected to commence in 2018.

*Conclusion*

Tuan Speaker, based on the content of my speech, it is evident that continuous collaboration between the Federal and State Governments is vital for the future progress of Sarawak. While the State Government could continuously plan in accordance to our needs, the Federal approvals and funding are required to turn the plans into concrete reality.

As a result, it is only correct that the State Government cooperate with the new Federal Government with the single objective to deliver the necessary infrastructure and transportation development Sarawak desperately needs.

With this, it is my fervent hope that all Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat from different political affiliations could work together with one objective to develop Sarawak as expected by our Sarawakian voters.

Before I end my speech, I would like to thank Tuan Speaker for having skilfully managed the proceedings of this August House. I would like to record my appreciation to all Ahli Yang Berhormat for raising their relevant questions and suggestions that could further improve MIDT delivery and implementation methods.

My special thanks go to all State Civil Servants, my MIDT team, and members of the media. Last but not the least, the Sarawak Independence Day comes on the 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2018 where the present leaders remember and sacrifice made by our past leaders and all Sarawakians can take pride to be part of peaceful Sarawak on our Independence Day. I would like to wish all Muslims belated Selamat Hari Raya Aidilfitri, and our Dayak friends, belated Selamat Gawai Dayak, Gayu Guru Gerai Nyamai. And at the same time, I would like to wish all of us Selamat Hari Kebangsaan, Selamat Hari Malaysia, and to our Muslim friends, Selamat Hari Raya Aidil Adha.

Tuan Speaker, sebelum saya mengundurkan diri, izinkan saya berkongsi 3 rangkap pantun. No translators.

Bunga semambu semerbak mewangi,  
Mawar berduri tinggi menjulang,  
Agenda pembangunan aspirasi negeri,  
Harapan bersama Kerajaan sekarang

Pokok tapang tinggi melampai,  
Tempat berteduh si burung helang,  
Pemimpin bersatu wawasan dicapai,  
Memacu Sarawak ke puncak gemilang.

Tamu semanggang maioh ikan salai,  
Burung lelayang terebai ari teresang,  
Begerempung kitai segulai sejalai,  
Menua likun niti jalai pemansang.

Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Terima kasih kepada Menteri Pembangunan Infrastruktur dan Pengangkutan atas ucapan penggulungan yang dekat 2 jam. Almost two (2) hours, you are short of just 10 minutes. Congratulations.

Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, the Sitting is adjourned to 9 a.m. tomorrow morning.

*(Mesyuarat ditangguhkan pada jam 6:08 petang)*