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**Peringatan untuk Ahli Dewan:**

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**MESYUARAT PERTAMA BAGI PENGGAL KETIGA**

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*Isnin, 16 Julai 2018*

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| 4. Encik Junaidi bin Samsudin                    | <i>Kementerian Kerajaan Tempatan dan Perumahan</i>                          |
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| 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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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 Jammay 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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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:** Bismilillahirrahmannirrahim. Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh. Selamat pagi dan salam sejahtera. Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2018 the Court of Appeal comprising three (3) judges delivered the judgement on the Honourable Member for Pujut case in a two to one (2-1) decision. The Court of Appeal upheld the decision of the High Court affirming that the Honourable Member for Pujut is a member of DUN for the constituency of Pujut. The learned Judge JCA Dato' Abang Iskandar bin Abang Hashim identified three (3) main issues, issue of jurisdiction of DUN, Immunity and whether the decision is justifiable.

The learned Judge considered the Ministerial Motion passed, the Articles 16, 17, 17(1)(g), Article 18 and Article 19 of the State Constitution, Articles 50 and 118 of Federal Constitution, the matter whether the Election Court should decide and agreed that the High Court arrived at the correct decision. Article 72 of the Federal Constitution was considered and the JCA upheld the issue to be not justifiable.

The learned JCA considered the Australian cases of *Re Canavan* and *Sykes v Cleary*; and applied the Indian Supreme Court decision in *Election Commission of India vs Saka Venkata*. The learned JCA considered the submission of SAG that there is a lacuna.

Finally, the learned JCA found that Sarawak State Dewan Undangan Negeri has no jurisdiction and there was no valid proceedings to be immunized.

Briefly, the gist of the decision of JCA Datuk Harmidar Singh Dhaliwal: the decision was shorter and the learned JCA considered Article 50 of the Federal Constitution was for post-election matters.

Fan Yew Teng's case was considered. The JCA held that Dewan Undangan Negeri must act within the law and dismissed all three (3) appeals.

Briefly, the gist of the decision of Lady JCA Dato' Mary Lim: there was a dissenting judgement by Lady JCA Dato' Mary Lim Thiam Suan. This is what she said in delivering the judgment, she considered the Indira Gandhi Case and Parliamentary Privilege and disagreed with the findings made by the High Court.

The learned JCA ruled that the election is not questioned but the qualification which is within the mandate of the Assembly to decide within the State and Federal Constitutions; where there is always a right to consider and deal with the issue of the Ministerial motion or question of the Plaintiff's status. The Justice Court of Appeal considered the Federal Court Teng Chang Kim's case and the two (2) separate cases Fan Yew Teng cases.

The JCA considered the Indian cases and found them to be irrelevant and the facts are different. So, the decision of JCA Dato' Abang Iskandar based on the case of the Indian Supreme Court is found by JCA Dato' Mary Lim to be irrelevant and of different facts from the present case.

The learned JCA was of the view that Article 19 of the State Constitution ought to be given a broad meaning and that there is jurisdiction to call in question the qualification in the August House the issue of the Plaintiff acquiring foreign citizenship. Lady JCA Dato' Mary Lim then allowed all three appeals but for the same reasons as JCA Dato' Abang Iskandar and JCA Datuk Harminder Singh found that these are matters of public interest and ordered no costs.

The more appropriate interpretation given to the various Articles of our Sarawak State Constitution, Articles 17, 16, 18 and 19, was given by Lady JCA Dato' Mary Lim that brings life to the whole intent of the Constitution to prevent such awkwardness or mischief that the August House would not be able to deal with and disqualified persons from taking oath and sitting in the Dewan.

With respect, the interpretation given by JCA Abang Iskandar and JCA Harminder Singh are too restrictive that if such two to one (2-1) decision were to stand, I am sure all the other Legislative Assemblies and the Dewan Rakyat will face crippling effect in enforcing certain very crucial provisions.

If the decisions of Parliament and the Speaker of the House can be challenged in the court of law and the court overruled the decisions of Parliament and the Speaker of the House, then Parliament and Speaker of the House cease to function.

Constitutional provisions should be read in harmony with other Constitutional provisions to effectively forward the whole intent of Parliament and/or to prevent any mischief. In the light of this circumstance, it is inevitable that I have to instruct my Advocates to make an application for leave to appeal to the Federal Court.

**SAMBUNGAN PERBAHASAN USUL PENGHARGAAN ATAS UCAPAN  
TUAN YANG TERUTAMA YANG DI-PERTUA NEGERI SARAWAK**

**PENGGULUNGAN OLEH PARA MENTERI**

**Tuan Speaker:** Dengan hormatnya saya menjemput Yang Berhormat Datuk Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah, Menteri Pelancongan, Kesenian, Kebudayaan, Belia dan Sukan untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan.

**Menteri Pelancongan, Kesenian, Kebudayaan, Belia dan Sukan (YB Datuk Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah):** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker. Bismillahirrahmanirrahim. Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh, selamat pagi salam sejahtera.

*Pelancongan Sarawak berubah corak,  
Pelbagai acara mengikut rentak,  
Kedatangan pelancong sangat menggalak,  
Ekonomi Sarawak semakin rancak.*

*Belia, Sukan, Kesenian dan Kebudayaan,  
Semakin gah menyumbang pelancongan,  
Membina insan membina kepimpinan,  
Menyemarak perpaduan melestari kemakmuran.*

*Era digital suatu visi,  
Semua rakyat cabar inspirasi,  
Ia bukan suatu imaginasi,  
Gemblengkan tenaga penuh kolaborasi.*

Tuan Speaker, saya mengucapkan setinggi-tinggi tahniah kepada Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri di atas ucapan sempena Pembukaan Mesyuarat Pertama bagi Penggal Ketiga Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak Kelapan Belas pada 9 haribulan Julai 2018.

Saya juga ingin mengucapkan setinggi-tinggi penghargaan kepada Yang Amat Berhormat Ketua Menteri kerana telah memimpin Negeri Sarawak giat mengorak langkah ke arah ekonomi digital seiring dengan kemajuan teknologi global. Seluruh pemimpin dan juga rakyat jelata Sarawak harus memberi sokongan padu kepada Kerajaan Gabungan Parti Sarawak di bawah bimbingan Yang Amat Berhormat Ketua Menteri agar Negeri Sarawak akan terus maju dan melonjak ke arah negeri yang paling maju dalam Malaysia.

Tuan Speaker, the Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture, Youth and Sports has been operating smoothly after the merger of Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture and Ministry of Youth, Sports and Solidarity since 7<sup>th</sup> of May 2017.

With the merger of functions of the two (2) Ministries, my Ministry has formulated its new vision which is "Leading the advancement of Sarawak's Tourism, Arts, Culture, Youth and Sports" with the mission "To Position Sarawak as A Premier Tourism Destination, A Showcase of Unique Arts and Culture and A Centre of Excellence for Youth and Sports". To achieve the vision and mission, we have also developed a new strategic plan as a framework to guide the Ministry as well as its agencies to move forward with the whole Sarawak Government machinery to realise Sarawak's vision to be A High Income State by the year 2030.

## *TOURISM*

### *Global Tourism Scenario*

Tuan Speaker, the Global Tourism Scenario. The global tourism sector continues to show positive growth. Global international tourist arrivals grew by 7% in 2017, receiving a total of 1.23 billion international tourists worldwide which is an increase of 90 million more tourists as compared to 2016.

According to United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) World Tourism Barometer, Europe gained 8% increase and the African region, gained also 8% increase. Both regions have led the growth in international tourist arrivals in 2017. This was followed by Asia Pacific 6% increase, Middle East, 5% increase, and America 3% increase. The UNWTO forecast a 4% to 5% increase in international tourist arrivals for 2018.

### *Malaysia's Performance in 2017 & 2018 Forecast*

In 2017, Malaysia received 25.9 million tourists arrival, a decrease of 3.36% in terms of tourist arrivals compared to 2016 and generating an estimated RM82.2 billion in tourist receipts. ASEAN markets continue to contribute largely to the arrivals, namely from Singapore, Indonesia, Brunei, China, Thailand, India, South Korea, Japan, The Philippines, and The United Kingdom. For 2018, Tourism Malaysia has revised its target from 32 million to 25 million arrivals which is the same as 2017 actual arrivals. With the kick-off of Visit Malaysia year 2020 campaign in various markets this year, Tourism Malaysia is targeting 36 million tourists arrivals with RM168 in tourist receipts by 2020.

### *Sarawak's Performance in 2017 and 2018 Forecast*

For Sarawak, in 2017 we received 4.85 million visitors, bringing in an estimated tourist receipt of RM8.59 billion. Arrivals figure indicates an increase of 4.2% as compared to 2016. The top five (5) sources of tourist markets for Sarawak were Brunei Darussalam (1.73

million), Indonesia (513,442), the Philippines (68,380), Singapore (42,177) and China (38,204). As from January to May this year, visitor arrivals figure was 1,750,640.

The figures indicated a positive increase in the tourist arrival especially from China and Singapore. For China, 19,641 Chinese tourists came into Sarawak during the period of January to May 2018. This is an encouraging increase of 20.22% as compared to the same corresponding period in 2017. This was attributed to the Kuching-Shenzhen direct flight which commenced in December 2017. For Singapore, the same corresponding period in 2018 indicated an increase of 15.8% with a total of 17,856 Singaporean arrivals.

Based on the performance and trend of the past few months in terms of Sarawak visitor arrivals and national tourist arrivals, for 2018, my Ministry is targeting 4.5 million visitor arrivals and expecting RM8.05 billion in tourism receipt. To ensure a sustained growth of visitors' arrivals, my Ministry is actively embarking on a Visit Sarawak Campaign which shall be launched at the end of this year. My Ministry will continue to work closely with all relevant stakeholders to deliver our mission to position Sarawak as a premier tourism destination.

#### *Tourism Tax*

On the implementation of tourism tax where the Sarawak Government will be given 50% of every RM10 in tax per room per night collected from foreign tourists, my Ministry wish to report that a total of RM439,731 was collected for the period between September 2017 to December 2017. My Ministry is currently working closely with the Federal Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture to determine how they can channel the allocations to us so that we may be able to utilise it to implementation tourism related programs and initiatives.

#### *Digital Tourism*

In response to our Yang Amat Berhormat Chief Minister's call to capitalise on digital economy to boost Sarawak's tourism competitiveness, our Ministry has initiated to embrace and redevelop our tourism web portal with enhanced and interactive contents. This includes developing Augmented Reality and Virtual Reality technology for tourism hotspots in the State starting with the Old Kuching Heritage area, in time for Visit Sarawak Campaign to be launched at the end of the year. A total allocation of RM12.5 million has been allocated to the Ministry for the next three years to boost and transform Sarawak's tourism landscape by leveraging on emerging digital technology.

#### *Capacity Building*

Tuan Speaker, my Ministry in collaboration with Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture Malaysia, Sarawak Forestry Corporation, University Malaysia Sarawak and Sarawak Tourist Guide Association will continue to support and organize the community participation in the tourism industry which aims to equip the industry players with the necessary hospitality skills, creativity skills and social media marketing.

This year, my Ministry is going to initiate the Mandarin Speaking Park-Guide Training Course in collaboration with Sarawak Forestry Corporation and Universiti Teknologi Mara Sarawak (UiTM) with the aim to increase the number of Mandarin speaking park guides in view of the growing China Tourists Arrival and shortage of Mandarin speaking park guides.

In line with state's digital agenda, my Ministry is targeting homestay operators to utilize social media marketing in promoting their homestay. Therefore, my Ministry is introducing new program called "Promotion Through Digital Media for Homestay Operators".

As of June 2018, Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture Malaysia has licensed 275 tour agencies, 140 tourist guides, 171 tourist buses and car rentals and one tourism training institute. In addition, the Ministry has also licensed 215 hotels in Sarawak to ensure that the premises adhere to the guidelines established by the Government.

### *National Parks*

Tuan Speaker, our national parks continue to be the most preferred destinations for eco tourists both domestic and foreign because of its wildlife attractions, interesting nature activity, beautiful and unique landscape. There is a total of 56 national parks, nature reserves and wild life sanctuaries in Sarawak.

As of May 2018, the total visitors' arrival to all the national parks was 186,486 with total revenues generated amounting to RM2.18 million. The total visitor arrivals consist of 136,573 domestic (73%) and 49,913 foreigners (27%). There is an encouraging increase of 18.33% of foreign visitors with an overall increase of revenue by 0.88% as compared to the same period last year.

National parks that recorded the highest number of visitors as of May 2018 are Semenggoh Wildlife Centre (28,572 visitors), Bako National Park (10,358 visitors), Santubong National Park (9,367 visitors), Niah National Park (8,636 visitors), Gunung Mulu National Park (7,781 visitors) and Lambir Hills National Park (4,485 visitors).

Lambir Hill National Park was awarded the TripAdvisor 2018 Certificate of Excellence for best attraction, cafeteria and information for the second time actually. This award would be leverage as a promotional and branding mileage for national parks.

For the 2017 Sarawak Chief Minister's Award for Best Managed Park, Matang Wildlife Centre won the award for best practices in management, protection and conservation.

### *Tourism Events and Festivals*

Now, I would like to touch on Tourism Events and Festivals. Tuan Speaker, in my effort to continue to attract more tourists to Sarawak, my Ministry with the collaboration of other agencies and tourism industry players have successfully initiated, supported and organized many tourism events to attract more tourists, generate economic spin off for the local community and to capture international media attention.

The signature event of Sarawak, Rainforest World Music Festival or RWMF which just end last night actually for this year's event. This year was at its 21<sup>st</sup> edition was just concluded at Sarawak Cultural Village, Santubong from 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

This year, the festival expanded its venue to the adjacent Damai Central as more activities were introduced to the festival. Apart from stage performances and workshops, the festival was opened up new activities in wellness programs such as Yoga, Taichi, Zumba as well as talks on health and wellness. There were also pocket performances to create a more vibrant festivity ambience. This year, STB brought in 200 media from around the world to cover the festival. They comprise of printed, online media as well as influential bloggers.

Other notable international events which have been lined up in 2018 are The Borneo Jazz Festival (May), The Miss World Malaysia (September) where we will be hosting for the first time, Borneo Fashion Week (September), Kuching Waterfront Jazz Festival (September), What About Kuching (October) and Kuching Waterfront Festival which comprises of International Dragon Boat Regatta (October) and as well as Sarawak Regatta (November).

### *Regional Tourism Co-Operation*

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak leverages on its membership in several regional cooperation platforms namely the Brunei-Indonesia-Malaysia-Philippines East Asia Growth Area (BIMP-EAGA), East Asia Inter-Regional Tourism Forum (EATOF), Social Economic Malaysia-Indonesia (SOSEK MALINDO), Sabah-Sarawak-Labuan Joint Tourism Coordination and Collaboration Committee (SSLJTCC), and Sarawak-Brunei Bilateral Cooperation Tourism Working Group, to develop joint activities, marketing and promotion of tourism in the region.

### *Tourism Marketing and Promotion Activities*

Sarawak Tourism Board (STB) continues to be at the forefront in marketing and promotion of tourism in the State. In sustaining the market interest with the existing brand, the Board's marketing activities for the first half of 2018 saw the continuity of efforts from 2017 especially in our focus markets and sustaining direct flights into Sarawak.

### *Visit Sarawak Campaign*

The State Government has agreed to embark on a Visit Sarawak Campaign with the objective to position Sarawak as the preferred tourist destination. The campaign will include branding exercise to enhance the image of Sarawak as an attractive destination for holiday, business and investment.

STB is entrusted to lead and undertake the Visit Sarawak Campaign which is expected to be launched at the end of this year. The campaign will highlight the offerings on new tourism products that will be appealing to the trend of travelling and well targeted at specific interest groups. Private sectors must be ready with their offerings and be fully prepared in delivering excellent services with sufficient resources to meet the needs of the tourists. A series of public engagement programme will be organised among local Sarawakians to indicate a strong sense of belonging on the campaign so that they will help to promote their very own homeland to the world.

Ultimately, the outcome of the campaign is to increase tourist arrivals by 15% – 18% and to increase their average length of stay from 5 days to a week and subsequently increase tourism revenue earnings for the State.

### *Marketing Strategies for 2018*

STB, besides focusing on its focus markets for family and silver-hair, is eyeing to diversify markets interest to meet trends moving fast from the traditional packages to free and independent travelling. This trend is popular among the younger generation facilitated by the rise of Low Cost carriers and online accommodation and travel booking.

STB works effectively in collaboration with the regional Low Cost carriers such as Air Asia, Scoots, Wings Air and Malindo Air. Since December 2017, STB has been working very closely with Air Asia to tap into the China's free independent travellers through its direct flights from Shenzhen to Kuching. In addition, we have Scoots' direct flight from Singapore to Kuching as well as Wings Air direct flight from Pontianak to Kuching and Miri. An Integrated Marketing Campaign has been launched to target to the younger travellers from these airport hubs.

### *New Collaboration and Partnership for 2018*

STB works effectively by collaborating with strategic partners in all the target markets including airlines, tour operators, online portals and other interested partners. For the first

half of 2018, our collaborative efforts centred on partners working on our focus markets of domestic that is West Malaysia, Singapore, China, Germany and Australia.

For the market of West Malaysia, STB works in collaboration with MATTA Sarawak chapter in a joint participation at the March MATTA Fair and roadshow which was held recently in Kuala Lumpur.

For the China market, STB ongoing marketing collaboration with Air Asia has been given emphasis with a two-prong strategy to increase arrival from China especially from the southern region, as well as to ensure sustainability of the direct flight. The collaboration emphasised on digital promotion with investment on media content generation using key opinion leaders (KOL), celebrities and writers to fulfil STB's digital promotion in the market place. Engagement sessions with Tourism Malaysia Guangzhou, tourism wholesalers, agents and Air Asia China was held in Shenzhen and Guangzhou recently to gather feedbacks and suggestions to chart the way forward for our marketing strategies in China. Currently, the Air Asia Kuching–Shenzhen–Kuching direct flight which was inaugurated on December 2017 saw a reduced frequency to three (3) times weekly but the load has always been consistent at 79 percent. The ratio of passenger flown based on nationality splits at 60:40 between Malaysians and China nationals.

For German and the German speaking markets, two joint tactical marketing promotions have been schedule in 2018 with two (2) top German agents, Tischler Risen and der Touristik. These initiative arises from our participation at the March International Tourismus Bourse (ITB) Berlin. Our joint collaboration with Tourism Malaysia Frankfurt office saw joint promotion of the destination through media familiarization trips which was organised in April.

For the Australian market, the recently completed roadshow from 20<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> May 2018 covering Sydney, Melbourne and Perth saw our joint collaboration with Sabah Tourism in the promotion of Borneo as a single destination where Mulu was given much emphasis with package extension from Kota Kinabalu. The Business-to-Business (B2B) session was leveraged upon to introduce Kuching as extension package from Mulu. The Sydney and Perth session was a joint marketing collaboration with Malaysia Airlines while the Melbourne sector was an effort with Royal Brunei Airlines which flies three (3) times weekly from Melbourne to the hub of Bandar Seri Begawan with stop over packages to Mulu and Kota Kinabalu.

#### *Product Management*

Although the STB is not fully empowered to manage and develop tourism products, it is crucial for STB to provide feedback and inputs to ground handlers on the type of packages and products to be featured in the marketplace. Feedback are provided by tour operators for STB to explore new and more exciting products. It is the target of STB to produce at least 10 new packages for the focus market each year. To date, there are already seven (7) new potential Sarawak packages which are ready to be sold by ground handlers. Among them are Mulu National Park Beyond Caves Packages, Kapit-Baleh Expedition, Padawan Discovery, Rajang Belawai Discovery, Mukah, Rentap Heritage Trails in Betong, Discover Serian Trail and Limbang – Lawas & Meritam Pasir Lumpur Bebuak packages.

#### *Tourism Industry Players Engagement*

In my Ministry's efforts to understand better the need and challenges face by our Industry players, many formal and informal engagement sessions have been carried out with the Sarawak Tourism Federation (STF) and its affiliates including Malaysian Association of Travel and tour Agents (MATTA), Malaysian Hotel Association (MHA), Association of

Sarawak Inbound Agencies (ASIA), Sarawak Restaurant Association (SRA), Sarawak Association of Tourism Attractions (SATA), Sarawak Handicraft and Souvenir Association (SHASA) and Sarawak Tour Guide Association (SkTGA). Industry players will play a major part in the coming year Visit Sarawak Campaign.

My Ministry is engaging with the tourism stakeholders from time to time to acknowledge the issues and challenges faced by the industry. There are several platforms, namely State Tourism Steering Committee meeting, State Tourism Coordination Committee Meeting, Tourism Inter-Agency Coordination Meeting and Divisional Tourism Task Group at divisional level.

### *Business Events*

Tuan Speaker, in 2017, Sarawak Convention Bureau brought in 89 Business Events to Sarawak: 60 Bid Wins and 29 Bids Supported. The 89 Business Events represent close to 34,000 delegates and 97,000 delegate days, translating to approximately RM107 million indirect delegate expenditure to Sarawak. This revenue returns to Sarawak, to feed downstream and upstream tourism businesses in sustaining flight demands, accommodation, event venues, food & beverage outlets, and others. Equally important is the yield in Business Events in branding profile reputation, knowledge alliances, trade and investment, dignity and social development, and legacy.

### *Highlights of Events Won in 2017*

Out of the 60 Wins to date, we highlight the top four (4) high profile Business Events secured. They are:

- 1) World Autism Congress 2022 with targeted 1,500 delegates;
- 2) Hope Conference 2018 with targeted also 1,500 delegates;
- 3) Congress of the Federation of Asian Veterinary Association 2020 with targeted 800 delegates; and
- 4) 10<sup>th</sup> Clean Air Asia Better Air Quality Conference 2018 with targeted 600 delegates.

Another 50 additional business events were won to develop Sarawak in agriculture, medical, education, environment and biodiversity, science, technology and engineering, and sectors which are in line with the State's vision and direction.

Sarawak also hosted a total of 49 business events in 2017, amounting close to 22 thousand Business Events delegates with a direct delegate spending of over RM71.2 million. One of the key success factor include business events supported under the State Convention Fund. In 2017, the State has sponsored over RM3.84 million to 31 conferences.

### *New Plans and Activities For 2018*

Sarawak Convention Bureau (SCB) will host a business events Tribal Meet (or commonly known as TriBE 2018) from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> August 2018 in Kuching. TriBE 2018 will gather over 200 pre-qualified decision makers for a series of keynote sessions by global thought leaders, a panel discussion featuring four prominent business events bodies, and the 9<sup>th</sup> Anak Sarawak Awards to acknowledge the contributions of stakeholders to the State.

TriBE 2018 will launch the BESarawak Alliance to drive stronger network with Government Ministries and agencies to cultivate business matching, impact growth opportunities, and yield beyond the immediate economic impact, as well as to understand the benefits from participation with international associations. In driving service excellence

within the industry, SCB will pilot accreditation programmes with global authorities such as the International Association of Professional Congress Organisers (IAPCO) in generating referred and referral businesses.

*Summary Achievements of SCB 2006 – 2017 In Figures*

The grand sum of our activities since the Bureau's establishment is 746 new business events with Direct Delegates Expenditure of over RM575.8 million which is disbursed throughout Sarawak wide from 2006 right up to 2022.

*Development Project Under RMK-11*

Tuan Speaker, acknowledging the important contribution of the tourism sector to the economy of the State through the service sector, the Government through the Socio-Economic Transformation Program has approved 15 Key Result Areas (KRAs) projects and programs this year worth RM 59.16 million. Out of these 15 projects and programs, seven (7) are physical projects and eight (8) are programs. A total of RM13,594,171.38 million has been spent in 2017 while the balance will be utilised in 2018 and 2019.

The current on-going physical projects include:

- (a) The upgrading of Tourism Infrastructure and Facilities at Wind Cave, Fairy Cave in Bau, Kuching Waterfront areas and Kuching Heritage Trail, upgrading work to the Jetty near Santubong Bridge to cater for the RAMSAR site (Kuching Wetland) visitors, anglers and divers and the construction of the Walkway in front of the new DUN building to connect the pedestrian bridge with Fort Margherita. In developing tourism products, related studies that are currently being conducted includes:

The conversion of the Brooke Dockyard into a Maritime Museum, the conversion of the Old DUN building, where we used to have our DUN Sitting into a Performing Arts Centre, the construction of a Gold Mine Museum and Park in Bau and the transformation of the Old Miri Resident Office into a Cultural and Heritage Centre. Other than projects under the KRAs, on-going and approved new tourism projects under the 11<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan being implemented by my Ministry include:

- i. The State funded projects with a total allocation of RM27.5 million comprise of the Dalat Phase II Waterfront project, the walkway leading from Kampong Boyan to Fort Margherita in Kuching, the upgrading of North Yu Seng Road or popularly to be known as the Wireless Walk, development of tourism facilities at Bakam Point, the Upgrading Work at the ICQS Sungai Tujuh and the tourism related facilities at Tusan Beach, Peliau Bekenu. All these are expected to be completed by the end of RMK 11 implementation period;
- ii. The Federal funded projects implemented under the First (1<sup>st</sup>) Rolling Plan of the 11<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan by the Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture Malaysia with an allocation of RM6.32 million comprising the Upgrading of Tourism Facilities in Niah National Park which was completed in May 2018, the construction of a Baruk at Kampung Gumbang in Bau completed this July 2018 and the Upgrading of Heritage Trails at Kuching Waterfront Esplanade, which is expected to be completed by September 2018; and
- iii. The recent decision by the Federal Government to review new projects that have not been awarded resulted in five (5) tourism related projects under the Second Rolling Plan amounting to RM30,884,000 being put on hold, namely

the Development of Eco Tourism for Kuching Wetland National Park, the Baram Waterfront, the Belaga Waterfront, the Upgrading of Panchor Hotspring in Serian and Upgrading of Tourism Facilities at Gunung Serumbu Bau. My Ministry has written to the Federal Ministry to reconsider their decision on this matter as these projects have gone through meticulous planning and are considered growth catalysts for our tourism sector. So, hopefully our new Ministers from Pakatan Harapan from Sarawak can also help us when they are sitting in the Cabinet in Federal Government.

*Arts and Culture*

*Majlis Seni Sarawak (MSS)*

Sejak beroperasi pada tahun 2017, Majlis Seni Sarawak yang ditubuhkan melalui *Sarawak Arts Council Ordinance 2008* menfokuskan kepada usaha memartabatkan Seni Budaya Negeri Sarawak. Majlis Seni Sarawak berusaha mengekal, memelihara, menggalak dan mengembangkan bakat seni di Sarawak berdasarkan objektif seperti berikut: -

- i. Mempromosi dan memartabatkan seni Sarawak ke persada dunia;
- ii. Menyokong, menggalak, menyelia pembangunan dan penyelidikan seni;
- iii. Mengekalkan dan mengembangkan kesenian Sarawak; dan
- iv. Menyediakan kemudahan prasarana sebagai sumber utama seni.

Pelbagai aktiviti telah dijalankan seperti mengadakan persembahan seni, mengelola sesi latihan seni dan pertandingan seni yang merangkumi muzik, vokal, nyanyian, tarian, teater dan lakonan dalam usaha untuk melahirkan belia tempatan yang berbakat dan berwibawa bagi meneruskan warisan seni dan juga budaya negeri ini. Program-program ini telah berjaya menarik minat seramai 1,250 pelajar.

Tuntasnya, Majlis Seni Sarawak telah membantu para belia yang berminat dalam seni persembahan dan telah mengendalikan kelas bimbingan asas seni agar belia dapat memperbaiki dan mempelajari seni persembahan dengan lebih mudah dan efisien.

Selain daripada Persembahan oleh Simfoni Orkestra Negeri Sarawak (SONS), Majlis Seni Sarawak juga telah berkolaboratif dengan agensi-agensi seperti Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka Cawangan Sarawak, Kelab peminat P Ramlee Sarawak (KPPRS) dan Sekolah Menengah Chung Hua dalam mengelolakan program seperti Kongres Kebudayaan Negeri Sarawak, Konsert Gemilang dan *Music of the Orient*.

Pada 22 Ogos 2018 ini, Majlis Seni Sarawak bekerjasama dengan Simfoni Okestra Negeri Sarawak (SONS) dan Kumpulan Seni Budaya Bintulu akan mengadakan persembahan *Musical Theater* di Dewan Suarah Sib. Manakala pada bulan Oktober 2018 nanti, Majlis Seni Sarawak akan mengelolakan persembahan "Malam Budaya Sarawak" yang akan melibatkan *International Music House (IMH)*, *Dayak Cultural Foundation*, *Dayak Bidayuh National Association*, *Orang Ulu National Association* dan Forum, Persatuan Melanau, Persekutuan China Sarawak, Persatuan India, Kelab peminat P. Ramlee Sarawak, Rumpun Seni Silat Sarawak, *Petra Dancers* dan Persatuan Kesenian Sri Sarawak.

Majlis Seni Sarawak juga bekerjasama rapat dengan Jabatan Ketua Menteri bagi mengelolakan acara-acara tonggak tahunan Kerajaan negeri.

*Sarawak Museum Department*

Now I would like to report on the progress and achievement made by the Sarawak Museum Department last year and the early part of this year.

*The New Sarawak Museum Campus Project*

I believe that all of you who have driven or being driven along the Jalan Tun Abang Haji Openg Kuching towards the Padang Merdeka would have noticed on your left the two main buildings under construction. The bigger and more imposing five-storey building is the new Sarawak Museum Campus which will become an iconic landmark by mid-2020. It will provide about 6,500sq meters of exhibition space to showcase Borneo's rich history spanning more than 42,000 years. Once completed it will rank as being the second largest museum after the National Galley in Singapore in the region. The permanent narrative uses interesting themes to link together a variety of collections, photographs, footage and stories into a cohesive and interactive experience. As the exhibition is carefully planned to cater to a broad range of audience ranging from the young to the old, it is expected to reap economic benefits from increased cultural tourism.

The other building closer to which is behind the main campus, the other building closer to Jalan P. Ramlee is the four-storey Administrative-cum-Conservation centre which will have state of the art conservation and laboratory facilities that will ensure that the state's impressive collection will be better preserved and documented for posterity. It will also serve as a resource and research centre in its quest to achieve its vision of becoming the 'Global Centre for Bornean Heritage by 2030'. It is also envisaged that with more storage space, the museum can renew its acquisition program to ensure that more of the state's heritage can be safeguarded and protected.

The physical construction of the two buildings is progressing well at about 75% and will be opened to the public as scheduled in early 2020.

*Refurbishment of the Original Museum Building*

The Original Museum Building was built in 1891. It is the pride of Sarawak. It was closed last year to enable it to be conserved and restored to showcase the building and exhibits as an example of late 19<sup>th</sup> century to early 20<sup>th</sup> century museology. The ethnographic objects, formerly on display on the top floor have been treated, packed and transported for temporary storage at the Repository of the State Library at Jalan Semariang. Expected to be reopened in early 2020, the ground floor will be used for original exhibition of the Natural History Collection plus the Charles Hose Ethnographic Collection and Interactive displays on level 1.

To ensure that the Sarawak Museum Campus project will attain global standard, several partnerships and signing of Memorandum of Understanding with renown institutions have been made such as with the British Museum, London; Natural History Museum, London as well as Reinwardt Academy Amsterdam. Among matters that have been agreed include educational and cultural exchange through internship and attachment of staff and collaboration on temporary loan of collection for exhibitions. The Natural History Museum also assist in making Peer Review to ensure that the planning and implementation of the project will conform with standard procedures such as functionality and general best practices and appropriate facilities for conservation and storage areas and security measures.

*Conservation and Upgrading of Historical Forts*

Tuan Speaker, an old fort are reminiscence of historical past and is an important part of the state's heritage and need to be preserved and maintained. Under the 11<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan five (5) forts or kubu, namely Kubu Lili, Betong; Kubu Emma, Kanowit; Kubu Hose, Marudi; Kubu Brooke, Julau and Kubu Sylvia, Kapit will be conserved and maintained. The forts at Betong and Kanowit will be converted into regional museums to display local history, culture

and crafts while the existing galleries at Kapit and Marudi will be enhanced. Kubu Brooke will be used as a Rural Community centre which includes a rural library. All works on the forts will start this year that is 2018 and expected to be completed by mid-2020.

*Exhibition of Nusantara Collection by Museum Prinsenhof Delft, City of Delft,  
The Netherlands*

In April 2018, the Sarawak Museum received a total of 412 Borneon cultural artefacts or Nusantara Collection from the Museum Prinsenhof Delft, Leiden in Netherlands. A selection of the said Nusantara collection was put on display at the Sarawak Textile Museum from the 16<sup>th</sup> May 2018 for a period of six (6) months. Since it was opened to the public it has attracted more than 5,000 visitors.

*Asia-Europe Museum Network (ASEMUS) Conference 2018*

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak Museum will host the 8<sup>th</sup> ASEMUS Conference from 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> November 2018 in Kuching. The Conference will gather 250 cultural experts from across Asia and Europe (including museum directors, curators, educators, artists and scholars and representatives of UNESCO and International Council of Museums (ICOM) as speakers on regional & city museums as well as accessibility issues. The Conference will be a platform to promote and enhance Sarawak on the museum and tourism world market.

*Sarawak Craft Council and Perbadanan Kemajuan Kraftangan Malaysia*

Tuan Speaker, I wish to go to Sarawak Craft Council and Perbadanan Kemajuan Kraftangan Malaysia. Handicrafts are part of a nation tangible cultural heritage and are seen as a legacy of physical artefacts and intangible attributes of a group or society that are inherited from past generations, maintained in the present and bestowed for the benefit of future generations.

These cultural heritages have been developed as one of the 'pull factor' in developing tourism destinations worldwide. Most of these cultural tourism products are intangible; be it a visit to the museum, watching performing arts or a visit to the longhouse. Souvenirs such as local handicrafts serve as a tangible memorabilia of their visits to the specific places.

The State Government realised the important role of handicraft in the industry and set-up the Sarawak Craft Council in 1996 to coordinate the development of handicraft in tandem with the tourism industry, in three focus areas; industry capacity building, marketing and research and development.

Various programmes and activities have been planned and implemented to improve the product quality and output. Basic skill development programmes such as the handicraft home training programme, Sarawak Craft Council initiative, have been the major source of participants in production skill and entrepreneur development training sessions. Sarawak Craft Council also has collaborated with other agencies such as *Perbadanan Kemajuan Kraftangan Malaysia* in developing product design and marketing.

In 2017, 28 capacity building training sessions involving 279 participants were implemented, six (6) activities under research and development were implemented and Sarawak Craft Council also organise and participate in 21 promotional and sales events generating a total of RM505,000 direct sales.

In 2018, 43 activities are planned for capacity building programmes, while for marketing and promotion, a total of 44 activities are planned and 11 for research and development. As of June 30<sup>th</sup>, 17 capacity building activities have been implemented

involving 87 participants, while the Sarawak Craft Council participated in 11 promotional events generating RM230,000 direct sales and RM240,000 confirmed orders.

In 2017, the sale of handicrafts in Sarawak was RM27,352,000 while the target for 2018 is RM28,835,000. The total sale for the first half of 2018 is RM14,017,000. The sale figures are monitored by *Perbadanan Kemajuan Kraftangan Malaysia*, another lead agency in the development of handicraft in the State.

### *Youth Development*

Now, I wish to go to the Youth Development. Tuan Speaker, shaping and preparing our youths with the necessary disciplines, skills and knowledge in facing future challenges is not an easy task. With the quantum of 42% youths' population in Sarawak out of 2.8 million (Statistic Dept, 2018) they are considered as a great asset to the State, if they are harnessed and utilized in the right direction. In this context, the Government should consider looking at the issues of youth development seriously.

Precisely, the challenges faced by the youths today are multi-facet in nature, ranging from economics, social, technological and political perspectives. Today, the issues and challenges commonly faced by our youths, as usually highlighted by the social media are unemployment as well as under employment among our graduates and school leavers coupled by high cost of living, drugs abuse, influences of social media, underage marriages, teen pregnancies, divorces, juvenile delinquencies, illegal racing (mat-rempit), urban poverty and alcoholism. To ensure the youths are more prepared, composed and receptive in facing future challenges, the Government is taking active measures to formulate and implement viable and holistic Youth Development policies, programmes as well as strategies initiatives.

For the second half of 2018 (July-Dec), my Ministry will continue to organize the following programmes and activities, namely:

- (a) Sambutan Hari Belia Peringkat Negeri;
- (b) Forum Belia Sarawak;
- (c) Jelajah Belia Sarawak;
- (d) Junior and Senior Youth Camp;
- (e) TedX Kenyalang "Outreach to the World";
- (f) Youth- Paint the World; and
- (g) Leadership, Entrepreneurship, Communication Skills, Community and Volunteerism and others.

Our Youth Transformation program "*Kawan Ku Sayang, Keluarga Ku Kenang*" has been getting encouraging response from the youths. The programme has been proven to be very effective in terms of youth motivation, engagement and outreach. This program is implemented through strategic collaboration with SABERKAS since 2014. As a result of this success story, my Ministry will continue to implement it as the core annual program. To date, we have organized a total of 51 series of the said programme involving more than 5,000 youths throughout the state, leaving a remaining 11 series to be implemented for the rest of this year.

My Ministry will continue to implement youth development programmes, through strategic collaboration with other relevant agencies, such as Jabatan Belia dan Sukan, Jabatan Pendidikan, SABERKAS, Youth Associations and NGOs. Fundamentally, our programs' concepts, scopes and objectives are normally aligned to the nine (9) elements highlighted in the Dasar Belia Malaysia (DBM) including the State Youth Development strategic thrust.

### *Sports Development*

Tuan Speaker, Sports Tourism is one of the contributing elements towards the State's economic growth through numerous levels of sports events being organized in Sarawak. It also helps to project our country's image at international level, having world class facilities suitable for international level events.

Through these activities, Sarawak has managed to attract a wide range of sports tourists from within the country as well as foreign countries, namely from China, United States of America, Canada, Russia, Hong Kong, Sri Lanka, Korea, Singapore, Brunei Darul Salam, Thailand and the Philippines.

To fully capitalize on Sarawak's potential in Sports Tourism, Sarawak Sports Corporation has intensified their effort in bidding for more international sporting events to be held in Sarawak as the preferred venue internationally.

Among the events held last year were the Victor Far East Malaysia Masters Badminton Championships 2017 at Sibu Indoor Stadium, 3<sup>rd</sup> Southeast Asia Squash at Squash Centre, Kuching, Celcom Axiata Malaysia Open 2017 at Indoor Stadium Kuching, the 31<sup>st</sup> Malaysia International Open Master Athletic Championship 2017 at Stadium Sarawak, Kuching, Wushu International Championship in Kuching and many other international events.

For the first half of 2018, we have organised Sarawak International Open Tenpin Bowling Championship 2018, 4<sup>th</sup> CMS Borneo Junior Squash Open Sarawak 2018, World Para Tenpin Bowling Championship and many others. We have also collaborated with various associations in organizing international events such as The Premier 101 Charity International Arm Wrestling Tournament 2018. It managed to attract more than 2000 participants and among them more than 500 are from outside of Malaysia. Other upcoming international events are Kuching Marathon 2018 which will be held on 12 August 2018 at Padang Merdeka, Kuching. This is a full marathon actually, which has got an international accreditation from AIM or Association of International Marathon. We are expecting more than 11,000 participants for this marathon. Other international events organised by local associations include Asian Golf Tour (Sarawak Championship) was held recently from 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> July 2018 and Second Asian Pacific Hash Run from 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

The State Government through Sarawak Sports Corporation (SSC) has successfully bid another international event in 2018 and two international events in 2019. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sarawak 4 x 4 Jamboree 2018 shall be taking place from Sibu to Kapit Division from 13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> September 2018. The World Para Swimming Championship 2019 will be held on 29<sup>th</sup> July to 4<sup>th</sup> August 2019 which will attract about 1000 participants from more than 80 countries, it is just like a mini Olympics. In addition, the Asian Masters Athletic Championship 2019 will be organised from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> December 2019 which will attract about 3500 participants.

### *Increase Usage of Facilities*

My Ministry has taken into account numerous ideas and public opinions in making our sports facilities accessible and practical for public usage. Among the initiatives that we have undertaken is by making it affordable to the general public.

The percentage of usage of these facilities in 2017 has recorded an increase of 30% compared to 2016. The amount of rental collection received from the usage of these facilities in 2016 was RM442,745.00, while in 2017, we have jumped quite a bit where we collected RM683,950.00.

We are looking forward to have more events this coming year and to ensure that the facilities are being utilized to the optimum. My Ministry will make sure that our facilities will always be the preferred venues to organize international events as well as the national events.

Nevertheless, to meet the need of latest technology to be incorporated in our facility, our Ministry had also initiated an upgrading exercise in upgrading some of our major stadiums into smart stadiums. We are collaborating with Korea on this matter actually. This initiative will be an added value towards making our stadiums attractive to the end users.

#### *Sukan Sarawak (SUKSAR) 2017*

Tuan Speaker, Sukan Sarawak (SUKSAR) was organised from 14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> December 2017 with a total of 1,436 athletes from all the 12 divisions of Sarawak taking part. SUKSAR was the platform to identify the best talents and to nurture them from throughout the State for the 19<sup>th</sup> SUKMA 2018 in Perak and the 20<sup>th</sup> SUKMA 2020 in Johor.

Overall result of Sukan Sarawak (SUKSAR) 2017 was:

- i. Champion – Northern Zone (Limbang, Miri and Bintulu)
- ii. 1<sup>st</sup> Runner Up – Southern Zone (Kuching, Samarahan and Serian)
- iii. 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Up – Central Zone (Sibu, Kapit and Mukah)
- iv. Fourth – Western Zone (Sarikei, Betong and Sri Aman)

#### *19<sup>th</sup> SUKMA Perak 2018*

Tuan Speaker, I wish to touch a bit on the 19<sup>th</sup> SUKMA Gams in Perak this year. SUKMA 2018 will be hosted in Perak from 12<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2018. Our target is to become the overall champion. There will be a total of 29 sports which consists of 434 events. Our target is to win 77 gold medals. To achieve this goal, we have been preparing our athletes since the last SUKMA 2016.

We have organised Athlete Camp “Juh Kepong Emas” from 30<sup>th</sup> June to 4<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at Kem Belia Pueh, Sematan. The purpose is to motivate the athletes to achieve the goal in becoming overall champion in SUKMA Perak 2018.

The 50 days Countdown of SUKMA 2018 will be launched on 24<sup>th</sup> July at Celebration Square, Petra Jaya, Kuching. All SUKMA athletes will be housed at UNIMAS, Samarahan from 12<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> August 2018 for final the preparation.

#### *Social Facilities Development*

I am coming more or less to the last end of my speech. Next I would like to touch on the development of sports and social facilities in Sarawak. Providing sports and social facilities is one of the main functions of my Ministry. As more people participate in sports and recreational activities, the demand for such facilities to be built and improved has risen tremendously.

Under 11<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan, a sum of RM229.45 million has been allocated for the construction and upgrading of Youth and Sports facilities throughout the State. The Ministry continues to build new as well as upgrade and improve existing facilities, I am pleased to report that the upgrading work for the running tracks at Sri Aman, Bintulu and Sarikei Sports Complex have already been completed, while the upgrading work for the running track at Miri Sports Complex will be completed this year. On another development, the running track at Kapit Sports Complex is also currently being upgraded. It is targeted to be completed by

December 2018. With regard to the new Betong Swimming Pool, the construction is in progress. It was originally targeted to be completed by December 2018. However, due to some issues related to the management of the project, its completion is expected to be slightly delayed.

The upgrading works of Sarikei Sports Complex which commenced in July 2017 under the Rural Transformation Project (RTP), was completed in April 2018.

I also wish to inform that the improvement work for three (3) youth camps namely Pueh, Kemuyang and Mukah Youth Camps is also being undertaken. While the improvement work for Mukah Youth Camp had already been fully completed, physically the work for Pueh and Kemuyang has been completed. We hope more people will use the Youth Camps once the improvement work is fully completed.

The Ministry is aware that other facilities such as Dewan Suarah and Swimming Pools also need improvement and upgrading in view of their deteriorating condition. The Ministry will continue to carry out improvement and upgrading works for these facilities based on the approved fund.

Presently, Sarawak has achieved well in sports nationally and internationally. It is necessary to sustain the present performance and achievement in making Sarawak as the sports power house in Malaysia. Therefore, it is a necessity to have an athlete-centric environment to help Sarawak athletes to develop their sporting potential while balancing the importance of an academic education. Together with the Game Village, the plan also includes converting an existing school nearby Petra Jaya Sports Complex into a National Sports School. The school is located near to all the existing world-class sports facilities and infrastructures as well as the proposed Games Village.

#### *Conclusion*

In conclusion, Tuan Speaker, I would like to thank Ahli-Ahli Yang Berhormat from Repok, Bukit Assek, Tamin, Beting Maro, Lingga, Balingian, Simunjan, Pujut, Daro, Serumbu, Machan, Layar, Bukit Goram, Tanjung Datu, Meluan, Lambir, Piasau, Kabong and Engkilili for their proposals, suggestions and issues raised in our effort to advance the development of tourism, arts, culture, youth and sports in Sarawak. My Ministry will take necessary steps and actions to incorporate those suggestions and requests in my Ministry's strategic direction.

In response to the issue raised by the Honourable Member for Pujut, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pujut, the Miri Petroleum Museum site is ideal and historic as it is located in proximity to the Sarawak's Oil Well. Therefore, it would not be wise to move the Petroleum Museum to the old Resident Office, as had been suggested by the Honourable Member for Pujut. Or probably the Honourable Member for Pujut does not know that the present museum is near to the site, maybe he is not from Miri. I was made to understand that he is from another place but later moved to Miri, so he did not know the site is important. The construction of fence around the existing petroleum museum is to deter acts of vandalism. The existing water-cooled chillers air condition system presently used at the Petroleum Museum was installed in 2005 when the Museum was officially opened. It is too old to be continued with and will be replaced with split unit air conditions which are cheaper alternatives. With reference to the Old Miri Resident Office, efforts are being made to transform the building into a Heritage Centre and Development Museum for Miri Division. The Museum Department is currently conducting study with the Miri City Council on how best to utilise the building.

With that Tuan Speaker, I end my winding up speech for the Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture, Youth and Sports. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Tuan Speaker ... (Interruption)

**Tuan Speaker:** You are taking ... from Pujut?

**Menteri Pelancongan, Kesenian, Kebudayaan, Belia dan Sukan (YB Datuk Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah):** Ya, a quick one *ah*.

**YB Dr Ting Tiong Choon:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. Thank you, Honourable Minister. I brought up the question of repair of the air conditioner. Everybody in Miri, which the Minister described as a beggar. We are representative of the beggars. He said, you know the air conditioner in Petroleum Museum has not been functioning well for the past two (2) or three (3) years. When the community complained about the air conditioner and it was a long delay, the Minister was saying that the delay is due to funding problem and we are going to replace the air conditioner. Finally, last year we have the funding of RM200 thousand, and suddenly the replacement became repair and the air conditioner only worked for six months. Now we spent RM200 thousand to repair the air conditioner ... (Interruption)

**Tuan Speaker:** What's your question?

**YB Dr Ting Tiong Choon:** Why did we repair the air conditioner in the first place when the Minister had just mentioned that it was out of date? It needs replacement. But yet we spent RM200 thousand on repairing an air conditioner. Is there something happening here? Why are we not replacing it in the first place but instead repairing?

**Tuan Speaker:** Okay.

**Menteri Pelancongan, Kesenian, Kebudayaan, Belia dan Sukan (YB Datuk Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah):** *Terima kasih, Ahli Yang Berhormat Pujut* for your question. Well, you did raise it up in this winding up, in this debate. Well, the Museum Department rely on the expert service or advice from the agency that is supposed to look into all this. There is a standard operating procedures for this. When something is *rosak* or damaged or not being able to be used, there will be ... JKR that will be looking into it. It will be referred to JKR for them to give advice whether we need to change, whether we need to replace. Well, the advice at that time was to repair. That is the ... well, even in your house, sometimes when your aircond is *rosak*, do you quickly replace it or you just buy a new one? Sometimes you will tend to repair it first. Well, after repairing and it still *rosak*, then you replace it *lah*. That is exactly what happened here. So, after that repair, and it was found out that it was still *rosak* now I think we have to replace it with a new air condition. What's the point, wait first, I'm still explaining. So, that is actually what is happening. The issue also is that, there is no hanky-panky towards it. It was all conducted properly and the contractor that was redoing the repair won the contract by open tender. That's it. Because I know you are trying to imply why is it the contractor is in Kuching why not from Miri or something. Well, he won it by open tender, and it just unfortunate you might not, you or your friend did not submit your tender. Okay.

**Tuan Speaker:** Okay. Proceed.

**Menteri Pelancongan, Kesenian, Kebudayaan, Belia dan Sukan (YB Datuk Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah):** Proceed *ah*. Well, it just a small matter on the aircond. No need to make it too big. Okay. Ya the next one.

**Tuan Speaker:** You are taking clarification from whom?

**Menteri Pelancongan, Kesenian, Kebudayaan, Belia dan Sukan (YB Datuk Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah):** I think the one from Pelawan *lah* because I have already relate to you on your aircond stuff *lah*. I think, ya.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ok. Member for Pelawan.

**YB Encik David Wong Kee Woan:** Okay thank you, Tuan Speaker. Tuan Speaker, I read in the Sunday Post yesterday, whereas our Honorable Minister for Tourism used “beggars cannot be choosers” in response to Kota Sentosa’s statement for Sarawak Government funding. I just want clarification, did you say that and who do you mean by beggars? Is it we on the opposition, or the constituents, the voters in the constituency? I think the Members in this House, when you speak inside this House, and outside the House, you reflect, the quorum must be inside and outside the House. Tuan Speaker, beggars cannot be choosers. Are they referring to our voters, our *rakyat*, our tax payers because I think, that’s why I seek for clarification, I think it is fair.

**Menteri Pelancongan, Kesenian, Kebudayaan, Belia dan Sukan (YB Datuk Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah):** Sometimes comments are given in jest, okay, Ahli Yang Berhormat Pelawan. I know it is not related to Tourism matters.

**Tuan Speaker:** I think clarification should be made on which part of the winding up it is. Not for every statement that appears in the paper. Okay. ... (Interruption)

**Menteri Pelancongan, Kesenian, Kebudayaan, Belia dan Sukan (YB Datuk Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah):** Actually it’s not related to the text. Never mind. It’s okay. I will answer it when I go to the media. Never mind. Wait, wait. I will answer it when I go to the media room, because it is not related to the text of mine. It will be down there. If you want, you go down there and ask me later. But I will answer it if the media ask me. Okay.

**Tuan Speaker:** Proceed. Proceed. Proceed. Are you taking?

**Menteri Pelancongan, Kesenian, Kebudayaan, Belia dan Sukan (YB Datuk Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah):** Ok. Is it related to the ...? Ok, thank you.

**YB Encik Wong King Wei:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. Thank you, Honourable Minister. Relating to your speech or winding up speech just now, saying that it was unfortunate for Pujut or his friend did not put in the tender. This is imputing improper motive. And the Minister should withdraw that. This is not according to the quorum of the Dewan. And this is something of a very bad remark in this Dewan. We should not endure it.

**Tuan Speaker:** Which part? The Minister said?

**YB Encik Wong King Wei:** On the part ... Yes. Just now the Minister, Honourable Minister has said that it was unfortunate for Honourable Member Pujut or his friend for did not submit tender and someone from Kuching got it. This is imputing improper motive. That is not the intention of Pujut by raising up the issue on the air conditioning tender. Something should be.... Honourable minister should apologise to Honourable Member for Pujut and to withdraw the statement.

**Menteri Pelancongan, Kesenian, Kebudayaan, Belia dan Sukan (YB Datuk Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah):** Come on Padungan. You don’t be too serious *lah*. What is there to apologise? Wait first okay. Pujut did raise up and impliedly stating in his debate. You were not there I think. Impliedly stating, why is this project being given to somebody from Kuching. What is he trying to imply? That during the debate, I still remember, I was here. No, no, no, I’m not going to have a debate with you here. I’m just going to clarify the question that was

asked by Padungan. No, no, no, wait, wait, wait. I'm still ... (Interruption) ... He was saying, the project is in Miri, but why the contractor to do an aircond service, you get it from Kuching. He does not know that, that project is an open tender project. It was secured by a company that was in Kuching. So there's nothing to apologise. So that's why my answer just now to him, out of jest, why didn't you or your friend submit in your tender. Probably if you put in your tender, somebody from Miri might have got the project, not the one from Kuching. So there's nothing for me to apologise here.

**Tuan speaker:** Okay. Okay.

**Menteri Pelancongan, Kesenian, Kebudayaan, Belia dan Sukan (YB Datuk Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah):** Ok so I'll continue my .... (Interruption)

**Tuan Speaker:** Conclude. Ok, conclude. Ok, no altercation. Proceed.

**Menteri Pelancongan, Kesenian, Kebudayaan, Belia dan Sukan (YB Datuk Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah):** I think we've got a long day today you know. Ok. Tuan speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Tuan Speaker and all staff of the Dewan Undangan Negeri for your excellent handling of this Dewan proceedings. The State Secretary, the Federal Secretary and all Government departments both State and Federal. And not forgetting also the staff of my own Ministry for their hard work commitment and dedication in giving the necessary support, inputs and information.

And I would to convey my greetings to all Members of this Dewan with 3 *rangkap pantun*:

*Dasar kami berpaksi pelancongan,  
Kesenian, Kebudayaan, Belia dan Sukan,  
Iltizam kami menjana kemakmuran,  
Seantero sempadan promosi dianjurkan.*

*Ramah tamah bergurau senda,  
Duduk dipangkal pohon merdeka,  
Semarakkan kesenian, sukan dan budaya,  
Agar dapat dicontohi belia.*

*Seni budaya rautan wajah,  
Bangunan DUN indah berseri,  
Mesyuarat pertama berakhir sudah,  
Mesyuarat kedua bertemu lagi.*

Sekian, terima kasih. Wabillahi Taufiq Walhidayah. Wassalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.

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

*(Mesyuarat ditangguhkan pada jam 10.56 pagi)*

*(Mesyuarat dimulakan pada jam 11.41 pagi)*

*(Tuan Speaker mempengerusikan mesyuarat)*

**Tuan Speaker:** Sekarang saya menjemput Yang Berhormat Datuk Haji Talib Zulpilip Menteri di Pejabat Ketua Menteri (Integriti dan Ombudsman) untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan.

**Menteri di Jabatan Ketua Menteri (Integriti dan Ombudsman) YB Datuk Haji Talib Zulpilip:** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker, izinkan saya memulakan ucapan saya dengan memetik beberapa ungkapan. Integriti dan tadbir urus menjadi pedoman membina negara yang terus dan telus. Sama-sama diusaha oleh rakyat semua lapisan.

Tuan Speaker, setinggi-tinggi penghargaan dan terima kasih kepada Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak di atas ucapan semasa istiadat pembukaan Penggal Ketiga Persidangan Dewan Undangan Negeri kali ini. Tuan Yang Terutama telah menyentuh semua aspek yang penting dan harus diberi perhatian di dalam usaha untuk mencapai sebuah Negeri maju berpendapatan tinggi pada tahun 2030. Selain daripada aspek pembangunan fizikal, Tuan Yang Terutama juga menegaskan peri pentingnya aspek integriti dalam perkhidmatan.

### *Integriti*

Masyarakat dunia sangat mengambil berat soal berkaitan dengan integriti. Di samping usaha oleh sesebuah negara, beberapa pertubuhan antarabangsa juga turut komited untuk meningkatkan tahap integriti, ketelusan dan membasmi gejala rasuah. Sebagai contoh, United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC), World Trade Organization, World Bank, International Monetary Fund (IMF), Asia Pacific for Economic Cooperation (APEC) dan Asia Development Bank dan Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (ADB-OECD) menekankan aspek ketelusan, akauntabiliti dan integriti dalam sistem pentadbiran sebuah negara, khususnya mengenai perundangan, peraturan, prosedur termasuk perolehan Kerajaan.

Sebagai negara anggota pertubuhan-pertubuhan tersebut, Malaysia juga terus menggandakan usaha bagi menjayakan agenda integriti negara. Namun berdasarkan Indeks Persepsi Rasuah (Corruption Perception Index), kedudukan negara kita pada tahun 2017 jatuh ke tangga 62 berbanding tangga ke 55 pada tahun sebelumnya. Ini adalah prestasi terendah negara semenjak indeks ini diperkenalkan pada tahun 1995. Kedudukan ke-62 daripada 180 buah negara dengan skor 47 merupakan kejadian yang tidak sihat. Ini sebagai peringatan *it is a wake up call* untuk menyuntik semangat dan kesungguhan dalam memasyarakatkan budaya integriti dan memerangi habis-habisan gejala jijik rasuah.

Tuan Speaker, perkembangan semasa dalam negara jelas menunjukkan bahawa masyarakat secara umumnya memberi sokongan yang padu dalam menjayakan kedua-dua agenda ini. Rakyat mahu melihat tindakan tegas dan pantas terhadap sebarang salah laku rasuah di samping usaha pemantapan institusi anti-rasuah, badan-badan penguatkuasaan dan perundangan berkaitan rasuah.

### *Program-Program Integriti*

Tuan Speaker, Allahyarham Pehin Sri Datuk Patinggi Haji Adenan Satem semasa majlis Ikrar Bebas Rasuah kabinet Negeri pada 15 Januari 2015 menyatakan bahawa:

*“Ini adalah harinya di mana ikrar ini membuktikan keikhlasan dan kejujuran kami dalam menjalankan pentadbiran Kerajaan Negeri ini. Mungkin ada yang menganggap ia hanya untuk menunjuk tetapi jangan menghukum kami terlalu awal kerana ini adalah tindakan pertama kami ke arah pentadbiran berintegriti.”*

Tuan Speaker, selaras dengan itu, sebagai kesinambungan kepada usaha/program integriti, pada tahun 2015 dan 2016 Kursus Pembangunan Individu dan Organisasi Berintegriti (PIOB), Bengkel mengenai Akta Pelindungan Pemberi Maklumat 2010 dan Ceramah Integriti telah diadakan.

Pada tahun 2017, usaha ini terus dipergiatkan lagi dengan mengadakan program seperti berikut:

- i. Ikrar Bebas Rasuah bagi Kabinet Negeri Sarawak;
- ii. Ikrar Bebas Rasuah Bagi Penjawat Awam Negeri;
- iii. *Conference – Governance Culture, What's Possible*;
- iv. *Road show* Integriti;
- v. Pameran & Ceramah Integriti Sempena Kembara Jelajah Anti-Rasuah (KEJAR);
- vi. Program Individu dan Organisasi Berintegriti (PIOB);
- vii. *Program Certified Integrity Officer (CeIO)*;
- viii. Ceramah Integriti; dan
- ix. Amanat Integriti 2017 oleh YAB Ketua Menteri Sarawak.

Bagi tempoh enam (6) bulan pertama tahun 2018, Kerajaan Negeri melalui Unit Integriti dan Ombudsman Negeri (UNION) yang ditubuhkan pada 1 Februari 2018 telah melaksanakan sebanyak sembilan (9) program seperti berikut:-

- i. Forum Integriti: Masyarakat Integriti Tunjang Pembangunan Negara di Jepak Bintulu 400 ratus orang serta pameran;
- ii. Khutbah Jumaat juga di Masjid Jepak; dan
- iii. Ceramah Integriti: Tumbuk Rusuk, Duit Panadol, Pengkisahan di Bangunan Lama DUN melibatkan 700 peserta.

Tuan Speaker, usaha gigih dan berterusan bagi meningkatkan tahap integriti khususnya kepada penjawat awam seperti Kerajaan Negeri telah menunjukkan kejayaan. Ini terbukti melalui hasil kajian "*Sarawak Civil Service Culture Rating Survey*" untuk elemen Integriti. Dapatan kajian telah menunjukkan trend peningkatan iaitu 77% tahun 2015, 85 peratus (2016) dan 86% pada tahun lepas. Ini menunjukkan *upward trend*. Semua kluster itu kluster Jabatan Ketua Menteri, Kementerian, Pejabat Residen dan Daerah dan Jabatan-jabatan Perkhidmatan Awam Negeri mencatatkan peningkatan. *This is a good development, a good sign*. Ini menunjukkan pemahaman dan pembudayaan integriti di kalangan penjawat awam negeri kian meningkat. Dengan demikian, syabas diucapkan kepada penjawat awam Negeri Sarawak dan saya yakin prestasi ini terus dipertingkatkan lagi.

#### *Tadbir Urus*

Tuan Speaker, izinkan saya menyentuh sedikit tentang tadbir urus. Di dalam arus globalisasi, kemajuan drastik teknologi, sumber alam yang terhad, ekspektasi pelanggan yang kian meningkat, rakyat yang semakin berpengetahuan dan pelbagai perkembangan baharu perlu ditangani dengan baik dan bijaksana.

Menyedari hakikat tersebut, Kerajaan Negeri, melalui Unit Integriti dan Ombudsman Negeri sedang meneliti dan mengkaji kemungkinan pelaksanaan pensijilan ISO: 37001:2016 Anti Bribery Management System (ABMS) di Sarawak. Perkara ini adalah selaras dengan matlamat untuk meningkatkan tadbir urus yang baik dan mengurangkan ruang dan peluang perlakuan jenayah rasuah.

Untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, pada tahun 2017 sebanyak 11 organisasi yang terdiri daripada jabatan Kerajaan, pihak berkuasa tempatan, badan-badan berkanun, syarikat berkepentingan Kerajaan dan syarikat swasta di Malaysia telah dipersijilkan di bawah piawaian ini oleh SIRIM.

*Ombudsman*

Tuan Speaker, sebagai mana yang pernah saya nyatakan semasa Persidangan Dewan Undangan Negeri Mei 2017, ombudsman "*Putting Things Right*" bertanggungjawab untuk menerima, memantau dan mengambil tindakan ke atas aduan mengenai penyampaian perkhidmatan awam (*Service Delivery*). Ini bertujuan supaya masyarakat awam boleh menikmati perkhidmatan yang berkualiti, efisien dan saksama.

Saya yakin tanpa maklum balas daripada masyarakat awam, sudah tentu sukar untuk kita memberi perkhidmatan terbaik sebagaimana diharapkan. Ingin saya memetik ucapan Sir Winston Churchill, beliau mengatakan "*Criticism may not be agreeable, but it is necessary. It fulfils the same function as pain in human body. It called attention to an unhealthy state of things.*" So, we accept, we welcome, teguran daripada masyarakat.

Untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, pada tahun 2017, sebanyak dua ratus lapan puluh lima (285) aduan telah diterima oleh Biro Pengaduan Awam Negeri Sarawak (BPA) menerusi Sistem Pengurusan Aduan Awam (SISPAA). Pecahan aduan mengikut kategori adalah seperti berikut:

- i. Kualiti Perkhidmatan yang tidak memuaskan 57, 20%;
- ii. Tindakan tidak menepati kehendak 33, 11.6%;
- iii. Kegagalan mengikut prosedur yang ditetapkan 38, 13%;
- iv. Kekurangan kemudahan awam, *quite popular*, 35%;
- v. Kepincangan pelaksanaan dasar dan kelemahan undang-undang, 20%;
- vi. Salahguna kuasa;
- vii. Kegagalan penguatkuasaan;
- viii. Tindakan tidak adil; dan
- ix. Salah laku anggota awam.

Jadi semua ini telah ditegur oleh masyarakat.

Manakala bagi tahun semasa, sehingga Jun 2018 sebanyak 230 aduan telah diterima. 168 daripada aduan tersebut atau 73% telah diselesaikan. Statistik ini adalah merangkumi semua sektor iaitu Kerajaan Negeri, Persekutuan, pihak berkuasa tempatan dan swasta.

Di samping itu, sebarang maklum balas juga telah disalurkan melalui TALIKHIDMAT. Pada tahun 2017, sebanyak 21,803 telah diterima. 21,803. Maklum balas ini adalah mengenai perkhidmatan yang disediakan oleh perkhidmatan awam negeri, perkhidmatan awam persekutuan di negeri Sarawak, pihak berkuasa tempatan, badan-badan berkanun, syarikat-syarikat swasta.

Maklum balas ini terdiri daripada 14,677 aduan, 304 cadangan, 514 pertanyaan, 6,163 permohonan perkhidmatan dan 135 penghargaan. Ada juga yang memberi penghargaan. Ini satu petanda yang baik. Daripada jumlah aduan tersebut, sebanyak 13,576 atau 92.5% telah diselesaikan dalam tempoh 1 hingga 60 hari selepas menerima aduan berkenaan. Terima kasih kepada mereka yang bertugas menyelesaikan masalah.

Tuan Speaker, saya ingin mengambil kesempatan ini untuk mengucapkan terima kasih sekali lagi kepada semua pengadu dan mereka yang mengajukan cadangan. Kepada kakitangan Kerajaan, terima kasih.

*Penyampaian Perkhidmatan*

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan Negeri telah menyusun strategi pembangunan secara menyeluruh dengan memberi penekanan yang seimbang terhadap pembangunan ekonomi

dan kesejahteraan rakyat. Ini termasuk usaha penambahbaikan berterusan sistem dan penyampaian perkhidmatan Kerajaan Negeri. Beberapa inisiatif telah dilaksanakan untuk meningkatkan mutu perkhidmatan dan memudahkan rakyat secara keseluruhannya. Antaranya ialah *Urban Transformation Center (UTC)*, *Integrated Multi Service Counter (iMSC)*, *TALIKHIDMAT*, *mystery shopping*, *Sarawak Pay* dan lain-lain.

Dalam Mengurus Keperluan Pelanggan (Managing Customer Needs) yang merupakan salah satu daripada lapan (8) bidang utama Pelan Tindakan Sarawak Civil Service 10-20, Kerajaan telah mewujudkan iMSC sebagai inisiatif Kerajaan Negeri untuk memudahkan rakyat. Matlamat utama transformasi penyampaian perkhidmatan berkonsepkan “*One Government at Your Service*” adalah untuk menyediakan perkhidmatan Kerajaan secara sehenti berkonsepkan “*Single Window, Multiple Services through Multiple Channels*”. Sehingga 9 Julai 2018, seramai 2,424,383 orang pelanggan telah mendapatkan perkhidmatan melalui kaunter *Integrated Multi Service Counter (iMSC)*. *This is a high number.*

Di samping itu, perkhidmatan melalui ekiosk juga boleh diperolehi di lapan (8) lokasi di Sarawak iaitu Plaza Merdeka, UTC Sarawak, Boulevard Shopping Mall Kuching, UTC Sibu, UTC Miri, Hotel Sri Simanggang Sri Aman, Hotel Park City Bintulu dan Limbang Plaza. Melalui saluran ini pelbagai perkhidmatan Kerajaan juga boleh diperolehi secara sehenti (*one stop*). Dengan ini, capaian perkhidmatan akan dapat dipertingkatkan dan memudahkan rakyat berurusan dengan Kerajaan. Perkhidmatan barisan hadapan akan terus ditambah baik dari semasa ke semasa sebagai usaha mentransformasikan penyampaian perkhidmatan Kerajaan Negeri kepada rakyat.

#### *Pengiktirafan Perkhidmatan Awam Negeri Sarawak*

Tuan Speaker dan Dewan yang mulia ini, umum mengetahui bahawa pelbagai usaha telah dilaksanakan oleh Kerajaan untuk meningkatkan kualiti perkhidmatan. Pelan transformasi SCS 10-20 sebagai manifestasi kesungguhan dan komitmen Kerajaan untuk membawa perubahan yang besar bagi memberi perkhidmatan yang terbaik kepada seluruh rakyat Negeri Sarawak sama ada di bandar mahupun di luar bandar. Hasil dari usaha tersebut beberapa pengiktirafan terhadap mutu perkhidmatan telah diberi sama ada di peringkat Negeri, Negara mahupun di peringkat antarabangsa. Sebagai contoh, *Land and Survey Information System (LASIS)* telah menerima anugerah *Geopastial World Excellence Award 2012* di Amsterdam dan hingga hari ini telah diguna pakai.

Di samping itu, Perkhidmatan Awam Negeri Sarawak telah diakui sebagai perkhidmatan awam yang paling aktif dalam membuat penambahbaikan proses (process improvement). Setakat ini sebanyak 560 projek Kumpulan Inovatif dan Kreatif (KIK) yang melibatkan 233 kumpulan telah disempurnakan. Malah beberapa projek telah mendapat pengiktirafan di peringkat dunia contohnya “Projek Masalah Jerebu Akibat Dari Api Sekam Yang Sukar Ditangani Di Kuala Baram Industrial Estate Miri” oleh Lembaga Pelabuhan Miri dan Jabatan Bomba dan Penyelamat Miri. Mereka telah memenangi Anugerah Emas semasa *International Conference Quality Creative Circle 2017 (ICQCC)* di Manila, Filipina.

Usaha penambahbaikan proses tidak hanya bergantung kepada KIK sahaja. Yang Berhormat Setiausaha Kerajaan Negeri Sarawak, hasil buah fikirannya telah memperkenalkan Key Focus Activity (KFA). Jadi di dalam program ini 888 proses telah ditambah baik. *This is a process of continuous improvement, so tahniah State Secretary* dan Perkhidmatan Awam Sarawak.

Perkhidmatan Awam Negeri juga telah menerima anugerah *Commonwealth Association Public Administration and Management (CAPAM)* bagi kategori inovasi DNA untuk projek ‘*Create and Innovate, make a difference: A Story of Our Journey*’ pada tahun

2016. Ini merupakan satu lagi bukti pengiktirafan badan antarabangsa terhadap kemampuan dan kebolehan penjawat awam negeri.

Tuan Speaker, dan Dewan yang mulia, negeri Sarawak telah mengamalkan pengurusan kewangan yang berhemah, sistematik dan mendapat penarafan kredit yang baik oleh agensi-agensi penarafan antarabangsa. *Standard and Poor's* telah memberi penarafan A minus, that's high investment negeri. Manakala, *Moody's Investors Service* pula telah memberi penarafan A3 kepada pengurusan kewangan Negeri Sarawak that is another high investment negeri. Di samping itu, Jabatan Audit Negara telah mengeluarkan '*Clean Bills of Health Certificate*' 16 tahun berturut-turut kepada pengurusan kewangan Negeri, kita rakyat Sarawak boleh berbangga. Sepanjang pengetahuan saya tiada negeri lain di Malaysia yang mendapat pengiktirafan sedemikian rupa, 16 tahun berturut-turut. Mustahil pengiktirafan tertinggi seumpama ini dapat diperolehi dari badan-badan bebas tempatan dan antarabangsa, *these are independent people doing assessment on us*, sekiranya penjawat awam negeri tidak komited dan kompeten dalam bidang tugas masing-masing.

Oleh itu, adalah tidak wajar memberi gambaran seolah-olah semua penjawat awam tidak melaksanakan tanggungjawab mereka. *They are responsible competent people, we should give them credit and recognition.* Kenyataan tidak bertanggungjawab dan tanpa usul periksa sudah tentu melukai hati dan perasaan penjawat awam, *they are all human.* Saya menghormati kenyataan Yang Berhormat bagi Batu Lintang semasa perbahasan usul penghargaan atas ucapan TYT Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak. *Thank you brother, you fair so I quote you.*

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*"I am impressed that they are all hardworking and efficient in delivering the works that are undertaken by them, with quality and there was not an iota of hesitation from them, just instantaneous affirmation when they are requested to undertake more works and projects to the future."*

Can we all say thank you to civil servant here, forget the political division. (*Applause...*)

Tuan Speaker, memang kita akui mungkin ada segelintir penjawat awam yang sedikit nakal. *They are human.* Walau bagaimanapun, janganlah kerana nila setitik, rosak susu sebelanga. *Recognise the good one, find out the naughty one.*

#### *Integriti Tanggungjawab Bersama*

Tuan Speaker, integriti tanggungjawab bersama, *and then we can* juga, perkara-perkara lain seperti tadbir urus.

Kita sedar, usaha membudayakan masyarakat berintegriti bukan kerja yang mudah. Ianya memerlukan kesabaran, komitmen dan iltizam yang tinggi. Kerajaan, pihak swasta, masyarakat dan seluruh rakyat negeri Sarawak harus berganding bahu dan bekerjasama untuk mencapai hasrat tersebut. Oleh itu, saya merayu Dewan yang mulia ini supaya terus mengekalkan cara hidup berintegriti dan turut menyebarkan mesej integriti dalam masyarakat. Marilah sama-sama kita menghayati dan mengambil iktibar dari petikan ucapan Yang Amat Berhormat Ketua Menteri, Datuk Patinggi (Dr) Abang Hj Abdul Rahman Zohari Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg pada 4 Julai 2018 yang meletakkan integriti pada perspektif hubungan manusia dengan Maha Pencipta.

*"Integriti ini datang dari lubuk hati dengan nilai diri tinggi menyebabkan kita tidak melakukan kesalahan kerana percaya Allah melihat setiap perbuatan."*

That's a good guide. Jadi, sebelum saya mengakhiri ucapan saya ingin saya mengucapkan terima kasih kepada semua yang terlibat dan terima kasih kepada pasukan-pasukan yang telah menyediakan jawapan-jawapan, jadi untuk mengakhiri saya ingin mengatakan "Maju Negara Hasil Usaha Rakyat Bersama". "Integriti dan Tadbir Urus" tanggungjawab kita, ayuh kita gembelng tenaga, jiwa dan raga. Ini khidmat patriotik rakyat terhadap negara.

Sekian, terima kasih.

**Tuan Speaker:** Dengan segala hormatnya saya menjemput Yang Berhormat Dato Sri Dr Stephen Rundi Anak Utom, Menteri Utiliti untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan.

**Menteri Utiliti Sarawak (YB Dato Sri Dr. Stephen Rundi Anak Utom):** Terima kasih Tuan Speaker. Selamat pagi dan salam sejahtera. Tuan Speaker. Firstly, and foremost, I wish to express my deep appreciation to Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak for his speech and advice on demanding and protecting the State's rights from the Federal Government in accordance with the Malaysia Agreement 1963 and the Federal Constitution. The State's right to manage its own resources, especially oil and gas, should be respected by all concerned, as the people of Sarawak has the right to benefit directly from these resources.

Secondly, my Ministry would like to congratulate The Right Honourable The Chief Minister on the passing the Oil Mining (Amendment) Bill, 2018 and Land Code (Amendment) Bill, 2018. This will augur well for the people of Sarawak.

And I would like to also to congratulate Yang Berhormat Deputy Chief Minister, Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah, on the successful tabling and passing of the Land Code (Amendment) Bill, 2018. In this connection, Tuan Speaker, I would like to thank this august House for the overwhelming support of the Bill including our friend's from Pakatan Harapan. It is imperative that we should put a stop on the attempts by various quarters to instigate and mislead the public with regard to the noble intent of the Bill. With the passing of the Bill, we should strive together to facilitate the legal rights now bestowed on the customs of '*Pemakai Menoa*' and '*Pulau Galau*' also known as 'Native Territorial Domain' to take effect in a positive manner for the good of the communities concerned.

My Ministry would like to express our sincere appreciation to The Right Honourable Chief Minister for his support and personal attention to the issues affecting utility services, in particular with regard to rural water supply.

The State aims to achieve 100% coverage for both water and electricity by the year 2025. And I'm confident that we will able to achieve the target. Following the announcement by The Right Honourable The Chief Minister on the State Water Grid, my Ministry is now actively working on the implementation of the proposed projects in close collaboration with all the water supply agencies concerned as well as other relevant agencies involved. A task Force headed by myself was formed to oversee the implementation of these projects. My Ministry also plans to conduct a roadshow in the various Divisions to explain to especially the local YB's and community leaders on the water supply grid concept and the projects that will be implemented under the programme.

The Electricity Sector in Sarawak has grown in line with the Government's development goal. Several projects on generation and transmission have been undertaken to strengthen the entire grid system to ensure adequate and reliable supply to everyone in the State particularly the organic and SCORE customers. As for the rural electricity supply, the infrastructure and network continue to expand towards the interior, either in the form of

extension from the existing grid or stand-alone off-grid system to ensure the rural communities can also enjoy 24-hour electricity supply.

The Distribution of Gas Ordinance 2016, which was passed in the State Legislative Assembly in November 2016 came into force 1<sup>st</sup> July this year. The Distribution of Gas (Licensing) Regulations, 2018 was approved by *Majlis Mesyuarat Kerajaan Negeri (MMKN)* on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018. Subsequently, a Public Notice on the requirement to apply for licenses in accordance with the Regulations was issued on 6<sup>th</sup> of July 2018 with the closing date on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2018. With these in place, the downstream gas distribution industry in the State will be regulated and licensed accordingly by my Ministry.

### *Water Supply*

Tuan Speaker, I will now touch on Water Supply. We would like to record our appreciation to the State Government for supporting us on the pressing issues that have been plaguing our water supply system in the State by agreeing to provide RM8 billion for the state-wide Water Grid Supply System with RM2 billion to be provided in the Eleventh Malaysia Plan.

The water supply issues, currently affecting mainly Jabatan Bekalan Air Luar Bandar (JBALB) water supply systems, can be attributed to the many inherent defects in the systems which have not been addressed over the years due to limitation of funds. The issues include inadequate raw water sources, old water treatment plants and inadequate capacities, overloading of treatment plants to meet increasing water demands, aging and leaking water mains and water tanks, high non-revenue water, undersized water mains which become inadequate as the demands increase over time as well as operational and maintenance issues amongst others. In order to effectively resolve all these perennially recurring issues, all these root causes must be addressed holistically and this is what my Ministry intends to do under the Sarawak Water Supply Grid Program.

In line with the State's vision for a State-wide water supply grid, a consultant has been commissioned to carry out the study on Water Supply Master Plan and Water Grid. This master plan will provide a holistic plan for the development of water supply in the State for the short term, medium term and long term. The study is currently in progress and will take 18 months to complete due to the vast scope and details that the consultant would need to cover. Under the study, the consultant will carry out the following tasks:

- i. Assess the current water supply situation by reviewing available water sources and quality of raw water, assessing the adequacy of the water supply services and water supply management system;
- ii. Is to determine the projected future water demand and spatial distribution of water supply for potable use and for industrial and agriculture usages for the short-term, medium-term and also long-term planning;
- iii. Identify and propose a strategy for meeting the future water demand for the short-term, medium-term and long-term planning;
- iv. To produce a master plan on the proposed solutions encompassing the proposed options to meet future water demand including the state-wide water grid, alternative water supply solutions for remote and isolated communities, water catchment management, holistic Non-Revenue Water (NRW) management, digital technology and modernization initiatives such as GIS, SCADA, network modeling, automation, etc.; and

- v. Is to provide the technical details and financial costing for the proposed solutions.

Tuan Speaker, in view of the urgency to resolve the immediate water supply issues encountered especially in areas under the jurisdiction of JBALB (*Jabatan Bekalan Air Luar Bandar*), the implementation of the proposed projects under the Sarawak Water Supply Grid Program will focus on the water stressed areas first. A provision of RM2 billion has been set aside to facilitate the implementation of such projects in the water stressed areas over the next couple of years under the 11<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan. My Ministry is confident that, upon the completion of these projects towards the end of the year 2020, the many issues such as inadequate water supply, low water pressure and water supply interruptions, currently plaguing the water stressed areas would be resolved.

Under the RM2 billion Sarawak Water Supply Grid Program–Stressed Areas, a total of 222 projects have been identified for implementation. The Key Performance Index (KPI) set for these projects is to have them implemented within the next two and half years until the end of year 2020. There are altogether nine (9) categories under the program, consisting of:-

- i. The approach that we have embark here is to do a regional basis, Southern Region (Kuching to Betong area);
- ii. Central Region (Sibu, Mukah and Kapit area);
- iii. Northern Region (from Bintulu onwards up to Limbang). This is to facilitate our implementation of this projects;
- iv. And those beyond the water grid that we planning we will provide a SAWAS Programme (Sarawak Alternative Water Supply System) for all the remote areas;
- v. Meanwhile we also looking at how to develop or improve our minor improvements in all our system that we have;
- vi. We also embark an electro-chlorination in view of the risk that we facing chlorine gas that we are using currently;
- vii. Digitalization of JBALB Water Supply Management;
- viii. And some of the walkabout has been suggested or approved by the Chief Minister during his Walkabout Projects; and
- ix. JBALB Water Supply Programme under Federal Reimbursable Loan Scheme. This programme was formerly under KeTTHA. It is hoped that this programme will be continued under the new Federal Ministry of Water, Land and Natural Resources.

The components of the 222 projects will involve raw water source, treatment plant, distribution network system, improvement works, pipe replacement, non-revenue water (NRW) management, modernization initiatives and also SAWAS.

Under the Sarawak Water Supply Grid Program – Stressed Areas, the SAWAS program is also included. I wish to reiterate categorically that the implementation of SAWAS projects is most crucial for achieving the State's vision of 100% water supply coverage by the year 2025. This is because SAWAS is the most strategic water supply system that can provide safe water to the remote rural communities which have been deprived of safe water supply all this while. Without the SAWAS system, there is no treated or safe water supply to

the remote and isolated communities of Sarawak as they are located too far from the existing water supply system.

Tuan Speaker, as a start, five packages are being implemented as pilot projects in different areas of Sarawak as far as the SAWAS Project concern and they are currently in various stages of construction. The treatment processes employed under these packages include Ultra-Filtration (UF), Reverse Osmosis (RO) and also Inclined Plate Clarifier. The three sub-packages have been completed and the systems installed are already in operation and providing potable water to about 310 people comprising of 50 at Rumah Ninting, Lubok Antu, 180 at Rumah Untat, Song and 80 at Kampung Kalampun, Lawas. The SAWAS systems for the remaining villages under the five packages are expected to be completed by October of this year. Upon completion of all this five packages, a total of 572 households with a population of 2,860 will benefit from these SAWAS projects.

Tuan Speaker, with the increasing demand for potable water in the years to come, there is an urgent need to protect and conserve our raw water sources by implementing Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) for the sustainable management of our State's water resources. IWRM has been adopted internationally as the recommended approach for water crisis management. It calls for equitable and efficient management of sustainable use of water. For sustainable water management, there is a need to seek a balance between supply and demand of water with equitable allocation of water for all uses and users. Presently, the State has already gazetted 29 water supply catchment areas and is now in the process of gazetted another 58.

This is in line with our continuing effort to ensure that our raw water sources for potable water supply are protected in terms of quality and quantity of water available. Besides preserving our precious water resources to meet the water demands of our present and future generations, there is also a need to implement Water Demand Management which calls for the managing of water demand to meet limitation of supply. In the past, the State has been adopting strategies which placed more emphasis on supply management that focuses on the development of new resources to meet demand. It has been said that securing an adequate water supply is only half of the water equation. Managing the water demand is just as crucial. Therefore, it is timely and prudent for us to implement water demand management which calls for water conservation by the consumers as it is an important part of integrated water resource management.

Water demand management involves taking whatever action necessary to reduce the amount of water used or enable water to be used more efficiently. It calls for conservation of water by all the various consumers. In order to achieve the objectives of water demand management, public awareness and educational campaigns on water conservation play an important role and should be instituted. Holistic NRW reduction program should be pursued more aggressively. Recycling of water especially for industries which consume a lot of water should be practiced. Intervention measures such as the mandatory use of water saving devices in the private and public sectors would need to be considered for implementation.

Water demand management as an integral part of integrated water resources management has its many benefits. It has a positive impact on the environment as it will reduce the volume of water supplied to consumers thus enhancing the sustainability of the current water resources. This in turn will enable the water service provision to be expanded without necessarily increasing the volume of water supply. There is also the benefit of cost saving on infrastructure maintenance and creation of new infrastructure as the construction of such infrastructure can be deferred. In addition, due to the lesser consumption of water, there will be financial saving for the consumers themselves besides the water supply authorities and the providers.

As part of water demand management, it is necessary to inculcate and encourage water conservation in the homes. In this connection, the levying of water conservation surcharge for domestic consumers has been practiced internationally and locally by some water supply authorities, such as Penang Water Supply Corporation. The key objectives of the water conservation surcharge are: -

- i. To encourage domestic consumers to stop wasting water;
- ii. To ensure the consumers do not abuse the domestic water subsidy that they currently enjoy; and
- iii. To promote a water saving culture that could save the State millions, or even billions in investment which could be used for future water infrastructure projects.

With the tremendous benefits that can be derived from the water conservation surcharge, my Ministry is looking into the possibility of implementing such surcharge for our domestic consumers. It should be borne in mind that this surcharge will only affect the domestic consumers who use water well in excess of the average water consumption rate.

*Isu-Isu Spesifik*

Tuan Speaker, I shall now respond to the specific issues on Water Supply.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat Beting Maro, projek penambahbaikan loji pakej penyahgaraman (*desalination*) air berkapasiti 10 ribu liter sehari di kawasan Kampung Batang Maro sedang dilaksanakan dan dijangka siap pada bulan Ogos tahun ini.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Meradong, the issues raised will be resolved upon completion of the following projects included under the RM81 million announced by the YAB Chief Minister:

- i. Dedicated trunk mains from Bulat Reservoir to Temadak Reservoir;
- ii. Distribution mains from Temadak Reservoir to Bintangor Town with new Booster Station and High Level Tanks; and
- iii. Dedicated pumping main with New Booster Station and Reservoir to Kelupu-Julau-Durin Road (KJD).

Currently, the projects are under planning stage and construction works are expected to commence in mid-2019.

To alleviate the present low pressure situation to the surrounding areas, our short term measures include upgrading of the pumping system, construction of additional ground tanks and improvement works to the existing Temadak Water Treatment Plant to increase output. These projects are expected to be completed in year 2019.

Untuk makluman Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat Tamin, Tanjong Batu, Meluan, Samalaju, Saribas, Layan, Krian, Lambir, Bukit Begunan, Bukit Goram dan Engkilili, projek-projek Bekalan Air Luar Bandar yang dibangkitkan telah dikemukakan kepada Kementerian Pembangunan Luar Bandar (KPLB). Walau bagaimanapun, projek-projek yang telah diluluskan sebelum PRU14 perlu dikemukakan semula kepada Unit Perancangan Ekonomi (EPU) untuk dikaji semula dan kelulusan. Ini adalah selaras dengan surat Kementerian Kewangan Malaysia bertarikh 29.06.2018 di bawah Kerajaan Persekutuan yang baharu. Mohon sokongan Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat dari Pakatan Harapan juga supaya meneruskan

usaha untuk mendapat peruntukan bagi semua projek-projek yang dibiayai oleh Kerajaan Persekutuan.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tasik Biru, Bau district is getting treated water supply from two (2) sources, namely 20MLD from KWB and another 6MLD from JBALB Bau Water Treatment Plant. However, significant increase in coverage areas in Bau over the past few years has resulted in sudden surge in water demand. This shortage in water supply, coupled with frequent pipe bursts due to aging pipes has resulted in low pressure and unstable flow in some places especially those on high grounds and at the end of distribution system. Any pipe burst and disruption of water supply would take some time to restore.

To mitigate the water supply issues in Bau area, upgrading of the existing Bau treatment plant, construction of pumping main from Batu Kitang to Bau and upgrading of pumping facilities at Batu Kitang Water Treatment Plant will be carried out under the Sarawak Water Supply Grid Program – Stressed Areas. These projects are anticipated to be completed towards the end of 2020.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Lingga, bagi mengatasi masalah kualiti air kotor, pihak JBALB menjalankan kerja-kerja pancuran air (flushing works) dan membuat pemeriksaan, pemantauan kebocoran serta penyelenggaraan sistem saluran paip air secara berjadual untuk sistem bekalan air sedia ada.

For the information of Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Engkilili, Daro, Pelagus, Tellian, Batu Danau and other Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, for the areas and villages raised which cannot be supplied through the main water grid, my Ministry had identified 2,639 villages throughout Sarawak in 2015. All these villages will be supplied with treated or safe water under the SAWAS Program which is estimated to cost RM7.4 billion.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Batu Danau, *the project "Proposed Pipeline Extension from Mekasing/Ukong Junction to Daerah Kecil Medamit, Complete with High Level Tank and Booster Station and Other Associated Works, Limbang Division"* kini dalam peringkat pembinaan dan dijangka siap pada pertengahan tahun 2019.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat Daro, bagi meningkatkan 'reliability' bekalan air di kawasan Daro, Kerajaan Negeri telah menyenaraikan projek-projek di bawah 'Sarawak Water Supply Grid Program - Stressed Areas'. Projek-projek ini adalah untuk meningkatkan tekanan air di kawasan yang mengalami tekanan air rendah seperti Kpg Tebaang dan kawasan sekitarnya dengan "direct-pumping" dan membina tangki aras tinggi untuk menambahkan kapasiti takungan air di Kampung Pantray. Selain itu, sistem pam di Loji Rawatan Air Daro juga akan dinaik taraf dan paip *Asbestos Cement* akan diganti.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tanjong Batu, the recent muddy and inconsistent water supply to the longhouses at Mile 17, Bintulu – Miri road was due to pipe breakages caused by the excavation works under the Pan Borneo Highway project. For the Mile 20, Bintulu – Miri road, the water supply will be connected after the completion of the pipeline relocation work by LBU or Lebu Raya Borneo.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Machan, maintenance works were recently carried out at the Kanowit water treatment plant to replace the filter media, repair the faulty underdrain system and clean the clear water well. The faulty underdrain system has caused the occurrence of turbid water supply. During the maintenance works, only one filter was operational which resulted in low water pressure in the Kanowit area. These repair works have now been completed and the water supply is back to normal. On the issue of

unattended pipe leaks raised by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, JBALB has been instructed to reduce such occurrences by improving their response time and close monitoring and enhancing NRW management.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat Opar, projek bekalan air paip secara alternatif bagi kawasan di sepanjang jalan Bau ke Lundu adalah tidak diperlukan kerana sudah terdapat saluran paip utama sedia ada bersaiz 600mm D.I., sepanjang Jalan Bau-Lundu telah siap dibina dua (2) tahun lepas. Saluran paip ini adalah mencukupi untuk memenuhi permintaan air jangka masa panjang bagi kawasan Bau dan Lundu. Walau bagaimanapun, kuantiti air yang dibekalkan ke kawasan tersebut adalah tidak mencukupi. Justeru itu, projek "*Proposed Watermain from Batu Kitang to Sebuku Reservoir at Bau, Kuching*" telah dimasukkan dalam pelaksanaan di bawah "*Sarawak Water Supply Grid Program – Stressed Areas*". Selain itu, fasiliti pam sedia ada di Loji Rawatan Air Batu Kitang juga dinaik tarafkan. Projek-projek ini dijangka siap pada penghujung tahun 2020. Dengan siapnya projek-projek ini kelak, bekalan air yang mencukupi akan dapat disalurkan ke kawasan Bau dan Lundu.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Jemoreng, Lingga and Pelagus, the State Government is conducting a study on Water Supply Master Plan and Water Grid for the whole of Sarawak including Kapit Division to address water supply issues holistically. This study will cover the planning for short term, medium term and also long term. On the issues raised concerning the water supply in Jemoreng and Lingga, the projects to address these issues had been included under the "Sarawak Water Supply Grid Program under Stressed Areas". These projects are expected to be implemented within the 11<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Bukit Semuja, the project ceiling for the water supply to Kampung Merakai was approved in the Mid-term Review recently. A consultant will be engaged to carry out the design for the project. The recent increase in water supply interruption in Serian town and its surrounding areas is due to pipe bursts caused by the excavation works under the Pan Borneo Highway project. My Ministry has requested LBU to exercise due care in the planning and construction works along the Pan Borneo Highway to minimize damages to the existing pipes. The situation is further aggravated by the need to supplement water supply to Simunjan during the drought period. The expansion of the Serian water treatment plant is included in the "Sarawak Water Supply Grid Program under Stressed Areas". This project is anticipated to be completed by the end year 2020 and will improve the water supply to Serian and to supplement Simunjan.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Kabong, there is a long term plan to resolve the various issues raised with the proposed laying of 38km dedicated pipeline, booster station and other associated works from Lebur reservoir to Kabong. As an immediate measure, the 5.5 kilometres of the 38 kilometres pipeline was installed and commissioned in June this year. This bypass is able to deliver additional water and also increase the water pressure to Nyabor booster station. However, the pipe bursts in the existing old pipelines caused by increased pressure and the use of direct individual household pumps and illegal tapping have affected the even distribution of water delivered. The problem was compounded by aging communication pipe system at Kabong. In the case of Ulu Roban, improvement works are being carried out to resolve the water supply issues. These works include water balancing, flushing and replacement of old faulty air valves to ensure satisfactory supply to Ulu Roban, Sesang, Gerigat and other kampung beside Kabong areas. The Nyabor booster station has been upgraded to deliver more water to Kabong areas. Standby generator sets have also been ordered for both Nyabor and Kabong booster pump stations to ensure continuous water supply in the event of power failure. The generators are expected to arrive in October this year.

*Electricity*

Tuan Speaker, I will now touch on Electricity Supply. The power generation in Sarawak remains predominantly hydro with the generation capacity mix of hydro, gas and coal. 74% for hydro, 16% for gas and 10% for coal. The current total grid generation installed capacity is 4,641 megawatt (MW) to meet the peak demand of 3,623 MW. To ensure adequacy of reliable and affordable power supply to stimulate the economic growth in the State, new generation projects are being implemented. The 624 MW Balingian Coal-fired Power Station is expected to be ready by the second quarter of 2019, the 842 MW Tanjung Kidurong Combined-Cycle Gas-Fired plant will be completed by the first quarter of 2021, while the construction of the 1,285 MW Baleh Hydroelectric Plant has begun. In addition, the potential of small renewable energy is also being explored to encourage more clean and green energy in the State.

The completed packages of 500kV transmission backbone from Similajau to Tondong, which serves as an alternative double circuit line running parallel to the existing 275kV transmission grid, is supported by other major on-going planned regional transmission system expansion and reinforcement which include:

- i. Serudit 275/33kV Substation reinforcing existing 33kV Distribution Systems in the Betong-Debak-Pusa areas and provide a provision for the future Lachau-Sri Aman-Serudit-Saratok-Sarikei 132kV Regional Grid;
- ii. The 132kV transmission line which supplies to the central coastal areas spanning Petian-Daro-Sg Maaw-Tg Manis is expected to be completed in 2019;
- iii. The new Similajau-Bunut-Marudi Junction transmission line, which will provide a second transmission injection into Miri by 2020; and
- iv. The Bunut-Limbang-Lawas transmission line that will connect Northern Sarawak to the State Grid by the year 2022.

Tuan Speaker, the State through my Ministry had co-hosted with the formerly known as Federal Ministry of Energy, Green Technology and Water (KeTTHA), the 4<sup>th</sup> International Sustainable Energy Summit (ISES) on the 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> April 2018 in Kuching. It had managed to attract participants ranging from industry players and corporate sectors to individuals with a total of 42 exhibitors, 57 sponsors and 1,046 delegates of which 120 delegates were from international countries. The State's co-hosting of this international event had provided a wealth of knowledge from 72 thought leaders in the sustainable energy sector and was a platform to showcase the State's experience in renewable energy efforts.

*Isu-Isu Spesifik*

Tuan Speaker, I shall now respond to the specific issues on Electricity Supply. For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Lingga, Maludam electricity supply is connected from Pusa via single circuit of 11kV overhead line from Beladin. This 11kV overhead line was erected along the river bank and running through jungle without access road. Based on our records, there were 19 supply outage incidents in 2016 and 11 supply outage incidents in 2017. In order to improve Maludam's supply reliability, Sarawak Energy is shifting the 11kV overhead line to the road shoulder, so that the overhead line is easier to access and to maintenance. The project is divided into 3 phases. Phase 1 and Phase 2 had been completed in 2015 and 2017 respectively. The overhead line performance has significantly improved in 2018 with only 5 outage incidents recorded after completion of Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the project. Phase 3 is in progress and expected to complete by end of August

2018. The performance of the overhead line will be further improved after completion of the project. The total project cost for all these 3 phases is RM1.15 million.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Lambir, based on SESCO's records, there were 16 outages occurred in Bekenu and Lambir between January to July this year. Most of these incidents were attributed to the construction work of Pan Borneo Highway. My Ministry had held dialogue sessions with LBU Sdn. Bhd., Work Package Contractors (WPC) and other relevant agencies on all the packages. LBU has given the assurance that they will form a Task Force to take measures to minimize damage to utilities installations.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Machan, my Ministry through Sarawak Energy is currently implementing a reinforcement project that provides another dedicated line for supply to Kanowit. This project involves the construction of a 30km long second circuit from Sibul Airport to Kanowit and is expected to complete by this month. This will definitely enhance the reliability of supply in Kanowit, Machan and its surrounding areas.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Jemoreng and Engkilili, my Ministry together with Sarawak Energy will collaborate with other relevant Government agencies including enforcement authorities to resolve land issues to ensure the completion of the affected projects.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat Kabong, sebagai langkah mempertingkatkan tahap reliabiliti serta mengurangkan gangguan bekalan elektrik, projek talian penghantaran 33kV yang kedua ke Kabong bernilai RM7.6 juta sedang dibina dan dijangka siap pada penghujung Oktober tahun ini. Jadi saya berharap adalah wakil daripada Kabong mendengar ini. Apabila siapnya projek tersebut, Kabong akan mempunyai dua sumber bekalan. Sumber utama bekalan adalah dari talian atas 33kV yang sedang dibina, manakala talian atas yang sedia ada akan dijadikan sumber bekalan sandaran or just a back-up.

#### *Rural Power Supply*

Tuan Speaker, It has always been the plan and intention of the Sarawak Government to narrow the gap and reduce the development disparity between the urban and rural populace so that every Sarawakian can enjoy mainstream development.

The Ministry targets for full 24-hour electricity coverage by 2025 through the implementation of various strategies under the Rural Power Supply Master Plan. These strategies include distribution grid extension under the Rural Electrification Scheme (RES) initiative and transmission extension under the Rural Power Supply Scheme (RPSS) for areas with accessibility and remote stand-alone renewable HYBRID and SARES system.

The preference is through grid connections for long-term reliable and sustainable supply connection where land accessibility available or likely to be completed in the near future. The stand-alone HYBRID and SARES are only for remotest areas unreachable by grid.

As the rural areas are supplied with electricity through these strategies, there are late applicants where houses are not completed yet or additional new houses are built after the project has been completed that will require rural electricity supply connection. This is the case as raised by some members of this august House. The number of these additional or late rural applicants are growing rapidly state-wide and in this regard my Ministry will establish the Additional or Late Applicant Fund (ALAF) criteria to supply to this group of additional or late rural applicants and to seek allocation from the Federal Government.

Tuan Speaker, under the Federal-funded Rural Electrification Scheme (RES), about 110,000 new rural households have been connected to the 24-hour electricity supply since 2009. This includes a total number of 22,000 households that had been supplied with electricity in 2016 and 2017.

Another initiative by the State Government for rural electrification is Sarawak Alternative Rural Electrification Scheme or SARES which started in 2016. This scheme is intended to light up houses and communities in Sarawak's remotest villages and households which are inaccessible for grid connection. This scheme was accorded international recognition at the 4th Alliance of Rural Electrification (ARE) Energy Access Investment Summit in Catania, Sicily in March 2018 under the category of "Government in Africa, Asia and Latin America", globally recognizing Sarawak's integrated initiative to expedite electrification in the interior.

Under SARES, over 2,369 households in 98 villages had been connected with 24-hour electricity supply. Another 646 households in 19 more villages are expected to be electrified this year. By the year 2020, over 320 of our remotest villages will have 24-hour supply through these community-based solar and micro-hydro systems.

Tuan Speaker, besides strengthening transmission supply to our rural areas, we are also constantly exploring ways to improve the performance of the distribution system. We are now looking into covered-conductor design for power distribution lines that can potentially cut down on wildlife disturbances, reduce easement width from the current 6 meters to less than 2 meters as well as reducing interruptions and enhancing reliability. Because our line is very long, so I think this is the only way because to solve this problem.

In addition, we are also exploring the lower cost Service Station Voltage Transformer (SSVT), a form of compact distributed substations tapped directly from Extra High Voltage (EHV) line crossing over nearby rural communities for electricity supply. My Ministry is working with Sarawak Energy on adapting this solution to Sarawak local conditions.

An estimated amount of RM7.2 billion will be required to electrify the remaining 30,400 rural households in Sarawak. My Ministry will continue to coordinate with the new Federal Ministry for rural power supply funding to achieve the full electrification under various strategies in the Rural Power Supply Master Plan.

Tuan Speaker, in response for the specific issues raised by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, for the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tamin, those areas mentioned for supply will require 132kV or 275kV transmission system and 11kV or 33kV distribution network. Although the cost for the distribution network to the areas mentioned is in the range of RM 42 million, it requires a transmission system amounting to RM 372.8 million to link to this distribution network. My Ministry has submitted the proposal for funding from the Federal Government. The project can only be implemented when the funding is approved.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Telian, parts of Sebakong were connected to the grid under RES in 2012. For Ulu Sikat, electricity supply to the area will require a 275kV transmission system. Subject to the availability of fund, Ulu Sikat and the remaining areas of Sebakong will be electrified.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat Simunjan, projek BELB untuk Kampung Sedilo telah dilaksanakan pada tahun 2010/2011 dan melibatkan 13 isi rumah. Bagi isirumah yang belum mendapat bekalan elektrik di Kampung Sedilo dan Kampung Sungai Jong, permohonan yang lengkap boleh dihantar kepada Kementerian untuk kita pertimbangkan.

Untuk makluman Ahli yang Berhormat bagi Daro, terdapat perancangan untuk membekalkan elektrik melalui pelbagai strategi bergantung kepada lokasi.

Untuk kawasan Sungai Passin, terdapat lima (5) buah kampung telah disenaraikan di dalam perancangan SARES sehingga 2020.

Manakala kawasan-kawasan yang berdekatan dengan talian grid seperti Sungai Serban, Nanga Lassa, Sungai Mawan dan Nanga Singat telah dirancang melalui sambungan grid secara berperingkat tertakluk kepada peruntukan.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Meluan, supply in the area mentioned will be connected through transmission grid extension under Rural Power Supply Scheme (RPSS) which involved the construction of one Extra High Voltage (EHV) substation planned in year 2019.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Samalaju, Rh. Rampai anak Sigan is scheduled to be supplied with electricity by early 2020 while the remaining longhouses are additional or late applicants which will require funding for connection.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Saribas, penduduk-penduduk Kampung Sebeban Spaoh telah menikmati bekalan elektrik semenjak tiga tahun yang lalu. Isu-isu berkaitan dengan tanah sebenarnya adalah di Kampung Manggut. So, sukacita saya memaklumkan di Dewan yang mulia ini bahawa isu-isu tanah yang berkenaan telahpun diselesaikan dan kampung tersebut sudahpun mendapat bekalan elektrik selama, setelah lima hari yang lalu.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Opar, with regard to rural schools without grid-connected electricity including SK. Kendaie, my Ministry with other relevant Ministries and agencies has established a coordinated plan for the extension of electricity supply to schools near the grid system.

With regard to the late applicants, my Ministry will submit for funding under ALAF and will be implemented when the fund is available.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Bukit Semuja, Kpg Hilir Serian and Kpg. Hulu Serian have been supplied with electricity since March this year.

With regard to Kampung Riih Mawang, based on our records, the kampung has been supplied with electricity since late 1990's.

In cases of new extension or new houses, application can be submitted through the District Office to my Ministry for consideration under additional or late applicants.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pelagus, there are ongoing RES projects at Rh. Ikau and Rh. Sanggau and a solar hybrid project at Rh. Ragai, Sg. Gaat. The remaining 45 unelectrified villages are planned under SARES, solar hybrid and Kapit-Baleh grid extension.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Bukit Goram, four villages namely, Rh. Richard Lembau, Rh. Baja, Rh. Undie and Rh. Angkin Repin at Batang Rajang were completed in September 2017. Another nine (9) villages namely Rh. Lugom, Rh. Ibom, Rh. Jamba, Rh. Sagie, Rh. Tuba, Rh. Richard Unggat, Rh. Tunjang Ak. Muda, Rh. Nanggau Ak. Sandin and Rh. George under RES Project are targeted for completion by the end of this month. The remaining 57 villages are planned under Kapit-Baleh RES grid extension.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Engkilili, Rumah Repong and Rumah Rawing, Tebarong were originally included in RES in the year 2016 for implementation but were deferred due to unresolved wayleave issues. My Ministry had made several attempts to resolve this matter without success. We shall reinstate the plan for the next fund allocation and appreciate YB's kind assistance to engage with the land owners to resolve the matter.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kabong, kampung-kampung yang belum dibekalkan elektrik telah dirancang untuk pelaksanaan melalui sambungan grid secara berperingkat tertakluk kepada peruntukan.

#### *Gas Distribution*

Tuan Speaker, following the approval of Gas Distribution (Licensing) Regulations, 2018, the gas distribution in the State will now be properly licensed and regulated. In addition, more opportunities will be available for local companies to participate in various business activities associated with the gas distribution industry in the State.

There are seven (7) main activities related to petroleum gas distribution to be regulated and licensed under the Distribution of Gas Ordinance, 2016:-

- i. Import of any gas for regasification, processing, treatment, separation, utilization or distribution gas in Sarawak;
- ii. Regasification of gas;
- iii. Treatment, separation or processing of gas;
- iv. Transportation of gas through gas pipelines;
- v. Building, managing or maintaining gas pipeline or other apparatus or equipment or mechanism for the distribution of gas;
- vi. Supply of gas; and
- vii. Retail of gas.

The current spectrum of gas distribution in Sarawak is summarized as follows:

- i. The Miri City and surrounding areas - low pressure piped gas networks to domestic, commercial and industrial customers managed and operated by the GLC, Sarawak Gas Distribution Sdn. Bhd. (SGDSB).
- ii. Bintulu Industrial areas – low to medium pressure piped gas to industrial customers managed and operated by PETRONAS Gas Berhad (PGB). Regasification, supply and retail of LPG in Sarawak through two (2) main importers of LPG, namely, PETRONAS Dagangan Berhad (PDB) and MyGaz.
- iii. LPG bottling facility owned and operated by Senari Synergy in Senari Port, Kuching is mainly catering for LPG distribution in southern part of Sarawak covering Kuching, Samarahan, Serian, Sri Aman and Betong divisions. LPG bottling facility owned and operated by PETRONAS Dagangan Berhad in Tanjung Kidurong, Bintulu is mainly catering for northern and central part of Sarawak covering Limbang, Miri, Bintulu, Sibul, Sarikei and Kapit divisions.

The Gas Distribution Division in my Ministry is being strengthened progressively and to enforce the Regulations. In this connection, an officer experienced in the oil and gas industry has just been recruited this year as Director to Head of Division. More supporting staff will be recruited to beef up the division so that the duties and responsibilities entrusted to the Division can be carried out.

In conclusion, I wish to reiterate that in this august House the commitment of my Ministry to deliver quality, affordable and sustainable utilities in the State as well as to ensure 100% coverage of water and electricity supply by the year 2025. Towards this end, my Ministry will therefore give great emphasis to the implementation of SAWAS, SARES and RES programs. All the issues affecting the delivery service will be dealt with holistically and systematically so as to come up with immediate, short term, medium term and long term strategies and solutions. These strategies include water supply grid and electricity grid extension programmes in the stand-alone SAWAS and SARES programmes for remote rural areas. My Ministry and the agencies concerned, namely, SEB, JBALB, KWB, SWB, LAKU and Sarawak Gas Distribution Sdn. Bhd. will be committed and continually updating and improving our delivery services. We will incorporate digitalization in our management of our utilities to ensure that this can be done. With the close collaboration between all utility agencies concerned, I am confident that we will be able to mitigate and resolve all the issues affecting the delivery service of water supply, electricity and gas supply.

Tuan Speaker, saya mengucapkan setinggi-tinggi tahniah kepada Tuan Speaker yang telahpun mengendalikan persidangan Dewan pada kali ini dengan begitu baik sekali, kepada Setiausaha Kerajaan Negeri, Setiausaha Kerajaan Pusat, Peguam Besar Negeri, Setiausaha Kewangan Negeri, Setiausaha Tetap, Ketua-ketua Jabatan, Pegawai-pegawai Dewan dan Jurutrengkas-jurutrengkas yang telah memberikan kerjasama sepenuhnya untuk menjayakan persidangan Dewan pada kali ini.

Lastly, I would like to wish everyone in this august House a blessed Sarawak Independence Day on 22<sup>nd</sup> July.

Jadi saya ada pantun juga, sebagai penutup saya ingin mengakhiri ucapan penggulungan ini dengan tiga (3) rangkap pantun.

Saya pantun:

*Air mata berlinang nyata,  
Sedih bukan tetapi gembira;  
Air rawatan sudah pun tiba,  
Hidup seharian bertambah sejahtera.*

*Batang Ai tempat bermula,  
Bakun dan Murum turut dibina;  
Ditambah pula tenaga suria,  
Sepelusuk Sarawak dapat merasa.*

*Lihat sekeliling pembangunan bumi,  
Kendalian oleh pekerja berdikari;  
Janji dikota Kementerian Utiliti,  
Diabadikan di Visi dan Misi kami.*

Sekian, terima kasih.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Terima kasih, YB Dato Sri Dr. Stephen Rundi, Menteri Utiliti. Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat our sitting is adjourned to 2:00 pm this afternoon.

(Mesyuarat ditangguh pada jam 1.09 petang)

*(Mesyuarat dimulakan pada jam 2.28 petang)*

[Tuan Timbalan Speaker mempengerusikan Mesyuarat]

**Timbalan Speaker:** I now call upon YB Datuk Prof. Dr Sim Kui Hian, Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan dan Perumahan untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan.

**Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan dan Perumahan (YB Datuk Prof Dr Sim Kui Hian):** Good afternoon and Salam Ibu Pertiwiku. Tuan Speaker, first and foremost, I with the other Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat in this august House wish to record my sincere appreciation and thanks to Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak for his address during the opening of the first meeting of the third session of the 18<sup>th</sup> Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak Sitting on the 9<sup>th</sup> of July 2018.

Tuan Yang Terutama in his opening address has spoken on a wide range of matters such as political stability, State's economy, State and Federal Government relationship, State's right and autonomy, racial unity, socio-economic transformation, housing, environmental sustainability, health services and public security. The Tuan Yang Terutama has also reminded Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat to maintain discipline and proper decorum during the course of their debates in this august House.

I would like to record my thanks to all Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat who, during the course of their debates, have either commented or raised matters related to my Ministry as well as Agencies and Departments under my purview or watching brief. I will now do my winding-up for my Ministry, Departments and Agencies and at the same time, I will attempt to respond to issues raised by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat.

#### *Ministry of Local Government and Housing*

Tuan Speaker, my Ministry and all the State Departments and Agencies under my charge, namely, Department of Irrigation and Drainage (DID), Sewerage Services Department, Housing Development Corporation, the 24 Local Authorities including Majlis Bandaraya Kuching Selatan (MBKS) are service-oriented organisations. We are committed to ensure that our service delivery is continuously improved in order to enhance the quality of life of the Rakyat. In addition, there are two (2) Federal Departments under my watching brief namely, Sarawak Health Department and Jabatan Bomba dan Penyelamatan Malaysia Negeri Sarawak.

#### *Solid Waste Management*

Tuan Speaker, this year the State Government has engaged a consultant to conduct an integrated solid waste management study with the objective to have a holistic plan for a more sustainable and long-term solution on solid waste management, covering the collection, transportation, treatment and disposal of municipal wastes. This study is expected to be completed by the end of this year.

#### *Scavenging Services at Major Towns and Cities*

Tuan Speaker, my Ministry is looking into areas where the scavenging contract in major town and cities can be improved. Amongst others, we will look into standardizing payment to the scavenging contractors by way of total tonnage collected with capping on maximum charge. In addition, we will introduce demerit point system on the contractors if they fail to collect the rubbish on-schedule. Also, as part of our digitalization initiatives, the contract will require the contractors to install sensors to their trucks so that the Councils can monitor their services level and at the same time, retrieve data on their movement. Lastly,

we would encourage community to report any failure by the appointed contractors in meeting the Councils' collection schedule.

#### *Rural Scavenging Services*

Tuan Speaker, my Ministry acknowledged the difficulties faced by the Councils in providing scavenging services in rural areas, especially in those areas that are not accessible by road. To overcome these challenges, my Ministry through its community development programmes will assist the Councils to implement Community Self-Help Programmes on waste management. The main components of this Programme will be recycling and composting. The residual wastes will be disposed off by "Dig and bury" method or will be burnt in a locally installed furnace like the one that is already used by the folks in Kampung Tuba, Kampung Ruan, Kampung Nyelitak and Kampung Sungai Indai, Simunjan.

#### *Green Market*

Tuan Speaker, one of our Local Key Result Areas (LKRA) is for all our Local Authorities to embark on Green Market Initiatives. The components of Green Market Initiatives are the 3R programmes that is Reduce, Reuse and Recycle, composting and rain water harvesting. The State Government has allocated RM5.2 million for this initiatives. The objective of this LKRA is to reduce the volume of market waste being sent to our landfills and to avoid the usage of potable water for general cleaning in the markets.

#### *Development Projects and Programmes under Local Authorities*

Tuan Speaker, Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat for Padungan, Bukit Assek, Repok, Dudong, Lingga, Pelawan, Simunjan, Pujut, Tanjung Batu, Tupong and Samalaju have highlighted various issues and concerns relating to town beautification, provision of infrastructures, municipal services and occurrences of flood in their respective constituencies. These issues and concerns raised by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat will be looked into by the respective agencies under my charge. In this regard, my Ministry will continue to seek for more State and Federal fundings.

For the information of Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, the State Government has approved an allocation of RM54.33 million in 2018 for the 24 Local Authorities to implement 454 infrastructure projects such as upgrading of street lightings, traffic lights, footpaths, public toilets, libraries, jetties and recreational parks. Out of these 454 projects, 406 of these projects are at various stages of implementation and the majority of them will be completed within this year.

In addition to this, under the Cabinet Committee Rural Transformation Initiatives, an allocation of RM19.4 million has been received for 42 flood mitigation projects to be implemented by the local authorities, DID and JKR. 39 of these projects will be completed by the end of this year whilst the remaining three (3) projects will be completed in 2019.

Tuan Speaker, in 2018, a total of RM294 million has also been approved under MARRIS for the 24 local authorities under my Ministry for the maintenance of roads under the said Councils. As at 28<sup>th</sup> of June 2018, RM216 million has been disbursed for the various road maintenance programmes. The balance of RM78 million will be disbursed once the 2<sup>nd</sup> half year road maintenance programmes have been endorsed by the State Financial Secretary's office.

Apart from the State funding, my Ministry also received RM6.47 million from the Federal Ministry of Housing and Local Government (KPKT) for Local Authorities in the State to implement 39 BP1 minor infrastructure development projects this year.

Tuan Speaker, the Federal Ministry of Housing and Local Government (KPKT) has also allocated RM4.275 million in 2018 for implementation of 285 house repair projects by Local Authorities in Sarawak under the Urban Poor Eradication Programme (PPKB). My Ministry will continue to bid for more funding under this programme as well as to monitor the implementation of these approved projects.

For 2018, under the Safe City Programme, the Federal Ministry of Housing and Local Government (KPKT) has approved RM800,000 for Dewan Bandaraya Kuching Utara (DBKU) to implement Safe City Project in Kampung Kudei and Jalan Nanas, Kuching.

### *Rabies*

Tuan Speaker, Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat from Padungan and Bukit Assek have touched on the issue of rabies in the State. Now, I would like to update this august House on the issue. On 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017, the State Disaster Management Steering Committee was set up under the chairmanship of our Deputy Chief Minister, Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas. The Steering Committee is made up of both State and Federal Government agencies, namely the Sarawak Health Department, Sarawak Information Department, Sarawak Education Department, Police, Department of Veterinary Services Sarawak and my Ministry. Plan of action to control and manage rabies in the State has been drawn up by this committee and all the Agencies are working based on the adopted strategies and amongst others, the strategies include targeted stray's removal, animal vaccination, awareness campaign, the setting-up of animal diagnostic lab and dog bite clinics.

As at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018, 13,974 animal bites were reported in the State. 4,153 patients were given anti-rabies vaccination. Public awareness on rabies were also carried out by way of flyers as well as banners and also, through various health promotion programs. On animal vaccination, my Ministry together with Veterinary Services Sarawak as well as SSPCA has started a pilot project names as "House to House Vaccination". To-date, we have visited 7,688 houses and vaccinated 2,836 dogs under the project.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Padungan, the draft of new Local Authorities (Dog Licensing and Control) Bylaws, providing for more effective control, licensing and microchips of dogs is already prepared by my Ministry. We anticipate this new law to be implemented soon. Further, the local authorities have also tightened their licence conditions to disallow food outlet operators to feed stray cats and dogs in their premises.

Tuan Speaker, dog pound is an important facility that local authorities must have in order to allow them to carry out dog population control more effectively. For a start, my Ministry is putting up a proposal to set-up three (3) regional dog pounds namely, in Kuching, Sibul and Miri to cater for the needs of the Local Authorities in the three (3) regions.

Tuan Speaker, I wish to thank all the Local Authorities, health and veterinary staff as well as the NGOs such as SSPCA (S.O.S) who have worked relentlessly over the past one year in our fight against rabies. To-date rabies has caused the State millions of ringgit and the State could only be declared as "rabies free" if in the next two (2) years, there is no new human and canine positive cases. We have onerous task ahead. A fight against rabies is not the sole responsibility of the Local Authorities and the related agencies. Everyone has a role

to play, I therefore urge all Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat in this august House continue to play an active role in creating awareness on this deadly disease.

*Issues Raised by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat on Local Authorities*

Tuan Speaker, now I turn to the issues raised by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat on Local Authorities.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Padungan.

**YB Encik Wong King Wei:** Thank you Tuan Speaker. Thank you Honourable Minister. I wish to repeat my sincere appreciation to those who has been on the front line to fight against the rabies. Honourable Minister, thank you for your answer and I appreciate on the measure that has been taken by your Ministry. But however I have a concern, this year we have marked one (1) year anniversary for rabies and of course if we see there will also some outbreak... *(interrupted)*

**Timbalan Speaker:** Ahli Yang Berhormat for Padungan, what is the question?

**YB Encik Wong King Wei:** Yes I'm coming to the question. Just in a while. On the rabies outbreak in some other State in Malaysia such as in Kedah, in Penang and also in Perlis, but none of the States has sustained such a long one (1) year period of rabies outbreak. So, what are the measure that your Ministry, take, to ensure that there will be a total eradication of rabies cases in, for example in this just one (1) or two (2) months period. Whether there is such measure have been taken.

Thank you.

**Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan and Perumahan (YB Datuk Prof Dr Sim Kui Hian):** Thank you very much for the question from Member from Ahli Yang Berhormat for Padungan. There will be some part of the rabies question which will be answered by the Minister of Agriculture Department because it is a veterinary service and all those are under a different Ministry. Apart from those, all the activities that we have done, we have to remember that Sarawak, we are the size of West Malaysia and also one of the challenges that what we have is the public cooperation that sometimes we find it is really difficult and that is why, you know, if you read some of these thing, sometimes we need a police to come in.

But there is an independent external audit coming in to reassess the whole thing and what else we can do because this involves Federal Agencies, involving two (2) different Ministries and so we have agreed that that was the best way instead of we among ourselves saying "you don't do this, you don't do this", because it is multiple agencies we need to work together and so I mean, I hopefully, for that one we have the independent external audit then I can come back to this august House and share it with you rather than among ourselves finger pointing.

**Timbalan Speaker:** I think the Minister has answered. You proceed ya.

**Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan and Perumahan (YB Datuk Prof Dr Sim Kui Hian):** Okay.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Are you taking a question from Ahli Yang Berhormat for Bukit Assek?

**YB Puan Irene Mary Chang Oi Ling:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker and thank you Honourable Minister for taking the question. Now I have a question here. Can the Ministry confirm that all the Rabies case so far are caused by dogs and not by cats or by bats? Because I understand even fruit bats can cause it. And if it can be caused by bats, is there any measures taken by the Ministry in respect of that.

**Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan and Perumahan (YB Datuk Prof Dr Sim Kui Hian):** There are two (2) parts to that questions. One part is those people who have Rabies and Cephalitis that means Rabies reaching the brain that's why they died are all we know cases on dog bites, right. Whether any bats or all those thing that have Rabies or not, you have to ask the Ministry of Agriculture.

**Timbalan Tuan Speaker:** Okay Honourable Minister, you can proceed.

**Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan and Perumahan (YB Datuk Prof Dr Sim Kui Hian):** Tuan Speaker, now I turn to the issues raised by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat on Local Authorities.

*Upgrading of Road, Drainage System and Street Lightings in Sarikei*

Tuan Speaker, for the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Repok, Sarikei District Council plans to upgrade Jalan Repok to Simpang CTC and also to install street lightings at Jalan Nyelong bypass to Jalan Merudu Junction, Hospital Sarikei to Taman Susur Jambu and Jalan Merudu to Simpang Jakar which is part, partially JKR road. However, the estimated total cost for these projects is RM41.3 million. The proposed projects will be included in the RMK-12 list for consideration.

*MBKS Hotline Service*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Padungan, MBKS Hotline only operates during office hours. However, MBKS has two others 24 hours services namely, a handphone apps known as i-People and MBKS complaint whatsapp. I-People is a web based handphone application, meaning the public can communicate with MBKS in real time anywhere in the world 24/7. For the 24/7 MBKS complaint whatsapp, the number is 016-8796441.

*Traffic Congestion at Ulu Sungai Merah – Jalan Ulu Sungai Merah/Jalan Ling Kai Cheng*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pelawan, in order to address the traffic congestion occurring during peak hours at the roundabout at Jalan Ulu Sungai Merah/Jalan Ling Kai Cheng, Sibu Municipal Council plans to convert the said roundabout into a traffic light junction in 2019. Locked-up Stall Project at Maludam.

**YB Encik David Wong Kee Woan:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. Thank you, Honourable Minister. Ya, talking about Jalan Ulu Sungai Merah, what I mean was what we need to build is a one way street, one lane road, we need to convert to double lanes. I'm not talking about the roundabout, I'm talking about the whole stretch of Jalan Ulu Sungai Merah and that is, I think, the worse congestion in term of traffic in Sibü. We are not talking about the setting up of the traffic. Guarding will not help the traffic congestion in there. Okay.

**Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan and Perumahan (YB Datuk Prof Dr Sim Kui Hian):** Okay, I would take note of that and make sure the SMC put up the proposal.

*Locked-up Stall Project at Maludam*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Lingga, the tender for construction of 13 units of market lockep-up stalls closed on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2018. The Letter of Award is expected to be issued in August and the construction period for this project will take 10 months.

*Pasar Malam Saberka – Hawkers Association*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pujut, Persatuan Pasar Malam Saberka Miri was formed only as channel for the Pasar Malam Saberka hawkers to communicate with Miri City Council on issues related to cleanliness, malfunction of facilities, and reporting on illegal hawking activities etc. All allocation of trading lots for the said pasar malam including collection of license fees and enforcement activities are under the Miri City Council.

*Infrastructure Development at Jalan Piasau Miri*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pujut, the upgrading project of Jalan Piasau, Miri was undertaken by Miri City Council through open tender procedures. The said road is constructed based on type R2 JKR guideline standard for town road. This project was completed on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018 and is still under the six months defect liability period. As such, the contractor is still liable and responsible for rectifying any defects to the said infrastructure.

*Online Gambling Activities at 24-hours Grocery Shops*

On the issue raised by Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tupong on the grocery shops operation 24 hours in Tupong constituency which may also be involved in the selling of reload for online gambling.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Honourable Minister, are you taking question for Honourable Member for Pujut?

**YB Dr Ting Tiong Choon:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. Thank you, Honourable Minister. Two (2) questions here that I brought up. One is the Jalan Piasau. It was open to the public exactly 100 days ago today. So it open to the public on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2018 and since that there are a lot of traffic passing through. And the road actually looks like a very old road. The edges are broken down, the middle has potholes, and the curb has been knocked down by the trucks turning. I think the road is not built to the standard or the design is not up to the standard. So I hope the Minister will take a good look into this. I have spoken to one of the council staff and they said that the low standard, the poor standard of the road is because we do not have enough funding. Now, how do we, why is that we build a second rated substandard road because of not enough funding. If we haven't got enough funding, then we should have wait until we have enough funding and build a proper road not a substandard country road.

The second point I want to bring up is regarding *Saberka Pasar Malam*. This group of hawkers who was there they basically tell everyone among them they are, they got authority from Miri City Council to...(interruption)..

**Timbalan Speaker:** Sorry Pujut, I heard The Minister talking about the road but i didn't hear him talking about the *pasar malam*.

**YB Dr Ting Tiong Choon:** The Minister did say that.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Earlier.

**YB Dr. Ting Tiong Choon:** Ya.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Alright.

**YB Dr Ting Tiong Choon:** Just before that the Jalan Piasau. Now, this group of people basically have the full control of where the owners are going to stay, how they drew it, they themselves can block the way for themselves. According to some the hawkers, the AJK who are responsible for the arrangement they put themselves two (2) stalls, three (3) spaces or something for themselves. Now, there are 38 spaces available

**Timbalan Speaker:** Honourable Member for Pujut, you ask the question. You don't make the statement, please.

**YB Dr Ting Tiong Choon:** No, because The Minister has to answer my question.

**Timbalan Speaker:** You can ask the question.

**YB Dr. Ting Tiong Choon:** So, okay. What I want to ask the Minister, who is actually having the authority for *Saberkas Pasar Malam*. If there is Miri City Council are you saying that all those group those few people has no authority at all to arrange for the stalls, to arrange who is going to which stall? Thank you.

**Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan and Perumahan (YB Datuk Prof Dr Sim Kui Hian):** I mean. To Yang Berhormat for Pujut. I have an answer that enforcement, the allocation, a collection and licence fee, enforcement activities are under Miri City Council. I mean the Council Secretary give me information I assumed that they don't lie to me and the other one is for the Jalan Piasau, Miri and that the roads are constructed based on type 2 JKR guideline standard, so I mean I'm not sure which officer told you that there was not enough funding because it is open tender.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Okay, proceed Minister. I think you have answered the question.

**Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan and Perumahan (YB Datuk Prof Dr Sim Kui Hian):** Next.

#### *Online Gambling Activities at 24-hours Grocery Shops*

On the issue raised by Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tupong on the grocery shops operating 24 hours in Tupong constituency which may also be involved in the selling of reload for online gambling. I wish to inform Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tupong that any information on such activities must be reported to the Police so that the action can be taken under the Common Gaming Houses Act 1953.

#### *Occupation Permit at Taman One Villa, Bintulu*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tanjung Batu, all houses at Taman One Villa have been issued with Occupation Permit by BDA. However, if Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tanjung Batu was referring to the development at Lot 1713 which is adjacent to Taman One Villa, I wish to inform Ahli Yang Berhormat that BDA is unable to issue the road certificate and OP due to non-compliance with the approved engineering plan. The developer has agreed to resubmit the amended engineering plan for further consideration by BDA.

*Lambir Solid Waste Transfer Station*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Lambir, Land and Survey Department has approved a new site at Kilometre 11 Miri-Bintulu road to construct a new permanent Solid Waste Transfer Station. The total funding required is RM17.8 million. Miri City Council has submitted for this funding under RMK-11 Mid Term Review but it was not approved. However, My Ministry will request for special funding from the State Government to implement this project.

*Housing*

Timbalan Speaker, now I would like to address all the issues raised by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat on housing.

*Housing Demand Study*

I wish to inform Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat for Beting Maro, Balingian, Simunjan, Daro, Samalaju and Kabong that HDC shall conduct a demand study before planning for any housing development projects including re-development. This demand study will measure the level of demand and types of houses that are required based on data collected within the respective areas of study. These findings served as a guide for housing development planning. Therefore, Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat are requested to approach HDC directly if there is any request for housing development in their respective constituencies. For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Repok, HDC has recently completed a demand study in DUN Repok. The study showed that there is a demand for houses with price ranging from RM100,000.00 to RM120,000.00. HDC will work closely with Land and Survey Department to identify the suitable and available land for this purpose before the housing development proposal can be submitted to State Planning Authority (SPA) for approval. The implementation is then subject to availability of funding from either Federal Government or State Government.

*Customer Service of HDC*

For information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Pending, My Ministry is very concerned about the alleged incidents involving Housing Development Corporation. We will investigate that alleged shortcomings and we will take appropriate action.

*Housing Subsidy for Young Couples*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Lingga, all Government affordable housing programmes are heavily subsidized. Depending on the type of affordable housing scheme, the subsidy ranges from 25% to 70% of the construction costs. This subsidy is applicable to all couples irrespective of their age.

*Affordable Housing for Bintulu*

For information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Samalaju, Housing Development Corporation (HDC) planned to implement 498 units of Spektra Lite Apartment at Jalan Saberkas, Kidurong, and Bintulu. This housing proposal has been submitted to the State Planning Authority for approval.

*Housing in Kampung Extension Scheme in Daro*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Daro, all Kampung Extension Scheme is under the jurisdiction of Land and Survey Department. In this respect, my Ministry through

HDC will work closely with Land and Survey Department on the need to provide affordable housing within the scheme in Daro.

*Department of Irrigation and Drainage Sarawak (DID)*

Tuan Speaker, allow me to clarify on the issues raised by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat on flooding as well as to update on the status of urban drainage and flood mitigation projects implemented by DID.

For the information of Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, DID is under concurrent list that is under the Federal Government as well as the State Government. The Federal Government provides funding for drainage master plan studies, flood mitigations projects, coastal and riverbank protection works while the State Government is responsible for implementation of projects to resolve flash flooding. For Urban Drainage programme, DID is responsible for the trunk drains while the local councils are responsible for secondary drains.

*River Flooding*

Tuan Speaker, river flooding or regional flooding is major flood that occurs due to river overflowing its bank. As Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat for Saribas and Lingga are aware of, tide plays a significant role in river flooding in the coastal and lower reaches of river. In Sarawak, the limit of tidal influence for some rivers like Batang Sadong, Batang Lupar and Batang Saribas can go upstream as far as 100km from the coast. As such, traditional villages and settlements along the low-lying coastal and riverine areas are inundated monthly during king tide period. Due to space constraint, soft ground condition and slope instability at the riverbank, it is not viable option to construct river bunding to protect such settlement. Therefore, the long term and the most viable solution is to resettle these affected residents to higher ground or to build their houses on stilt as practised by our forefathers.

Tuan Speaker, I will now update Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat on the progress of on-going flood mitigation projects. The physical progress of flood mitigation project at Jalan Tun Razak, Bintulu is 50% completed and is on schedule for completion by December 2018. The flood mitigation project for Sibul Phase 3 has been awarded in April 2018 but pending review and final decision by the new Federal Government. Other projects in Kuching including Sungai Tabuan, Kota Samarahan, Miri and Limbang which are yet to be awarded are also pending review by the new Federal Government.

*Flash Flooding*

Tuan Speaker, flash flooding in Sarawak is often due to a combination of localised heavy rainfall, inadequate drainage capacity and the lack of flood storage. Increase in paved areas has reduced water infiltration into the ground and has resulted in rapid surface runoff. Rapid urbanisation has reached a level where drainage issues are complex and challenging. Our existing drainage system just cannot cope with the increasing volume of storm water runoffs due to rapid urban development. To address this, the Government has adopted a new sustainable storm water management approach as outline in Sarawak Urban Storm Water Management (SUStoM) guideline. SUStoM has been introduced to control storm water at source and to safeguard the stream, rivers and natural flow path, if any at the development site.

For the information of Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, the State Government has also conducted a study on Drainage Reserve Master Plan Study Phase 1 for Kuching City. The report of the study is now in the draft final stage. Once completed, the identified drainage reserve shall be incorporated by the Land and Survey Department into the Kuching City

structure plan for the future development planning. Similar studies will also be conducted for other urban centres, subject to availability of funds.

Developer and contractor also need to play their part and be more responsible to adopt best management practices in SUStoM. Erosion and Sediment Control practices such as installation of silt trap at all construction sites need to be in place in order to avoid clogged drains and heavy siltation in our streams and rivers.

Tuan Speaker, the Federal Government has approved RM11 million for Storm Water Management Drainage Master Plan study for 10 urban centres in Sarawak under RMK 11. I wish to inform Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat in this August House that the Master Plan study for Sarikei and Bintangor town is ongoing and expected to be completed by September 2018. The studies for other main towns such as Sri Aman, Betong, Debak, Spaoh, Saratok, Limbang, Lawas and Serian are currently pending review by the new Federal Government.

The State Government has allocated fund amounting to RM11.98 million in 2018 to implement five (5) Urban Drainage Improvement projects throughout the State. Out of the five projects, two (2) projects have been completed namely the drainage improvement works in Lawas town and drainage outlet for Sarawak General Hospital in early 2018. Another two (2) drainage projects at Kampung Gita, Kuching and Kampung Jeriah, Sibu are under construction with physical progress at 34% and 10.1% respectively. The other project at Kampung Bahagia, Sibu has just been awarded.

Some additional projects approved under the State Mid Term Review include the drainage improvement works at Tman Tunku, Miri as well as Phase II of drainage improvement for Kampung Jeriah, Sibu.

#### *Riverbank Protection Works*

Tuan Speaker, RM32 million has been approved by the Federal Government for the implementation of three (3) riverbank protection works. The physical progress of Batang Kayan at 52.6%, Pekan Gedong at 90.6% and Pekan Simunjang at 95%. Five (5) other projects at Pekan Sabtu in Oya, Kampung Pulat Balingian, Ulu Spak, Betong and Sungai Baram are currently pending review by the new Federal Government.

The State Government has recently approved under the Mid Term Review three riverbank protection projects costing a total of RM30 million. These projects are the riverbank protection works at Simunjan, Gedong and Sungai Igan, Mukah.

#### *Coastal Erosion and River Mouth Rehabilitation Projects*

Tuan Speaker, RM21 million has been approved for the implementation of four (4) coastal erosion protection projects. The physical progress at Kampung Sebuyau is 13.4%, Kampung Buntal is 0.9% and SK Badengan, Mukah is 20.4%. The project at Kampung Serpan has been completed in June this year. Five (5) other projects at Pekan Sematan, Kampung Batu 1 in Kuala Baram, Oya Hilir in Mukah, Kampung Semarang, Betong and Kampung Muara Tebas, Kuching are currently pending review by the new Federal Government.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Lingga, Department of Irrigation and Drainage had bid for 20 million under RMK-11 to implement coastal erosion works at Kampung Maludam. However, this proposal was not approved and DID has resubmitted under Rolling Plan 4 for consideration. In addition to these, RM29.96 million has been approved for river mouth dredging works to mitigate flood and facilitate river navigation. The

four (4) projects are at the river mouths of Sungai Sematan, Sungai Buntal, Sungai Bako and Sungai Limbang. These projects are also pending review by the new Federal Government.

*Issue Raised by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat*

Tuan Speaker, Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat for Tanjung Datu, Lingga and Daro have all raised issues on riverbank erosions in their respective constituencies. For the information of Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, the cost for riverbank protection works is very expensive and there are numerous settlements along rivers which are facing similar problems. The Department has requested for RM929 million for riverbank protection at 23 locations including Kampung Siling Dayak, Kampung Hulu, Kampung Tengah, Kampung Hilir, Sri Aman and Kampung Penasu. However, these kampungs are not among the eight (8) projects approved. The approved projects cost for the eight (8) projects is RM61.8 million. DID has resubmitted the projects that were not approved for consideration under RMK-11 RP4.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Saribas, the bunding project for 10 kampungs in Saribas has been approved for implementation in 2019-2020. DID will carry out the preliminary works such as survey, investigation and in-house design this year.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Layar, the proposed tidal control gate was included under the Betong River Rehabilitation project. The total cost is RM5 million and is currently awaiting review by the Federal Government. As such, DID will wait for the outcome of the review before deciding on the next course of action.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tupong, DID has submitted a proposal to mitigate flash flood at Taman Sejoli under RMK-11 RP4. The estimated cost is RM6 million. For rock revetment at Sungat Sebutut, Batu 10 Matang, DID needs to bid for funding from the new Federal Government and the estimated cost for this project is RM300,000.00.

*Flash Flooding at MBKS Areas*

Tuan Speaker, I now touch on flash flooding at Jalan Kenny Height, Jalan Bidayuh, Kampung Dayak, Jalan Mendu, Jalan Elis, Jalan Penyau raised by Ahli Yang Berhormat from Pending.

*Flash flooding at Jalan Mendu, Jalan Elis and Jalan Penyau*

Clogged drain due to indiscriminate throwing of rubbish by the members of the public was the main cause of flash food at Jalan Mendu and Jalan Elis. End of May this year, DID has cleared the drain from Jalan Mendu all the way to St. Peter's Church and we will continue to monitor the situation. Flash flooding at Jalan Penyau was due to the undersized culvert at Jalan Tun Razak. The earthworks activities by private developer downstream of the culvert has further aggravated the situation. MBKS has instructed the developer to clear the outlet and the developer has taken necessary actions. Any attempt to enlarge the undersized culvert will transfer the flash flood problem to the downstream of the area. As a long term solution, DID will conduct a feasibility study to identify a suitable water retention area that can help in mitigating the flood in Jalan Penyau.

*Flash Flooding at Kenny Height and Jalan Bidayuh*

One of the main contributing factors of the flash flood in Kenny Height was due to the poor maintenance of the silt trap in the private housing development construction site at Jalan Bidayuh. MBKS has will closely monitor the developer to ensure regular maintenance of the said silt trap.

*Flash Flooding at Lorong Foochow 1T, 1V, 1W and Kampung Tabuan Dayak*

Lorong Foochow 1T, 1V, 1W and Kampung Tabuan Dayak are densely populated areas within Sungai Tabuan catchment. Occasional flooding will occur in all these locations when heavy rain coincides with king tide. Many of the houses have been built without taking this factor into consideration. To construct any flood mitigating infrastructure in the area is very costly. For example, to build a barrage at Sungai Tabuan rivermouth will cost about RM380 million.

*Sewerage Services Department (SSD)*

*Urban Sewerage*

Tuan Speaker, I will now update the various sewerage projects in the State which are undertaken by the Sewerage Services Department.

*Septic Sludge Treatment Facilities*

Tuan Speaker, under RMK-11, the Federal Government has approved a total of RM60 million to build four (4) additional septic sludge treatment plants in Sarawak to serve the towns of Betong, Sarikei, Kapit and Limbang. These four (4) septic sludge treatment plants are now at the final stage of detail design which is expected to be completed in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarters of this year. However, the Federal Government has put on hold the implementation of these four projects. The Department has applied to the Federal Ministry for these four projects to be continued.

*Centralised Sewerage Systems*

Tuan Speaker, the construction of Miri Centralised Sewerage System, Phase 1, Package A involving the sewerage network has achieved 18% progress and is on schedule for completion in year 2021. The tender for Package B involving the construction of the centralised sewage treatment plant will be called on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter of this year. The total scheme value for Package A and Package B is RM428 million.

For the Kuching Centralised Sewerage System project, Zone 1 Package 2 contract with an allocation of RM20 million is scheduled for completion in December this year. It is now 45% completed. For the Package 2 contract, which has commenced on the 15<sup>th</sup> September 2017, the progress is on schedule at 3%. It is scheduled to complete in 2023.

*Sewerage Master Plan Studies*

Tuan Speaker, the Federal Government has also approved RM1 million each for three (3) sewerage Master Plan studies under RMK-11 First Rolling Plan (2016-2017). These master plan studies are for our smaller urban centres of Kota Samarahan Town, Sarikei and Bintangor Town, and Mukah Town. These studies have commenced on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017 and are now in the stage of finalising the reports. These are expected to be concluded in the next few months.

*Sarawak Health Department*

*Health Services*

Tuan Speaker, I shall now touch on the services provided by Sarawak Health Department, one of the Federal Departments under my watching brief. To-date, the Sarawak

Health Department has received an allocation of RM1.79 billion compared to RM1.52 billion in 2017, an increase of RM270 million. Of the allocation received, RM1.22 billion or 68% for emolument alone while the remaining RM570 million or 32% is for operating costs.

Tuan Speaker, I am pleased to inform Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat of this august House as of Epid Week 25 in 2018, most of the communicable diseases reported in the State are under control and with declining incidence rates compared to 2017. However, the non-communicable diseases such as diabetes, hypertension and heart diseases continue to pose problems.

*Rural Health Service (State Rural Transformation Initiatives)*

Tuan Speaker, Rural Health Service is under the Key Result Area 2 (KRA 2) of the State Rural Transformation Initiatives. The Sarawak Government has allocated RM2.1 million in 2018 to finance upgrading of rural clinics project through partnership approach, Rural Clinic Visiting Doctors and Cluster Clinic System.

A total of 102 out of 167 rural clinics in Sarawak do not have resident doctors. The Rural Clinic Visiting Doctors service is an approach that has been taken to fill this gap before permanent doctors can be posted here. For the first phase in 2017, 85 rural clinics of planned to be visited under the programme. To-date, 51 clinics are visited every month, 9 clinic are visited once every two (2) months and there (3) clinic are visited once every three (3) months. The remaining 39 clinics will be included into this programme in phase 2 in 2018.

Tuan Speaker, as of June 2018, Sarawak Health Department has also received RM4 million from the Federal fund to upgrade and repair existing clinic which mostly are for internal rewiring and utility connection, repair work for the damages caused by flood and due to its dilapidated condition. Apart from physical repair work, a total of RM16.4 million is approved this year under Medical Equipment Enhancement Tenure (MEET) programme to equip health clinics and dental clinic with the necessary medical equipment throughout the State.

*Development Project*

Tuan Speaker, for the information of Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, two hospital projects in Sarawak are being built under the supervision of Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR) Malaysia in KL. They are Petra Jaya Hospital and Sri Aman Hospital.

Petra Jaya Hospital is categorized as 'sick project' where this project should have been completed on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2016. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2018, the new Minister of Health Malaysia, Yang Berhormat Dr. Dzulkefly Ahmad visited the project site and a meeting was held where the decision was reached to recommend for termination of the existing contract. The meeting also considered various options on how to complete the project.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Lingga, the actual physical progress for the Sri Aman Hospital as at 6<sup>th</sup> of June 2018 is 42.76% as compared to the scheduled progress of 67.8% that is 25.04% of 105 days behind schedule. The catch-up plan has been agreed on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2018, but to-date the contractor has failed to achieve the targeted progress.

*Overcrowding issues in Sarawak General Hospital*

Tuan Speaker, to overcome the overcrowding issues in Emergency and Trauma Department of Sarawak General Hospital, the Ministry of Health has... *(Interruption)*

**Timbalan Speaker:** Are you taking a question Honourable Minister?

**Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan and Perumahan (YB Datuk Prof Dr Sim Kui Hian):** A clarification?

**YB Dr Ting Tiong Choon:** In this house, the Minister tell the members in this House last year that the progress in Petra Jaya Hospital was 46.77% completion. Six months later, the Minister told us that a 26.8% completion a reduction of 20% of completion and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July when the Health Minister visited Petra Jaya, the actual completion was only 33% and 34% and 33% respectively. So my question was those figures that were given by the Minister in this House are totally out of wack. So is the figure or the financial presented in this House, are they reliable? How can we trust this sort of figure when in actual fact, they are totally different? It's totally irrelevant, it looks like they actually plugged out from the air. 20% reduction, I presume the Minister will realize that last November when we were present in the winding up speech, so I would like the Minister to clarify what ever the presented figure being today, whether they are reliable or whether they are just figures that you were given and read it out.

Thank you.

**Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan and Perumahan (YB Datuk Prof Dr Sim Kui Hian):** Thank you very much Yang Berhormat from Pujut. On 3<sup>rd</sup> July YB was also there. They are much depending on what the figures that were presented to us you know and because I mean you and me are not engineers. If you asked me to access, how is the progress of that, you and me will fail miserably. So bear in mind if the officer did not, the figures did not plug out from the air by you or me, it is the officer that tell those out of figures, I mean on 3<sup>rd</sup> of July that's the figure the officer presented. So I can only tell what ever as much truth as what is presented.

**Timbalan Speaker:** The Honourable Member for Pujut. I think the Minister has said that he presented what is mentioned. Ok, Minister can you proceed please?

**Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan and Perumahan (YB Datuk Prof Dr Sim Kui Hian):** Yes, Overcrowding issues in Sarawak General Hospital. Tuan Speaker, to overcome the overcrowding issues in the Emergency and Trauma Department of Sarawak General Hospital...*(Interruption)*

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

**Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan and Perumahan (YB Datuk Prof Dr Sim Kui Hian):** Clarification is it?

**Timbalan Speaker:** Clarification.

**YB Wong King Wei:** Tuan Speaker, I believe the Minister has just admitted that there is mislead the facts produced from this august House that has involved the offence of misleading the House. Whether he presented the figure to himself or somebody else presented the figure to him. He has to be responsible to this august House for misleading the house and action should be taken by this august House against the Minister and contempt on this house.

**Timbalan Speaker:** The Honourable Member of Padungan, I think the Minister has said that he was given the figure by the JKR, it's not his figure, it's JKR figure.

**YB Wong King Wei:** He should be responsible for whatever figures presented to this august House...(Interruption)

**Timbalan Speaker:** I think the Minister has clarified the point.

**YB Wong King Wei:** No, Tuan Speaker. Action should be taken against the Honourable Minister for misleading members in this House.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Okay, Minister can you proceed, please?

**Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan and Perumahan (YB Datuk Prof Dr Sim Kui Hian):** To overcome...(Interruption)

**Timbalan Speaker:** The Honourable Member for Padungan, I let the Minister proceed.

**Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan and Perumahan (YB Datuk Prof Dr Sim Kui Hian):** To overcome the overcrowding issues in Emergency and Trauma Department of Sarawak General Hospital, the Ministry of Health has approved a funding of RM1.096 million to convert the Convention Hall in Medical Ward, into a 24 beds medical ward including provision of equipment. In addition to that, Sarawak Health Department has also submitted a proposal to MOH for upgrading of the female ward in Serian Hospital. This proposal for female ward upgrading if approved will increase the number of beds and will reduce the number of patients to be referred to Sarawak General Hospital for admission. The MOH will also look at other alternatives including negotiating with private hospitals in Kuching in terms of leasing of ward spaces and other facilities.

#### Issues Raised by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat

##### *Request for upgrading of a new polyclinic for Sarikei*

Tuan Speaker, on the issue raised by Ahli Yang Berhormat for Repok, on the increase in the number of patient and the congestion at Sarikei Health Clinic, I wish to inform Ahli Yang Berhormat that the Sarawak Health Department is aware of this issue and has taken the following measures to address the congestion at the said health clinic:

- i. Provision of a staggered appointment system to control the number of patients at a specific time frame to reduce their waiting time;
- ii. Introducing visiting specialist clinic at nearby community clinics to decentralize patients who require specialist attention from patronising Sarikei Health Clinic;
- iii. To equip Pakan Health Clinic and Julau Health Clinic with laboratory and x-ray services in order to reduce the number of patients referred to Sarikei Health Clinic; and
- iv. Sarawak Health Department is planning to renovate the waiting area of Sarikei Health Clinic to accommodate the increasing number of patients.

##### *Long Napir Health Clinic*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Batu Danau, the construction of Long Napir Health Clinic (type 6) is a project under the supervision of JKR Sarawak. The project started on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2016 and was scheduled to be completed on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2018. However, as at 28<sup>th</sup> May 2018, the progress was only 34.55%. The delay was due to the poor performance of the contractor and also due to poor accessibility to the construction site.

JKR Sarawak has already issued a Notice of Termination to the contractor on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 and appointment of new contractor will be carried out to complete the project.

*Issue on Haemodialysis Service in Hospitals and Clinics*

Tuan Speaker, Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat for Repok, Daro, Layar, Meluan and Bukit Goram have requested to add more haemodialysis machines to serve patients under their respective constituency. For information, building haemodialysis unit is a temporary and the last resort measure. What we should be focusing on is to ensure that the community in your constituency practices healthy lifestyle to prevent themselves from developing diseases such as diabetes. Diabetes patients on the other hand should comply to the management regime to prevent complication of diabetes that can lead to end-stage renal failure which requires dialysis treatment.

I wish to inform Ahli Yang Berhormat for Repok that in the case of Sarikei Hospital, although the number of haemodialysis patients in Sarikei Hospital has increased from 69 patients in 2016 to 75 patients in 2017. The existing 16 functioning haemodialysis machines in Sarikei Hospital are adequate to serve up to 96 patients. Apart from these machines, Sarikei Hospital does not face any issue of inadequate supply of medicines.

For Daro Hospital, I wish to inform Ahli yang Berhormat for Daro that currently, all the haemodialysis machines are in functioning condition to serve all the 22 patients.

To respond on the issue by Ahli Yang Berhormat for Layar, the Department has no immediate plan to increase the number of haemodialysis machine in Betong Hospital. Currently, there are 11 functioning machines with the capacity to serve up to 66 patients. Betong Hospital is now serving 59 patients. In addition to that, there is a haemodialysis unit in nearby KK Debak with 6 functioning machines serving 19 patients only.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Meluan, there is no plan to set up a HDU in Julau.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Bukit Goram, similarly, Sarawak Health Department has no plan to add more haemodialysis machine at Kapit Hospital at the moment due to space constraint. Currently there are 13 functioning machines in Kapit Hospital serving 61 patients. In addition to that, Sarawak Health Department had built a Haemodialysis Unit in KK Song in 2014. This unit has 5 functioning machines serving 13 patients at the moment.

*Overcrowding in Serian Hospital and Human Rabies in Serian District*

Tuan Speaker, I would like to address the issue raised by Ahli Yang Berhormat for Bukit Semuja on overcrowding at Serian Hospital. Overcrowding only occurs on visiting specialist clinic days. On other days, crowd is manageable with an average daily attendance of 240 patients. Serian Hospital is a 84-bedded hospital with a low bed occupancy rate of 45%.

Besides, the type three (3) Serian Health Clinic approved under RMK-10 RP4 is expected to cater 300-500 patients per day, thus, can divert the outpatients department patients of the hospital to the clinic once completed. Phase 1 of the projects, which involves earthwork, was completed on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2017 and is still under Defects Liability Period (DLP). JKR Sarawak as the implementing agency is in the process of preparing the estimate of the building construction after which will be submitted to the Ministry of Health for approval.

On the rabies issue raised by Ahli Yang Berhormat for Bukit Semuja, the last victim had a history of dog bite from an adopted dog of unknown status.

**Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan and Perumahan (YB Datuk Prof Dr Sim Kui Hian):** However, the victim did not seek for medical treatment until one month after the incident when she has manifested of signs and symptoms of clinical rabies. Therefore, it is very crucial for the public to take caution when considering adopting canines of unknown vaccination status and to seek immediate treatment if bitten by canines.

#### *Kidurong Health Clinic and Inadequate Barrack in Rural Clinics*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tanjung Batu, Sarawak Health Department has once again submitted the proposal for type three (3) Kidurong Health Clinic and quarters block in RMK-11 RP4, after it was not approved in RMK-11 RP3. The issue of inadequate number and dilapidated barracks at rural clinics is a real concern. For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat, years ago, majority of these rural clinics were upgraded in terms of service (with the addition of outpatient component) without upgrading its infrastructure and facilities. The Sarawak Health Department has prepared a development plan to replace 186 current wooden rural clinics over a period from 2016 to 2030 (RMK-11 to RMK-13) to new clinics using the pre-approved standard clinic design complete with living quarters for the staff.

#### *Request for More Specialist for Betong Hospital*

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Layar, Sarawak Health Department has no immediate plan to upgrade Betong Hospital as a specialist hospital. Currently, specialists from six (6) specialties conduct regular visiting specialist clinic sessions in Betong Hospital. The six (6) specialties are Ophthalmology, Obstetric & Gynecology, General Medicine, Surgery, Orthopedic and Psychiatric. The Orthopedic and Surgery department has started doing minor operation in Betong Hospital. The Department's priority is to first upgrade minor specialist hospitals to major specialist hospitals by increasing the number of specialists to better serve the population in nearby areas. For example, Sri Aman Hospital can serve population in Betong.

#### *Upgrading of Health Service in Julau*

I wish to inform Ahli Yang Berhormat for Meluan, Sarawak Health Department has a plan to build a new Type Four (4) health clinic in Julau. The application will be submitted to the central agency under RMK-11 RP4 for consideration. The new clinic will be equipped with a standard set of equipment and will be ICT-enabled.

On the request to upgrade dental equipment, currently there is no dental service provided at a static dental clinic. However, the dental services are given through a regular visiting dental team. Besides, the Sarawak Health Department has forwarded the request to the Ministry of Health to upgrade dental equipment for visiting teams throughout the State, including visiting team for DUN Meluan.

#### *Exit Road at Kapit Hospital*

Ahli Yang Berhormat for Bukit Goram has raised the issue on the proposal of exit road construction at Kapit Hospital. For information, the proposal was approved by the State Government two (2) years ago. It is now at the design stage by JKR Sarawak.

*Jabatan Bomba dan Penyelamat Malaysia Negeri Sarawak (JBPM)*  
*Fire and Rescue stations under RMK-11*

Tuan Speaker, the construction for the six (6) New Fire & Rescue Stations approved under RMK-11 namely Batu Niah, Samalaju, Daro, Selangau, Sibu Jaya and Matu is still on-going. The replacement of Bintangor Fire and Rescue Station and the upgrading of Bintulu Fire and Rescue Station are also in progress. Apart from that, the new Fire and Rescue Station for Belaga is still in the tendering stage and will be subject to review by the new Federal Government.

*“Khidmat Bakti Bomba” Project*

Tuan Speaker, Jabatan Bomba dan Penyelamat Malaysia Negeri Sarawak through “Khidmat Bakti Bomba” programme has provided assistance in the form of house repairing for the poor and rebuilding of houses that have been burnt down. The Department is currently rebuilding four (4) new houses and eight (8) house repair projects.

*Fire Safety Awareness Programme*

Tuan Speaker, Jabatan Bomba dan Penyelamat Malaysia Negeri Sarawak will continue to implement Public Educational and Awareness programmes on fire safety to the community in the State. Last year, the Department has carried out 2,142 Public Awareness Programmes, 85 longhouse fire safety campaigns, 96 fire points and has set up 133 new Bomba Community teams with a total of 1,043 members. Till June this year, the Department has carried out 1,190 public awareness programmes, 50 longhouse fire safety campaigns and has set up 40 new Bomba Community teams.

*Statistic of Emergency Calls*

Tuan Speaker, up to May this year, Jabatan Bomba dan Penyelamat Malaysia Negeri Sarawak received a total of 5,107 emergency calls, as compared with 2,976 calls recorded for the same period last year which is an increase of 72%. These 5,107 emergency calls comprised of 704 calls on fire outbreaks, 2,406 rescue calls, 1,984 calls for special services and five (5) prank calls. The Department managed to save RM 234 million worth of properties. However, the estimated loss recorded due to fire was RM 32 million, a decrease of 45% as compared to the same period last year.

*Political Issues*

Tuan Speaker, with the passing of the Oil Mining (Amendment) Bill 2018, it is the time for all Sarawakians to rally behind Yang Amat Berhormat Datuk Patinggi (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari, our Chief Minister and give our full support to the Sarawak Government to exercise the Oil and Gas rights for Sarawak. This is an important part of Sarawak autonomy. This Bill will open up greater opportunities for more Sarawak companies and Sarawakians to participate in a meaningful manner in the oil and gas industry. Though the bill was passed with the support of both sides of this august House, I was wondering from the debates, whether some of the Ahli Yang Berhormat truly support whole heartedly or not on the Oil Mining (Amendment) Bill.

Tuan Speaker, the passing of the Land Code (Amendment) Bill 2018 marks another achievement in this sitting of the august House. I would like to congratulate Deputy Chief Minister Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah for leading the task force, working tirelessly throughout the weekends and nights and extensive consultations and finally table the Bill in this august House on 12<sup>th</sup> July. It was a very challenging amendment Bill in which 22 Honorable Members deliberated and their views were taken into consideration as they

represented the voices of the rakyat concerned. It is fervently hoped that with the said amendment Bill passed, the question of NCR land *Pemakai Menua* and *Pulau Galau* will be resolved and should not be irresponsibly politicized by certain quarters in order to achieve their hidden selfish political or personal agenda.

With the two (2) aforesaid amendment Bills passed, this august House has also fulfilled two (2) of the wishes of our late 5<sup>th</sup> Chief Minister Pehin Sri Adenan Satem for the people of Sarawak. If he could hear us from his eternal resting place, I believe he will give us a very rare smile and very happy and perhaps respond with his usual “*ooha*” and “*you you*”. He has left a lasting legacy for all Sarawakians to continue to steadfastly protect and zealously safeguard Sarawak rights and interests, especially those as stipulated in MA63, our Sarawak Constitution and Ordinances.

Tuan Speaker, the political scenario in Malaysia has changed following the 14<sup>th</sup> General Election. Hence the need to review and keep in tandem with the rising needs and expectations of the people in an industry 4.0 environment. A bold decision was taken on 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2018 by our former Barisan Nasional Sarawak leaders under the leadership of our Yang Amat Berhormat Chief Minister Datuk Patinggi (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg to leave Barisan Nasional and form our own Gabungan Parti Sarawak (GPS). By leaving Barisan Nasional, we are no longer subject to Barisan Nasional whip and policies. GPS as a totally Sarawak based coalition party can now function independently and focus on “Sarawak First”.

As the saying goes, charity begins at home. This is also in line with the wishes of Sarawakians who want Sarawak’s rights and interests to be duly protected and safeguarded. Sarawakians want us to fight and gain back all rights that have been eroded or taken away by the Federal Government which are not in accordance with the letter and spirit of the Malaysia Agreement 1963, the Inter-Governmental Committee Report, the Cobold Commission Report or any other legal documents relating to the formation of Malaysia as well as our Sarawak Constitution and ordinances and the Federal Constitution. The formation of GPS will bring more political autonomy for Sarawak to chart its future, to fight for the rights and interests of Sarawakians. This will also give our Sarawak Government more independent power in looking after Sarawak’s interests, unlike the time when we had to comply with national BN policy. I foresee DAP Sarawak and PKR Sarawak will suffer similar fate under national PH coalition.

Now GPS can decide independently for Sarawak. GPS can now focus on formulating new plans and policies for Sarawak without having to be dictated as in the past. We will be brewing our new Sarawak Wine in a new bottle, so to speak and not old wine in a new bottle as certain quarters alleged. Under the GPS, SUPP will work in unison and closely together as equal partners with PBB, PRS and PDP in fulfilling the wishes of Sarawakians to protect and safeguard the rights and interests of Sarawak and to reclaim whatever rights that have been eroded or taken away.

Tuan Speaker, I would like to thank Yang Amat Berhormat Chief Minister Datuk Patinggi (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg for approving 1,361 Permanent Resident of Sarawak till May 2018 while another 971 applications for 2017-2018 are still being processed. While we must continue to maintain stringent control on the granting of Permanent Residency of Sarawak, clear cut cases with their long standing service contributions to Sarawak, or through their marriage and children, etc should have their application for PR of Sarawak expedited.

Tuan Speaker, I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate PH Government for winning and forming the new Federal Government. Malaysians, including Sarawakians, voted for them because of the promises contained in their manifesto. People

believed them during election time and are now anxiously waiting for these promises to be delivered to them.

Under the PH Government, Sarawak has one Minister of Works Malaysia who is also the Ahli Yang Berhormat for Ba' Kelalan in this august House and a Deputy Minister of Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Malaysia who is also Ahli Yang Berhormat for Kota Sentosa. I would like to convey my heartiest congratulation to both Ahli Yang Berhormat on their appointments and hope that they will pay special attention to the needs and expectations of Sarawak and its people especially those subject matters which come under the purview of their respective Ministries.

Tuan Speaker, for the people of Sarawak, we want the PH Government to ensure that the promises made under Buku Harapan particularly under Pillar 4, namely, return Sabah and Sarawak to the status accorded by the Malaysia Agreement 1963 and promises 40 to 48 as well as PH Sarawak Manifesto on the devolution of full power in Education & Health to Sarawak should be duly fulfilled. Sarawakians will monitor very closely on all these promises made, especially on Sarawak and Sabah apart from those made for Malaysia as a whole.

The people of Sarawak want the PH Government to continue all those projects in Sarawak which have already been approved and funds already allocated for, especially for hospitals, clinics, schools, roads, drainage, affordable housing, rural electrification and water supply scheme, just to name some of them. Those are essential projects needed by the rakyat. As a Government, PH should subscribe to the tenets of democratic Government by the people, for the people and of the people. The needs of the rakyat must always come first and politics should be put aside.

Tuan Speaker, Chinese education is always very dear to the hearts and minds of our Malaysian Chinese. There is a world of difference on the recognition of UEC by Federal Government and Sarawak Government. Our Sarawak Government under the late Tok Nan had recognised UEC since 2014. All the recent Sarawak Government's job recruitment are not only advertised in the local Chinese Newspapers but has also listed UEC as one of the accepted qualifications.

Federal Government must recognise it, without conditions or without imposing too much conditions. Recognition of UEC does not in any way belittle our education system, nor will it adversely touch on the feeling of other races. Sarawak is the best example where the percentage of Bumiputras studying in SJK Chinese schools is very high. On the contrary these students believe that they have learned the Chinese culture and thus understand the Chinese and in this way helps to promote better racial harmony.

Tuan Speaker, the late Tok Nan courageously declared 22<sup>nd</sup> July as Sarawak Independence Day; our birthday. It serves as a permanent reminder to all Sarawakians, irrespective of where you are in the world, of our rights, privileges and interests in MA63. I hope that Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat will not only join in the various 722 celebrations in Kuching but will help also to celebrate 722 throughout Sarawak in a few day time. All *anak anak* Sarawak are urged to fly our Sarawak flag on 22<sup>nd</sup> July.

Tuan Speaker, before I conclude, I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate and thank Tuan Speaker for your wisdom in ensuring that the proceedings in this august House were conducted with dignity and proper decorum.

I would also like to put on record my thanks and appreciation to Yang Berhormat Tan Sri Datuk Amar State Secretary of Sarawak and all officers from the various Ministries, State and Federal Departments as well as Government agencies for their hard work and dedication in ensuring the smooth proceedings of this august House. My special thanks also

go to our friends from the media who have provided detail coverage throughout the sittings. Happy Sarawak Independence Day.

Sekian, terima kasih.

**Timbalan Speaker:** Terima kasih kepada Yang Berhormat Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan dan Perumahan yang baru menyampai Ucapan Penggulungan. Sekarang saya ingin menjemput Yang Berhormat Dato Sri Hajah Fatimah Abdullah, Menteri Kebajikan, Kesejahteraan Komuniti, Wanita, Keluarga dan Pembangunan Kanak-kanak untuk menyampaikan Ucapan Penggulungan.

**Menteri Kebajikan, Kesejahteraan Komuniti, Wanita, Keluarga dan Pembangunan Kanak-kanak (YB Dato Sri Hajah Fatimah Abdullah):**

*Bismillahirrahmanirrahim pembuka bicara,  
Assalamualaikum dan Salam Sejahtera,  
Ucapan Penggulungan untuk semua,  
Kesejahteraan komuniti matlamat bersama.*

Tuan Speaker, alhamdulillah, setinggi-tinggi kesyukuran ke hadrat Allah S.W.T, kerana dengan izin rahmat dan kurniaNya, maka kita bertemu lagi dalam Dewan yang mulia ini. Di kesempatan ini, saya turut mengucapkan tahniah kepada Ahli-ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri di atas sambutan ulang tahun ke-150, yang memperingatkan kita kepada keunggulan Dewan ini sebagai lambang kedaulatan negeri Sarawak.

*Empowerment Effort (Usaha-Usaha Pemerksaan)*

Sejak penubuhannya, Kementerian ini telah mengamalkan pelbagai dasar, pendekatan dan program berteraskan pemerksaan komuniti (*Empowering Community*) secara menyeluruh kepada semua kumpulan sasar seperti golongan miskin dan miskin tegar, Orang Kurang Upaya (OKU), penerima bantuan kebajikan, ibu tunggal dan lain-lain kumpulan yang memerlukan. Kementerian juga menjalankan usaha-usaha pemerksaan ke atas pihak Badan Bukan Kerajaan (NGO) dan individu yang memerlukan, dalam menjayakan program-program ke arah kesejahteraan komuniti. Usaha-usaha ini dilaksanakan melalui kolaborasi bersama agensi-agensi yang relevan, sama ada secara terus oleh pihak Kementerian atau pun melalui program dan aktiviti yang dijalankan oleh Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat Sarawak (JKMS) mahu pun Jabatan Wanita dan Keluarga Sarawak (JWKS) dan juga Majlis MPS.

*Kolaborasi Antara Agensi*

Tuan Speaker, usaha bagi melestarikan kesejahteraan komuniti adalah tanggungjawab kolektif. Oleh itu, Kementerian ini akan terus menjalankan kolaborasi strategik yang bermakna serta memupuk kerjasama yang bersepadu bersama dengan agensi-agensi Kerajaan Negeri dan Kerajaan Persekutuan, pihak swasta, sektor korporat, NGO dan masyarakat sivil, komuniti setempat, dan Ahli-ahli politik tanpa mengira fahaman mereka. Melalui penglibatan rakan-rakan strategik secara berterusan, Kementerian ini dapat memaksimumkan sumber dan tenaga kerja, meningkatkan profesionalisme dan produktiviti, memperluaskan akses dan capaian, dan akhirnya natijah yang dihasratkan (*desirable outcomes*) bagi memperkasakan komuniti demi kesejahteraan yang lestari.

Kementerian sentiasa berganding bahu dengan semua pihak yang berkepentingan dalam pelaksanaan dasar (*Implementing Policies*), (*programme and activities*) program serta aktiviti berkaitan fungsi dan peranan yang diamanahkan oleh Kerajaan. Sebagai contoh, dalam menangani isu kehamilan remaja, Kementerian telah melakukan kolaborasi strategik

dengan Jabatan Kesihatan Negeri Sarawak (JKNS), Jabatan Wanita dan Keluarga Sarawak (JWKS), Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat Sarawak (JKMS), Jabatan Pendidikan Negeri Sarawak (JPNS), Jabatan Pendaftaran Negara, Negeri Sarawak (JPN), Jabatan Agama Islam Sarawak (JAIS), dan Polis Diraja Malaysia (PDRM) dalam menubuhkan *One Stop Teenage Pregnancy Committee* (OSTPC) seperti yang ditunjukkan di dalam rajah.

Bagi menangani isu penyalahgunaan dadah dan substance, Kementerian bekerjasama secara strategik dengan agensi Kerajaan Negeri, Persekutuan dan NGO yang relevan melalui Jawatan kuasa Penyelarasan Penyelesaian Isu-isu Sosial Negeri (JPPISN), Jawatan kuasa Penyelarasan dan Pemantauan Sosial Bahagian (JPPSB), Majlis Tindakan Membanteras Dadah (MTMD) Bahagian dan Negeri dan *One Stop Committee* Peringkat Negeri dan Daerah.

Untuk memudahkan dan mempercepatkan pengurusan siasatan dan jenayah dan pendakwaan terhadap kes-kes jenayah seksual dan keganasan rumah tangga, Kementerian pula bekerjasama dengan pihak PDRM dan *One Stop Crisis Centre* (OSCC) yang dikendalikan oleh JKNS. Dalam menghasilkan Buku Panduan Prosidur Operasi Standard bagi menangani isu ini, Kementerian telah mengadakan kerjasama dengan 22 agensi Kerajaan Negeri, Persekutuan dan NGO yang berkaitan. Manakala, bagi menangani kes keganasan terhadap Kanak-kanak, Kementerian turut menganggotai *Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect* (SCAN) bersama dengan Jabatan Kesihatan Negeri Sarawak (JKNS) dan PDRM.

Bagi memantau pelaksanaan program Pendidikan Awal Kanak-kanak, selari dengan aspirasi pelan tindakan Majlis Pembangunan Awal Kanak-kanak Sarawak (MPAKS), Kementerian telah menubuhkan pasukan Pemantau dan Penilai ke atas Institusi Pendidikan Awal Kanak-kanak (IPAKK) yang dianggotai oleh semua pembekal perkhidmatan pendidikan awal Kanak-kanak di Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, indeed, sustaining community wellbeing is a collective responsibility. Strategic collaboration and cooperation from all walks of life across public, private and civil organisations has shown that we could beat the ineffective silo approaches of the past. Henceforth, this Ministry will continue to seek and value strategic collaboration and contribution from all parties in empowering the community, particularly those in need, to sustain societal wellbeing in Sarawak. In this regard, continuous support especially from relevant Federal Agencies regardless of who helm the Government is indeed very crucial.

#### *Pemeriksaan Melalui Pembangunan dan Latihan*

Tuan Speaker, this Ministry also emphasizes on the well-being of communities in vulnerable situations by empowering them with equal opportunities and accessibility to education, training and development, building inclusive learning environments, and providing the needed assistance for the persons with disabilities through effective collaboration with the community and our strategic partners.

#### *Wanita dan Keluarga*

Tahun 2018 telah diisytiharkan sebagai Tahun Memperkasakan Wanita (TMW18). Justeru, Kementerian melalui Jabatan Wanita dan Keluarga Sarawak (JWKS) meneruskan usaha-usaha pemerikasaan ke atas wanita bagi meningkatkan kemahiran dan keyakinan diri ke arah pemantapan institusi keluarga dan kelestarian gaya hidup.

The latest initiative is Networking Sarawak Women Entrepreneurship: Sarawak Women Aspiration Group (SWAG). This program is a collaborative effort between Jabatan

Wanita dan Keluarga Sarawak and Swinburne University of Technology, and sponsored by Australia-ASEAN Council Grant Round 2017-2018 that aims to develop a framework for supporting enterprising women in Sarawak and Victoria. The theme for this program is "Building Connections for Enterprising Women" by empowering them to identify and connect existing entrepreneurial issues to provide impact-driven solutions for current and aspiring women entrepreneurs in Sarawak.

Setakat Jun 2018, sejumlah 403 usahawan wanita telah menghadiri tiga sesi perbincangan (*roundtable discussions*). Seterusnya, satu forum awam (*public forum*) untuk membentangkan isu-isu akan diadakan pada bulan September 2018. Pihak Jabatan Wanita dan Keluarga Sarawak juga meneruskan program-program pemeraksanaan seperti yang telah dibentangkan oleh Menteri Muda Kementerian ini dalam sesi pertanyaan bagi jawapan-jawapan lisan pada 11 Julai 2018.

Tuan Speaker, berat mata memandang, berat lagi bahu memikul.

#### *Golongan Orang Kurang Upaya (OKU)*

Kementerian menyedari bahawa OKU adalah merupakan golongan yang rentan (*vulnerable groups*) yang memerlukan perhatian khusus, dan mereka haruslah diberi peluang dan ruang untuk berkembang secara inklusif dan holistik.

Maka itu, Kementerian melalui Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat Sarawak (JKMS), meneruskan Program Pemulihan Dalam Komuniti (PDK), satu program kolaborasi bersama golongan OKU, keluarga dan masyarakat setempat dengan sokongan Jabatan Kesihatan Negeri Sarawak (JKNS), Jabatan Pendidikan Negeri Sarawak (JPNS) dan Jabatan Tenaga Kerja (JTK). Program ini merupakan satu (1) strategi di dalam pembangunan komuniti untuk proses rehabilitasi, penyamaan peluang dan integrasi sosial OKU.

Negeri Sarawak mempunyai sebanyak 53 buah PDK dengan pelatih seramai 2,749 orang, 53 penyelia dan dibantu oleh 326 petugas. Atas keprihatinan Kerajaan Negeri Sarawak, terkini Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat Sarawak telah diluluskan tambahan tujuh (7) jawatan baharu Jurupulih Perubatan secara kontrak, sebagai tambahan kepada sembilan (9) jawatan sedia ada. Setakat Mei 2018, hanya lapan (8) jawatan telah diisi.

Tuan Speaker, Kementerian ini berbangga atas kejayaan golongan OKU di Sarawak terutama dalam bidang sukan. Kejayaan yang dikecapi oleh atlet OKU tersebut di peringkat kebangsaan mahu pun antarabangsa telah mengharumkan nama Sarawak. Ini termasuklah menjuarai Sukan Paralimpiad Malaysia sebanyak 12 kali berturut-turut sejak tahun 1994 dan tempat ketiga untuk Sukan Orang Pekak Malaysia (SOPMA) pada tahun 2016.

Baru-baru ini, Kementerian ini telah dipertanggungjawabkan untuk meneruskan usaha pembangunan sukan bagi golongan OKU di negeri ini. Untuk makluman Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, pada masa ini, pasukan sukan OKU kita adalah dalam persediaan untuk penyertaan dalam Sukan *Special Olympics* (SO) Peringkat Negeri Sarawak yang akan diadakan di Kuching pada 17 hingga 20 Ogos, Sukan Paralimpiad Malaysia (Para SUKMA) pada 21 hingga 28 Oktober dan Sukan Orang Pekak Malaysia (SOPMA), 15 hingga 20 Oktober yang akan diadakan di Ipoh, Perak.

Tuan Speaker, bagi meningkatkan kejayaan dalam usaha pembasmian kemiskinan (*poverty eradication*) pada tahun ini, Kementerian telah melaksanakan satu program baharu iaitu Program Transformasi Minda yang dikhususkan untuk golongan miskin dan miskin tegar yang berdaftar dalam Sistem eKasih. Program ini bertujuan memberi kesedaran kebertanggungjawaban kepada mereka agar dapat mengubah sikap dan berdikari, selain untuk melahirkan usahawan-usahawan mikro. Sejak dilancarkan pada awal tahun ini,

seramai 3,481 Ketua Isi Rumah (KIR) dan Ahli Isi Rumah (AIR) telah menghadiri program tersebut. Daripada jumlah ini, 1,608 orang adalah merupakan mereka yang telah menerima bantuan AZAM pada tahun 2017 dan sebelumnya, manakala 1,873 adalah mereka yang belum menerima apa-apa bantuan ekonomi. Peserta-peserta tersebut akan dipantau prestasi mereka selepas menghadiri program ini. Setakat 12 Julai 2018, seramai 767 peserta sama ada Ketua Isi Rumah atau pun Ahli Isi Rumah daripada kumpulan mereka yang telah menerima bantuan ekonomi, telah dipantau dan daripada jumlah ini, 364 peserta menunjukkan peningkatan pendapatan untuk tiga (3) bulan pertama kepada RM497,667.76, iaitu pertambahan sebanyak RM46,323.43 (10.3%) peningkatan daripada pendapatan sebelum ini iaitu sebanyak RM451,344.33.

**Menteri Kebajikan, Kesejahteraan Komuniti, Wanita, Keluarga dan Pembangunan Kanak-kanak (YB Dato Sri Hajah Fatimah Abdullah):** Setakat Mei 2018, penerima bantuan kebajikan bulanan adalah seramai 56,510 dengan perbelanjaan sebanyak RM87.5 juta merangkumi Bantuan Kanak-kanak (BKK); Bantuan Orang Tua (BOT); Elaun Pekerja Cacat (EPC); Bantuan Penjagaan OKU/Pesakit Kronik Terlantar (BPT); Bantuan OKU Tidak Berupaya Bekerja (BTB); Bantuan Am (BA); Bantuan Anak Pelihara (BAP); dan Bantuan Belia-Beliawanis (BBB).

Daripada jumlah penerima tersebut, seramai 25,841 orang merupakan mereka yang masih produktif bermakna mereka yang berkeupayaan atau mempunyai ahli keluarga yang berpotensi untuk menjana pendapatan, dan perlu diperkasakan melalui program-program Usahawan Mikro Kebajikan (UMK) dan Program Pembangunan Kemahiran dan Pamadanan Kerja (PKPK). Manakala penerima yang tidak produktif, adalah seramai 30,669 orang. Mereka ini akan terus dibantu demi kelangsungan hidup dalam komuniti.

Tuan Speaker, bagi memperkasakan para pelatih yang menjalani pemulihan di institusi-institusi kebajikan, pada tahun ini, Kementerian telah memperkenalkan satu program baharu iaitu Program Pembangunan Kemahiran dan Kerjaya Pelatih. Program ini merangkumi empat (4) inisiatif iaitu Pembangunan Minda Pelatih, Latihan Perniagaan dan Keusahawanan, Latihan Kemahiran dan Penempatan Kerja, dan Pamadanan Kerjaya (Job Matching). Usaha memperkasakan atau pun usaha pemerksaan ini adalah untuk meningkatkan keupayaan mereka supaya mereka dapat berdikari setelah keluar daripada Sekolah Tunas Bakti Kuching dan Miri, dari Taman Seri Puteri; dan institusi perlindungan Rumah Kanak-kanak Kuching dan di Sri Aman. Program ini telah dimulakan dengan 33 orang pelatih dan pemantauan akan dibuat dalam masa dua (2) tahun untuk menilai keberkesanan program ini.

Tuan Speaker, menyedari peri pentingnya sumbangan para sukarelawan dalam melestarikan kesejahteraan komuniti, Kementerian ini sentiasa menghargai dan mengalu-alukan penglibatan para sukarelawan. Kementerian selaras dengan slogannya "Kebajikan Tanggungjawab Bersama", meneruskan usaha mengupayakan sukarelawan melalui Bengkel Strategik Pembangunan Komuniti Sukarela, Bengkel Asas Pertukangan, dan Penyediaan Kit Sukarelawan Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat Sarawak. Inisiatif tambahan untuk dilaksanakan tahun ini adalah Seminar Penerangan Dasar Pemberian Geran Negeri, Kursus Pengurusan Pertubuhan Sukarela Kebajikan, Bengkel Pemantapan Kerja Berpasukan Penyelaras NGO dan Sukarelawan Kebajikan, dan Persidangan Sukarelawan Peringkat Negeri.

Kementerian juga menggalakkan pasukan sukarelawan ini untuk mendaftar dengan Jabatan Pendaftaran Pertubuhan atau (ROS). Sehingga kini, sebanyak lapan (8) buah pasukan sukarelawan kebajikan di lapan (8) Bahagian telah berdaftar. Ini membolehkan mereka menjalankan aktiviti pungutan dana sendiri selain mendapat sumbangan daripada Kerajaan.

Sehingga kini, Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat Negeri Sarawak mempunyai seramai 1,827 sukarelawan yang aktif di seluruh Negeri Sarawak untuk membantu dalam pelaksanaan program dan aktiviti kebajikan. Juga dipaparkan di skrin sekarang ini.

Tuan Speaker, walaupun kejadian bencana adalah suatu yang sukar untuk diramal, namun usaha untuk memperkasakan golongan komuniti mangsa bencana perlu juga dirancang. Maka itu, bagi kawasan–kawasan yang berisiko banjir dan terputus hubungan, Kementerian akan memperkasakan komuniti setempat melalui latihan simulasi dalam mengurus agihan bantuan makanan mereka yang telah ditempatkan di pangkalan hadapan masing-masing.

Perancangan pelaksanaan latihan simulasi akan dilaksanakan. *In fact, we have done the first one* di SK Beradek pada 14 Julai 2018 untuk Bahagian Kuching. Seterusnya di kawasan Telahak, Ulu Bayong, Bahagian Sarikei, Kampung Telahak untuk Limbang Klinik Tab Timber, Sebuah Bahagian Bintulu, Ulu Tinjar Baram untuk Bahagian Miri dan Uma Sambap, Belaga untuk Bahagian Kapit.

#### *Peningkatan Ekonomi*

Tuan Speaker, The Ministry also actively monitor and supervise empowerment initiatives through collaborative efforts to ensure social and economic inclusion for women, family, disadvantaged communities and individuals in need.

Kementerian masih meneruskan program Usahawan Mikro Kebajikan untuk memperkasakan penerima bantuan yang produktif supaya mereka dapat menjadi usahawan mikro, menjana dan meningkatkan pendapatan bersih melebihi RM1,000 sebulan. Selain itu, mereka juga dapat meningkatkan taraf hidup keluarga, dapat hidup berdikari dan tidak bergantung kepada bantuan kebajikan.

Melalui program ini, setiap peserta disediakan bantuan untuk berniaga maksima sebanyak RM5,000.00 serta bimbingan selama dua tahun dalam aspek pelaksanaan projek ekonomi, kemahiran dalam teknologi perniagaan dan juga pemasaran produk.

Sejak tahun 2009 hingga Mei 2018, seramai 2,549 orang dipilih mengikuti program ini. Daripada jumlah tersebut, seramai 1,266 orang masih lagi dalam peringkat bimbingan. Seramai 246 orang UMK pula telah berjaya menjana pendapatan melebihi RM1,000.00 sebulan. Bagi tahun 2018, 21 orang telah berjaya dalam program ini.

#### *Pelaksanaan Program Kesejahteraan Komuniti*

Tuan Speaker, melentur buluh biarlah dari rebungunya. Dalam usaha untuk meningkatkan keberkesanan perkhidmatan pembangunan Kanak-kanak, Kementerian telah memperkembangkan kapasiti Bahagian Pembangunan Awal Kanak-kanak (BPAKK) dengan mewujudkan sembilan (9) jawatan baharu sebagai tambahan kepada tiga (3) jawatan sedia ada, dan pertambahan peruntukan sebanyak RM3.45 juta berbanding dengan hanya RM100,000.00 sahaja sebelum ini.

Pada tahun 2018, sebanyak 20 aktiviti utama yang merangkumi 55 sub-aktiviti telah dirancangan untuk pelaksanaan. Bidang-bidang baharu yang diberi fokus pada tahun ini ialah Bersih awal Bersih akhir (BaBa) *It is about inculcating values, especially value on cleanliness; Occupational Safety and Health (OSH);* Pembangunan Professional Pendidik melalui Kajian Tindakan dan Kemahiran Insaniah; Asuhan Kanak-kanak Berkeperluan Khas (Special Children); *Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)* dan *Sarawak Kids Got Talent (SKGT)*.

Setakat Jun 2018, sebanyak 30 aktiviti kecil telah berjaya dilaksanakan. Antaranya ialah Program Bersih awal Bersih akhir (BaBa), satu inisiatif baharu yang telah dilancarkan oleh Yang Amat Berhormat Ketua Menteri Sarawak pada 3 Februari 2018. Program ini telah dirintis di 12 Institusi Pendidikan Awal Kanak-kanak (IPAKK) dalam empat (4) bahagian iaitu Bahagian Mukah, Bahagian Kuching, Bahagian Miri dan Sri Aman. Objektif BaBa adalah untuk menyemai nilai-nilai murni dan mempraktikkan sikap kebersihan untuk diri, keluarga, komuniti dan alam sekitar. Hasil daripada program rintis ini akan dijadikan input pembinaan modul BaBa yang akan diselaraskan untuk dipraktikkan oleh semua Institusi Pendidikan Awal Kanak-kanak di seluruh negeri Sarawak.

Satu lagi inisiatif baharu ialah program kesedaran *Occupational Safety and Health* (OSH) untuk para pendidik di Institusi Pendidikan Awal Kanak-kanak, yang bertujuan untuk memberi kesedaran kepentingan isu keselamatan dan kesihatan Kanak-kanak. Setakat Julai 2018, sebanyak tujuh (7) kursus daripada lapan yang dirancang telah berjaya dilaksanakan di Bahagian Kuching, Betong, Mukah dan Bintulu.

Dalam usaha pemerkasaan Institusi Pendidikan Awal Kanak-kanak, langkah terkini Kementerian adalah menubuhkan satu pasukan Pemantau dan Penilai IPAKK singkatan untuk Institusi Pendidikan Awal Kanak-kanak. Sehingga Jun 2018, pasukan tersebut telah berjaya menilai empat (4) buah IPAKK. Hasil penilaian tersebut akan digunakan untuk merangka strategi penambahbaikan ke atas IPAKK yang telah dinilai.

Tuan Speaker, Bagi tahun 2018, Jabatan Wanita Keluarga Sarawak telah mendapat khidmat UWAIS Followership Academy PLT dan Alpha Malaysia Cawangan Sarawak bagi membantu pasangan yang memerlukan bimbingan kekeluargaan. Dengan kerjasama Pejabat Residen dan Daerah dan NGO yang berkepentingan, setakat Jun 2018, Jabatan Wanita Keluarga Sarawak telah melaksanakan program *Till Jannah: Smart Marriage dan The Marriage Course: How To Build Long Lasting Relationship* yang dikendalikan dalam Bahasa Melayu, Cina dan Inggeris untuk 49 pasangan di bahagian Kuching.

Selain itu, program Baitul Muslim: *Islamic Smart Parenting Skills*, dan *The Parenting Teenagers Course: How to Build a Long Lasting Family* yang melibatkan 642 peserta di Dalat, Bekenu, Sarikei dan Lundu.

Tuan Speaker, dalam persidangan DUN yang lepas, saya telah memaklumkan tentang 10 isu sosial iaitu: penyalahgunaan dadah dan *substance*; kehamilan remaja; perkahwinan dan penceraian; jenayah seksual terhadap Kanak-kanak dan wanita; penyakit jangkitan kelamin (*STI*), HIV dan AIDS; keganasan rumah tangga; jenayah jalanan; gelandangan; masalah dokumen pengenalan diri; dan kesihatan mental yang perlu ditangani secara kolaboratif dan strategik oleh semua pihak bagi menjamin kesejahteraan komuniti yang lestari. Dalam penggulungan kali ini saya hanya akan menyentuh beberapa langkah yang telah diambil untuk menangani lima (5) daripadanya.

Dengan kerjasama rakan-rakan strategik, Kementerian telah mengambil inisiatif untuk menjalankan aktiviti kajian dan penyelidikan; mengurus pangkalan data; memantau tren; menganjurkan majlis kesedaran dan advokasi; dan melaksanakan pelbagai program intervensi dan pembangunan sosial.

#### *Issues on Drugs and Substance Abuse*

Tuan Speaker, issues on drugs and substance abuse are still the most hotly deliberated topic by our YBs since the last sitting of this august House. Although related statistic shows that less than 1% of our population are directly involved in drug and substance abuse, however record from PDRM shows that drug and substance abuse has far

reaching effect on the social wellbeing of our community. In 2017, 30 to 40 percent of petty crimes and 27 percent of domestic violence are related to drugs and substance abuse.

The Ministry wish to applaud the efforts of the enforcement agencies to suppress the supply of drugs in the market; the rehabilitation and treatment of drugs and substance abusers; as well as the awareness and advocacy programs conducted to empower the community to stay away from this social menace.

Melalui usaha penguatkuasaan Akta Dadah Berbahaya (ADB) 1952, sejak 2016 sehingga Jun 2018, pelbagai jenis dadah bernilai RM14.4 juta telah dirampas oleh pihak PDRM Kontinjen Sarawak dan RM1.5 juta oleh pihak Kastam Sarawak. Dalam tempoh yang sama, harta bernilai RM8.9 juta telah disita di bawah Akta Dadah Berbahaya (Pelucuthakan Harta) 1988. Maklumat terperinci dipaparkan dalam slide yang berkaitan. *It's a little bit small to be seen actually. I wish the screen is bigger, Tuan Speaker.*

Berhubung dengan rawatan dan pemulihan pula, seramai 1,139 Orang Kena Pengawasan (OKP) sedang dipantau di seluruh Negeri sehingga Jun 2018; dan 351 orang pelatih sedang menjalani rawatan dan pemulihan di Pusat Pemulihan Penagihan Narkotik (PUSPEN) kendalian Agensi Anti Dadah Kebangsaan (AADK) Negeri Sarawak. Dalam tempoh yang sama, AADK turut melaksanakan 166 aktiviti di bawah empat (4) program pencegahan dan kesedaran awam iaitu Program Keluarga Bebas Dadah; Institusi Pendidikan Bebas Dadah; Tempat Kerja Bebas Dadah; dan Komuniti Bebas Dadah.

Saya harap maklumat berkenaan penyalahgunaan dadah dan substance ini mampu menjawab pertanyaan-pertanyaan dan usul yang telah dikemukakan oleh Yang Berhormat-Yang Berhormat bagi Tupong, Tamin, Tanjung Datu, Demak Laut, Samalaju dan Layar.

Tuan Speaker, dalam tempoh 2012–2017, walaupun Sarawak memperlihatkan *trend* kehamilan remaja yang menurun, namun bilangan kes masih merupakan kedua tertinggi di Malaysia. Untuk menangani gejala ini, Kerajaan Negeri telah menetapkan KPI penurunan bilangan kes remaja hamil sebanyak 10% setiap tahun. Dan Alhamdulillah, pada tahun 2017, kadar penurunan yang telah berjaya dicapai ialah 14.1%. Sembilan (9) bahagian telah mencapai KPI yang telah ditetapkan kecuali Sri Aman, Limbang dan Sibu.

With regard to child marriage raised by Ahli Yang Berhormat Bukit Assek, I would like to put on record our equal concern as this could be a result of teenage pregnancy and/or can lead to it. On her proposal to set a new minimum age for girls to get married, Majlis Wanita Keluarga Sarawak, in fact has earlier on, discussed this matter with Majlis Adat Istiadat Sarawak. Obviously further discussion need to be done. So the Ministry, Insha Allah, will conduct roundtable discussions, this time with Jabatan Agama Islam, Mahkamah Syariah, Majlis Adat Istiadat Sarawak, Jabatan Pendaftaran Negara Negeri Sarawak, relevant NGOs such as UNICEF, community leaders and Ahli Yang Berhormat and community leaders as any changes to the current practices would require amendment to the law as well as making provisions in the codified customs.

Tuan Speaker, kanak-kanak sentiasa terdedah kepada pelbagai bahaya seperti kemalangan, penculikan, penderaan fizikal dan emosi serta jenayah seksual yang memberi kesan psikologi berpanjangan. Untuk menjaga keselamatan dan hak Kanak-kanak terjamin, selain daripada penguatkuasaan undang-undang dan keperihatinan masyarakat, kerjasama antara agensi yang berkenaan adalah amat penting. Melalui kolaborasi sedemikian, sebagai contoh beberapa kes jenayah seksual terhadap Kanak-kanak telah berjaya diselesaikan dalam masa yang singkat. Sebagai contoh kes di Bau dan Kota Samarahan yang melibatkan jenayah seksual terhadap Kanak-kanak telah diselesaikan dalam tempoh tujuh (7) hari, melibatkan pelaporan, penangkapan dan pertuduhan.

Tuan Speaker, Akta Kesalahan-Kesalahan Seksual Terhadap Kanak-kanak 2017 yang telah berkuatkuasa mulai 10 Julai 2017 adalah pelengkap kepada Kanun Keseksaan (*Penal Code*) dan Akta Kanak-kanak (Pindaan) 2016. Penguatkuasaan Akta ini memperkukuhkan lagi usaha untuk melindungi Kanak-kanak di bawah umur 18 tahun. Individu yang didapati bersalah melakukan perbuatan seksual terhadap Kanak-kanak seperti kesalahan rogol, mencabul kehormatan (*outraging modesty*), liwat dan pornografi Kanak-kanak, boleh dihukum penjara sehingga 30 tahun dan juga sebatan jika sabit kesalahan, manakala individu yang gagal memberikan maklumat yang diketahuinya mengenai kesalahan seksual terhadap Kanak-kanak boleh didenda sehingga RM5,000.00.

Tuan Speaker, sehingga April 2018, Jawatan kuasa Khas Kewarganegaraan Di Bawah Perkara 15A, Perlembagaan Persekutuan Peringkat Negeri Sarawak (JKK), yang merupakan kolaborasi Kerajaan Negeri melalui Kementerian ini dan Kerajaan Persekutuan sebelum ini, melalui Jabatan Pendaftaran Negara Negeri Sarawak (JPN), telah bermesyuarat sebanyak 16 kali, 16 times, dan membincangkan sebanyak 417 permohonan kewarganegaraan. Daripada jumlah tersebut, sebanyak 95 permohonan telah diluluskan dan surat-surat kelulusan telah diserahkan kepada pemohon. Bagi kes yang lain kita amat berharap bahawa keputusan segera dapat dibuat oleh pihak Kementerian Dalam Negeri (KDN). *On that note, let us all pray that our new Home Minister will have a speedy recovery after his operation.*

Di samping itu, Jabatan Pendaftaran Negara Negeri Sarawak juga meneruskan usaha untuk menangani isu penduduk pribumi Sarawak yang lahir dan menetap di Negeri Sarawak tetapi tidak memiliki dokumen pengenalan diri, melalui Jawatan kuasa Teknikal Pasukan Petugas Khas (PPK). Satu Unit Khas Bergerak diwujudkan untuk mengadakan operasi ke kawasan pedalaman dengan kerjasama wakil-wakil rakyat, Ketua Masyarakat dan Ketua Kaum bagi melayan orang awam yang ingin memohon sijil lahir dan kad pengenalan bermutu tinggi.

Statistik operasi PPK menunjukkan permohonan pendaftaran lewat kelahiran seluruh Negeri Sarawak sejak tahun 2015 sehingga 28 Mei 2018, yang diperolehi melalui 178 operasi adalah sebanyak 7,329 permohonan. Daripada jumlah tersebut 4,629 permohonan telah diluluskan, 2,357 ditolak, dan 343 masih dalam tindakan.

With regards to the proposal by Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat Bukit Assek and Batu Kitang, to amend the Sarawak Adoption Ordinance 1958, so that the fact of adoption is kept confidential in line with the Federal Adoption Act 1952, and Sabah Adoption Ordinance 1960, and her proposal to make rules to regulate the adoption of adults up to the age of 21 years among races in which such adoptions are recognized by custom, the Ministry has planned to hold a roundtable discussion with *Jabatan Pendaftaran Negara, Majlis Adat Istiadat Sarawak*, relevant NGOs, and community leaders as such amendments or regulations could affect certain communities in terms of marriage, lineage, inheritance and etc.

The Ministry concurs with Ahli Yang Berhormat for Batu Kitang on the need for speedy decision on application from stateless children from Sarawak. However, decision on this matter lies with the Ministry of Home Affairs. Citizenship is covered *under Part III of the Federal Constitution*. Our *Jawatankuasa Khas* is to facilitate but at the end of the day it is the Ministry of Home Affairs who will have the last say. It is a Federal matter under Article 74 read together with Item No.5 of Federal List of Ninth Schedule of the Federal Constitution.

The citizenship of a Stateless child is not a matter discussed under the present Devolution of Power (DOP) exercise. This is because the issue of citizenship even with reference to the Inter-Governmental Committee (IGC) Report, MA63... (*Interruption*)

**Tuan Speaker:** Are you taking a point of clarification?

**Menteri Kebajikan, Kesejahteraan Komuniti, Wanita, Keluarga dan Pembangunan Kanak-kanak (YB Dato Sri Hajah Fatimah Abdullah):** Let me finish the sentence. As well as the Federal Constitution has always been agreed to be a Federal matter.

**YB Puan Irene Mary Chang Oi Ling:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. Thank you, Honourable Minister. I just want to ask a question in relation to the Stateless children. It used to be that before 2014, PR status is usually given to children as long as the child is born in Sarawak and the status to be given to the child and the child would be known as Malaysian. That was in 2014. As far as I know, after 2014 this status was changed. Now the current status seems to be that as long as the mother of the child is a foreigner, PR status should be given to him or her. But in the event that the child birth parents are unknown, the PR status would not be given to the child. So I am just wondering, what is the reasoning for this change in 2014, because if the child has PR status, it goes a long way to help him actually, to enjoy the benefits of the State.

**Menteri Kebajikan, Kesejahteraan Komuniti, Wanita, Keluarga dan Pembangunan Kanak-kanak (YB Dato Sri Hajah Fatimah Abdullah):** Terima kasih, Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Bukit Assek. Tuan Speaker, the subject of PR doesn't come under the jurisdiction of my Ministry. However, Insha Allah we will bring up this matter to the relevant authority.

**YB Puan Irene Mary Chang Oi Ling:** Tuan Speaker, actually this PR is issued by the Immigration Sarawak and Immigration Sarawak has the autonomy actually.

**Menteri Kebajikan, Kesejahteraan Komuniti, Wanita, Keluarga dan Pembangunan Kanak-kanak (YB Dato Sri Hajah Fatimah Abdullah):** We will bring this matter to the relevant authority for further discussion. Thank you.

#### *Issues Related to Mental Health*

Tuan Speaker, in addressing issues related to mental health, the Ministry has embarked on a holistic and integrated approach involving all relevant agencies. To date we had successfully co-organised one forum with the State Health Department in Kuching targeting community leaders and school counsellors to create awareness on mental health. Since this forum is significant to enhance societal well-being, the need for collaboration is of paramount importance. As such, we need to have a clear guideline on permissible collaboration from the Federal Ministry of Health, for the sake of our *rakyat*.

Collaboration with the relevant agencies will enable the Ministry to collate data and provide critical information for stakeholders as well as the marginalised groups to participate in decision-making programs and activities that affect them. The outcome will help to reduce inequalities, exclusion and discrimination, and achievement of social justice and cohesion.

Tuan Speaker, melalui inisiatif Jabatan Wanita dan Keluarga Sarawak (JWKS) Helpline (1800-22-5566 Tol Free) yang telah dilancar pada 9 November 2017, setakat 30 Jun 2018, sebanyak 43 jumlah kes yang direkodkan. Daripada jumlah tersebut, 20 atau 46% adalah berkaitan dengan masalah rumah tangga, 12 atau pun 28% adalah berkaitan dengan prosedur undang-undang dan 11 atau 26% adalah berkaitan dengan keganasan rumah tangga. Bagi menambahbaik perkhidmatan ini, JWKS dengan kolaborasi bersama UNIMAS, Harakah Islamiah atau HIKMAH dan UWAIS Fellowship Academy telah mengadakan Bengkel Para Kaunselor seramai 185 orang iaitu 104 orang di Kuching dan 81 orang di Sri Aman setakat April 2018.

Kerajaan Negeri juga prihatin dan peka ke atas pembangunan dan pemantapan keluarga harmoni dan sejahtera. Maka itu, Kementerian amat mengharapkan dan menghargai kerjasama yang diberi oleh badan-badan berkanun, NGO dan pihak swasta, terutama dalam menyediakan sistem sokongan bagi mencapai matlamat ini.

Sehubungan dengan ini, Kementerian mengalu-alukan usaha pihak Sarawak Energy Berhad (SEB) mewujudkan *Sarawak Energy Leading Women Network* atau pun (*SELWN Council*), yang merupakan satu sistem sokongan berfokus kepada pemerkasaan wanita dan keluarga dalam organisasi berkenaan. Melalui *SELWN Council*, SEB melaksanakan pelbagai program pemerkasaan dan transformasi wanita seperti Program 30% Penyertaan Kepimpinan Wanita dan program *Career Comeback*, yang menyediakan ruang dan peluang kepada wanita untuk jawatan penting, perancangan penggantian (*succession planning*), *this is in SEB*, pengambilan pekerja wanita sebanyak 50%, program kepimpinan wanita melalui kolaborasi bersama *Melbourne Business School Australia*, juga bagi wanita yang perlu menumpukan perhatian dan penjagaan anak yang baru lahir. Selain itu, SEB juga mewujudkan sebuah TASKA di tempat kerja. Ini khas untuk penjagaan anak-anak yang baru lahir di tempat kerja. Inisiatif yang telah dijalankan oleh SEB amat membanggakan dan boleh dijadikan contoh kepada agensi lain di Sarawak.

#### *Penutup*

Sebagai penutup, sekali air bah, sekali pantai berubah. The 14<sup>th</sup> General Election held on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2018 witnessed a change of Government at the national level when Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohammad who led Pakatan Harapan was sworn in as the 7<sup>th</sup> Prime Minister of Malaysia on 10<sup>th</sup> May. Pakatan Harapan's win has changed the national political scenario where Sarawak under Gabungan Parti Sarawak (Sarawak Barisan Nasional then), is now on the opposition front. This, to some extent, has created unfamiliar, uncomfortable situation as sometimes, some of the Federal Agencies, find it candidly awkward to work with various State Agencies.

Tuan Speaker, the Ministry has always worked collaboratively with these Federal Agencies in generating a conducive socio-economic and educational environment appropriate for uplifting community wellbeing, human dignity and meaningful existence. The shared concern, aspirations and the sense of collective accountability in addressing the above mentioned socio-educational issues together is for a better life and a promising future for all Sarawakians.

Sehubungan dengan ini, saya ingin menarik perhatian semua Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, dan juga Ketua-ketua Jabatan, sama ada Persekutuan atau Negeri, untuk sentiasa menempatkan kebajikan dan kesejahteraan penduduk Sarawak sebagai agenda utama kita bersama. Apa yang kita lakukan adalah untuk memberi keyakinan, mengangkat maruah serta harga diri setiap rakyat Sarawak, terutama golongan yang memerlukan, demi kelangsungan hidup yang berdigniti.

Saya harap pengalaman peribadi saya yang sukar, apabila berurusan dengan beberapa agensi Persekutuan di Sarawak baru-baru ini, dalam usaha melaksanakan beberapa program dan aktiviti kesejahteraan rakyat, tidak akan menjadi budaya kerja baharu yang serba merugikan rakyat Negeri Sarawak... (*Applause*)

Seperti yang kita sedia maklum, Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri dan Ahli Parliamen dipilih dan diberi mandat oleh rakyat untuk membantu membangunkan negeri ini. Demikian juga, pegawai Kerajaan yang diamanahkan untuk mengetuai agensi masing-masing. Adalah menjadi tanggungjawab kita semua untuk bekerjasama secara sinergi, mengamalkan budaya kerja sihat dan sikap cemerlang demi kemajuan Malaysia amnya dan kesejahteraan rakyat Sarawak khususnya. *It must be people first, people first, people first.*

Sekian. Wabillahitaufik Walhidayah, Wassalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.  
Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker. (*applause*)

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, the sitting is adjourned until 9.00 am tomorrow.

*(Mesyuarat ditangguhkan pada jam 4.37 petang)*