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68. Yang Berhormat Encik Miro Anak Simuh *N.18 Serembu*
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[Tuan Speaker mempengerusikan Mesyuarat]

**DOA**

**PEMASYHURAN OLEH TUAN SPEAKER**

**Tuan Speaker:** Bismillahirrahmanirrahim. Assalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh. Selamat pagi dan salam sejahtera.

Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, I have granted leave of absence under Standing Order 81 to Yang Berhormat Datuk Tiong Thai King, Honourable Member for N.52, Dudong for yesterday, today and tomorrow sitting.

Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, bagi pihak Dewan yang mulia ini, saya ingin mengucapkan takziah kepada keluarga mendiang Datuk Frederick Bayoi Manggie yang telah meninggal dunia pada 21 September 2020 yang lepas. Mendiang adalah merupakan bekas Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri bagi kawasan Kedup. Bagi menghormati mendiang, marilah kita sama-sama berdiri bertafakur selama seminit. Terima kasih.

*(Bertafakur selama seminit)*

**PERTANYAAN-PERTANYAAN BAGI JAWAPAN-JAWAPAN LISAN**

*Perancangan Strategik Sarawak Untuk Menangani Wabak COVID-19*

**(74) YB Dr Haji Hazland Bin Abang Hipni** bertanya kepada Ketua Menteri: Apakah perancangan strategik Sarawak untuk menangani wabak COVID-19 dan mungkin wabak-wabak virus lain di masa akan datang?

**Timbalan Ketua Menteri Sarawak; Menteri Kewangan Kedua; Menteri Pemodenan Pertanian, Tanah Adat dan Pembangunan Wilayah (YB Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas):** Terima kasih. Selamat pagi, salam sejahtera.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Demak Laut, Jawatankuasa Pengurusan Bencana Negeri Sarawak (JPBNS) telah merangka strategi untuk meningkatkan keupayaan Sarawak dalam menghadapi pandemik COVID-19 yang sedang menular sekarang ataupun *rabies*. Setelah berbulan memaikan peranan yang amat mencabar dalam menangani wabak COVID-19, Jawatankuasa Pengurusan Bencana Negeri Sarawak telah menimba pengalaman dalam memahami cara mengendalikan COVID-19 dan *rabies*. Kita juga telah belajar daripada pengalaman dan pengurusan beberapa negara yang telah berjaya memutuskan rantaian COVID-19 dengan berkesan seperti South Korea, New Zealand dan juga China. Negara-negara tersebut telah menggunakan strategi *full containment with a strength aggressive testing, tracking, contact tracing, quarantine and isolation*. Dengan pendekatan tersebut, mereka berjaya mengurangkan krisis kesihatan dan krisis ekonomi. Antara langkah-langkah strategi tersebut adalah seperti berikut:

- a) Meningkatkan keupayaan dan kapasiti Jabatan Kesihatan Negeri Sarawak (JKNS) untuk menjalani ujian, menyediakan peralatan makmal dan keupayaan penguatkuasaan;
- b) Mewujudkan pasukan *Special Contact Tracing Squad* untuk membantu pihak Jabatan Kesihatan Negeri membuat *contact tracing* bagi kes-kes positif COVID-19;
- c) Mengenakan kawalan ketat sepanjang sempadan untuk mengekang kemasukan pembawa penyakit termasuk haiwan;

- d) Memperketatkan garis panduan kemasukan ke Sarawak melalui aplikasi *online EnterSarawak* dan *E-Health Declaration Form* dan menyediakan pusat-pusat kuarantin; dan
- e) Memperhebatkan lagi perkongsian maklumat dan kesedaran mengenai bahayanya COVID-19 melalui pelbagai saluran media seperti media cetak, media elektronik, media sosial dan ceramah-ceramah di peringkat akar umbi.

Tuan Speaker, untuk kita berjaya menangani penularan wabak ini, kerjasama semua pihak dan penglibatan semua lapisan masyarakat amat diperlukan. Strategi-strategi di atas juga boleh digunakan untuk menangani wabak-wabak ini di masa akan datang.

**YB Dr Haji Hazland Bin Abang Hipni:** (*Soalan Tambahan*). Terima kasih Datuk Amar Timbalan Ketua Menteri. Dua soalan tambahan ialah, selain daripada Hospital Umum Sarawak, Hospital Sibul, Hospital Bintulu dan Hospital Miri, adakah Kerajaan bercadang untuk menaik taraf hospital-hospital lain di Sarawak supaya ianya boleh mempunyai kemudahan untuk merawat pesakit COVID-19 dan soalan yang kedua adalah berapakah kapasiti bagi menjalankan ujian RT-PCR untuk COVID-19 di Sarawak dan adakah Kerajaan mempunyai cadangan untuk menambahkan lagi kapasiti tersebut? Terima kasih.

**Timbalan Ketua Menteri; Menteri Kewangan Kedua; dan Menteri Pemodenan Pertanian, Tanah Adat dan Pembangunan Wilayah (YB Datuk Amar Douglas Unggah Embas):** Pertama mengenai sama ada kita nak menambahkan hospital-hospital yang mampu untuk merawat pesakit COVID-19, memang, Tuan Speaker, kita melihat keadaan di Sabah di mana mereka sekarang sedang menghadapi keadaan yang begitu meruncing dan satu masalah adalah masalah kemudahan-kemudahan hospital yang tidak mencukupi. So, learning from that we have come out with the proposal which we have presented to *Majlis Keselamatan Negara untuk meningkatkan kemampuan, keupayaan hospital-hospital di Bau, Serian, Sri Aman, Betong, Sarikei, Kapit dan Limbang supaya mereka ini dapat mampu untuk merawat pesakit COVID-19.*

Yang kedua mengenai kapasiti *testing*, sekarang di Sarawak kita mampu untuk membuat saringan maksimum 2,400 satu hari. Dengan kapasiti itu kita mendapati bahawa kadang-kadang kita perlu menunggu keputusan sampai dua tiga hari dan kalau dari Limbang dan Lawas kita terpaksa menunggu, mereka terpaksa menunggu sehingga empat dan lima hari kerana dari Limbang dan Lawas perlu dibawa ke Miri.

Oleh itu, kita juga telah mengemukakan kepada Majlis Keselamatan Negara supaya kapasiti di Sarawak perlu ditingkatkan kepada 5,000 satu hari dengan, kalau kita dapat meningkatkan jumlah *test* itu kepada 5,000 satu hari, maka masa menunggu, mungkin kita dapat, *we have given the KPI to JKNS to get the result in* mungkin, *latest*, 24 hours. Kalau dapat 12 jam. Jadi, kerana kita tahu semakin lama mereka menunggu kalau positif *it will cause a lot of issues.*

Kita sekarang Kerajaan Negeri telah meluluskan peruntukan untuk menubuhkan sebuah makmal perubatan baru di Hospital Limbang *and the job is being done now*, dan kita berharap kapasiti di Limbang akan kita bagi kepada 200 ujian satu hari dan jikalau apabila siap kemudahan di Limbang maka Lawas dan Limbang tidak perlu pergi ke Miri lagi dan, Tuan Speaker, ini adalah langkah yang di ambil oleh Kerajaan GPS untuk menjaga keselamatan rakyat Sarawak. Terima kasih.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli Yang Berhormat Encik Awla Bin Dris, Simunjan.

**YB Encik Awla Bin Dris:** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker. Boleh pantun ke?

Anak Melayu bernama Polan,  
Anak India bernama Rama,  
Mohon Pak Menteri menjawab saya punya soalan,  
Soalan saya no. 75.

*Cadangan membina semula pejabat Jabatan Pertanian Daerah Simunjan*

**(75) YB Encik Awla Bin Dris** bertanya kepada Menteri Pemodenan Pertanian, Tanah Adat dan Pembangunan Wilayah Sarawak: Adakah pihak Kerajaan bercadang untuk membina semula pejabat Jabatan Pertanian Daerah Simunjan kerana keadaan pejabat ini sudah terlalu uzur dan tidak sesuai untuk digunakan lagi?

**Menteri Muda Pembangunan Tanah Adat (YB Datuk Roland Sagah Wee Inn):** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker. Apa Melayu dengan India saja? Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Simunjan, Jabatan Pertanian Sarawak telah mengemukakan permohonan untuk membina Pejabat Pertanian Daerah Simunjan yang baharu di bawah Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12 di atas tapak seluas lima ekar.

**YB Encik Awla Bin Dris:** Bilakah agak-agaknya bangunan pertanian yang baru dapat dilaksanakan? Terima kasih.

**Menteri Muda Pembangunan Tanah Adat (YB Datuk Roland Sagah Wee Inn):** Tuan Speaker, sepertimana yang saya kata tadi, adalah dikemukakan untuk, dimasukkan dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12, bila akan dibina, apabila ada duit nanti kita akan bina.

**Tuan Speaker:** Yang Berhormat Puan Hajah Simoi Binti Haji Peri, Lingga.

**YB Puan Hajah Simoi Binti Haji Peri:** Tuan Speaker, Assalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh. Soalan saya no 76.

*Pelaksanaan Projek Jalan Lingga-Sebuyau*

**(76) YB Puan Hajah Simoi Binti Haji Peri** bertanya kepada Menteri Infrastruktur dan Pembangunan Pelabuhan: Bilakah projek Jalan Lingga-Sebuyau akan dilaksanakan?

**Menteri Muda Infrastruktur dan Pembangunan Pelabuhan (YB Datuk Haji Julaihi Bin Haji Narawi):** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker. Terima kasih, Yang Berhormat bagi kawasan Lingga kerana bertanya soalan. Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kawasan Lingga, Jalan Sebuyau–Lingga telah diluluskan untuk dilaksanakan di bawah program perhubungan jalan utama kedua ataupun *second trunk road*. Jalan ini merupakan salah satu daripada jalan hubungan luar bandar yang diluluskan dan dibiayai sepenuhnya oleh Kerajaan Sarawak sendiri, maknanya *it is under the budget of Sarawak Government itself*.

Saya cukup faham bahawa jalan raya ini amat ditunggu-tunggu oleh para penduduk di kawasan Lingga kerana sesungguhnya jalan ini akan memendekkan masa perjalanan, memendekkan jarak fizikal sekiranya penduduk Lingga hendak ke Kota Samarahan dan seterusnya ke Bandaraya Kuching. Jadi ianya juga dijangka dapat menjadi pemangkin kepada pembangunan tahap sosial ekonomi para penduduk luar bandar dan juga dapat menjadikan salah satu daripada pra-syarat penting untuk membolehkan kawasan luar bandar khususnya di sekitar kawasan Lingga dan kawasan-kawasan yang berdekatan untuk *catch up* kepada pembangunan yang dicapai oleh kawasan-kawasan yang lebih hampir dengan kawasan bandar dan ianya dijangka dapat dilaksanakan pada awal tahun 2021 kerana rekabentuknya pun sudah siap untuk dilaksanakan. Terima kasih.

**YB Puan Hajah Simoi Binti Haji Peri:** Apakah skop kerja projek jalan tersebut dan bila projek ini dilaksanakan dan dapat disiapkan, kerana rakyat saya selalu bertanya berkenaan dengan Jalan Lingga-Sebuyau ini. Mohon, YB Datuk. Terima kasih

**Menteri Muda Infrastruktur dan Pembangunan Pelabuhan (YB Datuk Haji Julaihi Bin Haji Narawi):** Kurang jelas. Boleh ulang?

**YB Puan Hajah Simoi Binti Haji Peri:** Soalan saya ialah apakah skop kerja projek jalan tersebut dan yang kedua bilakah projek jalan ini mula dibina dan dapat disiapkan kerana projek ini sentiasa menjadi tanda tanya rakyat di kawasan saya. Terima kasih.

**Menteri Muda Infrastruktur dan Pembangunan Pelabuhan (YB Datuk Haji Julaihi Bin Haji Narawi):** Terima kasih. Jalan dari Sebuyau ke Lingga seperti yang saya katakan tadi sudah siap rekabentuknya, cuma menunggu untuk dilaksanakan pada awal tahun 2021. Itu yang pertama. Kedua, dari segi skopnya jalan raya ini adalah sepanjang 33 kilometer dari kawasan Sebuyau hingga ke Lingga ianya melibatkan pembinaan jalan raya jenis *single carriageway* baru jenis R5 JKR *standard* dan ianya akan mempunyai sebuah jambatan menyeberangi Sungai Lingga dan sepanjang 650 meter dan satu lagi jambatan kecil di Sungai Ligi untuk membolehkan jalan raya tersebut dapat sampai ke Pekan Lingga. Jadi itu penting bahawa dengan adanya pembinaan jalan raya ini ianya dapat menjadi pemangkin kepada kedua-dua pembangunan Pekan Lingga dan saya yakin juga bahawa salah satu daripada pekan di *coastal area* akan mendapat manfaat daripada pembinaan jalan raya ini. Jadi, boleh saya simpulkan begini Tuan Speaker, pembinaan jalan raya ini:

Dua tiga kucing berlari,  
Katak melompat dalam perigi,  
Kerajaan GPS tunaikan janji,  
Janji ditunai sudah terbukti.

Terima kasih.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli Yang Berhormat Encik Wilson Nyabong, Pelagus.

**YB Encik Wilson Nyabong Anak Ijang:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. My question is no. 77.

*License of Planted Forest*

**(77) YB Encik Wilson Nyabong Anak Ijang** bertanya kepada Menteri Pembangunan Bandar dan Sumber Asli.

- a) Berapakah jumlah lesen "*LPF*" (*License of Planted Forest*) yang sudah dikurangkan saiz keluasan Kawasan atau ditamatkan oleh Kerajaan kerana tidak memenuhi syarat lesen?
- b) Apakah pendirian kerajaan jika terdapat pertindihan rancangan pembangunan yang melibatkan "*Kawasan LPF*" ini? Adakah Kerajaan akan menarik balik lesen tersebut?

**Menteri Muda Perancangan Bandar, Pentadbiran Tanah dan Alam Sekitar ( YB Datu Haji Len Talif Bin Salleh):** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker dan terima kasih bagi Yang Berhormat bagi Pelagus. Oleh kerana Ahli Yang Berhormat dari Simunjan dan Ahli Yang Berhormat dari Batang Lupar dari Sebuyau sudah berpantun. Saya juga ingin berpantun Tuan Speaker kerana semalam saya sudah sedia memberi pantun dari Ahli Yang Berhormat dari Beting Maro tapi dia tidak jual dan hari ini saya berpantun kepada Ahli Yang Berhormat dari Pelagus secara percuma. Pantunnya begini:

Katak melompat musim tengkujuh,  
Buaya mengganas Batang Lupar,  
Saya akan jawab soalan no. 77,  
Dari Yang Berhormat Pelagus yang gagah perkasa.

Dan jawapannya sejak dalam tahun 1979 sejumlah empat buah lesen ladang hutan telah ditamatkan kerana tidak mematuhi syarat-syarat lesen klausa 19(1)(b) dan 19(2)(c) iaitu gagal menanam pokok dalam tempoh yang ditetapkan berdasarkan *Tree Planting Plan*. Objektif perladangan hutan adalah untuk memastikan bekalan bahan mentah yang mampan bagi industri berasaskan kayu di Sarawak serta mengurangkan kebergantungan bahan mentah dari hutan asli.

Sekiranya berlaku pertindihan rancangan pembangunan dalam kawasan lesen ladang hutan, keputusan sama ada untuk menarik balik lesen ladang hutan berkenaan adalah bergantung terhadap kepentingan rancangan pembangunan tersebut kepada pembangunan sosio-ekonomi negeri dan rakyat. Kawasan lesen ladang hutan yang terlibat mungkin akan dikeluarkan ataupun *excise* setelah mendapat persetujuan bersama dengan pemegang lesen ladang hutan berkenaan. Sekian, terima kasih.

**YB Encik Wilson Nyabong Anak Ijang:** (*Soalan Tambahan*) Terima kasih, Menteri Muda. Saya ada dua soalan.

- a) Bagaimana pula sekiranya terdapat tanah yang berstatus NCR yang sah di dalam kawasan lesen ladang hutan. Apakah tindakan Kerajaan bagi menyelesaikan masalahnya. Tadi Yang Berhormat ada jawapan berkenaan dengan ini.
- b) Setakat ini berapakah jumlah keluaran lesen ladang hutan yang telah dikeluarkan bagi pelaksanaan persijilan hutan semulajadi *Forest Management Certification Natural Forest*. Thank you.

**Menteri Muda Perancangan Bandar, Pentadbiran Tanah dan Alam Sekitar (YB Datu Haji Len Talif Salleh):** Terima kasih Tuan Speaker, terima kasih Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Pelagus. Untuk menjawab soalan satu, mulai dengan status NCR dalam kawasan tersebut, sekiranya terdapat tanah-tanah berstatus NCR yang sah seperti yang disahkan oleh Jabatan Tanah dan Survei di kawasan lesen ladang hutan ianya akan dikeluarkan, berikan kawasan lesen tersebut. Perkara ini turut termaktub dalam syarat-syarat lesen ladang hutan yang menyatakan bahawa lesen ladang hutan adalah tidak termasuk tanah NCR yang sah dan tanah bermilik. Jika ada permohonan untuk membuat perimeter survei dalam kawasan tersebut Kerajaan akan mempertimbangkan di bawah program pengukuran tanah NCR inisiatif baru.

Untuk soalan kedua, sehingga kini seluas 749,440.33 hektar telah dikeluarkan daripada 12 lesen ladang hutan untuk tujuan pelaksanaan hutan semulajadi *Forest Management Certification (Natural forest)*, terima kasih.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Haji Mohammad Ali Mahmud, N.17 Stakan.

**YB Datuk Amar Haji Mohammad Ali Mahmud:** Assalamualaikum Tuan Speaker, firstly I would like to take this opportunity to *ucapkan tahniah* on your reappointment. Salam sejahtera, soalan saya number 78. Thank you.

*Rancangan Kerajaan bagi mengatasi masalah Banjir di Kampung Bukit Berangan dan Samarindah, Samarahan*

**(78) YB Datuk Amar Haji Mohammad Ali Mahmud** bertanya kepada Menteri Kerajaan Tempatan dan Perumahan: Apakah langkah dan rancangan Kerajaan bagi mengatasi masalah banjir yang sering berlaku di kawasan Kampung Bukit Berangan, sekitar perumahan di kawasan tersebut dan kawasan perumahan Samarindah, Samarahan?

**Menteri Muda Kerajaan Tempatan (YB Datu Penguang Manggil):** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker, terima kasih Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi N.17, Stakan. The frequent occurrences of flash flood in town in cities throughout Sarawak is indeed a common phenomenon nowadays. More so, where the weather pattern is so unpredictable. Thunder storms, wind storms and prolong torrential rains happen where you live, expect it to come.

The frequent flooding at kampung Bukit Berangan and Taman Samarindah in Samarahan is a no exception and caused by a number of accommodation factors such as exceptionally high intensity rainfall, increase storm runoff due to urbanization, inadequate drain system include upper drains, roadside drains and outlet drains such as streams all due to constructions of undersize

culverts, siltation of water base channels due to indiscriminate or uncontrol works activities and inadequate river or stream capacity.

In order to address and mitigate the flood problems in the said areas the DID has concluded the post flood work at Jalan Kuching Samarahan Expressway and the proposed flood mitigation works at SK Muara Tuang, Samarahan under the Integrated River Basin Development Project (PLSB) in Sarawak Rivers costing approximately 1.12 million and is expected to be completed by 2025. This answer of mine, Tuan Speaker has been reaffirmed by Deputy Minister of Environment and Water, YB Datuk Ahmad Masrizal Muhammad in the *Dewan Rakyat* yesterday, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2020, in response to the question raised by the MP Kota Samarahan on the status of flood mitigation project in Kota Samarahan. In addition of that, DID is also conducting the Flood Mitigation and Drainage Master Plan Study of the Samarahan River Basin which is expected to be completed by year end.

At mean time, DID and *Majlis Perbandaran Kota Samarahan* (MPKS) will continue to carry out river clearing works at the drainage outlets at Sungai Stigang, at Kampung Berangan and the routine drainage work respectively.

For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for N.17, Stakan, MPKS will also undertake to upgrade this 17,000-metre-long existing drain culverts in phases under RMK-12 costing approximately RM20 million.

**YB Datuk Amar Haji Mohammad Ali Mahmud:** (*Supplementary Question*) Tuan Speaker, I have two supplementary questions and *terima kasih*, Datuk Menteri Muda. The first question is what is the status of the propose flood mitigation and drainage master plan study of Samarahan River Basin and the second question is what is the holistic and long-term solution to the flooding in Samarahan. Thank you.

**Menteri Muda Kerajaan Tempatan (YB Datu Dr Penguang Manggil):** Terima kasih, Ahli Berhormat daripada Stakan. As I mentioned earlier on the drain masterplan study is schedule to be completed by year end. Finding from this drainage masterplan study will help to indentify the long-term solutions to the frequent flooding at Taman Samarindah.

With regards to question no. 2, as a long-term holistic approach solving the frequent flooding at Samarahan there is a need for a intergrated land use masterplan or infrastructure plan for planning approval and sustainable development. Terima kasih.

**Tuan Speaker:** Yang Berhormat Encik Allan Siden Gramong, N.50 Machan.

*Clean treated water supply to Majau, Nanga Poi, Poi Ili, Menalun, Ulu Poi and Ulu Machan area*

**YB Encik Allan Siden Gramong:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. My question is No. 79.

**(79) YB Encik Allan Siden Gramong** to ask the Minister for Utilities: Is there any plan to supply clean treated water to Majau, Nanga Poi, Poi Ili, Menalun, Ulu Poi and Ulu Machan area?

**Menteri Muda Utiliti (Bekalan Air) (YB Datuk Dr Haji Abdul Rahman Bin Haji Junaidi):** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Machan, there is a proposal from the Upper Rajang Developmen Agency (URDA) to implement 8 MLD water treatment plant (WTP) under 12<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan (12MP). This capacity of water treatment plant may be able to supply clean and treated water to Majau, Nanga Poi, Poi Ili, Ulu Poi and Ulu Machan area. For a long-term plan, the Sarawak Government through our Ministry of Utilities will be implementing another 17 million liter per day water treatment plan in line with our Water Supply Master Plan and our State Water Grid. Thank you.



**YB Encik Allan Siden Gramong:** (*Supplementary Question*) Thank you, Menteri Muda. I have two supplementary questions.

- a) What is the scope of the work for water supply system for Majau, Nanga Poi, Poi Ili, Menalun, Ulu Poi and Ulu Machan area?
- b) What is the estimated cost for the the above project?

**Menteri Muda Utiliti (Bekalan Air) (YB Datuk Dr Haji Abdul Rahman Bin Haji Junaidi):** Thank you, Tuan Speaker, thank you Ahli Yang Berhormat for Machan. For question no. 1, the propose scope of work pipeline work including booster station and high-level water tank, service work to the water treatment plant as well as two staff quarters. For question no. 2, for information Ahli Yang Berhormat for Machan as for the water treatment plant to be granted by URDA in the 12<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan. There are in total of 12 water supply projects under the propose new water treatment plant and associated work for Kanowit. The estimated cost for this project is RM50.84 million. Thank you.

**Tuan Speaker:** Yang Berhormat Encik Maclaine @ Martin Ben, N.22 Kedup.

*Inisiatif menggalakkan golongan belia menceburi bidang perniagaan secara digital*

**YB Encik Maclaine @ Martin Ben:** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker dan selamat pagi. Soalan saya soalan no. 80.

**(80) YB Encik Maclaine @ Martin Ben** to ask Ministry of International Trade & Industry, Industrial Terminal & Entrepreneur Development Sarawak: Apakah inisiatif Kerajaan bagi menggalak golongan belia supaya menceburi bidang perniagaan secara digital dengan menggunakan paltform baharu selari dengan budaya seharian mereka?

**Menteri Muda Perdagangan Antarabangsa dan Industri, Terminal Perindustrian dan Pembangunan Usahawan (YB Datuk Haji Mohd Naroden Bin Haji Majais):** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker dan Ahli Yang Berhormat saudara saya dari Kedup. Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kedup, terdapat beberapa inisiatif Kerajaan sama ada oleh Kementerian dan agensi-agensi Kerajaan Negeri mahupun Kerajaan Pusat bagi meningkatkan minat dan menggalakkan golongan belia menceburi dalam bidang perniagaan secara digital.

Bagi Kementerian saya, antara inisiatif yang dilaksanakan bagi golongan belia adalah seperti berikut:

- a) Kursus *Dropshipping Shopee*;
- b) *Digital Kenyalang Achievers*;
- c) Bengkel Usahawan *Youtubers*; dan
- d) Kursus Tiktok dan Instagram Perniagaan.

Setakat ini, Kementerian saya telah melaksanakan sebanyak 23 program e-Dagang di seluruh negeri yang memanfaatkan 621 belia termasuk belia dari bahagian Serian. Selain itu, Kementerian saya menawarkan geran melalui program *e-Commerce Grant* yang bernilai sehingga RM5,000 untuk usahawan mempromosi dan menjual produk mereka melalui *platform e-commerce* seperti *Shopee*, *LAZADA*, *ALIBABA*, *Helpy* dan *e-payment* seperti *SarawakPay*, *Boost*, *Grab Pay*, *Thouch'n'go* dan sebagainya. Pemberian geran ini adalah secara *reimbursable*.

Selain daripada Kementerian saya, agensi-agensi lain juga melaksakan program digital seperti berikut:

- a) *Digital Entrepreneurship Programs* oleh SDEC;
- b) *Bumiputera Entrepreneur Enhancement Program (BEEP)* oleh SME Corp;
- c) *Agro Bazaar Online* oleh FAMA;

- d) Program Mymudah dan pendigitalan Perniagaan oleh MPC; dan
- e) *SME Digitalisation Matching Grant oleh SME Bank.*

**YB Encik Maclaine @ Martin Ben:** (*Soalan Tambahan*) Terima kasih, Menteri Muda atas jawapan tadi. Tuan Speaker, saya ada dua soalan tambahan.

- a) Selain daripada kursus dan latihan apakah kemudahan-kemudahan yang Kerajaan telah laksanakan untuk meningkatkan minat supaya para belia-belie kita mencebur diri dalam perniagaan secara digital.
- b) Apakah kemudahan lain yang kerajaan laksanakan untuk membantu para usahawan termasuk belia-belie mempromosikan produk-produk mereka ke luar negeri atau luar negara?

**Menteri Muda Perdagangan Antarabangsa dan Industri, Terminal Perindustrian dan Pembangunan Usahawan (YB Datuk Haji Mohd Naroden Bin Haji Majais):** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker. Selain daripada kursus, bengkel, seminar yang kita adakan bagi para belia, kita juga telah melaksanakan pelbagai kemudahan untuk membina minat dan meningkatkan minat dan menggalakkan para belia kita untuk menceburi dalam bidang perniagaan secara digital seperti *Digital Innovation Hub (DIH)*, dan *Digital Economy Centre (DEC)*. Di bawah program Sarawak Digital Economic Corporation (SDEC), terdapat tujuh buah *Digital Innovation Hub* di seluruh negeri yang menawarkan kemudahan capaian internet berkelajuan tinggi, *co-working space*, menyediakan tempat mereka duduk berbincang dan sebagainya, serta akses pada bimbingan dan sistem sokongan permulaan idea untuk perniagaan kepada belia yang berminat dan ianya berfungsi sebagai pusat kepada inisiatif digital untuk para belia kita.

*Digital Community Centre (DEC)* pula adalah usaha Kementerian Kerajaan Tempatan dan Perumahan bersama dengan Pustaka Negeri Sarawak untuk menghubungkan *Digital Innovation Hub* yang kebanyakannya terletak di bandar utama di Negeri Sarawak dengan komuniti setempat di luar bandar.

Perkhidmatan yang ditawarkan hampir sama sekadar ianya pada skala yang lebih kecil dan hanya dapat menampung 25 orang pengunjung pada satu masa. Bagi menggalakkan usahawan Sarawak dalam mempromosi dan menjual produk pemasaran yang lebih besar di luar Negeri Sarawak, Kementerian saya bersama-sama agensi-agensi lain telah mewujudkan tempat setakat ini; (1) *Sarawak Product Pavilion* di Kuala Lumpur, dan *STATOS (Sarawak Trade and Tourism Office)* di Singapura. Kedua-dua ini berfungsi untuk mempamer dan mempromosi barangan produk jualan Sarawak serta produk pelancongan ke pasaran yang lebih besar di Kuala Lumpur dan Singapura. Malah, mungkin di masa yang akan datang, Kerajaan juga akan mewujudkan satu pusat yang serupa di tempat-tempat lain seperti Brunei, Indonesia dan sebagainya.

Semasa pelaksanaan Perintah Kawalan Pergerakan yang bermula pada Mac yang lalu, Kementerian saya telah melancarkan *platform online* iaitu *Facebook Bazaar Rakyat Online Sarawakku Sayang* untuk membantu para peniaga kecil dan penjaja termasuk para belia untuk menjual produk mereka melalui sosial media pada masa yang sama ia juga menyediakan perkhidmatan penghantaran dari *vendor* ke rumah pelanggan masing-masing.

Semasa tempoh tersebut, terdapat 7,500 penjaja kecil di seluruh negeri berdaftar dengan FBROSS yang berjaya menjual secara terkumpul jualan mereka RM35 juta. Bagi saya, sambutan para belia dalam perniagaan digital ini amat baik dan menggalakkan. Jadi, saya ingin menyeru agar Ahli Yang Berhormat dan Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat yang lain akan mempromosikan idea ini perniagaan secara digital kepada belia kita di bandar mahupun di luar bandar dan ini adalah satu jalan yang amat baik dan cara baru untuk berniaga di masa yang akan datang. Terima kasih.

**Tuan Speaker:** Yang Berhormat Encik Gerald Rentap Anak Jabu, N.36 Layar.

*Bantuan Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat Negeri Sarawak di DUN.36 Layar*

**YB Encik Gerald Rentap Anak Jabu:** Selamat pagi, salam sejahtera, terima kasih Tuan Speaker.

*Manok bekokok atas dek,  
Kenak nyabong ari minggu,  
Mintak saut Menteri indu bajik,  
Tanyak aku nombor 81.*

**(81) YB Encik Gerald Rentap Anak Jabu** bertanya kepada Menteri Kebajikan, Kesejahteraan Komuniti, Wanita, Keluarga dan Pembangunan Kanak-Kanak: Apakah statistik terkini penerima bantuan Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat Negeri Sarawak umumnya di DUN.36 Layar khususnya serta adakah langkah semakan untuk kenaikan sumbangan tanpa bantuan bagi setiap kategori?

**Menteri Kebajikan, Kesejahteraan Komuniti, Wanita, Keluarga dan Pembangunan Kanak-Kanak (YB Dato Sri Hajah Fatimah Abdullah):** Terima kasih Tuan Speaker.

Ikan semah, ikan patin,  
Masak lemak lempuk durian,  
Kerajaan GPS Kerajaan prihatin,  
Rakyat susah diberi perhatian.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Layar, dari Januari hingga Oktober 2020, jumlah keseluruhan penerima bantuan adalah 52,747 orang dengan perbelanjaan sebanyak RM144,887,194. Daripada jumlah tersebut, 702 penerima bantuan adalah dari kawasan Layar dengan perbelanjaan sebanyak RM2,114,900.

Berkaitan dengan langkah semakan untuk kenaikan sumbangan bantuan bagi setiap kategori, suka saya melaporkan di sini Alhamdulillah pertama sekali, syukur kepada Allah S.W.T dan terima kasih kepada Yang Amat Berhormat Perdana Menteri khususnya dan Kerajaan Persekutuan amnya kerana majoriti kategori bantuan bulanan yang di bawah pembiayaan Kerajaan Persekutuan, terdapat peningkatan dari segi kadarnya.

Dalam ucapan Belanjawan 2021 oleh Menteri Kewangan Malaysia pada 6 November 2020, iaitu di bawah Matlamat Pertama: Kesejahteraan Rakyat, Kerajaan Persekutuan telah mengumumkan kenaikan kadar bantuan kebajikan bulanan seperti berikut:

Bil.	Jenis Bantuan	Kadar (RM)		Bilangan penerima (Orang)
		Kadar Sedia ada	Kadar Baharu	
1.	Bantuan OKU Tidak Berupaya Bekerja (BTB)	250	300	7,591
2.	Bantuan Orang Tua (BOT) – untuk orang tua berumur 60 tahun ke atas	350	500	20,276
3.	Bantuan Penjagaan OKU/ Pesakit Kronik Terlantar (BPT)	350	500	1,938
4.	Elaun Pekerja Catat (EPC)	400	450	3,374
5.	Bantuan Kanak-Kanak (BKK) – diberi melalui ibu tunggal ataupun bapa tunggal yang ada anak kecil bawah umur 18 tahun.			

(a)	Seorang anak berumur 7 tahun hingga 18 tahun, maksimum RM450	100	150	8,738
(b)	Seorang anak berumur 6 tahun dan ke bawah, maksimum RM1,000	100	200	
<b>JUMLAH KESELURUHAN (Orang)</b>				<b>41,917</b>

**YB Encik Gerald Rentap Anak Jabu:** (*Soalan Tambahan*) Terima kasih YB Menteri. Saya berterima kasih kepada Kerajaan GPS yang sungguh prihatin kepada rakyat terutamanya semasa wabak COVID-19 pandemik ini dan juga kepada Jabatan Kebajikan yang telah menyediakan makanan kepada *frontliners* kita semasa masalah COVID-19 ini. Saya ada dua soalan tambahan Tuan Speaker.

- a) Apakah pecahan bilangan golongan penerima mengikut kategori bantuan di DUN Layar?
- b) Apakah jenis bantuan bulanan kebajikan yang merupakan sumbangan daripada Kerajaan Negeri Sarawak?

**Menteri Kebajikan, Kesejahteraan Komuniti, Wanita, Keluarga dan Pembangunan Kanak-Kanak (YB Dato Sri Hajah Fatimah Abdullah):** Terima kasih Tuan Speaker. Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Layar, pecahan penerima bantuan kebajikan DUN Layar bagi kategori bantuan *start* Oktober 2020 adalah seperti berikut:

Bil.	Jenis Bantuan	Bilangan Penerima (orang)
1.	Bantuan Am	197
2.	Bantuan Kanak-Kanak	78
3.	Bantuan Warga Emas	297
4.	Skim Elaun Pekerja Cacat	23
5.	Bantuan Penjagaan OKU / Pesakit Kronik Terlantar (BPT)	25
6.	Bantuan OKU Tidak Berupaya Bekerja (BTB)	82
<b>Jumlah keseluruhan</b>		<b>702</b>

Jumlah perbelanjaan adalah sebanyak RM2,114,900.

Bagi menjawab soalan tambahan kedua, Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat Layar, terdapat dua jenis bantuan bulanan yang merupakan sumbangan penuh Kerajaan Negeri seperti berikut:

Bil.	Jenis Bantuan	Kadar (RM)	Bilangan Penerima
1.	Bantuan Am (BA)	300.00	10,808 orang
Catatan:			
Untuk golongan yang memerlukan dan keluarga miskin yang tidak diliputi di bawah mana-mana skim bantuan bulanan yang lain.			
2.	Bantuan Belia Beliawanis (BBB)	200.00	
Catatan:			
Untuk membantu penerima bantuan atau anak-anak mereka yang tercicir daripada persekolahan dan menganggur serta bekas pelatih atau bekas penghuni institusi kebajikan kita untuk mendapatkan latihan kemahiran atau latihan sambil bekerja. Bantuan hanya untuk tempoh enam bulan sahaja.			

Kerajaan Negeri juga memberi sumbangan *top-up* kepada Skim Bantuan Bulanan Kerajaan Persekutuan iaitu Bantuan Kanak-Kanak (BKK) dan Bantuan OKU Tidak Berupaya Bekerja (BTB) sebanyak RM50 sebulan masing-masingnya. Sehingga Oktober 2020, sumbangan Kerajaan Negeri adalah berjumlah RM30,093,870.

Kerajaan GPS telah menyediakan peruntukan bagi Program Pembangunan Latihan Kemahiran dan Kerjaya bagi anak-anak penerima Bantuan Bulanan Kebajikan. Ini adalah satu cara kita untuk meningkatkan pendapatan keluarga sebab apabila anak-anak penerima bantuan bulanan ini mendapat latihan, tamat latihan dan dapat pekerjaan, alhamdulillah dari segi pendapatan keluarga akan meningkat. Empat jenis latihan yang ditawarkan ialah:

- a) *Oil and Gas* (dalam bidang oil and gas)
- b) *Pastry and Culinary*
- c) *Office Management*
- d) *Automotive*

Peruntukan Kerajaan GPS telah bermula pada tahun 2017 untuk program ini. Dalam tahun 2017 - RM500 ribu, 2018 - RM500 ribu, 2019 - RM200 ribu dan untuk 2020 - RM500 ribu.

Kita sekarang ini berusaha bekerjasama dengan pihak CENTEX untuk melatih anak-anak penerima bantuan ini dalam bidang iaitu membina *Tower* Komunikasi. Saya akhiri jawapan kepada soalan tambahan saya dengan pantun:

Apa diharap padi seberang,  
Mungkin berisi mungkin tiada,  
Apa diharap kepada pembangkang,  
Undi GPS rakyat sejahtera.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli Yang Berhormat YB Encik Jefferson Jamit, N.63 Bukit Goram.

**YB Encik Jefferson Jamit Anak Unyat:** Terima kasih Tuan Speaker. Ya, sebelah kiri dan kanan saya berpantun. Saya nak cuba juga.

*Dua, tiga kucing berlari,  
Mana sama kucing di Pending,  
Ada seorang Yang Berhormat tapi kuat suka ukur jalan raya,  
Soalan saya nombor 82.*

*Rancangan pembinaan sebuah Padang Bola Sepak di Kapit*

**(82) YB Encik Jefferson Jamit Anak Unyat** bertanya kepada Menteri Belia dan Sukan: Adakah terdapat sebarang rancangan untuk membina sebuah padang bola sepak di Kapit?

**Menteri Muda Belia dan Sukan (YB Datuk Snowdan Lawan):** Terima kasih Tuan Speaker dan terima kasih Ahli Yang Berhormat Bukit Goram. Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat, setakat ini Kerajaan belum mempunyai perancangan untuk membina sebuah lagi padang bola sepak di Kapit. Walau bagaimanapun padang bola sepak yang sedia ada di Stadium Terbuka Kapit boleh digunakan oleh orang ramai pada Januari tahun hadapan tahun 2021 nanti. Ini memandangkan kerja menaik taraf dan pengubahsuaian Stadium Terbuka Kapit masih dalam proses pelaksanaan. Terima kasih.

**YB Encik Jefferson Jamit Anak Unyat:** (*Soalan Tambahan*) Terima kasih Tuan Speaker. Terima kasih Menteri Muda. Saya ada dua soalan tambahan.

- a) Bilakah sepatutnya kerja baik pulih dan naik taraf Stadium Terbuka Kapit dapat disiapkan?
- b) Adakah perancangan atau program pembangunan sukan berkaitan bola sepak akan diadakan di Bahagian Kapit?

**Menteri Muda Belia dan Sukan (YB Datuk Snowdan Lawan):** Terima kasih Ahli Yang Berhormat Bukit Goram. Kalau kita mengikut jadual kontrak projek tersebut akan dapat disiapkan pada bulan hadapan, bulan Disember tahun ini, 2020. Dan pusat pembangunan bola sepak di Kapit sekarang sedang giat dibangunkan. Maka pada masa ini kita mempunyai dua pusat pembangunan satu di Kapit dan satu lagi di Song. Maka dengan itu bilangan "*Pusat Permulaan*" ataupun PP dan satu lagi "*Pusat Cemerlang*" atau PC bakal ditambah di bahagian tersebut. Jadi saya ingin juga mengakhiri dengan serangkap pantun Tuan Speaker.

*Dua, tiga kucing berlari,  
Mana nak sama si kucing belang,  
Dua, tiga dapat ku cari,  
Mana nak sama dengan GPS ku seorang.*

Terima kasih.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli Yang Berhormat Encik See Chee How, N.11 Batu Lintang.

*Plan to elevate SMK Tabuan Jaya*

**(83) YB Encik See Chee How** to ask Minister for Education, Science and Technological Research: What is the plan to elevate SMK Tabuan Jaya as *Sekolah Sukan Negeri Sarawak* to a *Sekolah Sukan Negara Sarawak* or *Sekolah Sukan Malaysia Sarawak*?

**Menteri Muda Pendidikan, Sains dan Penyelidikan Teknologi (YB Dr Haji Annuar Bin Rapaee):** Terima kasih Tuan Speaker dan juga terima kasih Ahli Yang Berhormat Batu Lintang. For the information of Yang Berhormat, the difference between the school *Sekolah Sukan Negeri* as well as *Sekolah Sukan Negara* or *Sekolah Sukan Malaysia*. We have to understand the difference and both of these. Wherever there is a conversion from *Sekolah Sukan Negeri* to *Sekolah Sukan Negara* or we build a new *Sekolah Sukan Negara*, it needs an approval from on the Ministry of Education, so far there is no plan to convert *Sekolah SMK Tabuan Jaya* into a full fledge *Sekolah Sukan Malaysia*.

However, our State Government under the Ministry of Sports and Youth has proposed to the Ministry of Education to convert or to elevate the school *SMK Demak* into a full fledge *Sekolah Sukan Malaysia* because of the facilities nearby. However, we feel we don't have an answer for that. Another thing we should understand as well Yang Berhormat, is that for *Sekolah Sukan Negara* is actually a school which have full facilities compared to *Sekolah Sukan Negeri*. Therefore, we really need this *Sekolah Sukan Malaysia* to build in Sarawak. In Malaysia, we have five of these schools. One in Sabah, Terengganu, Pahang, Kuala Lumpur and Johor. And another one is under construction is in Perlis. So we don't know what is the justification to have that in Perlis but we think that Sarawak should have one because we have produced a lot of world class athletes in Sarawak. And therefore, it is highly time that there is one of this school to be built in Sarawak.

**YB Encik See Chee How:** (*Supplementary Question*) Thank you Tuan Speaker. Thank you the Honourable Menteri Muda. I agree with the Honourable Assistant Minister. There's no justification why Sarawak should not have a National Sports School. Yes, over the years, the last few years, I was convincing our SSN has consistently being number two as compared to the others even including the National Sports Schools, five. And one of the years two to three years ago, we even beat Bukit Jalil to be the champion in their negara. So there is ample justifications but why are we still don't have a *Sekolah Sukan Malaysia* on the ground. My supplementary questions are:

- a) What will be the benefits for our Sarawak students in SMK Tabuan Jaya if elevated from *Sekolah Sukan Negara* to a *Sekolah Sukan Malaysia* or/and *Sekolah Sukan Malaysia*, Sarawak built?
- b) We have SSN Sarawak, what is the plan of State Government to help the students of SSN at *SMK Tabuan Jaya* to achieve sporting excellence in the international arena.

Thank you.

**Menteri Muda Pendidikan, Sains dan Penyelidikan Teknologi (YB Dr Haji Annuar Bin Rapaee):** Terima kasih Ahli Yang Berhormat. To answer this question the benefits of *Sekolah Sukan Negara*, I like to differentiate between this two schools:

- a) Is the food allowance or the food assistance to the students? In *Sekolah Sukan Negeri* the cost per head is RM15.50 per day, whereas in *Sekolah Sukan Negara*, RM40 per day. In Bukit Jalil they give RM30 almost double, more than double, so that is a glaring difference between this two schools.
- b) In term of the facilities, where *Sukan Negeri* they have not much of facilities and also they has flexible schedule of training they can training in the afternoon as well or in the evening. Whereas in *Sekolah Sukan Negeri* the training is only allowed in the afternoon. In term of coaches, they have more coach available in *Sekolah Sukan Negara*, whereas in *Sekolah Sukan Negeri*, the quota is only for four and they do not have a physiotherapist, they not have a nutritionist available in *Sekolah Sukan Negeri*, and on top of that more importantly there is a lot of availability in term of competing in national or international level for *Sekolah Sukan Negara*, therefore allowed the students who are in *Sekolah Sukan Negara* to be well expose in a highly competitive competition as compared to *Sekolah Sukan Negeri*.

Therefore, we will not if it *Sekolah Sukan Negara* in Sarawak. Therefore, we would like *Sekolah Sukan Negara* to be build in Sarawak. On top of that, to answer the second part of the question is that, at the mean time with the collaboration from the Sports and Youth Ministry of Sarawak through our *Majlis Sukan Negeri* as well as our Sarawak Sport Cooperation with *Sekolah Tabuan Jaya* in terms of the development of the coaches, in terms of giving some form of training to our students there and more importantly in terms improving the facilities at *SMK Sekolah Tabuan Jaya* their tennis court, athletics and archery as well as soccer and this is the time that we should fight for to have this *Sekolah Sukan Negara* in Sarawak and of course in future there is this *Sekolah Sukan Negara*, I'm sure the Sarawakian, the athletics from Sarawak, the students from Sarawak will excel more in the sports. Thank you very much.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli Yang Berhormat Dato Henry Harry Anak Jinep, N.2 Tasik Biru.

*Development plan of Domestic Tourism Attractions in DUN N.2 Tasik Biru*

**(84) YB Dato Henry Harry Anak Jinep** to ask the Minister for Tourism, Arts and Culture: What is the Government's plan for the development of domestic tourism attractions for new areas in DUN N.2 Tasik Biru such as Satow Waterfall, Bronang Waterfall, Oyak Muot Waterfall, Libuan Pinomu etc?

**YB Dato Henry Harry Anak Jinep:** Terima kasih Tuan Speaker and good morning. Saya berpantun dululah.

*Lompat si katak lompat,  
Acara melompat aktiviti bersukan,  
Soalan saya nombor lapan puluh empat,  
Minta Menteri beri jawapan,*

**Menteri Muda Pelancongan, Kesenian dan Kebudayaan (YB Datuk Sebastian Ting Chiew Yew):** Thank you Tuan Speaker, thank you very much Ahli Yang Berhormat Tasik Biru.

For the information of Yang Berhormat Tasik Biru, Ecotourism, being a niche market of tourism, is growing in popularity over the years as tourists become more environmentally conscious. As such, Sarawak with its vast lush green resources should capitalise on this rising demand by introducing this ecotourism products, and to conserve and preserve the existing attractions.

To achieve these aspirations, the development of domestic tourism attractions for new areas in DUN Tasik Biru or elsewhere within Sarawak would be carried out by my Ministry in collaboration with the relevant Government agencies, local authority, tourism industry players, academic institutions, NGO's and most importantly the local community.

New local natural attractions such as Satow Waterfall, Bronang Waterfall, Oyak Muot Waterfall, Libuan Pinomu, etc in Bau District should be developed by:

- a) providing accessibility and basic facilities such as public toilets, changing rooms, carparks, gazebo, trails, signages, food outlets etc;
- b) packaging together with other major attractions in Bau District to facilitate a comprehensive experience for visitors to Bau District;
- c) Managing visitors and facilities at their respective attraction; and
- d) Working with local communities to involve them in community-based tourism such as homestays, handicraft, host guides and responsible tourism practices.

In order to be sustainable, domestic tourism attractions must take full account of its current and future economic, social and environmental impacts, addressing the needs of visitors, the industry, the environment and most importantly host communities. This is an essential component of effective destination management, integral to success. Thank you.

**YB Dato Henry Harry Anak Jinep:** (*Supplementary Question*) Thank you Yang Berhormat Menteri Muda, thank you Tuan Speaker. Saya ada dua soalan tambahan, yang pertama, *what are other potential areas to be develop as tourist attraction in Tasik Biru or Bau out a whole?* Secondly, how would the Government promote domestic attraction in Tasik Biru areas. Thank you.

**Menteri Muda Pelancongan, Kesenian dan Kebudayaan (YB Datuk Sebastian Ting Chiew Yew):** Thank you Tuan Speaker, thank you Ahli Yang Berhormat Tasik Biru. For your supplementary questions, for the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat Tasik Biru among the potential area that can be developed Tasik Biru or Bau area are:

- a) Siniawan Night Market;
- b) Pasar Serikin;
- c) Catholic Memorial Pilgrimage Centre, Mount Singai;
- d) Wind Cave;
- e) Fairy Cave;
- f) Siniawan Weekend Streetfood;
- g) Tasik Biru (Blue Lake), Bau;
- h) Libiki Bamboo Resort;
- i) Koloyan Resort;
- j) Bung Bratak;
- k) Jung Jagoi Heritage Centre;
- l) Mount Singai;
- m) Gunung Bronang;
- n) Sleeping Lady;
- o) Temple;
- p) Kampung Tringgus Bong;



- q) Tringgus Homestay;
- r) Badul Homestay;
- s) Mount Serumbu;
- t) Borneo Tribal Village;
- u) Gunung Gajah, Bau; and
- v) Bau Gold Mines Study.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-Ahli Yang Berhormat, please proceed.

**YB Datuk Sebastian Ting Chiew Yew:** Thank you Tuan Speaker. I am answering to the supplementary question no.2. For the information of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tasik Biru, the Ministry of Tourism, Art and Culture Sarawak will work closely with Sarawak Tourism Board to promote domestic attractions to the following measures:

- a) Frequent engagements with Divisional Tourism Task Force headed by the Residents to identify creative packaging of the local attractions in division or districts;
- b) Monthly Tourism Product Updates Sessions for the tourism industry players;
- c) Promoting local attractions through Sarawak Travel App and Portal and other social media;
- d) Encourage and train the local communities to become Local Tourism volunteers and Ambassadors;
- e) Encourage domestic tourism through campaigns like “*Sia Sitok*”; and
- f) Organizing familiarization trips for tour operators, media and influencers.

Thank you.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, question time is up.

**RANG UNDANG-UNDANG KERAJAAN -  
BACAAN KALI KEDUA**

**CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF SARAWAK (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2020**

**Menteri Pelancongan, Kesenian dan Kebudayaan; dan Menteri Belia dan Sukan (YB Datuk Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Bin Hamzah):** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker. I beg to move the Constitution of the State of Sarawak (Amendment) Bill, 2020 be read a second time. Tuan Speaker, I beg to introduce the Constitution of the State of Sarawak (Amendment) Bill, 2020 which is to amend Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Sarawak namely to:

- a) Lower the age qualification of persons to be elected as an elected member of the Dewan Undangan Negeri so as to be consistent with the Federal Constitution’s amendment; and
- b) Define and clarify the words “*Resident in the State*”.

Tuan Speaker, the Federal Constitution (Amendment) Act 2019 [Act A1603] which was passed by the Parliament on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2019 and came into force on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019 had *inter alia* amended the age qualification of persons to be elected in Section 5 of Part I of the Eighth Schedule of the Federal Constitution.

Article 71 (4) of the Federal Constitution requires the Constitution of any State to have the provisions substantially to the same effect of provision in Part I of the Eighth Schedule which are regarded as “*the essential provisions*”.

Tuan Speaker, it has been pointed out at the Federal Court in Dato’ Dr. Zambry Bin Abd Kadir v Dato’ Sri Ir. Haji Mohammad Nizar Jamaludin [2009] 5 CLJ 265 and Dewan Undangan Negeri Kelantan and Anor v. Nordin Salleh [1992] 1 CLJ 72 that a Constitution of a State must

have the essential provisions in the Eighth Schedule of the Federal Constitution. It follows that if a State Constitution does not have the essential provisions of the Eighth Schedule, Parliament may pass a law “for giving effect in that State to the essential provisions or for removing the inconsistent provisions”.

It is therefore necessary for the amendment to be made to Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Sarawak to give effect to this essential provision so as to be consistent with the Federal Constitution.

Tuan Speaker, currently, the age qualification of persons to be elected as a member of the *Dewan Undangan Negeri* (State Legislative Assembly) in Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Sarawak is 21 years old. Thus, to be consistent to Article 71 (4) of the Federal Constitution, Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Sarawak ought to be amended to lower the age qualification of persons to be elected as an elected member of the *Dewan Undangan Negeri* from 21 years to 18 years to be in line with the amended Section 5 of Part I of Eighth Schedule to the Federal Constitution.

Tuan Speaker, apart from the age qualification of persons to be elected as an elected member of the *Dewan Undangan Negeri*, Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Sarawak also provides for a qualification of persons to be elected as an elected member of the *Dewan Undangan Negeri* to be a “resident in the State”. The same qualification is also stated in Section 5 of Part I of the Eighth Schedule of the Federal Constitution nor in the constitution of the State of Sarawak. However, the definition is neither provided in the Federal Constitution of the State of Sarawak. As guaranteed by the Malaysian Agreement 1963, Article 161E (4) of the Federal Constitution read together with the Immigration Act 1959/63 [Act 155], the State Authority is empowered to determine matters relating to residence and right of entry into the State. Therefore, this amendment to incorporate the definition of “residents in the State” is intended to intended clarify such qualification of “resident in the State” within the confines of the State’s Constitutional Authority.

Tuan Speaker, the amendment to the definition of the residents in the State is tied up with Section 71 of the Immigration Act 1959/63 (Act 155) to ensure the definition is consistent with such provision on persons being treated as belonging to East Malaysian State as provided in the Immigration Act 1959/63 (Act 155).

Tuan Speaker, thus, to summarize, this Bill seeks to provide for the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Sarawak in respect of matters relating to qualifications of persons to be elected as an elected member of the *Dewan Undangan Negeri* in respect of:

- a) Age qualification from 21 years to 18 years in tandem with the amendment of Section 5 of Eighth Schedule to the Federal Constitution. This amendment significant to ensure the provision of the State Constitution is consistent with the provision of the Federal Constitution; and
- b) The words “resident in the State” under Article 16 of Constitution of the State of Sarawak needs to be defined and clarified as the current provision is not clear as to the meaning of the words “resident in the State”.

Tuan Speaker, I beg to move.

**Tuan Speaker:** Another Minister to second, please.

**YB Datuk Lee Kim Shin:** Tuan Speaker, I beg to second.

**Tuan Speaker:** Senadin?

**YB Datuk Lee Kim Shin:** Tuan Speaker, I beg to second.

**Tuan Speaker:** Thank you. Now, I shall call upon the Honourable Members of this House to debate on the second reading of the Constitution of the State of Sarawak (Amendment) Bill, 2020.

Before any of the Members speak, I would like to remind that this is an amendment Bill, so confine your observation only to the amendment of the Constitution. Please, do not open up the entire Constitution. Honourable Member for Kota Sentosa.

**YB Encik Chong Chieng Jen:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker, I would like to participate in debate for this amendment to the Constitution of the State of Sarawak (Amendment) Bill, 2020. Before I dwell into the merits and demerits of this amendment, let us, clarification on the Honourable Minister on the wordings of the Bill...*(Interruption)*...I refer the Honourable Minister to Clause 2. "... 17. I believe that there is a glaring error in the wordings, "The following new provision – (2) "resident in the State" in this Article meaning a citizen belonging to the State of Sarawak in accordance with Section 71 of the Immigration Act." I believe that there is a glaring error in the wordings of "Article 17" ....in the Bill, as in our State Constitution, Article 16 talks about qualification of members and after Article 16 is Article 16A and followed by, Article 17, which talks about disqualifications for members. In Article 17, there are, the following provisions; Article 17(a) and (2) which is repealed and (3), (4), (5), (6) and (7).

I am wondering if this amendment would have other 2(c) which provide for (2). It does not make sense that a provision will be inserted after Article 17 which has, Article 17(1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7) and suddenly at the end of (7) you add in a word a clause (2). It does not make sense. So, may I seek clarification on the Honourable Minister whether the insertion of Clause 2(c) which provide for "*two, residents in the state in this Articles means a citizen belonging to the State of Sarawak in accordance with Article 71 of the Election Act.*" Where do you insert this clause? If this amendment were going to be passed by this House. May I seek clarification because we are debating on something and that is important the Constitution of Sarawak. Error cannot be acceptable.

**Menteri Pelancongan, Kesenian dan Kebudayaan; dan Menteri Belia dan Sukan (YB Datuk Haji Karim Rahman Hamzah):** Thank you to Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kota Sentosa. I think Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kota Sentosa first haven't through almost. That it should be read as Article 17 after the word, Article 17 in the last sentence of Article 16. Not after Article 17 as what has been mentioned by Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kota Sentosa.

**Tuan Speaker:** So, Honourable Minister do you concede?

**YB Encik Chong Chieng Jen:** Tuan Speaker, it is not about concede or not concede. It is not win or lose situation.

**Tuan Speaker:** No, no, ...*(Interruption)*

**YB Encik Chong Chieng Jen:** Not concede or not. We don't take a such antagonistic approach when it comes to a debate of the Constitution of Sarawak.

**Tuan Speaker:** It is a debate.

**YB Encik Chong Chieng Jen:** Ya but we are not antagonistic or confrontational. It is not concede or win or lose. It is just that and I hope that this error can be rectified. Tuan Speaker, now, I quote what has been said by the Honourable Minister whereby this amendment ordinance is proposing to amend Article 16 of our Constitution. Namely one, lower the age and second one is rectifying residence in the State. In respect of the lowering of the age from 21 years old to 18 years old we have no objection to that. After all, it was the age from 21 to 18 allowing more youth to participate in the election process. And that we have no problem with that and we are fully support. The devil is the second part of the amendment, the second part of the Bill which propose to amend or define clearly residents in the State.

Tuan Speaker, if this amendment is going to be allowed and passed by the State, two years would be eligible to be elected as a Member of this august House. Sarawak State Assembly, Sarawak State Legislative Assembly. Tuan Speaker, this is important policy core by this House today whether we want to allow a West Malaysian having PR in Sarawak. Only two years, for them to be in this Dewan, as elected Member GPS table this. The policy core of GPS is that we are open. The Government of the State of Sarawak is open to allow West Malaysian to sit in this Dewan to be a legislative member of this House to decide the laws and policies of this State. Can we allow that? My answer here is no. We should not allow this to happen Tuan Speaker. This among the sell out of our Sarawakian's rights, is the last bastion of the of the rights and privileges of Sarawak. This is where policies are made, where State law are made and today, ....(Inaudible)... that GPS ....(Inaudible)... that they are a defender of Sarawak's right. They are a defender of the beloved State, Sarawakian's right and yet they are proposing the amendment of the State Constitution of Sarawak to allow a non Sarawakian be a member of this House. How can we allow that? That is ....(Inaudible)... of the highest degree.

The late Adenan Satem was the Chief Minister. All those past 57 years, that has been the gradual but steadily, gradually the surrendering of State rights to the Federal Government until the late Adenan Satem has make clear that we must defend our right. But so sad he has pass on. Now the trend continues and culminating to the fact that we are tabling to amendment of the due what is going on between the current Government and the Federal Government, the back-door government of the Federal Government that they pay you some money and you open up the door. Shame on you Tuan Speaker. Not you. The GPS Government.

Tuan Speaker, The Honourable Minister may reply saying that the provision has already in the Article 16 residents in the...(Inaudible)...whereby the Article 16 every citizen age over the age 21 years who is resident in the State can be elected as a member or *Dewan Undangan Negeri* unless it's disqualified *bla bla bla*. He's only try to define what is resident what is Section 71 which will be the definition of resident in the State if this amendment will go through. Section 61 provided that for the purpose of 61 a citizen should be treated as belonging to...(Inaudible)...

- a) He is or has been resident two years on the permanent resident in east Malaysia state.

**Tuan Speaker:** Do you take on the point of clarification from Honourable Member for Tupong?

**YB Encik Chong Chieng Jen:** It is Standing Order and I know as well.

**YB Encik Fazzrudin Bin Haji Abdul Rahman:** Menurut *Standing Order 32(6)*, jadi saya ingin mohon Ahli Yang Berhormat Kota Sentosa untuk menarik balik kenyataan bahawa kita telah ada *deal* diberi wang untuk *insinuating that we have the deal with Federal Government to come to this amendment*. Saya mohon beliau untuk menarik balik.

**YB Encik Chong Chieng Jen:** Tuan Speaker, I think patience to the Government and the Government must come clean with it and must be transparent be frank to the Sarawakians. Is there a sell out? Why is it coincident that after the payment of this bill this sales tax immediately we have the amendment to constitution opening up this state assembly to West Malaysian. Tuan Speaker, that is the question in minds of all right thinking Sarawakian.

Tuan Speaker, I will proceed with my debate. Tuan Speaker, as I say the original goes Articles 16 it provide "*resident in the State*". But it also in fact, there a lot of bigger it is now what the Honourable Minister by proposing the amendment the clarity only two years of permanent resident status and he is allowed. The person is allowed to be the member of this House, elected as the member of this House. What loyal that we had if he has two years of permanent resident Tuan Speaker? What loyalty to the State, loyalty to the State. Honourable Member for Pujut, YB Dr Ting Tiong Choon, he was born in Sarawak. He is the truth and truth Sarawakian though he has acquired citizenship of the Australia but surrender it, that you question loyalty. He has stay here for more than two years before he was elected, that you question this loyalty. Up you are allowing a

West Malaysian, a Sabahan who is not born in Sarawak who has acquired a permanent resident for two years to be elected in this House.

Tuan Speaker, I believe if this were told to all Sarawakian many will object except GPS. I don't know what benefits they have got in order for them to sell this exclusivity. The qualification exclusive, the qualification to be elected as the member of this House. Like what I have said, what I mention just now, constitution the wording in Article 16 did provide for resident in the State but it was ambiguous. If you are ambiguous the party will not go blatant to nominate a non Sarawakian to be a ADUN. And if the GPS Government is to do what they always claimed to be defender of the Sarawak's rights then this delegative should be remove on the other way round, two way round. To remove the resident in the State to replace it with a Sarawakian, true and true Sarawakian. Born in Sarawak, born to the parents of Sarawak. How can it be on the other around to open up to make it easier to make it clearer and easier for a non Sarawakian to be elected as a member of this House. Where is the loyalty, how do you show the loyalty of the member? Just by making of an oath? That is surely not sufficient.

Tuan Speaker, it's just to show that the GPS in their claim to defence Sarawak's right is not acting in the best interest of Sarawak. The so-called local party protecting Sarawak's right they is rubbish! That's only for political propaganda. When it suits you, when it suits your purpose, you claim to be defender of Sarawak's right but when it suits other purpose you are ready to open up even this *Dewan Undangan Negeri* to West Malaysian to be in as a member.

So Tuan Speaker, we strongly object to this amendment Bill and I call on Honourable Minister to be decent enough to withdraw this Bill. Anyway, you are going to make an amendment because of the glaring error, typo error, in this amendment Bill in the Committee Stage. Take out, take out the 2(c). Take out 2(c) the definition Section and if you have, if you are capable enough, competent enough put in the clause to remove "*Resident in the State*". Resident in the State. To make the qualification membership of this *Dewan Undangan Negeri* exclusively for Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, and I would like to know why the Government is proposing this amendment in the eve of the coming State Election? Are there any candidate lining up? Who are West Malaysian by every two years PR status? Why in the eve? Why is the State Election is so that you propose this and then whereby you are opening up allowing a West Malaysian having two years PR status to be a member, to be elected as a member of this House.

Tuan Speaker, with the...ya, I think...Pending was saying that a...is it Najib coming to Sarawak? He has not have a PR is it? Yang Amat Berhormat. But anyway, I think Tuan Speaker, this is an important Bill. And this is the Bill that will have a long and wide-ranging effect on the future generation of Sarawakians. Do not be the culprit. Do not be blamed in our history of Sarawak that you are the one who has open up this *Dewan Undangan Negeri* for non Sarawakians to be elected as the Member of this House whereby laws as these are made. So, with that I state my strongest objection and I believe my colleague in PSB are also objecting to this amendment Bill.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-Ahli Yang Berhormat, for the benefit of Ahli Yang Berhormat let me read out Section 71 of the Immigration Act. "*For the purpose of this Section 66, a citizen shall be treated as belonging to an East Malaysian State if (a) he is or has within the preceding two years been a permanent resident in the East Malaysian State; or (b) he became a citizen in the following ways.*" So (i) (ii) (iii) is stated there. So that is the position. Section 71 of the Immigration Act as referred to in this Amendment Bill.

Any members wish to speak? Member for Bawang Assan.

**YB Dato Sri Wong Soon Koh:** Tuan Speaker, thank you for allow me to participate in the debate of this amendment Bill to Article 16 of the Sarawak Constitution.

Tuan Speaker, we have no objection to the amendment to Article 16 of the Sarawak Constitution by inserting a new sub-article (1) to lower the voting age from 21 years old to 18 years old. We support this part of the Bill.

However, we object strongly to the second constitutional amendment to Article 16 to add a new (ii) to re-define "*President in the State*" mean "*a citizen belonging to the State of Sarawak in accordance with Section 71 of the Immigration Act 1959/1963 [Act 155]*".

The reasons for our objection are as follows:

Article 16 of the Sarawak Constitution applies to the current qualification of elected Members of this *Dewan Undangan Negeri* which states:

*"Qualification of Members, 16. Every citizen of or over the age of twenty-one years who is resident in the State is qualified to be elected as an elected Member of the Dewan Undangan Negeri, unless he is disqualified for being such a member by the Federal Constitution or this Constitution or by any such law as is mentioned in Article 17".*

The term "*President in the State*" Tuan Speaker, is not defined in the Sarawak Constitution but it can be taken to mean someone who is always resident here, or just for two years which is a negligible period. That is to say, the current Constitution does not specify a period of residency in order to qualify for election to this *Dewan Undangan Negeri*.

The proposed amendment to Article 16 seeks to add the following as sub article (2): "*Resident in the State*" in this Article means a citizen belonging to the State of Sarawak in accordance with Section 71 of the Immigration Act 1959/1963 [Act 155]. What does Section 71 of the Immigration Act 1959/1963 [Act 155] say?

*"71. (1) For purposes of Section 66 a citizen shall be treated as belonging to an East Malaysian State if – (a) he is or has within the preceding two years been a permanent resident in the East Malaysian State;....."*

Tuan Speaker, for the purpose of Section 71 Immigration Act 1959/1963, as long as the person has been a permanent resident of Sarawak for just two years, he falls within the requirement of Section 66 of the Immigration Act.

Section 71 was enacted for the purposes of Section 66. Tuan Speaker, a perusal of this Section 66 of the Immigration Act reveals that it is only for "*Restriction on citizen's right of entry into East Malaysian State*" – it only has to do with entry into Sarawak and has absolutely nothing to do with the right to be elected as a Member of the *Dewan Undangan Negeri*. The difference between the two is mind-boggling. And therefore, Tuan Speaker, it is totally improper or even ridiculous to equate the "*right of entry into Sarawak*" with the "*right of election into the Dewan Undangan Negeri*". It is impossible to imagine that the right to be an elected Member of the *Dewan Undangan Negeri* is reduced to the equivalent of the right of entry into Sarawak. The GPS Government has made a song and dance about fighting for Sarawak rights and caring for the people of Sarawak. This proposed amendment totally goes against this rhetoric of GPS. If they really care, if GPS Government really care for Sarawak rights, they would not reduce the rights for election to the *Dewan Undangan Negeri* to that of the right of entry into Sarawak. If they really wish to amend to protect Sarawak rights, they should amend the Sarawak Constitution to restrict the right of election to *Dewan Undangan Negeri* only to those Malaysian citizens who are born in Sarawak. That is to say, make it impossible for a non-Sarawakian to be elected to the *Dewan Undangan Negeri* instead of making it easier or making it possible. What is the motive behind this amendment? Why make it easier for non-Sarawakians to be elected to this *Dewan Undangan Negeri*? Is this the first step towards allowing non-Sarawakians to be elected to the *Dewan Undangan Negeri*? Because simply giving a Permanent Resident status to a non-Sarawakian for two years will make that person eligible for election to the Sarawak *Dewan Undangan Negeri* if this Constitutional

amendment is passed. This to me, Tuan Speaker, is an outright betrayal of the rights of the people of Sarawak by the GPS Government. We are totally opposed to this Constitutional amendment.

Tuan Speaker, I would like to call upon all Honourable Members in this august House who have Sarawak at heart and who are the true and proud sons and daughters of Sarawak to come together disregarding our political divide to totally reject this amendment to 2(2) of this Bill.

Tuan Speaker, thank you for giving me this opportunity to participate in this Bill. We strongly object to amendment to 2(2) of this Bill. Thank you.

**Tuan Speaker:** For the benefit of the Members of the House, Section 66 reads “*subject to subsection 2 and to Sections 67 and 68, a citizen shall not be entitled to enter an East Malaysia State without having obtained a Permit or Pass in that behalf unless:*

- a) *he belongs to East Malaysian State;*
- b) *he’s a member of the Federal Government and so forth so that is Section 66”.*

Honourable Member for Jemoreng.

**YB Dato’ Murshid DiRaja Dr Juanda Bin Jaya:** Tuan Speaker, saya betulkan perihal saya dahulu. Terima kasih Tuan Speaker Assalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh, salam sejahtera. Saya ingin menyertai *debate* bagi perbahasan pindaan *Constitution of the State of Sarawak (Amendment) Bill, 2020* yang dibentangkan oleh Ahli dari Asajaya sebentar tadi.

Pindaan ini adalah suatu usaha berani oleh pihak Kerajaan GPS Sarawak bagi memberikan ruang kepada seramai mungkin anak-anak Sarawak menyertai proses demokrasi di negara ini. Ini adalah suatu usaha hak-hak mereka yang mencapai umur 18 tahun dari kalangan anak-anak Sarawak bagi menentukan hala tuju pentadbiran dan politik negeri ini. Sudah pasti semua anak Sarawak mahukan Kerajaan yang memajukan negeri ini. Sudah pasti semua anak Sarawak mahukan Kerajaan yang menunaikan janji, bukan janji manifesto lain, buat lain, bukan Kerajaan yang membatalkan projek-projek persekutuan yang telah diluluskan di Sarawak bila mendapat kuasa. Sudah pasti anak-anak Sarawak mahukan Kerajaan yang jujur dan ada integriti sebab ini Kerajaan ini selama 18 tahun berturut-turut telah mendapat sijil bersih audit. Kalau ada orang tidak suka Kerajaan yang bersih audit, tidak tahu lah saya.

Sudah pasti anak-anak Sarawak mahukan Kerajaan yang bersifat inklusif yang berjuang untuk semua anak Sarawak tanpa mengira agama, bangsa atau latar belakang mereka. Juga sudah pasti semua anak Sarawak mahukan Kerajaan yang mereka pilih, bukan Kerajaan yang menipu manifesto dan bila menang tidak menunaikan janji dengan pelbagai alasan.

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan Sarawak sedia ada dibawah GPS telah membuktikan mereka melaksanakan apa yang mereka janji dan mereka buat apa yang mereka kata. We don’t make promises that we cannot kept. Contoh paling senang, bila Kerajaan GPS mahukan Kerajaan Pusat mengiktiraf hak Sarawak terhadap hasil minyak dan gas, dewan ini meluluskan pindaan OMO dan mewajibkan pembayaran SST terhadap hasil minyak.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli Yang Berhormat, ini pasal pindaan sahaja.

**YB Dato’ Murshid DiRaja Dr Juanda Bin Jaya:** Ya, saya bagi contoh Tuan Speaker. Mohon diizinkan?

Bila PETRONAS enggan membayar, Kerajaan GPS bawa PETRONAS ke Mahkamah dan PETRONAS akur membayar SST. Bila Dewan ini luluskan undang-undang SST untuk hasil minyak gas dan galian, PETROS juga akhirnya dikurniakan hak mengali dan meneroka minyak dan gas di utara Sarawak. Ini tidak, ada kumpulan parti politik yang duduk dalam dewan ini bersikap sarkastik dan tidak mendukung usaha Kerajaan GPS untuk menyaman PETRONAS dan juga menubuhkan

syarikat minyak sendiri melalui PETROS, tiba-tiba bila hasil sudah nampak, buah sudah masak, makanan sudah terhidang, mereka pula sibuk mahu ambil nama,

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli Yang Berhormat, pindaan ini berkenaan dengan usia 18 tahun, dan...  
(*Interruption*)

**YB Dato' Murshid DiRaja Dr Juanda Bin Jaya:** Ya, betul memang akan sampai ke situ, Tuan Speaker.

**Tuan Speaker:** Dan menjadi Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri, itu pindaan dia.

**YB Dato' Murshid DiRaja Dr Juanda Bin Jaya:** Ya, saya mahu sampai ke situ Tuan Speaker. Ada dua perenggan lagi mahu sampai ke situ.

Ada pulak yang sibuk mahu ambil nama, Tuan Speaker. Sibuk mahu buat *motion* itu dan ini mahu jadi hero rakyat. Saya nasihatkan orang macam ini, kalau mahu jadi hero buat kerja dengan betul. Jangan janji 20% royalti dan sebagainya. Mana janji itu? Bila orang lain berjaya, dia pulak sibuk mahu join makan *free*. Tidak tahu malu kah?

Tuan Speaker, sekarang saya masuk umur 18. Kalaulah umur 18 tahun sudah boleh kahwin, sudah boleh kerja cari duit, kenapa pada usia ini tidak boleh menjadi calon atau mengundi calon yang layak? Kalau usia 18 tahun dan beranak pinak, satu keputusan yang berat dalam hidup, tapi itulah realiti kehidupan, maka sewajarnya anak-anak Sarawak yang mencapai usia 18 tahun ini juga turut diberi peluang terbabit dalam pilihanraya bagi menentukan hala tuju negeri ini.

Tuan Speaker, tambahan perkataan "*Resident in the State*" adalah suatu usaha mengukuhkan lagi autonomi Negeri Sarawak. Kita mahukan mereka yang terlibat menentukan hala tuju Negeri Sarawak adalah anak-anak Sarawak yang setia kepada negeri ini bukannya mereka yang duduk di luar Sarawak yang tidak memahami Negeri Sarawak tetapi bila tiba musim pilihan raya, mereka tiba-tiba sibuk campur tangan hal politik negeri ini yang sudah pasti boleh bawa kucar kacir kepada negeri ini atau macam yang pernah berlaku sebelum ini, dalam Dewan yang mulia ini, ada orang pernah jadi warganegara *Australia*, tiba-tiba balik mahu menjadi wakil rakyat dalam Dewan yang mulia ini. Kalau sudah jadi warganegara negara lain, sudah angkat sumpah setia kepada negara lain, macam mana kita yakin tentang kesetiaan dia kepada negara dan negeri ini bagi menjaga keharmonian negeri ini. Begitu juga kalau mereka yang menjadi residen atau penduduk tetap di negeri lain, tiba-tiba mahu menjadi wakil rakyat dalam Dewan yang mulia ini, macam mana kita tahu kesetiaan dia kepada negeri ini?

Oleh itu, pindaan ini adalah suatu langkah yang bijaksana. Setiap langkah kita mestilah mengutamakan Sarawak. Tentang persoalan takrifan "*Resident in the State*", saya yakin ahli dari Asajaya yang juga merupakan peguam yang terkenal ada jawapannya nanti. Jangan marah dulu kawan-kawan dari sebelah sana. Dulu kamu bawa orang *Australia* jadi wakil rakyat kamu. Sekarang apa cerita? Sabar, nanti menteri kita jawab. Tahniah kepada Ahli dari Asajaya atas pembentangan yang terbaik dan ringkas dan tahniah kepada Kerajaan GPS yang sentiasa mengutamakan Sarawak. Sarawak first.

Tuan Speaker, saya mohon menyokong pindaan ini. Terima kasih.

**Tuan Speaker:** Any other Honourable Member who wish to speak? Honourable Member for Batu Lintang.

**YB Encik See Chee How:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker for giving me this opportunity to debate on this very important Bill.

Tuan Speaker, I will not repeat the points from my Honourable friends of Kota Sentosa and Bawang Assan but I supported their stand taken by them. I just want to remind all Honourable



Members in this House to the agreement that we have, we come into the formation of Malaysia. The question of immigration and citizenship, these are the two most important issues. They will always be neglected. Incorporated into paragraph 15, paragraph 16 and paragraph 18. 16,17,18. 16 for Immigration, 18 for citizenship which are very lengthy provision that were given they were agreed and many of our Constitution were amended. Pursuant to the Malaysian Agreement Article 5,...(Inaudible)... So, lot of provisions were amended and not just the amendment Immigration Act but the Federal Constitution as well for the protection of this privilege special for Sarawak and Sabah and of course including the part VII of the Immigration Act 1959/63. So, we have to look into all these Federal Constitution all the Acts that are relevant, and go into the intention of why do we make all those amendments and the agreement that were reached, this is a shield for Sarawak and Sabah to protect our privileges and special rights. But in this case, our second amendment is ready to open up to discard the shield that is giving us the protection. So, I think we cannot be supporting this second part of the Bill and I hope Honourable Member for Asajaya will make the necessary amendment. Thank you.

**Tuan Speaker:** Any other Honourable Members who wish to speak? Honourable Member for Bukit Goram.

**YB Encik Jefferson Jamit Anak Unyat:** Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker. I rise to participate in this debate for the Constitution of the State of Sarawak (Amendment) Bill, 2020, as tabled by Yang Berhormat Datuk Haji Abdul Karim Rahman Hamzah, Minister of Tourism, Arts, Culture, Youth and Sports Sarawak, and also Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri N.15 Asajaya.

Tuan Speaker, I support the lowering of the minimum voting age from 21 to 18. First of all, it is a fact that at least 160 countries around the world allow 18 years old to vote.

As for Malaysia, in moving towards greater democracy, it is timely that the youths are empowered to make their decisions at the polls. These citizens are old enough, as mentioned by my colleague, to drive, enter into contract, serve in the armed forces, pay taxes and get married and they should also have a voice in their government.

This amendment will allow them to voice out on causes that concern them, such as public education policy, youth employment and cost of living, etc. By allowing 18 years old and above to vote, fresh ideas and perspectives will flow into the electorates.

Most of the youths are intelligent, well-educated and grew up with computers, social media and technological advancement. As we have often mentioned, youths are the future of the nation. An estimate of 3.5 million newly eligible voters are expected to join the electorate, pushing Malaysia to be a more democratic and progressive nation.

Tuan Speaker, secondly, on the in respect of amendment of the Constitution of the State of Sarawak in respect of matters relating to qualification of members of the *Dewan Undangan Negeri*. In relation to this, I truly believe that only Sarawakians know what is best for Sarawak. Sarawakians are knowledgeable and smart, well versed in local customs and circumstances, know the local's needs and aspirations. Sarawakians are the who belong here, being with our people, observing and listening to the people, making evaluations and having visions for Sarawak. These are the ones who will lead and serve the people of Sarawak and truly strive for the betterment of Sarawak. And I believe that only Sarawakians can be trusted to safeguard Sarawak's rights under MA63. It is not only about the here and now, but the future that generations to come will inherit and only Sarawakians will be able to build a consensus about the State's affairs, and willing to align themselves for the best interest of Sarawak.

As we have plenty of intellectuals and loyal Sarawakians, not like the previous one, the Australian, *ini cakap pun pembangkang tak serupa bikin*. Australian *pun boleh balik sini*. And also, for our Sarawakians who can be our future leaders, and I strongly believe the seats of states assemblyman should only be open to the citizens of Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, with this I support the Bill. Thank you.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, this Bill involves an amendment to the State Constitution. Any voting cannot be just by yes. The voting will be by division, one by one the Honourable Member will be called. So, I adjourned our sitting for a break because I'll call by divisions. I need attendance at least two third to amend to get the Bill back. Therefore, we have a break. Sitting resume at 12.00 noon.

*(Mesyuarat ditangguhkan pada jam 11.17 pagi)*

*(Mesyuarat dimulakan pada pukul 12.13 tengah hari)*

**Tuan Speaker:** Honourable Member for Muara Tuang.

**YB Dato Haji Idris Bin Haji Buang:** Thank you Tuan Speaker. I would like to participate in this debate for the Bill. I would like to mark out one particular fact which are transpired sometimes in February or March this year. This particular Bill, I believe was the result of some discussion which I thought I was there at that time, regarding the need to protect Sarawak from unethical and, I believe, uncultured politics from other places outside Sarawak.

As you know, in this Bill the word “resident” or in the Ordinance here, the word “resident” was not defined. A dictionary meaning for resident as you can find in many dictionaries just defined it as the fact of living in a particular place. So if a person has let say, internal, somewhere in Sarawak, in Kuching, for example, and have an address for postal services or other things, he is considered a resident. And if the word resident is not properly defined in our constitution any person from outside Sarawak, Malaysian from outside Sarawak, say from Semenanjung, could come and stand in an election including the state election or at the general election at the parliament level.

That’s why I was concerned by all this ambiguity of the word resident. When I thought this up, it has been reported in the media quite widely, in the Borneo Post, in other papers too, that proposed that we have an amendment to the constitution of Sarawak by defining resident. I suggested the fact a minimum of 10 years residency.

So my proposal, my open proposal, was taken up by the State and I thought something along the line been done. But this Bill today as I can see has the word resident defined by referring or taking the definition permanent resident is under Section 71 of the Immigration Act.

The two list which were referred to one was two years, I don’t have to refer specifically to which one but I hope Yang Berhormat Kota Sentosa would be kind enough to look into the first list which says two years plus three years at the later part of it, this particular Section 71. There is a minimum of five years needed to have a status of permanent resident eligibility. And as you know, nobody can have an automatic permanent residence. It is all 100% approval by the State.

If we look at first list, the two years only, then as YB Kota Sentosa had chosen to deliberately write on the ambiguity, as a doubt, I believe, many of us will be confused especially those people, the lay people, lay men on the street.

Now, I would like to suggest, because of this ambiguity and I believe there is some anomaly that has arisen with regard to how it should be couched and what are the minimum years and so on. I believe there is much to be done for us to really define resident so that we can throw away the ambiguity as well as anomaly which may be argued by whoever who wants to have a political mileage on it.

Now, why do we need to protect Sarawak from the type of unprecedented culture of politic that we saw elsewhere? Because as our Yang Amat Berhormat Ketua Menteri has said we need to

have Sarawak first in everything. He says to make Sarawak *mesti diutamakan* and to the meaning of that plus Tok Nan used to say also, *jaga Sarawak. Jaga Sarawak menar-menar*.

I think it's timely that the word resident here be defined to suit it. We cannot have any Tom, Dick and Harry from elsewhere come here and argue what's good for Sarawak. Tok Nan and Yang Amat Berhormat Ketua Menteri used to say, our present Yang Amat Berhormat Ketua Menteri used to say, "*only orang Sarawak tau apa orang Sarawak mau*". "*Only orang Sarawak dapat jaga Sarawak*". "*Kita jaga kita, Sarawak jaga Sarawak*".

That is why this Bill was brought up. It's just a matter of adding up words in order to give meaning to it. As it is, as I said, if Mr. A from UMNO has resident somewhere here, let say, in Muara Tuang for two weeks. He has a postal address and he's a resident here, you can send. Would Mr. Fong want that?

I believe this Bill is an answer to it. We don't want that. So please don't twist the words around in such a way as if we don't care about Sarawak. The same thing goes, you want to ask Member from Semenanjung to come down next time for election? So, these are the questions that goes in our wildest of dream actually. We don't want all these to come into fruition.

So, Tuan Speaker, in the light of the ambiguity as well as the anomaly, probably how it was drafted, I would suggest that the word resident be properly defined with or without Immigration Act Section 71 particularly outlines what permanent residents are, resident is or residents are.

As it is the word resident in our Constitution under Article 16, stands alone by itself. We can amend on it alone by itself without reference to any of the Act. There's no problem about that. On personal score the other day, when I proposed this, I even suggested 10 years, why? Well, the more the better, the more years the better because only *orang Sarawak jua tau apa Sarawak mau*. If only here about two years... Kota Sentosa. Okay.

**YB Encik Chong Chieng Jen:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. Thank you Honourable Member for Muara Tuang, for giving me this opportunity for clarification. We agree that, let us confine the membership of this *Dewan Undangan Negeri*, with only Sarawakians, not even permanent residents, regardless whether how many years that they have stayed, how many years their permanent residence status. Just keep it confined to Sarawakians only, true and true Sarawakians.

**YB Dato Haji Idris Bin Haji Buang:** I think you are too far fetched there because we do this mandatory, I believe, but does not give in to democracy. Now I don't agree. But as I said earlier, if you don't amend the word residence, you will find PAS member, UMNO member, DAP members from Semenanjung, staying here and there, with hidden agendas, not for the sake of Sarawak, for themselves. The objective of respective parties which are Semenanjung based, or any other DAP members here or other members who are based in Semenanjung, bring their agenda from that side, that is the intention. For us GPS, we took greatest step forward to independence. We have the chance of being half of a semenanjung bigger family called *Barisan Nasional*. We have our triumph and tribulation, success and failures, action and ownation, but by large it's a fight because our State leadership and the ability of our leaders to really run the State.

Now GPS is on its own. We are only independent in terms of policies, not only independent in our action, we are actually telling whoever from the other side to say that we are very important on our own, we are actually the king if we want to. But on its own, GPS has a lot of independence to say because its motto is "*Sarawak Diutamakan*" and this is the Bill that gives meaning to it. I would suggest that the anomalies and ambiguities, whatever it is, for us now be erased by making proper action and a bit of amenity at a later stage. We would at least not just two plus three whatever it is, we would say at least five years, as reflected by 71. Now, if we don't do this, the two weeks or three weeks tag at Padungan, Muara Tuang will definitely stand in election in Sarawak, as I said in supplement. As it is, we are vulnerable there. We don't want to be like Sabah. A

Member from DAP, a Member of the State Assembly, I believe, by nomination. Is that right? So time to make noise about that.

With that, I think, I would support the Bill with the amendments, hopefully has to be done. I am saying for that, I am this side. Thank you, Tuan Speaker.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, there is an anomaly in the drafting of the Bill and obviously anomalies and definitions have to be addressed. In view of this and in a matter of interpretation, because this Bill refers to Section 71 of the Immigration Act 1959 and Section 71 further refers to Section 66. In view of these anomalies and rectification in definition to be made, I hereby defer this Bill and this Bill stands deferred to a date to be fixed (*Applause*). It is not a withdrawal, it is just a deferment.

### **USUL PEMILIHAN AHLI DEWAN NEGARA**

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, there shall be one vacancy for senator upon the expiry of the term of Yang Berhormat Senator Dr. Nuing Jeluing with effect from 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020. The vacancy is to be filled by way of an election by this Dewan. The Dewan has been duly directed by Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri to hold the election to fill the vacancy for senator that will be vacant on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2020. Is the Minister responsible for this, present? The proposer? Is the proposer here? Since the proposer is not here, I adjourn the sitting to 2.30 p.m.

*(Mesyuarat ditangguhkan pada jam 12.30 tengah hari)*

*(Mesyuarat dimulakan pada jam 2.37 petang)*

### **SURAT CARA UNTUK PEMILIHAN SEORANG SENATOR**

Diperbuat di bawah Seksyen 1(2) Jadual Ketujuh Perlembagaan Persekutuan daripada Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak kepada Speaker Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak.

**BAHAWASANYA** menurut Perenggan (a) Fasal (1) dalam Perkara 45 Perlembagaan Persekutuan, Yang Berhormat Senator Dr. Nuing Jeluing telah dipilih sebagai seorang Senator mulai dari 11<sup>hb</sup> Disember 2017 untuk satu tempoh berakhir pada 10<sup>hb</sup> Disember 2020.

**DAN LAGI BAHAWASANYA** pada menjalankan kuasa di bawah Seksyen kecil (2) Seksyen 1, Jadual Ketujuh Perlembagaan Persekutuan, Seri Paduka Baginda Yang Di-Pertuan Agong telah berkenan memaklumkan kepada Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak bahawa mulai dari **11<sup>hb</sup> Disember 2020** terdapat satu kekosongan di kalangan Ahli-Ahli Dewan Negara disebabkan tempoh jawatan Yang Berhormat Senator Dr. Nuing Jeluing akan berakhir pada tempoh tersebut dan oleh sebab itu, satu pemilihan untuk seorang Senator adalah diperlukan.

**MAKA OLEH YANG DEMIKIAN**, saya, **TUN PEHIN SRI HAJI ABDUL TAIB BIN MAHMUD**, Darjah Kebesaran Seri Maharaja Mangku Negara (S.M.N.), Satria Bintang Sarawak (S.B.S.), Darjah Kerabat Johor Yang Amat Dihormati Pangkat Pertama (D.K.) Johor, Darjah Kerabat Laila Utama Yang Amat Dihormati (D.K.) Brunei, Darjah Kerabat Sri Indera Mahkota Pahang Yang Amat Dihormati (D.K.) Pahang, Seri Panglima Darjah Kinabalu (S.P.D.K.), Seri Utama Mahkota Wilayah (S.U.M.W.), Darjah Seri Setia Diraja Kedah (S.S.D.K.), Darjah Gemilang Seri Melaka (D.G.S.M.), Darjah Panglima Pangkuan Negeri Pulau Pinang (D.P.P.N.), Seri Sultan Salahuddin Aziz (S.S.S.A.) Selangor, Darjah Seri Paduka Mahkota Terengganu Kelas Pertama (S.P.M.T.), Thai Royal Decoration of Knight Grand Cross (First Class), Kartika Eka Paksi Naraya (KEPN) Indonesia, Korean Order of Unification (K.O.U.), Honorary Officer of the Order of Australia (AO), Pingat Pengasas Perjuangan Kemerdekaan (P.P.K.), Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak, pada

menjalankan kuasa-kuasa yang diberikan kepada saya oleh seksyen kecil (2) Seksyen 1, Jadual Ketujuh Perlembagaan Persekutuan.

**DENGAN INI** menyatakan hasrat saya supaya seorang Senator harus dipilih mengikut peraturan-peraturan dalam Jadual Ketujuh Perlembagaan Persekutuan dalam Mesyuarat Dewan Undangan Negeri yang akan datang iaitu Mesyuarat Kedua bagi Penggal Kelima Dewan Undangan Negeri yang Kelapan Belas.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-Ahli Yang Berhormat, before the Dewan proceeds with the election, I would like to explain the procedure as provided in the Seventh Schedule of the Federal Constitution. Any of the Honourable Members of this House, may propose a candidate. He or she so wishes and must be seconded by another Member. Either the proposal or the seconder must submit a statement in writing signed by that person who nominated stating that he or she is willing to serve as a Senator if elected. When all the nominations have been received, I shall announce the name of the persons nominated in alphabetical order and shall then put the name to the vote in that Order.

Each Member present shall be entitled to vote for as many candidate as there is a vacancy to be filled and the names of the Members voting for each candidate shall be recorded and if a Member cast a vote in addition to those allowed, that vote shall be void. I shall ask the Secretary to call the Members one by one and upon his or her name being called, the Members, if he or she so wish, may cast his or her vote for the candidate by saying yes or no. If a Member wishes to abstain, he or she shall remain silent and I shall call his or her name as a second time.

If he or she still remain silent, an absentee shall be recorded against such Member. I shall declare the candidate who receive the largest numbers of vote as being elected to the office of Senator, but if two or more candidates have an equal number of votes, the election of the candidate shall be determined by lot. If there is only one candidate nominated for each vacancy, the mentioned procedure shall not applied and I shall declare the candidate to be an elected candidate. I shall now call for the nominations for the vacancies. First nomination is proposed by Honourable Member for Kemena.

**Menteri Utiliti (YB Dato Sri Dr Stephen Rundi Anak Utom):** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. As you have rightly mentioned, the three-year of the Yang Berhormat Senator Dr. Nuing Jeluing as *Ahli Dewan Negara* will expire on the 10<sup>th</sup> December, this year, 2020. I rise to nominate Yang Berhormat Senator Dr. Nuing Jeluing to be re-elected by this august House for another term. Yang Berhormat Senator Dr. Nuing Jeluing has served his first term as *Ahli Dewan Negara* with dedication and honor. He has actively participated in the proceedings of the *Dewan Negara*. He has also shown during those deliberations, then he always promotes and protects interests, the rights and the welfare of Sarawak. He has served as legal officer in various Government hospitals in Sarawak since 1978 before joining Sarawak Shell Berhad in 1983 where he remained as Chief Medical Officer for SHELL companies in Malaysia until his retirement in January 2007.

Beside the above, Yang Berhormat Senator Dr. Nuing Jeluing is very active in politic whereas been a member of *Parti Pesaka Bumiputra Bersatu* (PBB) since the year 2000, has been elected as a member of PBB since 2008. He was also the *Ketua Cawangan* for PBB N Kakus from November 2009 until November 2017. I am confident with vast experience, if re-elected Yang Berhormat Senator Dr. Nuing will continue to advance and safeguard the interest of people of Sarawak in the Dewan Negara. Therefore, with that Tuan Speaker I beg to propose the Yang Berhormat Senator Dr. Nuing Jeluing be re-elected by august House by Ahli Dewan for another term. Thank you.

**Tuan Speaker:** Yang Berhormat Senator Dr. Nuing is proposed by the Honourable Member for Kemena, Yang Berhormat Dato Sri Dr Stephen Rundi Anak Utom, seconded by, Yang Berhormat Dato Dr Abdul Rahman Ismail for Bukit Kota.

**YB Dr Haji Abdul Rahman Bin Haji Ismail:** Tuan Speaker, I beg to second.

**Tuan Speaker:** Is there any other member who wants to propose another candidate? Is there any other member who wants to propose any other candidate? Then, there is only one candidate. I hereby declare that Yang Berhormat Senator Dr. Nuing Jeluing is duly elected for a second term as Senator for this House, elected by this House.

### **USUL DARIPADA AHLI DEWAN BIASA**

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, I have received a motion dated 20<sup>th</sup> October 2020 from the Honourable Member for Pelawan. I shall now call upon Honourable Member for Pelawan to read out his motion.

#### Motion 1

**YB Encik David Wong Kee Woan:** Thank you Tuan Speaker, my motion read as follows.

**WHEREAS** Malaysia has seen a spike of COVID-19 after the snap Sabah state election 2020 and the whole medical system in Sabah has been overwhelmed by the spike;

**AND WHEREAS** the current term of the Sarawak State Legislative Assembly ends in June 2021 and there is no urgent need to dissolve the State Legislative Assembly in the near term;

**AND WHEREAS** the State Government is not only the custodian of the state resources but the protector of the wellbeing of Sarawakians and nothing is more important than the health of our fellow Sarawakians;

**AND WHEREAS** the Election Commission Chief Abdul Ghani Salleh has told Sarawak Chief Minister to not hold the state polls anytime soon on 13 October 2020;

**AND WHEREAS** generally the people of Sarawak are against the idea of holding a State election during this COVID-19 pandemic unless truly necessary.

**THEREFORE, IT IS MOVED THAT THIS HOUSE HEREBY RESOLVES THAT** the Chief Minister should not call for the Sarawak state election within 6 months from the date of this motion been passed by this House.

**Tuan Speaker:** This motion calls on Yang Amat Berhormat Chief Minister not to call for general State election within six (6) months from the date of this motion been passed by this House. This motion is misconceived that dissolution of the *Dewan Undangan Negeri* is the sole prerogative of Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak pursuant to Article 21 (2) of the State Constitution of Sarawak. Article 21(2) reads "*The Yang di-Pertua Negeri may prorogue or dissolved the Dewan Undangan Negeri*". This motion is unconstitutional because it violates Article 21(2) of the State Constitution depriving the Yang di-Pertua Negeri of his constitutional rights as to when to dissolved the *Dewan Undangan Negeri*. This motion cannot be allowed to proceed because to do so would usurp the constitutional power of the Head of State bestowed under Article 21(2) of the State Constitution of Sarawak. The motion is therefore dismissed.

Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, I have received a motion dated 20<sup>th</sup> October 2020 from the Honourable Member for Pelawan. I shall now call upon Honourable Member for Pelawan to read out his motion.

#### Motion 2

**YB Encik David Wong Kee Woan:** Thank you Tuan Speaker, my motion read as follow.

**WHEREAS** in July 2019, the Election Commission had announced their reform Action Plan under which six policy committees had been formed to work on various aspects of improving the process of election;

**AND WHEREAS** there are tens of thousands of Sarawakians living or working outside the State and many of them would not be able to return to Sarawak to vote due to logistic and financial restraints;

**AND WHEREAS** we have to enfranchise Sarawakians living outside or working away from Sarawak to vote.

**AND WHEREAS** after the Sabah snap election 2020, from 3<sup>rd</sup> October to 13<sup>th</sup> October, within a short span of 11 days, the number of positive COVID-19 cases soared to 2,963 cases;

**AND WHEREAS** the current COVID-19 pandemic has presented more barriers for Sarawakians to return home to vote.

**AND WHEREAS** our MoH and our Sarawak SDMC have also advise to reduce inter-state travelling during the COVID-19 pandemic.

**THEREFORE, IT IS MOVED THAT THIS HOUSE HEREBY RESOLVES** that the Sarawak State Government is to demand the Malaysia Election Commission (EC) to allow Sarawakians living outside Sarawak to vote, either set up polling stations in Kuala Lumpur, Johor, Penang and Sabah for them to vote or allow them to vote through postal ballots.” Thank you, Tuan Speaker.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat this motions call upon the State Government of Sarawak to demand the Malaysia Election Commission to allow Sarawakians living outside Sarawak to vote. Either to set up polling stations in Kuala Lumpur, Johor, Penang and Sabah or for them to vote or allow them to vote through postal ballot. Under regulation 27A of the election (Conduct of Elections) Regulations 1981 only persons who are required to vote is advanced voters can vote outside Sarawak. Regulation 27A (1), any person who has registered as a Parliamentary or State elector under the Elections Registration of Election Regulations 2002 and is:

- a) a person referred to in paragraph (a) in the definition of “*absent voter*” in regulation 2 of the Elections (Registration of Electors) Regulation 2002;
- b) a person referred to in paragraph (b) in the definition of “*absent voter*” in regulation 2 of the Election (Registration of Elections) Regulations 2002;
- c) a member of any police force established by any written law in force in Malaysia, other than a member of the Police Volunteer Reserve Force: or
- d) the spouse of a serving member of the General Operation Force.

Shall vote as an advance voter at an election in accordance with the procedure of voting as provided in these Regulations.

Advance voter is defined under Regulations 2 of the Election Conduct of Elections Regulation 1981 as “*a person who is required to vote in advance under Regulations 27A*”.

This motion requires an amendment to Regulations 27A of the Election (Conduct of Election Regulation 1981). Unless and until this pertinent regulation is amended in Parliament the motion cannot proceed in this august House. Under Part 2 postal voters Elections (Postal Voting Regulation, 2003) person entitle to vote as postal voters are stated in Regulations 3 under the interpretation Regulation 3 of postal voters. Election postal voting Regulation 2003 “post ballot paper means ballot paper issued to a Postal voter” and “*Postal voter means any person entitle to vote under Regulation 3*”. The subject matter in the motion transgresses Standing Order 23(2)(6), Standing Order 23(6) and the Ninth Schedule of the Federal Constitutions List 1. 6(A) of the Federal Constitutions where election is within the purview of the Federal authority. Standing Order

23(6) “no motion relating to a matter contained in the Federal Legislative List shall be in order”. This motion is therefore dismissed.

Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat I have received a motion dated 28<sup>th</sup> October 2020 a motion from the Honourable Member for Bukit Assek. I hereby call upon the Honourable Member for Bukit Assek to read her motion.

Motion 3

**YB Puan Irene Mary Chang Oi Ling:** Thank you, Tuan Speaker. This is my motion.

**WHEAREAS** on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020, the Sarawak Government and Petronas issued a joint statement on the agreement to settle the on-going suits between them.

The statement stated both parties shall respectively withdraw their appeal and cross appeal on terms of settlement, amongst which were the followings:

*“Kerajaan Negeri Sarawak dan PETRONAS seterusnya bersetuju bahawa cukai jualan ke atas produk petroleum yang diperuntukkan di bawah State Sales Tax (Taxable Goods and Rate of Tax) (Amendment)(No 2) Order, 2018 dikenakan pada kadar yang lebih rendah secara bertempoh berdasarkan rundingan yang akan diadakan kelak.”*

*“Namun begitu, kesemua surat cara dan perjanjian yang telah dipersetujui antara Kerajaan Negeri Sarawak dengan Petronas di bawah Akta Kemajuan Petroleum 1974 [Akta 144] masih sah dan berkuat kuasa. Begitu juga, Petronas masih diiktiraf sebagai syarikat minyak negara yang mempunyai kuasa penuh dalam mengawal selia seluruh pembangunan industri minyak dan gas di negara ini, selaras dengan Perlembagaan Persekutuan.”*

On 10<sup>th</sup> June 2020, the Sarawak Consultative Committee on MA63 unanimously refused to recognise the statement as a formal agreement.

Nevertheless, the State Government never revoked nor withdrew the statement.

On 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2020, the appeal and cross appeal were respectively withdrawn on terms which were not disclosed.

It is in the public interest that a full disclosure of the agreed terms be made.

**THEREFORE, IT IS MOVED THAT THIS HOUSE HEREBY RESOLVES THAT** the State Government makes a full disclosure to this august House on the agreed terms of settlement with PETRONAS.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2018, pursuant to Standing Order 89 read together with article 24(1) of the State Constitution of Sarawak, a Consultative Committee was formed comprising on members of various political parties including the Speaker.

The meeting of the Consultative Committee would be chaired by the Speaker. On June 20<sup>th</sup>, the Consultative Committee met to discuss a joint statement a purportedly sign between the Honourable Member for Samariang and an Assistant Minister of Law, on one hand and Tan Sri Ahmad Izam Salim of Petronas on the other hand.

The Consultative Committee unanimously came to the conclusion that the stated statement was not sign by the Assistant Minister of Law that the said statement did not tantamount to a formal agreement. The Consultative Committee has not at the material time received any report from the State Government on the matter. Understanding order 20(2)(e), “without prejudice to



*paragraph 1, every question shall not refer to proceeding in the committee which have not been reported to the Dewan”.*

Erskine May 25<sup>th</sup> Edition, page 1065 paragraph 40.40 “*a report of a select committee may not be made publicly available until it is available to members of the House by practice select committee’s offence supply advance copies of the report to such Government witnesses lobby journalist and the media representative as the committee think fit such copies a supply under embargo until a specific time and date*”. Therefore, the matter discusses in the select committee shall not be refer to in this motion and be deliberated upon and debated until the report is made available to the Honourable Members and discuss the among the Honourable Members of Consultative Committee only then, only then the matter can make public in deliberated in the Dewan.

Standing order 32(11), “*if the Speaker a opinion that or any motion on amendment or discontinued of the debate there on is calculated to give rise to breaches of the Standing Order he may disallow the motion or amendment or as the case may be terminate the debate and direct that no further proceeding be taken on the motion or amendment*”. The motion is therefore dismissed.

**Tuan Speaker:** Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, the sittings is now adjourned and the house will resume sitting at 9.00 a.m. tomorrow.

*(Mesyuarat ditangguhkan pada jam 3.07 petang)*