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28.	Puan Nurul Hafizha binti Osman	*Perbadanan Pembangunan Ekonomi Sarawak*
29.	Puan Nursurfina binti Blassan	*Perbadanan Pembangunan Ekonomi Sarawak*

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3.	Encik Shaharuddin bin Abdul Ra'afup	*Jabatan Penyiaran Sarawak*
4.	Encik Wan Mohamad Zaki bin Wan Alias	*Jabatan Penyiaran Sarawak*
5.	Encik Fareez Azizi bin Zakeria	*Jabatan Penyiaran Sarawak*

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2.	Encik Byreen anak Rona	*Percetakan Nasional Malaysia Berhad*

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2.	Puan Zuraidah binti Zaidi	*SAINS*
3.	Encik Ahmad Akmal Afiq	*SAINS*
4.	Encik Zainuddin Othman	*SAINS*
5.	Encik Mohamad Fadzly bin Arfan	*SAINS*

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4.	Encik Helmy bin Abdul Rahman	*Jabatan Pertanian Sarawak*
5.	Encik Shah Riwandy Sia bin Ridzuan	*Jabatan Pertanian Sarawak*
6.	Encik Erdy Nurwiranata bin Eden	*Jabatan Pertanian Sarawak*
7.	Encik Altken Cedric anak Lawrence	*Jabatan Pertanian Sarawak*
8.	Encik Mohamad Zahari bin Hamden	*Pejabat Agama Islam Bahagian Kuching*
9.	Encik Addison anak Fredrick	*Jabatan Tanah dan Survei Sarawak*
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3. Puan Noria binti Suut
4. Puan Nur Azira binti Abdul Kadir
5. Puan Rabiah binti Abdul Kadir
6. Puan Aisha Parveen binti Badron
7. Puan Genang anak Timbung
8. Puan Siti Norhiza binti Mohammad Yusri
9. Puan Hanisah Abdullah
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11. Puan Nurhaffizah Abdullah
12. Puan Natasha Nadia binti Mohd. Saidi
13. Puan Angela Lisa anak Mathew Linol
14. Encik Felix Aaron anak Michael
15. Puan Calista Abbie anak Sapa@Patrick Sapa
16. Puan Sharina binti Sopian
17. Puan Patricia anak Peter
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19. Sarjan Terence anak Jayan
20. Puan Norziana binti Haji Ahmad
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25. Encik Mohd Zulkhairy bin Mohammad Hejemi
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27. Puan Jasmine Sinja anak Robinson
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29. Puan Parcelia Renyelia anak Pamg
30. Puan Nur Zafirah binti Affendy Michael
31. Puan Deidre anak Wilson
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33. Puan Nur Amira Lystiani binti Poniman
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37. Encik Lukas Jammany anak Kated
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40. Encik Salman bin Jaya
41. Encik Alwie bin Haji Ali
42. Encik Romzi bin Bujang
43. Encik Musa bin Julai
44. Puan Suraya binti Hamden
45. Puan Noraisah binti Ahmad
46. Puan Siti Zalilah binti Samsawi

47. Encik Iz Mohd. Haiqal Hakeem bin Mahamud
48. Puan Artirah binti Amran

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1. Encik Charles Spencer anak Tonny
2. Encik Gabriel Louis anak Ragai
3. Puan Katelina Usun Kawas

(Mesyuarat dimulakan pada jam 9:05 pagi)

[Tuan Speaker mempengerusikan Mesyuarat]

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PEMASYHURAN DARIPADA TUAN SPEAKER

Tuan Speaker: Bismillahirahmanirahim. Assalammualaikum W.B.T. Selamat pagi dan salam sejahtera. Ahli Yang Berhormat, I wish to notify all Dewan Members who are also Members of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) that there will be an Annual General Meeting (AGM) immediately after this Dewan is adjourned. *sine die*, this afternoon as stated in the notice of the AGM that has been circulated on Monday, that is first day of the sitting. Thank you.

SAMBUNGAN PERBAHASAN ATAS BACAAN KALI YANG KEDUA RANG UNDANG-UNDANG PERBEKALAN (2027), 2026 DAN USUL UNTUK MERUJUK RESOLUSI ANGGARAN PERBELANJAAN PEMBANGUNAN BAGI TAHUN 2027

Tuan Speaker: Dengan hormatnya saya menjemput, YB Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah bin Ali Hasan, Timbalan Premier Sarawak dan Menteri Perdagangan Antarabangsa, Industri dan Pelaburan untuk menyampaikan penggulungan.

YB Puan Violet Yong Wui Wui: …(*Inaudible*)… Tuan Speaker, under Standing Orders. Tuan Speaker, I stand under Standing Orders 32(4) in the unedited Hansard yesterday, you uttered the word, "*biadab*" which is a classified prohibit unparliamentary words in parliament in Malaysia as well as Singapore.

So, Tuan Speaker, may I kindly request your good self to withdraw the unparliamentary words which you have uttered against me in this House and apologize to the Dewan of this House. I will not ask you to expunge it, because by expunging the record, it is a distorting of the historical happening in this House. So, may I, Tuan Speaker, be kind enough to just request your good self because the Standing Order equally applies to you Dewan Undangan Negeri privilege and Power Ordinance has expressively said that Members include the chair of the Dewan. Thank you, Tuan Speaker.

Tuan Speaker: You cannot raise Point of Order. We have not started the order of the day. We have just started and under Standing Order 12(1), *"Government business shall have precedence over Private Members' business"*. So, Standing Order 12… *Ya*, if you want, you submit it to me in writing, I'll have a look at it. If there is anything in it, I will comment. If there is nothing in it, I will just dismiss it.

Timbalan Premier Sarawak; Menteri Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar Kedua Sarawak; dan Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri N.82 Bukit Sari (YB Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah bin Ali Hasan): Assalamualaikum W.B.T., salam sejahtera, salam Sarawak maju makmur dan salam *Segulai Sejalai*. Terima kasih Tuan Speaker.

Terlebih dahulu, saya ingin mengucapkan tahniah dan merakamkan setinggi-tinggi penghargaan kepada Yang Amat Berhormat Premier Sarawak, Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri bagi N.26 Gedong di atas pembentangan belanjawan Sarawak bagi tahun 2027 pada 12 Oktober 2026 yang lepas.

Belanjawan Sarawak Tahun 2027 yang berteraskan *Together Building Prosperity and Securing Our Futures*, selaras dengan visi yang digariskan di bawah Strategi Pembangunan Pasca COVID-19 2030. Belanjawan yang begitu komprehensif mampu merealisasikan hala tuju pembangunan untuk meningkatkan taraf hidup, memperkukuh ekonomi, memelihara jaringan

keselamatan sosial, memperkasakan daya tahan *fiscal* serta merealisasikan peluang dalam sektor ekonomi hijau.

Tuan Speaker,

PROGRAM PENGUKURAN TANAH NCR INISIATIF BAHARU

Kerajaan Sarawak sentiasa mengiktiraf hak ke atas tanah NCR yang sahih dan diwujudkan mengikut undang-undang tanah. Melalui Program Pengukuran Tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu yang bermula semenjak Oktober 2010 dan sehingga 30 September 2026, kita telah berjaya menyelesaikan pengukuran perimeter seluas lebih kurang 1.249 juta hektar atau 3.086 juta ekar. Daripada jumlah tersebut, sejumlah lebih kurang 979,000 hektar atau 2.42 juta ekar telah diwartakan sebagai Rizab Komunal Bumiputera (Pertanian) di bawah Seksyen 6 Kanun Tanah Sarawak. Jelas tentang kemajuan yang kita capai. Tetapi ada di luar sana yang mengatakan bahawa kerajaan ini tidak membuat apa-apa berhubung dengan tanah NCR ini. Buktinya ialah kita sudah menyukat lebih daripada 1.249 juta hektar *…(Applause)…* Jelas ini adalah pembohongan semata-mata.

Tuan Speaker, sejak tahun 2017, pengukuran lot individu turut dipergiat bagi pengeluaran hak milik di bawah Seksyen 18, dan sehingga kini sebanyak 112,711 lot telah berjaya diukur. Bagi mempercepatkan pengukuran NCR, kerajaan telah menambah kapasiti Jabatan Tanah dan Survei dengan mengambil 467 pegawai baharu, menggunakan khidmat juruukur swasta serta melaksanakan kajian teknologi ukur yang lebih cepat dan tepat. Kerajaan Sarawak telah meluluskan RM40 juta bagi memperkasa program ini. Manakala Kerajaan Persekutuan telah meluluskan RM15 juta di bawah Rancangan Malaysia Ke-13 yang mana sejumlah RM2 juta telah disalurkan pada tahun 2026 kepada Jabatan Tanah dan Survei.

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

Tuan Speaker, sejak Rancangan Malaysia Ke-4, Kerajaan Sarawak telah melaksanakan Skim Penempatan Semula (SPS) dan Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK) sebagai usaha menyediakan tanah kediaman kepada rakyat berpendapatan rendah. Sehingga 30 September 2026, sebanyak 306 skim telah diwujudkan, menyediakan sebanyak 51,973 lot kediaman di seluruh Sarawak. Mulai tahun 2018, SPS dan SPK ini dipertingkatkan dengan infrastruktur spesifikasi baharu yang lebih moden dan lengkap, merangkumi jalan berturap, parit konkrit, lot-lot yang ditembok serta sistem bekalan air dan elektrik yang lebih teratur.

Sepanjang Rancangan Malaysia Ke-11 dan Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12, sebanyak 111 skim telah diluluskan dengan kos berjumlah RM1.8 bilion, menyediakan 9,331 lot kediaman. Di bawah Rancangan Malaysia Ke-13 pula, sebanyak 32 projek telah diluluskan melibatkan 2,896 lot dengan kos RM278.1 juta, di mana beberapa projek telah siap dan selebihnya sedang dalam pelaksanaan sehingga penghujung Rancangan Malaysia Ke-13.

Walaupun kerajaan membelanjakan antara RM120,000 hingga RM150,000 bagi setiap lot untuk menyediakan infrastruktur lengkap dan berkualiti, rakyat hanya perlu membayar premium tanah tidak melebihi RM2,500 selot. Tidak ada negeri di Malaysia ini setahu saya yang mempunyai skim seperti ini, untuk membantu rakyat. Hanya kita di Sarawak ini. Ini menunjukkan bahawa kerajaan ini amat menumpukan kepada kebajikan dan kepentingan rakyat kita ini. Tambahan pula RM2,500 selot untuk premium ini, dan ianya juga boleh dibayar secara ansuran sehingga 10 tahun. Bagilah tepukan*... (Applause)...* Yang baik harus kita sokong... *(Applause)...*

Kerajaan turut menyediakan pakej rumah yang dibina dengan kolaborasi bersama agensi-agensi kerajaan seperti Lembaga Pembangunan dan Lindungan Tanah (LCDA), Perbadanan Pembangunan Perumahan Sarawak (HDC), *Borneo Development Corporation* (BDC) dan Lembaga Kemajuan Bintulu (BDA). Malah kemudahan pinjaman perumahan melalui *Mutiara Mortgage and*

Credit Sdn. Bhd. dengan kadar faedah pinjaman serendah 1.0% bagi B40 dan 3.0% bagi M40 juga diberi bagi memudahkan rakyat memiliki kediaman sendiri yang lebih selesa.

Pembaharuan Bandar (Urban Renewal), Pembangunan Bandar Baharu (New Township), Pusat Perkhidmatan (Service Centre) dan Rumah Mampu Milik

Tuan Speaker, kerajaan melalui LCDA terus memberi tumpuan kepada pembaharuan dan pembangunan bandar, pembangunan bandar baharu, pusat perkhidmatan dan rumah mampu milik. Projek-projek seperti Darul Hana di Kuching, Kampung Datu dan Kemuyang di Sibu telah memberi manfaat kepada ratusan ketua isi rumah dan ketua keluarga tambahan.

Di bawah Rancangan Malaysia Ke-13, LCDA menyasarkan pembinaan 1,400 unit rumah mampu milik dengan anggaran kos pembinaan berjumlah RM524.9 juta dan Belanjawan 2027 telah meluluskan RM213.35 juta bagi melaksanakan projek-projek ini. Sehingga kini, sebanyak 402 unit rumah sedang giat dibina dan dijangka akan disiapkan pada suku kedua tahun 2027. Sebanyak 157 unit rumah daripada 402 unit rumah tersebut akan dilengkapkan dengan sistem tenaga solar dengan kos pemasangan berjumlah RM4.553 juta dan Kerajaan Sarawak akan menanggung 50% daripada kos pemasangan tersebut.

Kerajaan melalui LCDA, sebenarnya membelanjakan antara RM350,000 hingga RM435,000 untuk menyediakan setiap unit rumah di SPS dan SPK ini tetapi hanya mengenakan harga jualan RM150,000 seunit sahaja dengan premium tanah yang hanya RM2,500 selot dan rumah RM150,000 dan ada yang dilengkapi dengan sistem tenaga solar, dimanakah di Malaysia ini yang mempunyai polisi seperti ini? Di mana kerajaan mengadakan subsidi yang begitu besar? Setahu saya tidak ada di Malaysia ini*…(Applause)…* hanya di Sarawak in *…(Applause)*

Inilah nikmat yang dinikmati daripada Kerajaan GPS Sarawak dipimpin oleh YAB Premier kita. Inisiatif ini bukan sekadar membina rumah tapi memperluas peluang pemilikan kediaman, meningkatkan nilai harta dimiliki oleh setiap pemilik sekaligus meningkatkan taraf hidup mereka.

DASAR PEBANGUNAN INDUSTRI MINERAL SARAWAK

Sarawak Mineral Resource Development Policy

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan Sarawak akan terus memastikan aktiviti pembangunan dan pengkuarian dilaksanakan secara mampan bagi mengimbangi keperluan pembangunan dan ekonomi, pemeliharaan alam sekitar serta kesejahteraan masyarakat. Selaras dengan itu, Sarawak Mineral Management Authority telah meluluskan dasar pembangunan industri mineral Sarawak yang merangkumi tujuh teras dan 43 komponen utama. Dasar ini menekankan pelaksanaan, "*Green Mining and Quarrying"*, penggunaan teknologi terkini, pembangunan modal ihsan serta pembangunan industri secara bersepadu daripada industri huluan (*upstream),* pertengahan (*midstream*) dan hiliran *(downstream)* bagi meningkatkan nilai tambah produk. *Green Mining and Quarrying Academy* yang ditubuhkan dengan kerjasama strategik *Centre for Technology Excellence Sarawak* (CENTEXS) dan *the University of British Columbia*, Canada yang telah dilancarkan oleh saya di Lawas pada tahun 2025 akan menjadi platform untuk menyokong pelaksanaan dasar ini.

Hala Tuju Pembangunan Industri Unsur Nadir Bumi (REE), Sarawak

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan Sarawak telah menyiapkan kerangka hala tuju pembangunan industri (REE) secara bersepadu daripada peringkat huluan sehingga hiliran ke arah industri *"super magnet"* bagi menyokong pembangunan industri *semiconductor,* aeroangkasa dan satelit di Sarawak. Selain untuk kegunaan pembuatan kenderaan elektrik, teknologi, pertahanan, perbuatan dan lain-lain.

Sebagai langkah permulaan, pembangunan industri Kerajaan Sarawak telah meluluskan peruntukkan berjumlah RM18 juta dalam Rancangan Malaysia ke-13 bagi membolehkan kajian

potensi keberadaan sumber REE dilaksanakan di kawasan seluas lebih kurang 3,134 kilometer persegi. Sehubungan dengan ini, Kerajaan Persekutuan telah diminta untuk menyalurkan peruntukan yang lebih besar kepada Jabatan Mineral dan Geosains Malaysia, Cawangan Sarawak bagi membolehkan kajian keberadaan sumber mineral ini diperluaskan di seluruh Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker,

PENGURUSAN HUTAN MAMPAN – INDUSTRI PERKAYUAN, KONSERVASI

Sektor Perhutanan dan Pemuliharaan Alam Sekitar Sarawak

Kerajaan Sarawak mengambil serius semua perkara yang dibangkitkan berkaitan sektor perhutanan, kawasan terlindung sepenuhnya, industri perkayuan dan pemuliharaan alam sekitar. Melalui Jabatan Hutan Sarawak dan agensi-agensi berkaitan, kerajaan akan terus memperkukuh pengurusan hutan secara mampan berasaskan sains dan teknologi, selaras dengan aspirasi *Post COVID-19 Development Strategy 2030* demi memastikan pembangunan ekonomi Sarawak berjalan seiring dengan pemeliharaan alam sekitar dan kelestarian sumber hutan untuk generasi akan datang.

Pengurusan Hutan dan Kawasan Perlindungan

Sarawak terus mencatat pencapaian yang membanggakan dalam pengurusan hutan mampan melalui pelaksanaan pensijilan antarabangsa, pewartaan kawasan perlindungan dan pemulihan hutan. Sehingga kini, Sarawak mengekalkan kira-kira 7.64 juta hektar kawasan berhutan, bersamaan 62% daripada keluasan negeri, manakala kira-kira 1.54 juta hektar kawasan hutan asli dan ladang hutan telah memperoleh pensijilan pengurusan hutan. Sarawak merupakan wilayah yang mempunyai keluasan kawasan berhutan terbesar di Malaysia, sekali gus memainkan peranan penting dalam menyokong komitmen negara untuk mengekalkan sekurang-kurangnya 50% kawasan berhutan, selaras dengan *Deklarasi Rio de Janeiro, 1992.*

Pada tahun 2026, Kerajaan Sarawak melalui *Sarawak Forestry Corporation* telah mewartakan lima kawasan daratan baharu sebagai Kawasan Terlindung Sepenuhnya dengan keluasan 4,484.75 hektar. Pencapaian baharu ini menyumbang kepada peningkatan jumlah keluasan TPA daratan terkini kepada 879,478.28 hektar, iaitu 87.9% daripada sasaran keseluruhan satu juta hektar untuk kawasan daratan. Selain itu, Sarawak juga telah mewartakan 1,243,726 hektar kawasan marin sebagai kawasan terlindung sepenuhnya. Kini, kita mempunyai 71 kawasan terlindung sepenuhnya yang merangkumi kedua-dua ekosistem daratan dan marin, dengan jumlah keluasan keseluruhan yang direkodkan ialah 2,123,204.28 hektar.

Greening Sarawak Campaign dan Pemulihan Hutan

Tuan Speaker, selaras dengan aspirasi PCDS 2030, kerajaan komited memperkukuh pengurusan Hutan Simpan Kekal dan Kawasan Perlindungan Sepenuhnya serta memulihkan 200,000 hektar hutan tersurut menjelang 2030 melalui *Greening Sarawak Campaign*. Setakat ini, sejumlah lebih kurang 106,595 hektar kawasan tersurut telah pun ditanam dengan pelbagai spesies pokok tempatan. Usaha ini akan dilaksanakan dengan kerjasama agensi berkaitan dan masyarakat setempat bagi memastikan pengurusan, perlindungan dan pemulihan hutan dapat dilaksanakan secara berkesan serta menjamin kelestarian sumber hutan untuk generasi akan datang.

Greening Sarawak Campaign ini telah mencapai kejayaan yang membanggakan sejak 2021 hingga Oktober 2026. Sarawak telah menanam lebih kurang 65 juta pokok, sekali gus melepasi sasaran 35 juta pokok yang ditetapkan kepada Sarawak di bawah Kempen Penanaman 100 Juta Pokok Malaysia.

Manakala bagi SFC, melalui *Rewilding Project*, kita telah berjaya menanam sebanyak 104,894 anak pokok spesies tempatan di 16 kawasan tersurut di dalam TPA. Pencapaian ini mencerminkan komitmen bersepadu kerajaan, sektor korporat, NGO, Institusi Pengajian Tinggi dan masyarakat dalam memulihara alam sekitar serta biodiversiti.

Bagi mengekalkan momentum, Sarawak menyasarkan penanaman 50 juta pokok tambahan menjelang tahun 2030 melalui Penghijauan Malaysia 2.0. Tumpuan bukan sahaja diberikan kepada jumlah pokok yang ditanam, malah turut merangkumi kadar kelangsungan hidup pokok dan keberkesanan pemulihan ekosistem. Sehubungan itu, penyelidikan saintifik serta penggunaan teknologi dron dan pemetaan digital akan terus dimanfaatkan bagi memastikan usaha pemulihan hutan menghasilkan manfaat ekologi yang berkekalan.

Kolaborasi Strategik dan Inovasi Perhutanan

Tuan Speaker, bagi memperkukuh pengurusan hutan dan meningkatkan keberkesanan operasi perhutanan, Kerajaan Sarawak melalui Jabatan Hutan Sarawak dan agensi-agensi yang berkaitan telah menjalin pelbagai kolaborasi strategik dengan institusi penyelidikan, institusi pengajian tinggi, agensi kerajaan dan pihak industri di dalam serta luar negara. Kerjasama ini bertujuan meneroka, membangun dan mengaplikasikan teknologi perhutanan yang bersesuaian, praktikal dan efisien untuk memenuhi keperluan pengurusan hutan di Sarawak.

Kerjasama Jabatan Hutan Sarawak dan Universiti Teknologi Sarawak adalah contoh terkini dimana kolaborasi ini telah berjaya membangunkan mesin *seedball* yang berupaya menghasilkan sehingga 3,000 *seedball* sehari. Teknologi ini menyediakan kaedah alternatif untuk menyokong program restorasi hutan, khususnya di kawasan yang sukar diakses, sekaligus memperluas pilihan kaedah pemulihan hutan yang lebih praktikal dan efisien.

Bagi memperkasakan usaha konservasi serta pemindahan kepakaran dan teknologi, beberapa lagi kerjasama strategik telah dan akan dilaksanakan seperti:

(a) *Memorandum of Agreement* di antara SFC, Jabatan Hutan Sarawak dan Sarawak Energy Berhad untuk melaksanakan operasi *Wildlife Monitoring and Rescue* di projek hidroelektrik Baleh;

(b) *Memorandum of Understanding* di antara SFC, Universiti Malaysia Terengganu dan Universiti Malaya bagi menjalankan kajian berkaitan keberkesanan Tukun *Reef Ball* sebagai alat perlindungan, pengkayaan sumber marin serta impak projek berkenaan terhadap sosio-ekonomi komuniti setempat. Ini adalah kesinambungan daripada kejayaan *Sarawak Reef Ball Project Fasa 1* yang telah mendapat pengiktirafan sebagai *World's Longest Reef Ball Barrier Reef* oleh *The Reef Ball Foundation USA* yang berpangkalan di Florida, Amerika Syarikat, yang terpanjang di dunia dan projek ini adalah projek yang dibiayai sepenuhnya oleh Kerajaan GPS.

(c) *Memorandum of Understanding* di antara SFC dan STATOS untuk kerjasama di dalam bidang berkaitan eko pelancongan dan pembangunan modal insan; dan

(d) Kerjasama di antara SFC dan TEGAS dalam pelaksanaan program STEM, inovasi dan kesedaran awam berkenaan konservasi dan alam sekitar.

Teknologi, Penyelidikan Dan Karbon Hutan

Sehingga Oktober 2026, Kerajaan Sarawak telah mengeluarkan tiga Lesen Karbon Hutan yang melibatkan kawasan seluas 56,816.20 hektar. Pada masa yang sama, lapan entiti telah diberikan Permit Kajian Karbon (*Carbon Study Permit*) yang melibatkan kawasan seluas 178,740 hektar. Permit ini membolehkan pemegang permit menjalankan kajian serta menyediakan *Sarawak*

Project Design Document (SPDD), yang merupakan salah satu keperluan bagi permohonan Lesen Karbon Hutan. Setakat ini, inisiatif Karbon Hutan Sarawak dilaksanakan selaras dengan *Article 6, Paris Agreement*, melalui pendekatan sukarela (*voluntary basis*). Berbeza dengan pendekatan pematuhan (*compliance basis*) yang mewajibkan pematuhan kepada undang-undang, peraturan atau mekanisme pasaran karbon, kedua-duanya tertakluk kepada kerangka perundangan dan tadbir urus yang berkuat kuasa.

Bagi memastikan pembangunan karbon hutan dilaksanakan berasaskan maklumat saintifik yang tepat, Kerajaan akan terus memperkukuh penyelidikan dan keupayaan teknikal melalui penggunaan teknologi moden, termasuk *Light Detection and Ranging* (LiDAR). Pendekatan ini penting untuk meningkatkan ketepatan penilaian potensi karbon hutan, menyokong perancangan berasaskan data dan memastikan aktiviti karbon hutan dilaksanakan secara bertanggungjawab tanpa menjejaskan integriti ekosistem serta kepentingan masyarakat.

Penyelidikan dan Pembangunan (R&D)

Tuan Speaker, selain daripada itu, kita juga meneroka potensi-potensi lain untuk membangunkan industri berasaskan perhutanan dan perkayuan, seperti buluh, biojisim dan biochar. Untuk mencapai matlamat ini, beberapa kolaborasi R&D telah pun dilaksanakan.

Antaranya, Perbadanan Kemajuan Perusahaan Kayu Sarawak (PUSAKA) telah melaksanakan 16 projek R&D secara kolaborasi bersama *Forest Research Institute Malaysia* (FRIM), Jabatan Hutan Sarawak, UNIMAS, UITM dan pihak industri berkenaan biojisim dan biotenaga, buluh, produk kayu kejuruteraan dan penilaian spesies ladang hutan untuk penghasilan produk perkayuan bernilai tambah.

Fokus juga ditujukan kepada inisiatif memperkayakan biodiversiti melalui Projek *Research for Intensified Management for Bio-rich Areas of Sarawak* (RIMBA SARAWAK) yang dilaksanakan oleh SFC. Inisiatif ini telah menghasilkan beberapa pencapaian seperti berikut:

(a) Menerbitkan enam Garis Panduan (*Guideline*) berhubung permuliharaan hidupan liar, sembilan laporan penilaian biodiversiti, 30 kertas kerja saintifik serta tiga *Species Conservation Action Plan* dan penemuan sebanyak satu spesies baharu katak, satu spesies ular, tiga spesies kumbang dan satu spesies *gekko* telah direkodkan.

(b) 1,475 sampel biometri telah berjaya dikumpul untuk memperkukuhkan *Genetic Resource Bank* dan makmal Forensik Hidupan Liar. Data-data ini kelak akan digunakan sebagai asas untuk menggubal dasar konservasi hutan dan hidupan liar jangka masa panjang.

Industri Perkayuan dan Ekonomi Hijau

Tuan Speaker, industri perkayuan merupakan salah satu sektor penyumbang ekonomi penting di Sarawak. Industri ini mengharungi cabaran terkini seperti bekalan bahan mentah, pasaran global yang tidak menentu akibat pergolakan geopolitik, peningkatan kos operasi dan tuntutan pematuhan alam sekitar yang semakin ketat.

Kementerian saya melalui agensi-agensinya telah merangka dan melaksanakan beberapa inisiatif untuk menangani cabaran ini seperti pembangunan ladang hutan secara mampan, promosi pemasaran dan pelaburan, penstrukturan semula industri kepada produk nilai tambah dan menambahbaik *Sarawak Timber Legality Verification System.*

Pada masa yang sama, pemanfaatan sisa kayu untuk menghasilkan pelet biojisim dan *biochar* berpotensi menyokong pendekatan *circular economy* dan *waste to energy*, di samping mengoptimumkan penggunaan sumber. Sumbangan ekonomi industri perkayuan dari segi nilai

eskport kepada Sarawak pada tahun 2025 telah mencapai RM2.5 bilion. Bagi tahun 2026 pula, sehingga September ianya telah merekodkan sumbangan eksport bernilai RM1.77 bilion.

Tumpuan seterusnya adalah untuk memperkembangkan industri hiliran dengan memberi fokus kepada produk seperti perabot, biojisim, kejuruteraan kayu dan buluh. Inisiatif ini menunjukkan perkembangan yang memberangsangkan, khususnya dalam prestasi eksport produk pelet kayu yang meningkat dengan ketara daripada RM0.4 juta pada tahun 2021 kepada RM179 juta pada tahun 2025.

Sementara itu, nilai eksport produk perabot turut mencatatkan peningkatan daripada RM47.7 juta pada tahun 2021 kepada nilai tertinggi RM59 juta pada tahun 2024. Perkembangan ini mencerminkan potensi industri hiliran perkayuan dalam mempelbagaikan produk eksport dan memperkukuh sumbangan kepada pertumbuhan ekonomi Sarawak.

Selain itu, PUSAKA telah melancarkan projek penanaman buluh secara besar-besaran sebagai bahan mentah alternatif bagi menyokong pembangunan industri hiliran perkayuan di Sarawak. Kerajaan Sarawak menyasarkan penanaman buluh seluas 30,000 hektar menjelang tahun 2030. Sehingga kini,, seluas 5,146 hektar telah berjaya ditanam melalui penanaman secara komersil dan penglibatan komuniti.

Dari segi pembangunan industri perkayuan, sehingga kini PUSAKA telah mengeluarkan 1,319 pelbagai jenis lesen yang melibatkan import, eksport, jualan tempatan dan pembuatan. Dari jumlah tersebut, sebanyak 329 adalah lesen kilang perkayuan yang telah menyediakan peluang pekerjaan kepada seramai 9,625 orang.

Pembangunan Modal Insan

Tuan Speaker, bagi menyediakan tenaga kerja mahir dan kompeten untuk memenuhi keperluan industri perkayuan, setakat September 2026, PUSAKA telah menganjurkan sebanyak 14 kursus latihan dengan penyertaan seramai 729 peserta.

Selain itu, melalui program pembangunan bakat dan kepakaran reka bentuk perabot, Program *SayD'signerSarawak* telah melahirkan seramai 32 orang pereka perabot perkayuan. Enam orang peserta lagi sedang mengikuti latihan yang dijadualkan tamat pada Julai 2027.

Sehingga kini, sebanyak 166 reka bentuk telah berjaya dihasilkan melalui program *SayD'signerSarawak*. Daripada jumlah tersebut, 10 reka bentuk telah terpilih untuk dikomersilkan melalui kerjasama dengan pemain industri di *HOMELOVE & Living Expo* yang akan berlangsung pada 29 Oktober hingga 1 November 2026 di Borneo Convention Centre Kuching. Inisiatif ini bukan sahaja memperkukuh pembangunan bakat tempatan, malah membuka peluang kepada pereka muda untuk mengetengahkan hasil reka bentuk ke pasaran dan menyokong pertumbuhan industri perabot di Sarawak.

Kuching Furniture Park

Tuan Speaker, PUSAKA sedang membangunkan *Kuching Furniture Park* di Demak Laut yang meliputi kawasan seluas 50 hektar. Projek ini akan dilaksanakan di bawah Rancangan Malaysia Ketiga Belas (RMK-13) dengan anggaran kos pembangunan sebanyak RM233 juta. Kerja-kerja ukur tanah dan pengukuran topografi sedang dijalankan dan dijangka siap pada 30 Januari 2027 bagi tujuan penyediaan pelan pembangunan terperinci kawasan berkenaan.

Kuching Furniture Park ini bertujuan untuk menarik pelaburan dalam industri pembuatan perabot, sekali gus menjadi pemangkin kepada penghasilan produk bernilai tambah. Sehubungan itu, PUSAKA juga giat menjalankan usaha promosi bagi menarik pelaburan di kawasan tersebut.

Sehingga kini, sebanyak 15 syarikat telah mendaftar minat untuk membangunkan kilang di *Kuching Furniture Park*.

Paloh Shipbuilding and Marine Engineering Park

Tuan Speaker, dalam usaha untuk terus meningkatkan daya saing industri perkayuan, kemudahan logistik turut dipertingkatkan di mana Kerajaan Sarawak di bawah Rancangan Malaysia Ke-13 telah meluluskan projek pembangunan industri perkapalan di Paloh, Bahagian Mukah. Ianya juga bertujuan untuk menyediakan prasarana bagi menyokong aktiviti pembinaan dan penyelenggaraan kapal, industri kejuruteraan marin serta industri minyak dan gas.

Pembangunan Komuniti Dan Kesejahteraan Rakyat

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan Sarawak komited untuk memastikan pengurusan dan pemuliharaan hutan turut memberikan manfaat secara langsung kepada masyarakat setempat, khususnya komuniti luar bandar dan pribumi. Sehubungan itu, pelbagai inisiatif dilaksanakan bagi memperkasa ekonomi komuniti melalui pengusahaan hasil hutan bukan kayu (*Non-Timber Forest Products)*, penanaman buluh, penghasilan kraf tangan dan ekopelancongan. Ekspo *Non-Timber Forest Products* Zon Selatan yang berlangsung pada 31 Julai hingga 9 Ogos 2026 di Kuching, telah berjaya menarik penyertaan 40 pengusaha tempatan dan wakil komuniti, termasuklah penyertaan dari Kalimantan Barat, Indonesia dan berjaya mencatatkan nilai jualan melebihi RM501,677.00.

Manakala penganjuran *Bamboo Bazaar* telah berjaya menarik penyertaan 21 pempamer untuk mempromosi pelbagai produk dan hasil kajian berasaskan buluh. Program ini berjaya menarik kira-kira 10,000 pengunjung dan membuka peluang perniagaan kepada usahawan dan pemain industri tempatan.

Dalam aspek peningkatan kesejahteraan masyarakat pedalaman, Kerajaan Sarawak melalui Jabatan Hutan Sarawak turut melaksanakan penyediaan dan penambahbaikan infrastruktur asas bagi meningkatkan kualiti hidup penduduk. Antara projek yang telah dilaksanakan ialah pembinaan Jambatan Gantung Long Beluyu, Lawas, yang telah dirasmikan pada 29 September 2026, serta projek menaik taraf empangan takungan air paip di Punan Bah, Belaga. Kemudahan ini bukan sahaja meningkatkan keselamatan dan perhubungan penduduk, malah memperbaiki akses kepada bekalan air bersih serta menyokong aktiviti sosioekonomi masyarakat luar bandar.

Sementara itu, Sarawak Forestry Corporation turut memainkan peranan penting dalam memperkasa penglibatan komuniti setempat dalam usaha konservasi biodiversiti dan pengurusan kawasan terlindung sepenuhnya. Antara inisiatif yang dilaksanakan termasuk penubuhan empat sistem tagang yang memberi manfaat kepada sembilan komuniti dan melibatkan kira-kira 225 penduduk, sekali gus menggalakkan pengurusan sumber semula jadi secara lestari serta menjana manfaat ekonomi kepada masyarakat setempat.

Tuan Speaker, selain itu, penglibatan komuniti dalam sektor ekopelancongan dan pemuliharaan hidupan liar turut diperkukuh melalui pelesenan seramai 494 pemandu taman (*Park Guide*) di enam taman negara, serta pengambilan 325 Renjer Penjaga Hidupan Liar (*Wildlife Guardian Rangers*) yang terdiri daripada anggota komuniti setempat dan veteran Angkatan Tentera Malaysia serta Polis Diraja Malaysia. SFC turut melantik seramai 541 Renjer Hidupan Liar komuniti dalam kalangan komuniti setempat di sekitar kawasan terlindung sepenuhnya, di samping menubuhkan 21 Jawatankuasa Khas bagi memperkukuh penyertaan komuniti dalam pengurusan dan pemuliharaan kawasan berkenaan.

Penguatkuasaan Hutan, Industri Perkayuan, Kawasan Terlindung Sepenuhnya (TPA) dan Hidupan Liar

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan Sarawak komited untuk melindungi khazanah hutan dan biodiversiti melalui penguatkuasaan undang-undang yang tegas, konsisten dan berkesan. Sehubungan itu, Jabatan Hutan Sarawak, Sarawak Forestry Corporation dan Perbadanan Kemajuan Perusahaan Kayu Sarawak terus memperkukuh usaha pemantauan, rondaan dan tindakan penguatkuasaan bagi membanteras pencerobohan hutan, pembalakan haram, pemburua haram serta aktiviti lain yang menyalahi undang-undang dan menjejaskan kelestarian hutan termasuk Kawasan Terlindung Sepenuhnya, industri perkayuan serta hidupan liar. Aktiviti-aktiviti penguatkuasaan ini dijalankan dengan kerjasama agensi-agensi penguatkuasaan lain seperti Polis Diraja Malaysia, Jabatan Kastam Diraja Malaysia, Agensi Penguatkuasaan Maritim Malaysia dan Unit Keselamatan dan Penguatkuasaan Sarawak. Di samping itu, usaha untuk meningkatkan kesedaran awam juga dilaksanakan melalui program-program seperti berikut:

(a) *Program Communication Education Public Awareness* (CEPA);
(b) *One Thousand Visits to Save Wildlife*; dan
(c) Program 3M Buaya (Mengenali, Memahami dan Memulihara).

Dalam memperkukuh keupayaan penguatkuasaan, semua agensi terlibat akan terus memanfaatkan teknologi *geospatial*, digital dan kecerdasan buatan (AI) bagi meningkatkan keberkesanan pengesanan serta pemantauan aktiviti perhutanan. Penyelidikan saintifik turut diperkasa bagi menyediakan rujukan teknikal yang sahih dan menyokong tindakan penguatkuasaan yang lebih cekap, telus dan berkesan.

Dari Mei 2025 hingga September 2026, Jabatan Hutan Sarawak telah merekodkan sebanyak 59 kes kesalahan hutan. Daripada lima kes yang didaftarkan untuk pendakwaan di Mahkamah, tiga kes telah selesai dengan lima tertuduh disabitkan kesalahan, manakala dua kes lagi masih dalam proses pendakwaan dan perbicaraan. Dalam tempoh yang sama, Jabatan Hutan Sarawak telah mengutip sebanyak RM218,967 hasil kompaun dan RM211,598 hasil jualan kayu rampasan.

Dari Mei hingga September 2026, SFC telah membuka 28 kertas siasatan, dengan 23 kes di bawah *Wildlife Protection Ordinance, 1998 (Cap.26)* dan lima kes di bawah *National Parks and Nature Reserves Ordinance, 1998 (Cap.27)* yang juga melibatkan warga asing. Sebanyak 23 kes telah didakwa di mahkamah dan tiga dikompaun. Penguatkuasaan ini menghasilkan kutipan denda mahkamah RM108,100 kompaun RM184,850 serta RM608,176 daripada pelupusan hasil hidupan liar. Bukan sahaja mereka ini didapati bersalah, jumlah kompaun macam itu kita terima. Bukan nilai yang harus menjadi pengukuran kita, yang penting ialah kita harus sama-sama bertanggungjawab menjaga khazanah kita ini. Itulah sebabnya kita mahu kerjasama semua pihak, rakyat-rakyat di tempatan itu, YB-YB harus sama-sama kita bertanggungjawab, jangan kita letakkan semua tanggungjawab ini kepada pihak berkuasa sahaja. Ini adalah warisan kita, khazanah kita. Kita tidak mahu perkara seperti ini berlaku, berterusan berlaku.

Tuan Speaker, PUSAKA pula telah membuka 20 kertas siasatan atas kesalahan yang melanggar peruntukan *Sarawak Timber Industry Development Corporation Ordinance* bagi tempoh Januari sehingga September 2026. Selain itu, kerjasama rentas sempadan Malaysia-Indonesia telah dijadikan agenda utama di dalam Mesyuarat SOSEK MALINDO berkenaan pelaksanaan Operasi Lintas Batas yang diketuai oleh SFC. Operasi ini melibatkan enam agensi penguatkuasaan Malaysia, 10 agensi penguatkuasaan Indonesia dan dua pertubuhan bukan kerajaan Indonesia bagi mempertingkat kerjasama dalam menangani jenayah rentas sempadan, khususnya yang berkaitan dengan hidupan liar dan sumber biodiversiti. Sebanyak enam tangkapan telah dibuat melalui operasi bersama ini.

Pada masa yang sama, Jabatan Hutan Sarawak dan SFC turut memperkukuh kerjasama strategik dengan *National Anti-Financial Crime Centre* melalui pembangunan kapasiti penyiasatan

kewangan. Seramai tiga pegawai SFC dan tiga pegawai Jabatan Hutan Sarawak telah menamatkan *Certified Financial Investigator Program*, sekali gus meningkatkan keupayaan penyiasatan terhadap aspek kewangan dan rangkaian perdagangan sumber asli secara haram.

Pembiayaan Ecological Fiscal Transfer bagi Perlindungan dan Pemuliharaan Kawasan Terlindung

Tuan Speaker, kerajaan kekal komited terhadap perlindungan dan pemuliharaan kawasan terlindung, termasuk melalui pewartaan kawasan berkepentingan ekologi, merentasi ekosistem daratan, perairan darat, pesisir pantai dan marin. Kementerian saya menyambut baik pengumuman Kerajaan Persekutuan berhubung peruntukan RM270 juta bagi *Dana Ecological Fiscal Transfer* (EFT) di bawah Belanjawan 2027. Dana EFT merupakan instrumen fiskal dalam menyediakan insentif kepada Kerajaan Negeri untuk mempergiat usaha pemuliharaan biodiversiti serta memperkukuh pengurusan sumber semula jadi secara mampan. Kementerian saya akan terus berusaha mendapatkan peruntukan EFT yang lebih besar bagi memenuhi keperluan dan keutamaan pemuliharaan kawasan perlindungan di Sarawak. Oleh itu, kita mengesyorkan agar pengagihan dana insentif EFT ini dibuat secara telus dan saksama berdasarkan faktor keluasan liputan hutan, kos pengurusan, usaha konservasi dan keberhasilan pemeliharaan alam sekitar.

ALAM SEKITAR

Sarawak Environmental Policy

Tuan Speaker, the Sarawak Government strives to ensure that the development agenda is pursued in a sustainable and balanced manner, where economic growth, environmental sustainability and social inclusivity to go hand-in hand, for the benefit of both present and future generations. To support this vision, the Sarawak Environmental Policy has been formulated as a strategic framework to strengthen environmental governance, in alignment with the aspirations of the Post Covid-19 Development Strategy 2030 and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

The policy encompasses four strategic areas, namely natural environment management, climate change, social inclusiveness and public stewardship and research, education and public awareness. These strategies are supported by 11 thrusts, 41 key targets and 111 action plans to ensure its effective implementation. This policy serves as a guide for government agencies and the private sector in planning and implementing measures to protect and conserve the environment for the well-being of the people of Sarawak.

The Policy and Strategic Plan for the Prevention of Peat Fires and Illegal Open Burning to Minimise Haze Pollution in Sarawak

Tuan Speaker, as part of the ongoing efforts to maintain good and healthy air quality, the Sarawak Government has formulated the Policy and Strategic Plan for the Prevention of Peatland Fires and Illegal Open Burning to Minimise Haze Pollution in Sarawak. This plan outlines four objectives, 13 strategies and 52 action plans, with an emphasis on prevention, early detection, monitoring and enforcement.

The NREB has begun implementing the action plan by upgrading Centre for Remote Environmental Monitoring (CREM) and Geographic Information System (GIS) facilities, in it, at Headquarters, establishing two new Air Quality Monitoring Stations at Kanowit and Belaga and setting up mini CREM facilities at each Divisional Office. Standard operating procedures for peatland fires and open burning are also being reviewed to strengthen preparedness and inter-agency coordination.

Tuan Speaker,

Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL)

The Sarawak Government continues to strengthen river quality water management through *"The Study on Carrying Capacity of Rivers in Sarawak for Pollution Management",* using the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) approach to identify pollution sources and determine pollutant reduction measures. A TMDL framework has been developed for the Batang Rajang Catchment, including the implementation plans for impaired river stretches and will guide its application in other river basins. Supported by the real-time data from the Continuous Water Quality Monitoring Stations network and a digital management platform, these efforts will enable timely intervention to control pollution and safeguard Sarawak's water resources.

Integrated Waste Management Master Plan 2025-2050 and Waste to Energy Potential Study

Tuan Speaker, the Sarawak Government has approved *"The Integrated Waste Management Master Plan 2025-2050"* on 20th August 2026 to support the Sarawak's vision of green economic growth, low-carbon development and sustainable waste management. The Master Plan provides a framework for the phased implementation of two Waste-to-Energy facilities and 11 incinerators, as well as the safe closure of existing landfills and dumpsites, adjusted based on the local needs, technological advancements and future development. These initiatives aim to reduce waste sent to landfills and dumpsites, minimise environmental and public health risks, conserve land resources and generate alternative energy.

In addition, my ministry is finalising a Feasibility Study on Waste-to-Energy, undertaken by the Sarawak Energy Berhad. The study evaluates the potential to convert agricultural and organic waste into renewable energy and economic value resources. These efforts will support the state's transition towards a circular, green and low-carbon economy.

Status of the Transfer of Environmental Autonomy under the Malaysia Agreement 1963 (MA63)

Tuan Speaker, the Sarawak Government, through NREB, is fully prepared to assume scheduled waste management functions under the first phase of the transfer of environmental autonomy pursuant to the Malaysia Agreement 1963 (MA63). Key preparations include the enactment of the Natural Resources and Environment Ordinance, 2024 which incorporate relevant provisions of the Environmental Quality Act, 1974 was passed by the Sarawak State Legislative Assembly on 12th November 2024.

In addition, 35 officers were certified under Scheduled Waste Sampling Protocol and 27 under Certified Environmental Professionals in Scheduled Waste Management, with another 25 pursuing CePSWaM certification, 169 joint inspections with DOE Sarawak and 26 technical visits were conducted from 2024 to September 2026, and 10 personnel were recruited to support the implementation.

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)

Tuan Speaker, the Sarawak Government continues to integrate environmental consideration in its development plan. In supporting this effort, the NREB requires EIA to be undertaken for prescribed activities that falls under the Natural Resources and Environment (Prescribed Activities) Order, 1994. For the period between 2nd January to 30th September 2026, a total of 36 EIA Reports were received and evaluated. Of these, 25 reports were approved and 11 were directed to resubmit for further improvements.

Post-EIA monitoring is conducted to ensure that project proponents comply with the terms and conditions of their EIA approvals. Between January and 30th September 2026, 877 post-EIA monitoring

visits were conducted, and environmental consultants submitted 2,972 Environmental Monitoring Reports. As a result of post-EIA monitoring and the review of these reports, 61 notices were issued and 110 investigation papers were prepared. During the same period, a total of 69 compounds were issued of which 30 have been paid with a total of RM516,000, while 39 cases are pending payment.

Environmental Awareness and Outreach Programmes

Tuan Speaker, NREB continues to strengthen environmental awareness and public participation through its education programmes. From January to September 2026, NREB organised 153 environmental education programmes to strengthen environmental awareness, responsibility and participation. These comprised 112 programmes involving schools and 41 involving communities, industries and other stakeholders.

As part of these efforts to nurture environmental awareness and practices among the younger generation, NREB established PALS Club initiative in 1999, which has since expanded to 1,011 of Sarawak's 1,466 schools and to further strengthen its implementation, NREB is developing a dedicated environmental education module in collaboration with UNICEF, with the remaining 455 PALS Clubs targeted for establishment by the end of 2027.

TRANSFORMASI DIGITAL

Tuan Speaker, YAB Premier telah memperkenalkan transformasi digital di dalam usaha untuk meningkatkan kualiti penyampaian perkhidmatan kepada rakyat yang digerakkan sejak memegang tampuk kepimpinan kerajaan. Ianya diumumkan secara rasmi semasa IDECS yang pertama pada tahun 2017.

Menyokong transformasi ini, kementerian, jabatan dan agensi di bawah kementerian saya terus memperkukuh transformasi digital dalam pengurusan tanah, perancangan bandar dan desa, perhutanan dan industri perkayuan, konservasi serta pengurusan alam sekitar. Dalam memperkasakan pengurusan tanah khususnya dalam memudahkan transaksi tanah sebagaimana dinilai dalam *Ease of Doing Business*, Jabatan Tanah dan Survei telah berjaya melaksanakan Pendaftaran Surat Cara Tanah Dalam Tempoh Satu Hari *(One Day Registration)* sejak 2009, dengan sebanyak 1,027,169 surat cara didaftar sehingga 2019. Pencapaian ini telah ditambah baik dengan inisiatif *Same Day Registration*, sebanyak 580,688 surat cara telah didaftarkan antara 2020 hingga 30 September 2026 dengan nilai transaksi melebihi RM235.53 bilion. Secara purata sejumlah RM40 bilion setahun dijana dalam ekonomi tempatan.

Dulu, pendaftaran boleh dibuat dalam tempoh satu hari. Sekarang, kita tambah baik. Kita daftarkan, dan boleh dibuat daripada mana-mana. Kalau kita berada di London pun, kalau kita nak buat pendaftaran itu, dia boleh dibuat secara *online*, melalui system eLASIS yang kita bangunkan. Kalau kita *submit*, misalnya pagi ini, petang boleh diselesaikan... (*Applause*)... Dan inilah kejayaan kita, dan Sarawak adalah merupakan yang pertama yang melaksanakan sistem pendaftaran ini, bukan sahaja menyentuh tentang *land transactions* tetapi banyak lagi perkara-perkara itu yang kita *integrate*. Kitalah negeri yang pertama. Dua minggu lepas saya menghadiri Mesyuarat Majis Tanah Negara yang dipengerusikan oleh YAB Perdana Menteri. Mereka baru sekarang nak membincangkan bagaimana untuk melaksanakan *The Same Day Registration.* Kita sudah lama, dan sekarang kita tambah baik. Inilah komitmen kita*…(Applause)…*

Tuan Speaker, di dalam sektor perancangan bandar dan desa pula, eSPA sebagai kerangka utama *Sarawak Development Planning Management System* yang diintegrasikan dengan eLASIS dan ePASS telah memberi sumbangan yang *significant* dalam menilai permohonan pembangunan tanah dengan cekap sehingga sistem ini dinobatkan *President's Award* oleh *Malaysian Institute of Planners* pada tahun 2024.

Dalam RMK-13 sistem ini terus ditambahbaik dengan memperkenalkan *eZONE* yang mengintegrasikan sistem *Enterprise Forest Information Management Syste*, Jabatan Kerja Raya Sarawak *Project Dashboard, Urban Drainage Information Management System*, *Electronic Environmental Impact Assessment*, *Timber Regulatory and Compliance System* dan *E-Licensing* dalam satu platfom untuk meningkatkan kecekapan di dalam membuat keputusan perancangan pembangunan yang lebih komprehensif. Sistem ini akan diperkasakan dengan penggunaan *Geographic Information System* (GIS) dan Kecerdasan Buatan (AI).

Dalam sektor perhutanan, pelaksanaan *Electronic Removal Pass* (ePASS) telah meningkatkan kebolehkesanan kayu balak secara *real-time* berbanding penggunaan kaedah pra cetak secara konvensional sebelum ini. Proses ini juga memudahkan penguatkuasaan sekaligus pematuhan kepada piawaian antarabangsa seperti *Timber Legality Assurance System* dan *European Union Deforestation Regulation* (EUDR). Sistem ini disokong oleh *Forest One Stop Compliance Centre.*

Bagi Sarawak Forestry Corporation pula, pengukuhan pendigitalan telah dilakukan melalui *E-Licensing, MyCITES, Wildlife Watch* dan *Foresight AI* bagi pengurusan hidupan liar dan konservasi yang lebih sistematik merangkumi pengurusan pelesenan dan penguatkuasaan. Manakala di NREB, *Environmental Information System Sarawak* (EnvISS) telah dibangunkan sebagai platform bersepadu yang merangkumi *Scheduled Wastes Management System, Greenhouse Gas Management System* dan *Electronic Environmental Impact Assessment System.* Sistem ini membolehkan pengurusan buangan berjadual, pemantauan pelepasan gas rumah hijau dan pemprosesan EIA dilaksanakan secara menyeluruh atas talian. Di bawah Rancangan Malaysia ke-13, keupayaan *EnvISS akan* dipertingkatkan melalui pembangunan modul tambahan bagi penguatkuasaan, *Environmental Compliance Audit, e-library* dan Kelab Pencinta Alam Sekitar (PALS).

Sistem digital TRACE yang dilaksanakan di PUSAKA pula diperkenalkan pada tahun 2024 bagi membolehkan permohonan dan pengurusan pengeluaran lesen dan Sijil Peningkatan serta urusan pembayaran fi dibuat secara atas talian. Selain itu, sistem TRACE turut diintegrasikan dengan *Electronic Financial Accounting System* bagi pengurusan dan rekod data pembayaran yang lebih efisien serta e-Permit Jabatan Kastam Diraja Malaysia (JKDM) bagi urusan pengeluaran lesen eksport dan import. Bersama memacu transformasi digital ini, pada tahun 2026, Lembaga Pembangunan dan Lindungan Tanah (LCDA) telah membangunkan Sistem Maklumat Bersepadu LCDA (iLIS) secara berperingkat bagi memperkukuh kecekapan tadbir urus dan penyampaian perkhidmatan dengan mengintegrasikan pengurusan operasi dan pangkalan data berpusat serta memanfaatkan teknologi AI, GIS dan aplikasi mudah alih. Keseluruhan sistem ini dijangka siap pada tahun 2028.

Persidangan

Tuan Speaker, melalui kementerian ini beberapa persidangan telah dianjurkan yang bertujuan untuk perkongsian ilmu, kepakaran dan menghasilkan resolusi berkaitan pengurusan sumber asli dan alam sekitar. Pada 13 hingga 15 Julai 2026, Jabatan Hutan Sarawak telah menganjurkan *the 21st Malaysian Forestry Conference* (MFC21) yang bertemakan, "*Forests as Catalyst for a Green Economy*" dan dihadiri lebih 600 peserta, serta menghasilkan enam resolusi dan 19 subresolusi strategik untuk dilaksanakan oleh agensi perhutanan di Sarawak, Sabah dan Semenanjung Malaysia. Pada tarikh yang sama, Malaysian Conservation Conference (MCC) 2026 dianjurkan oleh Sarawak Forestry Corporation bertemakan, "*Powering Conservation with a Green Economy*". Sebanyak 25 kertas kerja telah dibentangkan dan 15 resolusi dihasilkan.

Seterusnya, dalam usaha mempromosikan industri buluh, PUSAKA buat julung kalinya telah menganjurkan *Sarawak Bamboo Day* 2026 pada 9 hingga 11 Oktober 2026 yang melibatkan pembentangan tujuh kertas kerja, dengan penyertaan 140 delegasi daripada pemain industri berkaitan, institusi pengajian tinggi, agensi kerajaan, usahawan dan komuniti.

Environmental Education Conference 2026

Tuan Speaker, the Sarawak Government, through the NREB, will organise the Environmental Education Conference (EEC) 2026 from 27th to 28th October 2026 in Kuching, supported by the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), National Geographic, ministries, government agencies and stakeholders. The conference will serve as an international platform bringing together environmental education practitioners, educators, policymakers, international organisations and various stakeholders to share knowledge, best practices and innovative approaches in strengthening environmental education.

Hari Alam Sekitar Negara (HASN) 2026

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan Sarawak melalui NREB akan menganjurkan Hari Alam Sekitar Negara 2026 peringkat Sarawak pada 5 November 2026 bagi meningkatkan kesedaran dan menggalakkan amalan baik masyarakat dalam pengurusan alam sekitar. Sambutan ini menghimpunkan agensi kerajaan, institusi pendidikan, komuniti, industri dan NGO untuk memperkukuh kerjasama serta amalan lestari, selaras dengan komitmen Kerajaan Sarawak untuk melindungi alam sekitar untuk generasi akan datang.

National Hornbill Day

Sambutan *National Hornbill Day* bertemakan, *"Bumi Kenyalang: Preserving Heritage, Protecting Nature"* anjuran bersama Kementerian Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar, SFC dengan kerjasama Yayasan Sime Darby akan diadakan pada 10 November 2026 bertempat di *Sarawak Science Centre*. Inisiatif ini merupakan komitmen berterusan konservasi spesies burung enggang.

PENGIKTIRAFAN DAN KEJAYAAN

Tuan Speaker, kementerian bersama seluruh jabatan dan agensi di bawahnya kekal teguh dengan iltizam untuk mencapai kecemerlangan, mencipta kejayaan dan meneroka pencapaian baharu. Berteraskan semangat kerja berpasukan *Segulai Sejalai*, inovasi dan tatakelola cemerlang, kita bertekad untuk mengangkat martabat serta mengharumkan Sarawak di Malaysia dan di persada dunia. Segala kejayaan yang dicapai merupakan manifestasi usaha bersepadu kementerian saya yang sentiasa proaktif mempertingkatkan kualiti penyampaian perkhidmatan, memperkasakan inovasi, serta memastikan kelestarian khazanah alam semula jadi Sarawak terus terpelihara demi kesejahteraan generasi masa hadapan.

Pengiktirafan Sarawak Delta sebagai UNESCO *Global Geopark* pada 24 April 2026 merupakan pengiktirafan antarabangsa yang memperkukuh penyelidikan, pendidikan alam sekitar, pembangunan komuniti dan geopelancongan, di samping memelihara warisan geologi, biodiversiti dan budaya. Kerjasama antarabangsa turut diperkukuh melalui pemeteraian dua Memorandum Persefahaman dengan Meratus UNESCO Global Geoparks dari Indonesia dan Jeonbuk West Coast UNESCO Global Geopark, Korea.

Tapak Warisan UNESCO Taman Negara Niah

Tuan Speaker, pada Julai 2024, Kompleks Gua Taman Negara Niah telah diiktiraf sebagai Taman Warisan Dunia UNESCO yang membuktikan komitmen tinggi Kerajaan Sarawak dalam usaha pemuliharaan dan pemeliharaan khazanah negeri ini. Bagi memastikan pengiktirafan ini sentiasa berkekalan, beberapa inisiatif berkenaan pengurusan tapak warisan, pembangunan eko pelancongan mampan dan kesedaran awam mengenai kepentingan warisan Niah terus diperkukuh bagi memberi manfaat kepada masyarakat setempat dan Sarawak.

Kecemerlangan pengurusan hutan oleh Jabatan Hutan Sarawak turut mendapat pengiktirafan melalui penganugerahan *Forest Stewardship Award* sempena *Green & Geopark Excellence Awards 2026* pada Oktober 2026 dan meraih Anugerah Emas pada Malaysia *Japan Industrial and Innovation Expo*, *International Research and Innovation Competition 2026* pada September 2026. Pencapaian ini mencerminkan komitmen terhadap pengurusan hutan mampan, inovasi, pemuliharaan alam sekitar dan peningkatan kesedaran masyarakat terhadap kepentingan persekitaran hijau.

ASEAN Heritage Park

Tuan Speaker, di peringkat ASEAN pula, pengiktirafan Taman Negara Bako dan Taman Negara Bukit Lambir sebagai *ASEAN Heritage Parks* akan terus diperkasa dengan perlaksanaan Pelan Pengurusan Taman Negara bagi tempoh 2024 hingga 2033 untuk menangani dan mengurangkan ancaman terhadap biodiversiti serta mencapai sasaran pemuliharaan di kedua-dua taman negara tersebut. Jabatan Hutan Sarawak melalui pelaksanaan *Sarawak Greening Campaign* telah menerima pengiktirafan *ASEAN Green Initiative Award* daripada *ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity* pada 9 September 2026 di Manila, Filipina. Pada 14 Julai 2026, Jabatan Hutan Sarawak turut menerima pengiktirafan *Malaysia Book of Records* bagi pencapaian *Most Native IUCN Red List Tree Species Planted in a Forest Reserve in a Year*.

Rizab Semula Jadi Bukit Lima turut diiktiraf oleh *Malaysia Book of Records* sebagai *Largest Protected Urban Peat Swamp Nature Reserve* di Malaysia pada 11 Julai 2026 dengan keluasan 301.23 hektar, 15 kali ganda lebih besar berbanding KLCC Park. NREB telah dianugerahkan *Malaysia Stakeholder Engagement of the Year – Education* pada *GovMedia Conference & Awards* 2026 di Singapura pada 9 Julai 2026. Anugerah ini diberikan atas impak serta usaha NREB memperkukuh pendidikan alam sekitar dan penglibatan sekolah melalui program PALS, yang disokong oleh platform e-PALS.

Menerusi inisiatif Kelab Pencinta Alam Sekitar (PALS) yang melibatkan generasi muda dalam pendidikan dan pemeliharaan alam sekitar, NREB sekali lagi dianugerahkan pengiktirafan di peringkat Asia bagi *Community Initiative Award* pada *Asia Corporate Excellence & Sustainability Awards 2026* pada Oktober 2026.

Inisiatif pembangunan semula Darul Hana yang dilaksanakan oleh LCDA, telah diperakui di peringkat antarabangsa oleh *Taiwan Institute for Sustainable Energy* dengan Anugerah *Asia- Pacific Sustainability Action Awards* 2026. Anugerah ini merupakan pengiktirafan terhadap inisiatif berimpak tinggi di rantau Asia Pasifik yang menyumbang kepada pencapaian *United Nations Sustainable Development Goals*.

Dalam aspek pengukuhan institusi, integriti dan kecemerlangan organisasi, PUSAKA turut mencatat pelbagai kejayaan. Antaranya termasuk Anugerah Perak bagi Anugerah Kualiti Perkhidmatan Awam Negeri Sarawak dan Anugerah Emas bagi Anugerah Integriti, Governans dan Antirasuah pada tahun 2025.

Dari aspek tatakelola, Jabatan Hutan Sarawak dan PUSAKA telah memperoleh pensijilan Sistem Pengurusan Anti Rasuah *(Anti-Bribery Management System – ABMS)* MS ISO 37001:2025 masing-masingnya pada Jun dan Oktober 2026.

ISU SPESIFIK

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

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Jepak, surat tawaran kelulusan bagi 111 Ketua Keluarga Tambahan untuk lot kediaman di SPK Jelutong, Bintulu akan disampaikan dalam masa terdekat.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Balingian, kerajaan melalui Majlis Perancangan Negeri telah meluluskan pelan pembangunan Matedeng/Bedengan Sub-Centre sebagai garis panduan perancangan guna tanah s*ub-centre* tersebut yang melibatkan kawasan seluas 192 ekar. Antara komponen pembangunan dan guna tanah yang diluluskan bagi *sub-centre* tersebut ialah zon pembangunan komersil, kediaman, tapak rumah ibadat, rizab kerajaan dan kawasan lapang.

Lembaga Pembangunan dan Lindungan Tanah telah menyiapkan projek pembinaan Medan Selera di Matedeng/ Bedengan *Sub-Centre* pada 8 April 2021 dan telah diserahkan pengurusannya kepada Majlis Daerah Dalat dan Mukah pada 11 April 2021. Berhubung dengan cadangan Ahli Yang Berhormat untuk menaik taraf Medan Selera Matedeng Fasa 2, LCDA akan mengemukakan permohonan peruntukan dalam Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-13. Pembangunan komponen-komponen lain dalam *sub-centre* tersebut akan dirancang dan dilaksanakan mengikut keperluan dan kesediaan peruntukan dari semasa ke semasa.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Balingian juga, cadangan *Matedeng Industrial Park & Township Master Plan* oleh RECODA telah diluluskan pada tahun 2017. Namun demikian, pelaksanaan projek tidak dapat diteruskan memandangkan terdapat bantahan daripada penduduk setempat ke atas projek *Boulevard Road to Matedeng Industrial Park (Phase I).* Walaupun beberapa sesi dialog telah diadakan, penduduk setempat masih berkeras tidak bersetuju dengan pelaksanaan projek berkenaan. Sehubungan itu, pihak RECODA telah membatalkan pelaksanaan projek tersebut melalui surat bertarikh 28 September 2022. Walau bagaimanapun, kerajaan akan mengkaji semula kesesuaian projek ini di masa akan datang.

Berhubung dengan cadangan naiktaraf infrastruktur di Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK) Baru Kuala Balingian dan cadangan mewujudkan SPK Sau, kedua-duanya akan dikemukakan dalam Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-13.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kalaka, proses pengambilan balik tanah bagi SPK Hulu Saratok Fasa 2 yang berkeluasan 20.3 hektar atau 50.1 ekar telah selesai dengan kos sebanyak lebih kurang RM8.14 juta. Permohonan peruntukan bagi pelaksanaan pembangunan infrastruktur akan dikemukakan untuk pertimbangan di bawah Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-13 (RMK-13).

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhomat bagi Bukit Assek, Pelan Induk Projek Pembangunan Semula Bukit Assek telah diluluskan oleh Majlis Perancangan Negeri pada 4 Mac 2026. Seperti Ahli Yang Berhormat sedia maklum, projek ini akan dilaksanakan secara berperingkat. Peringkat pertama dicadang untuk dilaksanakan di bawah Rancangan Malaysia Ke-13 yang melibatkan pembinaan *Wetland Park* 1 dan komponen-komponen berkaitan seperti pengambilan balik tanah, infrastruktur asas dan sebagainya. Walau bagaimanapun, pelaksanaan fizikal projek adalah berdasarkan kepada peruntukan yang diluluskan. Pelaksanaan projek ini nanti dijangka akan membuka peluang kepada pelabur-pelabur swasta untuk turut serta terutama dalam pembangunan komersil, perhotelan dan pelancongan, pendidikan dan sebagainya.

Berhubung dengan sesi libat urus dengan pemegang-pemegang taruh pula, LCDA akan melaksanakannya secara berterusan mengikut keperluan, seperti yang telah kita laksanakan sebelum ini semasa program Sarawakku Sayang di Sibu pada 10 hingga 12 Julai 2026 dan juga semasa pameran mengenai pembangunan Bukit Assek di *Sibu Heritage Centre* pada 3 hingga 11 Oktober 2026. Di kesempatan ini, saya mengucapkan terima kasih kepada Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Bukit Assek atas penglibatan dan komitmen tinggi yang ditunjukkan dalam sesi-sesi libat urus dan program-program berkaitan projek ini yang telah kita anjurkan.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Ngemah, kawasan RASCOM baru sahaja diserah kembali kepada Kerajaan Sarawak pada Ogos 2026 lanjutan daripada persetujuan Kerajaan Persekutuan melepas hak mereka ke atas kawasan RASCOM berkenaan. Penyerahan semula kawasan RASCOM ini telah membolehkan Kerajaan Sarawak memperoleh kembali kawalan penuh

terhadap kawasan tersebut. Melalui pelepasan ini, Sarawak dapat merancang, menyelaras dan melaksanakan penyelesaian isu-isu berkaitan dengan penempatan rumah panjang sedia ada serta pembangunan semula kawasan berkenaan dengan lebih teratur dan komprehensif termasuklah cadangan untuk mewujudkan SPK Nanga Ngungun, SPS Nanga Jagau dan SPS Nanga Tada. Cadangan ini akan diselaraskan di bawah perancangan *Mid Rajang Regional Development Agency*, termasuk penyediaan pelan tempatan, penambahbaikan jalan raya dan infrastruktur asas serta pembangunan potensi industri pertanian dan ekonomi setempat. Perancangan ini memastikan pembangunan yang lebih tersusun, mampan dan memenuhi keperluan generasi baharu di kawasan ini kelak.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Bukit Semuja, berhubung dengan aktiviti pemindahan tanah di kawasan Kampung Lebor, Kampung Remun dan Kampung Triboh dan jalan dari simpang Gedong, Jabatan Tanah dan Survei telahpun diarahkan untuk meningkatkan operasi penguatkuasaan agar pelesen-pelesen mematuhi syarat-syarat lesen pemindahan tanah. Pada masa yang sama, Jabatan Tanah dan Survei akan terus bekerjasama dengan JPJ untuk memastikan keselamatan pengguna jalan raya lain tidak terjejas.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Lingga, tapak kubur lama Triso yang terletak di atas Lot 24 Block 6 Triso Land District yang berkeluasan lebih kurang 1.44 ekar telah pun diwartakan sebagai Rizab Komunal Bumiputera untuk Tanah Perkuburan bagi komuniti Melayu di Triso Barat Sebuyau pada 23 Jun 1976.

Manakala berhubung dengan status tapak kubur sedia ada yang berhampiran di muara Batang Lupar, Jabatan Tanah dan Survei bersama Jabatan Agama Islam Sarawak akan menjalankan proses pemutihan ke atas tapak kubur berkenaan. Dalam masa yang sama, satu tapak baharu perkuburan di kawasan berkenaan telahpun dikenal pasti untuk menampung keperluan masa hadapan.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kabong, tapak Masjid Baharu Kampung Sesang, Kabong telah diluluskan pada 12 Mac 2026 oleh Majlis Perancangan Negeri. Buat masa ini, proses pengambilan balik tanah sedang dijalankan dan dijadualkan siap pada April 2027. Pembangunan fizikal sebenar masjid ini akan diurus oleh Jabatan Agama IslamSarawak dan Jabatan Kerja Raya Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, di kesempatan ini, saya merakamkan terima kasih kepada Tuan Speaker, Timbalan Speaker, Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Setiausaha Kerajaan Sarawak, Yang Arif Dato Sri Peguam Besar Sarawak, Yang Berbahagia Dato Sri Setiausaha Kewangan Sarawak, Yang Berbahagia Dato Setiausaha Persekutuan Sarawak, semua Setiausaha Tetap di Kementerian-Kementerian, Jabatan Kerajaan Negeri dan Persekutuan, agensi-agensi Kerajaan dan sekretariat Dewan Undangan Negeri. Saya mengucapkan jutaan terima kasih kepada pegawai-pegawai di Kementerian saya dan semua yang terlibat secara langsung dan tidak langsung dalam menjayakan persidangan kali ini.

Saya juga ingin mengucapkan Selamat Hari Deepavali, Hari Krismas dan Tahun Baharu 2027 kepada semua Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat dan semua yang meraikannya.

Tuan Speaker, pantun:

Pohon belian teguh berdiri,
Indah menghijau bumi kenyalang,
Teknologi angkasa akan diterokai,
Sarawak menuju zaman gemilang.
... (Applause)...

Keringkam dan songket memang serasi,
Warisan budaya seni tenunan,

Bajet Yang Amat Berhormat Premier penuh inspirasi,
Menyeluruh serta berpaksikan pembangunan.
... (Applause)...

Demikianlah sahaja ucapan penggulungan saya bagi Kementerian Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar. Terima kasih.

Tuan Speaker: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, that was the winding up address by the Honourable Minister for *Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar kedua*. So, the Honourable Minister will do his winding up for *Perdagangan Antarabangsa Industri dan Pelabuhan* after our break. We have a break. Sitting resumes at 11:20 a.m.

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[Tuan Speaker mempengerusikan Mesyuarat]

Tuan Speaker: Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah bin Ali Hasan, Timbalan Premier dan Menteri Perdagangan Antarabangsa, Industri dan Pelaburan untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan.

Timbalan Premier Sarawak; Menteri Perdagangan Antarabangsa, Industri dan Pelaburan Sarawak; dan Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri N.82 Bukit Sari (YB Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah bin Ali Hasan): Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker.

CONGRATULATORY REMARKS ON SARAWAK BUDGET 2027

Terlebih dahulu, saya ingin merakamkan setinggi-tinggi tahniah dan penghargaan kepada Yang Amat Berhormat Premier Sarawak, merangkap Ahli Yang Berhormat N.26 Gedong, atas pembentangan Belanjawan Sarawak 2027 yang bertemakan, *"Together Building Prosperity and Securing Our Future."* Belanjawan 2027 mencerminkan komitmen berterusan Kerajaan Sarawak untuk memperkukuh pertumbuhan ekonomi, mempercepat pembangunan industri, menarik pelaburan serta menyokong perkembangan perniagaan dan usahawan tempatan.

Tuan Speaker, the emphasis on industrial infrastructure, strategic investments, trade expansion and entrepreneurship development will enhance Sarawak's competitiveness, create new business opportunities and encourage greater participation by local enterprises. Together, these initiatives will support a more diversified and resilient economy, create quality jobs and ensure that the benefits of development are shared by all Sarawakians.

ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

The global economic environment remains challenging, marked by geopolitical tensions, trade uncertainty, supply-chain disruptions, volatile energy markets and rapid technological change. The International Monetary Fund, in its October 2026 outlook, projected global growth of 3.1% in 2026 and 3.4% in 2027, while cautioning that significant risks remain.

Malaysia is responding through industrial upgrading and digitalisation under the 13th Malaysia Plan. Sarawak is well placed to benefit, with its renewable energy resources, established industries, natural resources and strategic location. To turn these advantages into lasting gains, we must improve our business environment, build local capabilities and broaden participation in economic growth.

INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE AND FACILITATION

Tuan Speaker, investors now look beyond incentives. Reliable power, skilled workers, efficient logistics, clear regulations and capable suppliers are increasingly important to their decisions.

In the first half of 2026, Sarawak recorded approximately RM11.2 billion in approved investments across the primary, manufacturing and services sectors, with domestic investments accounting for 61% and these investments include expansion and reinvestment by some of the existing foreign investors. This builds on RM116.8 billion in approved investments between 2021 and 2025, reflecting continued confidence among domestic and foreign investors. In the manufacturing sector, 62% of approved projects are at various stages of implementation.

Our immediate priority is to turn approvals into operating projects. Further proposals are progressing through evaluation and negotiation, with more final investment decisions expected in the next quarter of this year. My ministry, InvestSarawak and MIDA will work with relevant agencies to resolve issues involving land, utilities, infrastructure and regulatory approvals. To guide our long-term investment direction, my ministry has completed a comprehensive Sarawak Investment Policy Study. The study provides a strategic framework that attracts high-value investments, diversify our industrials base, strengthen local participation and creates skilled employment. It identifies four priority growth clusters, with a projected investment potential of RM275 billion to RM330 billion and 254,000 jobs by the year 2030.

The first two clusters are Clean Energy Industries, leveraging renewable energy to develop green manufacturing; and petrochemicals, expanding downstream gas, petrochemical and oleochemical industries, including sustainable aviation fuel and carbon capture activities. The other two clusters are Advanced Industries, covering semiconductors, electronics, medical technology, pharmaceuticals, aerospace, bioindustries, AI data centres and high-value food manufacturing; and tourism and services, focusing on ecotourism, business events, higher education, medical and digital services.

To connect local businesses with these opportunities, we are building commercial linkages through the Sarawak Global Supply Chain and Sourcing Programme 2026 in Kuching and engagements in Shanghai, Seoul, London and Munich. In 2027, we will continue to intensify these efforts to expand market access, build business partnerships and strengthen the competitiveness of local businesses. The emphasis is on practical outcomes: stronger supplier relationships, technology partnerships and access to regional and global supply chains.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak will continue to strengthen its industrial base by promoting advanced manufacturing and high-value industries, including oil and gas, petrochemicals, semiconductors, electrical and electronics, precision engineering and related activities.

Under PCDS 2030 and the 13th Malaysia Plan, our priority is to develop stronger industrial value chains, increase local participation and create greater economic value within Sarawak. We will promote downstream petrochemicals, engineering, fabrication and specialised industrial services. At Samalaju, our focus will include metal-based products, advanced materials, industrial components and data centre-related industries. These developments will create opportunities for local manufacturers and service providers.

Bintulu's recognition by the World Economic Forum as a Transitioning Industrial Cluster provides opportunities to advance industrial decarbonisation and low-carbon manufacturing. The Kuching Low-Carbon Hub will complement these efforts through integrated energy and gas infrastructure, carbon capture solutions and downstream activities. In the semiconductor industry, the Sarawak Semiconductor Roadmap 2030 will guide our efforts to develop integrated circuit

design, compound semiconductors, advanced packaging and supporting industries, including precision engineering and automation.

We will also strengthen shipbuilding, marine engineering and specialised manufacturing to support the growing needs of our energy and industrial sectors. To achieve these objectives, we will continue improving industrial infrastructure, investment facilitation and workforce capabilities, while strengthening collaboration among major investors, local enterprises and technical institutions. Our ultimate goal is to build a more diversified, competitive and sustainable industrial economy, with stronger local supply chains, greater participation by Sarawakian businesses and more quality jobs for our people.

OIL AND GAS DEVELOPMENT AND DOWNSTREAM INDUSTRIALISATION

Tuan Speaker, oil and gas remain important to Sarawak's economy. Under the Sarawak Gas Roadmap, Miri, Samalaju, Bintulu and Kuching have been identified as a key development hubs to expand gas utilisation, strengthen energy security and promote downstream industries.

In 2026, PETROS and PETRA Energy obtained first oil at Adong Kechil West, marking the revival of onshore petroleum production after nearly 50 years. Meanwhile, PETROS and Norway's Hoegh Evi have announced the proposed Kuching LNG Terminal, targeting first gas by the year 2029 by the end of 2029.

Sarawak is also stepping up onshore exploration using advanced technologies to identify new oil and gas reserves. Nine promising areas have been identified by PETROS, with plans to drill 10 exploratory wells, beginning in Balingian, Limbang-Lawas, Marudi and Niah, involving an estimated investment of RM500 million.

Downstream development is also progressing. Sarawak Petchem has exported more than 180 cargoes of methanol, strengthening Sarawak's presence in the global petrochemical market and demonstrating the value of processing our gas resources into higher-value products. Looking ahead, proposed low-carbon methanol, ammonia and urea projects will further expand our downstream industries and support the transition towards lower-carbon industrial development.

These developments will strengthen Sarawak's integrated oil and gas value chain, from exploration and production to gas processing and downstream manufacturing. They will also attract investments, create skilled jobs and open more opportunities for Sarawakian companies in engineering, fabrication, maintenance, logistics and specialised services. Our priority is to maximise the economic value of Sarawak's oil and gas resources while ensuring greater local industry participation, technology transfer and long-term benefits for our people.

INDUSTRIAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

Tuan Speaker, industrial growth requires investment-ready land, reliable utilities, adequate power supply and efficient transport connectivity. These are essential to attract new investments and support the expansion of existing industries. Reliable and competitively priced electricity is increasingly important in attracting high-value and energy-intensive investments, particularly in semiconductors, AI data centres, aerospace and advanced manufacturing.

From an investment perspective, our policy must ensure that energy planning is closely aligned with industrial development. Investors need certainty that sufficient power will be available at the right time, at competitive rates and from sustainable sources. The introduction of data centre development guidelines is also important to ensure that new investments are aligned with energy availability, infrastructure capacity and sustainability requirements.

Tuan Speaker, under the 13th Malaysia Plan, RM199.62 million has been approved for 25 industrial park projects across Sarawak, including rural areas. Sarawak Budget 2027 will further support the development and expansion of industrial parks and the upgrading of existing infrastructure.

Our priority is to ensure that industrial parks are developed based on actual investor demand, commercial viability, environmental sustainability and infrastructure readiness. We will also encourage supporting industries and local enterprises to establish operations near major industrial centres to strengthen local supply chains.

Tuan Speaker, shipbuilding and ship repair remain important industries, particularly in Sibu and Miri, contributing to exports and skilled employment. We will support their development through improved facilities, technology adoption and workforce capabilities, particularly in higher-value vessel construction, ship repair and marine engineering.

In this regard, the proposed New Shipbuilding Industrial Park at Paloh, Tanjung Manis, spearheaded by STIDC, will provide opportunities for industrial expansion, new investments and the development of an integrated maritime industrial ecosystem. Its development will require adequate navigational access, reliable utilities, efficient logistics and supporting facilities. Private sector investments, including Kota Petra Green Technology Park and Kenyalang Smart City, will also complement government efforts in expanding industrial infrastructure and creating new economic opportunities.

Moving forward, my ministry will work closely with relevant ministries, agencies and industry players to align infrastructure planning, energy requirements, investment facilitation and workforce development with industrial demand. Our focus is to ensure that Sarawak offers a competitive and investment-ready industrial environment that supports high-value industries, strengthens local businesses and creates quality jobs for Sarawakians.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND MARKET ACCESS

Tuan Speaker, international trade remains a key driver of Sarawak's economy. However, our exporters continue to face challenges from rising logistics costs, changing trade policies, exchange-rate fluctuations and increasing global competition.

In 2025, Sarawak recorded RM120.8 billion in exports and RM60.5 billion in imports, resulting in a trade surplus of RM60.3 billion. From January to August 2026, exports increased by 16% year-on-year to RM91.2 billion, while imports grew by 8% to RM43.5 billion. Sarawak remained Malaysia's fourth-largest exporting state, contributing 5.4% of national exports.

Our next task is to diversify markets and help SMEs overcome barriers in certification, financing, logistics and access to buyers. In this regard, my ministry will implement the Sarawak Trade Growth Strategy to strengthen export competitiveness, diversify markets and prepare more SMEs for international trade. The Made in Sarawak Export Programme will complement these efforts by improving product quality, certification and branding to meet international market requirements. We will also strengthen trade promotion and business linkages through our offices in Singapore (STATOS) and Brunei (STATOB), working closely with MATRADE, MIDA and industry partners to connect Sarawak businesses with overseas buyers and commercial opportunities.

This year, a delegation of 19 companies from the Singapore Business Federation visited Sarawak to explore business opportunities, while 28 Sarawak companies participated in business engagements with Brunei. Events such as the Borneo International Halal Showcase (BIHAS) 2026, Showcase *Usahawan Sarawak* and the Borneo Native Festival further strengthened efforts to promote local products, build business networks and expand market access.

Building on these engagements, we will continue to facilitate business connections and follow-up opportunities to translate growing market interest into export orders, distribution agreement and long-term business partnership, creating greater opportunities for Sarawak'S enterprises.

MSME DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Tuan Speaker, MSMEs support jobs, household incomes and local supply chains across Sarawak, including rural areas. Sarawak has more than 71,000 registered enterprises, with approximately three-quarters classified as microenterprises. The services sector accounts for around 84% of MSMEs. We will support enterprises through financing, business skills, digitalisation, market access and suitable premises.

Financial Assistance and Business Support

Tuan Speaker, since January 2026, key programmes implemented by my Ministry, including *Graduan Ke Arah Keusahawanan (GERAK), Usahawan Teknikal dan Vokasional (USTEV)*, Go Digital, *Skim Kredit Mikro Sarawak* and *Skim Pinjaman Industri Kecil dan Sederhana*, have benefited more than 570 MSMEs, involving approximately RM15.27 million in approved assistance.

This assistance helps businesses obtain working capital and equipment, adopt technology and expand operations. Funding must be matched with sound business planning, financial management and access to markets. We will therefore, coordinate more closely with financial institutions and implementing agencies to make support accessible and effective.

Entrepreneurship Development and Market Promotion

Entrepreneurs also need practical skills to compete and grow. Under the 13th Malaysia Plan, various agencies have committed to implementing entrepreneurship development programmes focusing on business management, financial literacy, digital adoption, marketing and operational efficiency. In 2026, my ministry implemented 22 promotion and expo programmes, involving 627 entrepreneur participations and generating RM7.11 million in reported sales.

These programmes help local product reach customers and build business networks. Our support will cover the full business journey, from start-up and formalisation to expansion, digitalisation and export readiness. We will continue to prioritise rural entrepreneurs, women, youth and businesses outside major urban centres. Success will be measured by stronger businesses, higher productivity, revenue growth and employment not only the number of beneficiaries.

Digitalisation of MSMEs

Tuan Speaker, digital tools help MSMEs improve efficiency, manage operations and reach customers beyond their immediate market. Through the Go Digital initiative, implemented in collaboration with the Sarawak Digital Economy Corporation (SDEC), my ministry has allocated RM12 million to support technology adoption among MSMEs.

To date, digitalisation initiatives have reached more than 18,000 MSMEs, representing approximately 61% of the PCDS 2030 target of 30,000 MSMEs. Barriers remain, including digital skills, adoption costs, cybersecurity awareness and converting online activity into sustainable sales.

In 2027, we will place greater emphasis on practical digital adoption, including digital payments, ecommerce, digital marketing, business management systems and cybersecurity awareness. We will also continue supporting business formalisation through *Jom Regista*, enabling entrepreneurs to improve their access to financing, government assistance and commercial opportunities.

BUSINESS PREMISES AND ANJUNG USAHAWAN

Tuan Speaker, affordable business premises remain especially important in a smaller towns and rural areas. *Anjung Usahawan* and processing centres provide space for trading, processing and other local business activities. Their value depends not only on construction, but also on sound management, maintenance and effective use. Our guidelines for the operation and management of *Anjung Usahawan* and processing centre set out responsibilities for sustainable operations and accountability. Private-sector participation may be considered where appropriate, with public oversight maintained.

In 2027, we will implement these guidelines, monitor performance and tailor management arrangements to each facility's business potential. Our aim is for these facilities to generate genuine business activity and income for local communities.

CAPITAL MARKET AND BUMIPUTERA ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT

Tuan Speaker, as companies expand, they need more sophisticated financing. Capital markets can help them raise funds and improve corporate capabilities. Currently, 37 Sarawak companies are listed on Bursa Malaysia, with a combined market capitalisation of approximately RM24 billion. Since 2024, five Sarawak-related listings have successfully raised RM307.4 million, reflecting the growing role of capital markets in supporting business development. My ministry will work with Bursa Malaysia, investment banks and advisors to prepare more companies to access growth capital. This includes better governance, financial reporting and business planning.

Under the Sarawak *Bumiputera* 3-7-20 Framework, we aim to achieve three *Bumiputera* companies listed on Bursa Malaysia, seven Bumiputera Regional Business Champions and the transformation of 20% of Bumiputera microenterprises into private limited companies by 2030. We will give particular attention to building competitive *Bumiputera* enterprises. Our aim is to help more *Bumiputera* businesses grow beyond micro and small-scale operations into higher value industries and regional markets.

We have made encouraging progress. Nine Sarawak *Bumiputera* companies have been identified with listing potential, while United Asiapac Energy Berhad achieved a significant milestone with its listing on the ACE Market of Bursa Malaysia on 14th September 2026. In addition, 22 high-performing companies with annual turnover exceeding RM10 million have been identified for further development in business capacity, market expansion and participation in high value industries.

We will also expand *Bumiputera* participation in strategic sectors, particularly oil and gas services and equipment. Moving forward, we will strengthen the enterprise growth pathway, that is *"Start, Strengthen, Scale, Supply and Internationalise",* supported by better access to financing, technology, certification, markets and strategic supply chains.

VENDOR DEVELOPMENT AND LOCAL INDUSTRY PARTICIPATION

Tuan Speaker, local companies need technical expertise, certification, financing and real contract opportunities to move into higher value work. PETRONAS, Sarawak Energy, PETROS and PETRA Energy are supporting this effort through strategic vendor development and procurement initiatives. In the first half of 2026, 300 Sarawak vendors secured RM2.68 billion in contracts from PETRONAS. Since 2014, the cumulative value of contracts awarded to Sarawak vendors has reached RM51.5 billion, including contracts undertaken outside Sarawak.

Sarawak Energy's vendor development programme has supported 212 vendors since 2019. By September 2026, 197 had completed the programme, comprising 154 Bumiputera and 43 non-*Bumiputera* vendors, while 448 individuals had obtained technical competency certifications.

PETROS is expanding opportunities for local companies through planned offshore, onshore, gas and power investments. Its Sarawak Gas Roadmap Ecosystem Blueprint outlines 15 programmes, including eight flagship initiatives, covering industry demand, infrastructure, technology, capability development and financing.

PETRA Energy, a private energy company, has taken the initiative to expand opportunities for local vendors. By September 2026, it had awarded contracts to 78 Sarawak vendors, up from 62 in 2025. The company is also working with my ministry to develop a programme to strengthen local vendor capabilities.

For strategic investments, we will consider appropriate commitments on technology transfer, skills and local supplier participation, where feasible and consistent with the law. My ministry will coordinate with industry, training institutions and financial partners to match vendor training and certification with actual procurement needs. Our objective is to develop local vendors that can compete for complex projects in Sarawak and beyond.

EASE OF DOING BUSINESS, COORDINATION AND GOVERNANCE

Tuan Speaker, efficient and predictable procedures are as important to investors as incentives and infrastructure. Businesses need clear rules, timely decisions and a practical way to resolve implementation issues. In 2026, survey by the American Malaysian Chamber of Commerce (AMCHAM) found that 62% of respondents had experienced significant regulatory challenges affecting their operations in Malaysia over the past two years. The survey also highlighted policy consistency and faster approvals as key priorities for improving the business environment.

These findings reinforce the need for regulatory clarity and better inter-agency coordination. My ministry will identify bottlenecks and improve processes affecting investment, trade, industry and MSMEs. InvestSarawak will strengthen its one-stop role in coordinating approvals, following up projects and resolving investor issues. We are also developing Select Sarawak as an integrated digital platform to improve transparency and coordination throughout the investor journey.

It is intended to cover enquiries, project assessment, approvals, licensing, implementation monitoring and aftercare. We will strengthen accountability and use performance data to assess whether these reforms deliver results. Integrity and transparency will remain central to the management of public resources and programmes.

RESPONSES TO MATTERS RAISED BY THE HONOURABLE MEMBERS

Tuan Speaker, on the matter raised by the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tanjong Batu, the expansion of the Samalaju SME Cluster will provide more opportunities for local businesses to participate in Bintulu's industrial growth. My ministry will work with anchor investors to strengthen local supplier capabilities and facilitate access to contracts in engineering, maintenance, logistics and industrial services.

Sibu Special Economic Zone (SSEZ)

I wish to thank Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Bukit Assek and Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Bawang Assan for their views and suggestions on the proposed establishment of Sibu Special Economic Zone (SSEZ). This initiative was announced by the Right Honourable Premier of Sarawak during the *Sarawakku Sayang* Programme on 11th July 2026 in Sibu to unlock the economic potential of central Sarawak.

The SSEZ will focus among others on high-value manufacturing, downstream processing, agro-industry, logistics and green industries. On our part, we will collaborate with the relevant

Federal and Sarawak agencies on investment incentives, a one-stop investment facilitation centre and supporting infrastructure.

These efforts are aimed at attracting quality investments, creating skilled jobs and expanding business opportunities, while positioning Sibu as a stronger economic and industrial hub for central Sarawak.

Cross-Border Trade and Economic Development

Tuan Speaker, I thank Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tebedu for highlighting the importance of cross-border trade and economic development, particularly at Tebedu - Entikong. Cross border trade is an important driver of economic growth, creating market opportunities for local businesses, particularly SMEs, attracting investment and generating employment in border communities. In this regard, I welcome the Prime Minister's announcement under Federal Budget 2027 to expediate the reopening of commercial trade through Tebedu–Entikong. My Ministry will pursue this matter and to continue working closely with the Federal and Indonesian authorities to facilitate and expediate trade normalisation.

To support this effort, the Sarawak Government has widened the road access to border. We will also continue to engage the Federal Government to pursue the upgrading of ICQS complex in Tebedu and improve cross-border connectivity.

Similarly, Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Opar and Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tanjong Datu has highlighted the potential of border areas development in Biawak and Telok Melano–Temajuk for trade, logistics and tourism. I concur with their suggestions. However, the development will require better connectivity, appropriate border facilities and close inter-agency cooperation.

Therefore, Sarawak Government has commissioned the Sarawak Border Area Development Master Plan, expected to be completed in the fourth quarter of 2026. The study will identify priority projects, including the proposed upgrading of Biawak ICQS. Implementation will be phased, subject to funding and necessary approvals.

To further strengthen economic ties with West Kalimantan, Indonesia, the proposed Sarawak Trade and Tourism Office in Pontianak, targeted to commence operations in 2027, will facilitate trade, investment, tourism and business partnerships.

MSME Development, Digitalisation and Market Access

On e-*invoicing*, raised by Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kota Sentosa, we recognise the implementation challenges faced by some businesses. Although this is a Federal matter, my Ministry will explore practical assistance, including technical clinics and digital support, in collaboration with LHDN, SDEC and business associations.

As for Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Beting Maro, our efforts will focus on helping agricultural producers and traditional craft entrepreneurs improve processing, packaging, certification and product quality, while expanding access to markets, particularly Singapore and Brunei.

Concerning the proposed *Anjung Usahawan* Kabong, I wish to inform Ahli Yang Berhormat for Kabong that a site review is underway, with Jalan Pantai Tanjung Kembang being considered as a more suitable location.

Vendor Development and Local Industry Participation

Addressing the matter raised by Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Stakan, the Sarawak Government remains committed to ensuring technology transfer, local supplier development and quality

employment through strategic investments. My ministry will work with relevant Federal agencies, including MIDA, to leverage available incentives and strengthen local content and the capabilities of Sarawakian companies.

CLOSING REMARKS

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak kini berada pada satu detik penting dalam sejarah pembangunannya. Di bawah kepimpinan kukuh dan berpandangan jauh Yang Amat Berhormat Premier dan Kerajaan GPS, kita telah mencapai kemajuan yang membanggakan…*(Applause)...*

Kita berjaya meningkatkan pendapatan negeri, kita berjaya menarik pelaburan, membangunkan industri, membuka pelbagai peluang baharu kepada rakyat. Selain daripada pembangunan infrastruktur, jalan raya, jambatan, bekalan air dan kita menjaga kebajikan masyarakat. Sarawak bertuah kerana dikurniakan dengan kekayaan sumber semula jadi. Namun, kekuatan dan aset penting dan yang paling berharga yang kita miliki adalah rakyat Sarawak. Perpaduan rakyat merupakan kekuatan dan aset terbesar Sarawak yang menjadi tunjang keamanan, kestabilan dan kemajuan negeri ini.

Sarawak is a land of many races, religions and cultures. We come from very different background. Yet, we have lived together in peace and harmony for generations. No single community can build Sarawak alone. We have come this far because we have worked together, supported one another and shared the same vision, we share the same hope for a better future.

We must never take this unity for granted. Peace and political stability have allowed us to plan for the future, attract investments and bring development to our people. We must never allow racial division, religious extremism or any form of extremism and we must never allow narrow political interests to destroy what generations have worked so hard to build... *(Applause)...*

Tuan Speaker, membangunkan Sarawak bukanlah sesuatu yang mudah. Banyak usaha, keringat, pengorbanan telah dicurahkan oleh generasi terdahulu. Untuk membina mengambil masa ratusan tahun, mengambil masa dari satu generasi ke satu generasi. Tetapi untuk meruntuhkan, hanya sekelip mata.

Oleh yang demikian, janganlah kerana perbezaan kaum, agama atau fahaman politik, kita menggadaikan masa depan anak cucu kita. Kita boleh berbeza pandangan, tetapi jangan berpecah hati. Kita boleh berbeza pendirian, tetapi jangan hilang rasa persaudaraan. Kerana akhirnya, kita semua adalah anak Sarawak ... *(Applause)...*Inilah perjuangan Kerajaan GPS di bawah kepimpinan Yang Amat Berhormat Premier. Kita mahu Sarawak terus maju, hak kita di bawah MA63 terus diperjuangkan, dipertahankan, kekayaan negeri dinikmati oleh rakyat dan tiada siapa yang ketinggalan dalam pembangunan. Inilah dasar dan perjuangan kita.

We are not building Sarawak for our generation alone. We are building it for our children, grandchildren and for the next generation to come. What matters is not only how much wealth we create, but how many lives we improve, how many opportunities we open, and what kind of Sarawak we leave behind. Our children deserve a Sarawak that is more prosperous than today. But above all, they deserve Sarawak that remains peaceful, united and strong. Inilah semangat Jaga Sarawak, *Intu* Sarawak. Kita jaga keamanan. Kita pelihara perpaduan. Kita pertahankan hak dan kepentingan Sarawak kerana Sarawak ini tanah air kita. Inilah tempat kita dilahirkan, tempat kita membina kehidupan, dan tempat anak cucu kita akan meneruskan masa depan mereka.

Let us never forget, when Sarawak is united, Sarawak is strong. And when Sarawak is strong, there is no limit to what we can achieve together. Sarawak first. Utamakan Sarawak. Jaga Sarawak. *Intu Sarawak* …(*Applause*)… Inilah perjuangan Kerajaan GPS yang dipimpin oleh YAB Premier kita. Kita mahu mewarisi sebuah Sarawak yang lebih maju, lebih kuat, dan lebih makmur daripada yang kita warisi hari ini. Syukur Alhamdulillah bahawa rakyat adalah bersama kita dalam usaha kita untuk

mencapai hala tuju yang dipelopori oleh Yang Amat Berhormat Premier kita dan kepimpinan GPS Sarawak kini. Mudah-mudahan kita akan terus berjaya dan membangunkan Sarawak ini dengan semangat, kerjasama, komitmen untuk kita bersama.

Tuan Speaker, I wish to express my sincere appreciation to Yang Berhormat Tuan Speaker, Yang Berhormat Deputy Speaker, the Secretary and all staff of the Dewan Undangan Negeri for their dedication and professionalism in ensuring the smooth conduct of this sitting.

I extend my heartfelt appreciation to the Right Honourable Premier for his visionary leadership and unwavering commitment to Sarawak's progress and prosperity. My thanks also go to my Cabinet colleagues, the Honourable State Secretary, Federal Secretary, State Attorney-General, State Financial Secretary, Permanent Secretaries, government agencies, industry partners, and all officers and staff of MINTRED for their continued commitment and support. I also thank all Honourable Members for your constructive views, suggestions and contributions throughout this sitting.

Dengan kesempatan ini saya ingin sekali lagi mengucapkan Selamat Hari Deepavali dan Selamat Hari Krismas kepada Ahli-Ahli Yang Berhormat dan semua yang meraikannya. Kepada semua, Selamat Tahun Baharu 2027. Saya akhiri ucapan ini dengan dua rangkap pantun:

Dari Lawas ke Tanjung Datu,
Singgah di Gedong bertemu rakan,
Kerajaan GPS teguh bersatu,
Sarawak gemilang, rakyat diutamakan.
…(Applause)…

Amat nyamai ikan kari,
Nyamai agi makai ngau kaban,
Kerajaan GPS teguh berdiri,
Agi Idup Agi Ngelaban.
…(Applause)…

Sekian, terima kasih.

Tuan Speaker: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, we have a break. Sitting resumes at 2:30 p.m.

(Mesyuarat ditangguhkan pada jam 12:51 tengah hari)

(Mesyuarat dimulakan pada 2:36 petang)

[Tuan Speaker mempengerusikan Mesyuarat]

Tuan Speaker: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, I had received a notice pursuant to Standing Order 23(2)(p) and Standing Order 32(4) dated 21st of October 2026 from the Honourable Member for Pending. I shall call upon her to read out the notice.

YB Puan Violet Yong Wui Wui: Thank you, Tuan Speaker. Notice is hereby given that I shall move a Motion pursuant to Standing Order 23(2)(p) and Standing Order 32(4) that this Honourable Dewan calls upon the Honourable Speaker to withdraw the unparliamentary remark *"biadap"* uttered by him against me during the sitting on the Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak on 20th October 2026 as recorded on page 1 of the Hansard dated 20th October 2026 and to tender an apology to this Honourable Dewan for having made such a remark in the interests of upholding the dignity, decorum and standing of this august House.

The Parliament of Malaysia Official Glossary identifies the used of this courteous language including the word "*biadap*" as unparliamentary under Standing Order 36(4). Before I end Tuan Speaker, I just want to take this opportunity to wish Tasik Biru a Happy Birthday …(*Laughter*)…

Tuan Speaker: Maybe, Tasik Biru better reply to the Motion*…(Laughter)…*Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, for three consecutive days, that is 19th, 20th and today, 21st October 2026, the Honourable Member for Pending has been challenging the authority of the Chair. This Motion is fatally flawed because you cannot use Standing Order 23(2)(p) to be combined with Standing Order 32(4) against the words, actions or character of the Chair. Reflections upon the character or decision of the Speaker by a Member are breaches of privilege. The accusation that the Speaker violates the spirit of Standing Order 32(4) must be handled outside standard debate and must be made by the way of a substantive Motion.

Para 4.23, page 58 Erskine May, *"A reflection upon the character or action of the Speaker may be punished as breaches of privilege".* Para 20.10 page 434*, "Certain matters cannot be debated save upon a substantive Motion which allow a distinct decision of the House".* A distinction must therefore be drawn between an elected Member speaking in debate and the Speaker maintaining order in the House. This distinction is supported by Constitution Framework Article 14(1)(b) of the Sarawak Constitution provides for the Dewan composition by elected Members, whereas Article 15(1)(a) permits the appointment of a Speaker from either existing Members or person qualifies to be elected as Members. Appointment as Speaker does not in itself confirm membership of the Dewan.

The present Speaker who is not an elected ADUN accordingly does not hold membership on that basis. That is why under Standing Order 32(5) during Q&A, you all cannot use name to refer to each other. But the Speaker, the Chair can call you by name. Each Member is not allowed to refer to each other by name. But the Speaker can call you by a name because there is a distinction between Members and Speaker.

Para 4.23, page 58 Erskine May, *"Reflection upon the character or action of the Speaker may be punished as breaches of privilege".* Erskine May 25th Edition, para 21.40 and 21.41 recognizes different categories of misconduct including grossly disorderly conduct, grave disorder and obstructions of Parliamentary business. Paragraph 21.45 records precedent involving insulting language directed at the presiding authority resulting in withdrawal or naming. This authority supports the importance of maintaining respect of the Chair subject always to the procedure as prescribed by the Sarawak's own Standing Orders.

Now, I shall turn to the unedited Hansard dated 19th October 2026 page 62 and 63. I quote here; the Minister asked you to withdraw this word, *"Are you withdrawing?", "No, I am not".* So, it continues. This is recorded in the Hansard whereby the authority of the Chair is more or less challenged. Dated 20th October 2026, page 1 unedited Hansard*, "Sergeant-at-arms"* and I proceed. It's all recorded here. Now, I turn to the Facebook of the Honourable Member for Pending dated 20th October 2026. This is the Facebook of the Honourable Member for Pending, "*See, how a longest serving Speaker of 26 years conducted the session this morning. He refused to turn on my mic and let me speak! Sarawak GPS through their majority is distorting the historical record of what actually happened inside the House. By removing the word "coward" does not make them less coward! Sarawak GPS is still a gang of political cowards!"* All these are recorded.

Standing Order 86(1), *"the decision of the Speaker upon any point of interpretation of any of this Standing Orders or upon any matter of practice, shall, subject to a substantive Motion for that purpose be final, and the Speaker may from time to time issue rulings thereon".* So, the decision of the Speaker is final except upon substantive Motion. Standing Order 86(2), *"No Member may whether inside or outside the Dewan by conduct, action or word ridicule, dispute, show contempt or deliberately refuse to obey such ruling of the Chair".* Standing Order 86(3), *"Any Member who is in breach of paragraph (2) may be named by the Chair and the provision of the Standing Order 40(4)*

shall apply to him". I will move refer to that Standing Order 40(4). Standing Order 40(3), *"If any Member has (a) persistently and wilfully obstructed the business of the Dewan, or (b) been guilty of disorderly conduct or (c), use objectionable words which she has refused to withdraw or persistently or wilfully refuse to conform to the Standing Order or any of those, the Chair may name the Member".*

Naming the Member will make the Speaker call two Ministers alternatively Minister or Deputy Minister to move a Motion to suspend the Member through votes. There is no amendment, no adjournment, no debate. Just votes. The Member can be suspended. There is a distinction also between describing what is going on during the debate and the person personally. When you used the word "*biadap*", it refers to the cause, the orderly misconduct of the debate, not at the person directed. Under Standing Order 40(4), I could choose to get two Ministers or one Minister and one Deputy to move a Motion to suspend the Member of Pending for the rest of the term. But I choose just to dismiss the Motion …(*Applause*)… We don't want to be accused that because we are majority, we do that. But the Standing Order provide when the authority of the Chair is challenged, under Standing Order 86, Standing Order 40(3), Standing Order 40(4), the Member can be suspended. Motion is dismissed.

Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, dengan hormatnya saya menjemput Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas, Timbalan Premier Sarawak, Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru Kedua Sarawak untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan.

Timbalan Premier Sarawak; Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru Kedua Sarawak; dan Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri N.37 Bukit Saban (YB Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas): Selamat petang, Salam Sejahtera, Salam Sarawak Maju Makmur, Salam *Segulai Sejalai.* Tuan Speaker.

DUN Sarawak tersergam berseri,
Lambang demokrasi teguh berzaman,
Bersatu rakyat membangun negeri,
Sarawak Maju Makmur wadah perjuangan.

Sungai Sarawak indah pemandangan,
Perahu berlayar menuju pangkalan,
Sarawak First menjadi pegangan,
Utamakan Sarawak sepanjang zaman.
…(Applause)…

Tuan Speaker, dengan dua rangkap pantun ini, izinkan saya memulakan ucapan penggulungan.

2027 SARAWAK BUDGET

I wish to congratulate the Right Honourable Premier of Sarawak, Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari Bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg for tabling the 2027 Budget with the theme*, "Together Building Prosperity and Securing Our Futures".*

The 2027 State Budget has been designed to keep that aspiration as its core. It is not just a financial plan for the coming year. It is a strategic roadmap that responds to the realities of a rapidly changing world and positions Sarawak to succeed in an era shaped by technological advancement, sustainability imperatives, demographic change and increasing global competition.

The Right Honourable Premier has presented a Budget of Confidence and a Budget of Opportunity. Our responsibility now is to ensure confidence is justified by performance, opportunities translate into achievements and our determination to deliver, matches our people's aspirations.

Allow me to express my appreciation to all Honourable Members who have participated in the debate and supported the Supply (2027) Bill, 2026. The debate has been insightful, constructive and reflective of our shared commitment to advancing Sarawak's development and improving the well-being of our people.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2027 STATE BUDGET

Tuan Speaker, the emphasis of this Budget is not merely on creating prosperity. It is about ensuring that prosperity remains sustainable, resilient and broadly shared. Accordingly, this Budget strikes a careful balance between growth and prudence. We are investing in economic transformation while maintaining financial discipline. We are expanding opportunities while safeguarding fiscal sustainability. We are preparing for the industries of the future while continuing to address the needs of today.

The strategic pillars, strategic goals and strategic thrusts that underpin this Budget are therefore not separate initiatives operating in isolation. Together, they form a coherent framework designed to achieve a single overarching objective to build a stronger, more competitive, and more resilient Sarawak.

A Sarawak capable of generating higher-value growth and better-paying jobs. A Sarawak equipped with the skills, talent and capabilities required for the future economy. A Sarawak that leverages its strengths in energy, natural resources and innovation to create new engines of growth. A Sarawak that embraces sustainability not merely as an environmental responsibility but as a source of economic opportunity and competitive advantage. And above all, a Sarawak where progress reaches every region, every community, and every *rakyat*.

Tuan Speaker, the government's commitment to these priorities is clearly reflected in the scale and composition of this budget. With RM5.747 billion allocated for Operating Expenditure and RM10.098 billion earmarked for Development Expenditure, the Budget is among the largest ever approved by this august House …(*Applause*)… These allocations demonstrate our resolve to invest boldly in Sarawak's future.

Significantly allocations have been provided to strengthen economic infrastructure, improve connectivity, expand access to basic amenities and accelerate rural transformation. These investments are crucial to unlocking economic potential, facilitating private sector growth and ensuring that development reaches every corner of Sarawak. Substantial resources will continue to be channelled towards education, skills development, talent enhancement and human capital formation, recognising that the competitiveness of our economy ultimately depends on the quality, capability and adaptability of our people.

In tandem with our aspiration to position Sarawak as ASEAN's green energy hub and a preferred investment destination, strategic investments have been directed towards energy transition initiatives, industrial development, digital infrastructure, research, innovation, and technological advancement to generate new growth opportunities and future ready employment. The Budget also continues to provide strong support for healthcare services, social protection programmes, and community well-being initiatives, ensuring that economic progress is accompanied by social inclusiveness and improved quality of life for all Sarawakians.

At the same time, allocations for environmental conservation, sustainable resource management and climate related initiatives reaffirm our commitment to balancing economic development with environmental stewardship. These allocations demonstrate a deliberate and strategic choice to invest not only in the economy of today but also in the foundations of tomorrow's prosperity.

Tuan Speaker, the government is always mindful that ambitious aspirations must always be supported by sound fiscal stewardship. This is why fiscal resilience remains a central principle of this Budget. Sustainable development cannot be built upon unsustainable finances. Future prosperity cannot be secured through short-term expediency.

Every programme we implement, every infrastructure project we undertake and every investment we pursue must ultimately rest on a strong and sustainable fiscal foundation. This Budget reflects that responsibility. It strengthens the fiscal sustainability while preserving the financial capacity needed to pursue our development aspirations. It reinforces prudent expenditure management, advances institutional reforms that enhance efficiency, accountability and transparency, and ensures that public resources are managed with discipline, responsibility and a steadfast commitment to value for money.

PERFORMANCE OF PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION UNDER THE 13TH MALAYSIA PLAN

Tuan Speaker, allow me to update this august House on the overall performance and achievements of programmes and projects, funded by both the State and Federal Governments.

13th Malaysia Plan State Funded Projects

Under the 13th Malaysia Plan (13MP), the state has approved a total ceiling of RM52.5 billion to finance 1,203 projects, comprising 832 physical development projects and 371 non-physical initiatives, including grants, strategic investments and programmes. For 2026, a total of RM9.7 billion has been allocated of which RM5.6 billion or 58%, has been expended to date. Thus far, 86 projects have been successfully completed while the remaining 1,117 projects are at various stages of implementation.

As 2026 marks the first year of the 13th Malaysian Plan, implementation is still gaining momentum, with the pace of project delivery and expenditure expected to accelerate as more projects progress into full implementation over the remaining years of the plan period.

13th Malaysia Plan Federal Funded Projects

Under the First Rolling Plan 2026 of the 13th Plan, a total of 1,146 federal funded projects with an allocation of RM6 billion have been approved. To date, RM3.2 billion, representing 53% of this allocation has been expended. Of these, 256 projects have been successfully completed, while the remaining 890 projects are progressing at various stages of implementation.

Tuan Speaker, confidence is not built on promises alone. It is earned through decisions, strengthened through action and sustained through results. The true test of our development plans lies in the discipline of implementation and the outcomes delivered to our people. In this regard, I urge all Controlling Officers and their implementing agencies to ensure that all projects are being implemented expeditiously, with allocations utilised efficiently and with their outcomes monitored effectively.

Performance of Projek Rakyat

We remain steadfast in ensuring that development reaches every community, with the needs and aspiration of our people at the heart of our development agenda. In this regard, *Projek Rakyat* will continue to play a significant role in addressing critical development priorities and delivering tangible benefits throughout Sarawak. As of September, this year, RM169 million has been spent compared to the approved allocation of RM353 million. The expenditure performance is expected to improve further by year-end.

Rural Transformation Programme

The Rural Transformation Programme remains an important instrument in bringing development closer to our communities, particularly by addressing local infrastructure needs and improving access to essential facilities. Under the previous Malaysia Plan, more than 11,000 RTP projects had been successfully delivered throughout Sarawak. For 2026, 3,935 RTP projects with an approved allocation of RM450 million has been approved. As of September, this year, RM298 million or 66% has been expended, while 988 projects have been completed.

Program Penambahbaikan Rumah Rakyat Miskin Sarawak (MRP-PPRMS)

This programme provides assistance to eligible *eKasih* and B40 households for the repair and improvement of dilapidated houses, with assistance of up to RM15,000 per household unit, including individual units in longhouses. Under the 13th Malaysia Plan, a total ceiling of RM200.7 million has been approved for MRP-PPRMS, with RM70 million allocated for 2026. As of September 2026, RM56 million or 80% of the approved allocation has been expended. Cumulatively, approximately 73,008 recipients have benefited from this programme since its implementation in 2018. Through MRP-PPRMS, we will continue to ensure those in need have safe and decent homes.

SUMBANGAN KEPERLUAN ASAS SARAWAK

Sumbangan Keperluan Asas Sarawak (SKAS) remains an integral part of our effort to address the cost-of-living challenges, providing targeted financial assistance to eligible household for the purchase of essential goods. As of September 2026, RM427 million has been expended out of RM680 million approved benefiting 823,073 recipients. The remaining balance will be disbursed in November this year.

PERFORMANCE OF PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION UNDER ALTERNATIVE FUNDING

Let me update this august House on the progress of projects under Alternative Funding initiative. The Sarawak Government has committed to implement 1,869 projects under AF initiative, of which 1,246 projects or 67% has been completed, while the remaining 623 projects or 33% are at various stages of implementation. Among the major projects are the Sarawak Coastal Road and the Second Trunk Road Network, which has achieved 97% and 59% progress respectively, as of September this year.

These networks, together with the major bridges, will transform connectivity across coastal and rural Sarawak. In 2026 alone, Batang Igan, Batang Lupar 1, Sungai Krian and Sejingkat Bridges were opened to public, while several other major bridges namely Batang Lupar 2, Batang Saribas 2, Batang Paloh *dan* Batang Rambungan are expected to be completed progressively. These projects will reduce travel time, ease ferry dependency, improve access to essential services and markets and create new opportunities for our rural communities.

In northern Sarawak, the Northern Coastal Highway, comprising approximately 87.96km of dual carriageway and 10.16km of spur roads, is also progressing in Limbang and Lawas. These will further strengthen connectivity within the wider northern region, Sabah and neighbouring Brunei Darussalam.

At the same time, we will continue to invest heavily in basic infrastructure. The Sarawak Water Supply Grid Stressed Areas Programme with an overall investment of approximately RM4 billion has achieved water coverage of more than 99% in urban areas and 72% in rural areas. Cumulatively, RM3.231 billion has been expended as of September 2026. Another RM1.085 billion has been allocated for ageing pipeline replacement, with 237.68km already replaced. Under the Rural Electrification Scheme, electricity coverage has reached 99.7%, of which 99.3% is the coverage in the rural areas, with RM2.178 billion expended as of third quarter of this year.

Beyond physical infrastructure, we are also investing in the digital infrastructure and human capital need to drive the growth of our economy. Through MySRBN and SMART, 618 telecommunication towers have been constructed, bringing better digital connectivity to previously underserved areas and supporting education, healthcare, e-commerce and other digital initiatives.

Meanwhile, the Kuching Urban Transportation System (KUTS) continues to make steady progress, with overall physical progress reaching 49%. The pilot deployment of hydrogen-powered Autonomous Rapid Transit (ART) System is expected by the end of 2026, marking another significant milestone in Sarawak's transition towards green and innovative public transportation.

We have also invested in the development of CENTEXS campuses, Sarawak International Schools, Kolej Laila Taib and the Sarawak Civil Service Leadership Institute. These investments are essential to equip our people with the knowledge, skills and capabilities required for higher-value industries ensuring that Sarawak remains competitive and well positioned to seize the opportunities of tomorrow's economy.

SARAWAK SOVEREIGN WEALTH FUTURE FUND

Tuan Speaker, the Sarawak Sovereign Wealth Future Fund (SSWFF) is a long-term intergenerational savings fund. It exists to diversify the state investment resources and turn part of the today's revenue into lasting wealth for our future generations, and therefore, its progress should be measured over decades, not quarters.

With this year's allocation of RM300 million, total appropriation to the fund will reach RM8.6 billion since its establishment in 2024. The fund's Assets Under Management (AUM) is expected to reach RM9.05 billion by end of 2026, reflecting our determination to steadily grow the fund for long term savings and sustainable financial support for future generations.

In its formative years of portfolio construction, the fund has pursued capital preservation as a key objective, while progressively into a board-approved asset class. Guided by a prudent glide path aligned with the ordinance, SSWFF continues to strengthen its position as a global investor, ensuring that Sarawak's wealth is safeguarded and multiplied for the benefit of future generations.

The fund's recognition on the international stage is evident in its approval as an associate member of the International Forum of Sovereign Wealth Funds (IFSWF). With its practices aligned with the Santiago Principles, SSWFF is on track to attain full membership, reflecting our adherence to global best practices, ensuring transparency, accountability, and sustainability in managing the state's wealth.

GOOD GOVERNANCE AND PRUDENT FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Tuan Speaker, in June 2026, Rating Agency Malaysia (RAM) has reaffirmed Sarawak's credit rating at triple A, A-A-A... *(Applause)...* with a stable outlook. Moody's Rating and S&P Global Rating have also reaffirmed the state's commendable investment credit ratings at A3 and A-, respectively... *(Applause)...*

These commendable investment credit ratings are a testimony to our sound financial position. But let me emphasise that credit ratings are not an end in themselves. They are a reflection of the principles that we have consistently upheld prudent financial management, disciplined expenditure, strong reserves, responsible borrowing and sound governance.

I am also pleased to report to this august House that the state has once again been awarded a Clean Certificate for its Public Accounts for financial year 2025*... (Applause)...* This achievement marks the 24th consecutive year in which the state has attained this esteemed recognition, reflecting the enduring strength of our governance institutions and the prudence that continues to guide our

financial stewardship. Such a remarkable record, sustained over more than two decades, stands as testament to our steadfast commitment to accountability, integrity, and excellence in financial management. It is an achievement of which the state can justly be proud of.

This accomplishment would not have been possible without the dedication and professionalism of our state civil servants. Their unwavering commitment to uphold the highest standards of governance and financial discipline has strengthened the credibility of our institutions and reinforced public trust in the responsible, transparent, and effective management of state resources. To all those who have contributed to this achievement, we extend the State Government's sincere appreciation and commendation.

As we look to the future, let us remain unwavering in our commitment to sound financial governance and responsible stewardship of public resources. Fiscal discipline is foundation of which the state's long-term stability, prosperity, and resilience are built.

Let us never lose sight of the solemn responsibility entrusted to us as a custodian of the state's resources. The choice we make today will shape the future of Sarawak, and well-being of generations to come. May we, therefore, continue to govern with wisdom, manage with prudence and serve with integrity, so that Sarawak remains strong in its foundations, confident in its aspirations, united in its journey towards greater progress and shared responsibility.

SARAWAK PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT TRANSFORMATION

Transforming Our State-Owned Enterprises

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak Public Financial Management Transformation, Transforming Our State-Owned Enterprises. Under the State-Owned Enterprises (SOEs) Transformation Programme, which we have initiated three years ago, the State Government is putting in place what effective and professional shareholders should have, among others, as follows:

(a) The Sarawak State Ownership Policy that sets out why the state owns each company and established each entity and what it expects in return;

(b) The Sarawak Code of Corporate Governance for SOEs, raising the bar for boards and directors in governance and leadership best practices;

(c) The e-SOEs digital dashboard, now being rolled out across all major SOEs, enabling the State to monitor performance, fiscal risk and compliance in real time; and

(d) A review of the Statutory Bodies (Financial and Accounting Procedures) Ordinance, 1995 and a study of a broader legal framework for SOEs governance and accountability.

These reforms represent a fundamental shift towards a more disciplined, transparent and performance-driven SOEs. Every SOEs must uphold the highest standards of governance, deliver measurable results and contribute meaningfully to Sarawak's long-term economic growth.

Implementation of Results-Based Budgeting

Since my last update to this august House in May this year, the implementation of Results-Based Budgeting has progressed from developing Results Frameworks to monitoring and reporting performance for Budget Year 2026 through the Performance and Results Management Solution (PReMaS) System. Performance indicators from PReMaS have been used to guide the 2027 Budget Examination exercise, marking a significant step towards evidence-based budget.

Moving into 2027, emphasis will be placed on reviewing the 2026 Results Frameworks across all Ministries and their respective programmes to assess performance, identify implementation gap and further improve the quality and reliability of performance data. Capacity building efforts will also be institutionalised by incorporating RBB into mandatory training courses for all levels of the Sarawak Civil Service, establishing RBB as one of the core competencies, and embedding performance-based planning, budgeting and reporting into public service delivery.

BUMIPUTERA PARTICIPATION IN BUSINESSES AND PROCUREMENT IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES

Bumiputera Contractors Development Programme

Tuan Speaker, Bumiputera Participation in Businesses and Procurement Improvement Initiatives, Bumiputera Contractors Development Programme. We remain committed to implementing *Program Kontraktor Berdaya Saing* (PKBS) to increase the participation of *Bumiputera* contractors in government projects through competitive bidding. Since the implementation of PKBS scheme in 2023, a total of 455 contractors has been selected to participate in 130 projects with an approved allocation of RM79.8 million. Out of this, 80 projects valued at RM42.48 million have been awarded to 51 successful contractors.

To further strengthen this programme, efforts are being pursued to enhance capability of our Bumiputera contractors and suppliers through collaboration with the relevant agencies under the following initiatives:

Program Peningkatan Usahawan Bumiputera (PUTERA)

This programme provides non-monetary assistance in the form of essential equipment, machinery, and tools to eligible *Bumiputera* entrepreneurs and contractors. As of September 2026, a total of 261 applications has been approved valued at RM1.9 million.

Pusat Inkubator dan Bimbingan Usahawan (PIBU)

We will continue our efforts to provide affordable premises, shared facilities and structured guidance for Bumiputera entrepreneurs to grow into sustainable enterprises. Currently, 25 PIBUs are operating throughout the State with 5,953 participants. A new PIBU in Subis has been approved and will begin its operation next year.

Program Skim Pembiayaan Kontraktor Kecil Bumiputera (SPKB)

SPKB is a financing scheme that provides short-term working capital loans to Bumiputera contractors to ease their cash flow position. The number of Bumiputera contractors benefiting from the financing has increased. As of September, this year, 81 contractors have received financial assistance amounting to RM10.5 million compared to 62 contractors with financing of RM8.4 million last year.

Program Pembangunan Vendor Perabot Bumiputera

Under this programme, 30 furniture vendors have been appointed by Sarawak Timber Industry Development Corporation (STIDC) to supply furniture to government offices with contracts value amounting to RM5 million annually.

Tuan Speaker, the training and development programme for Bumiputera contractors and suppliers will continue to be conducted in line with industry needs, covering competency-based, general, and online courses. As of September 2026, 89 courses have been conducted, benefiting 4,735 participants.

Bumiputera Participation Policy for Statutory Bodies and Government-Linked Companies

The *Bumiputera* participation policy for State Statutory Bodies and Government-Linked Companies has been introduced, which aims to further increase the active involvement of *Bumiputera* entrepreneurs in the state economic activities. Rather than just providing preferential access, the policy focuses on building a sustainable ecosystem that strengthens the economic foundation, competitiveness, and the capacity of *Bumiputera* businesses.

The framework consists of six policy measures and three supporting programs, key mandates include minimum 30% Bumiputera participation in construction, supply chain, development expenditure, and large-scale projects exceeding 100 million. Additionally, it introduces increased procurement thresholds, mandates the appointment of more *Bumiputera* professional consultants, and provides property benefits including a 10% discount for purchasers and a 30% allocation of business premises.

To ensure long-term success, the policy integrates capacity building, equity ownership, through joint ventures, and strategic land development partnership. The ultimate goals are to increase the quality of participation in high-potential sectors, improve business resilience through training, and ensure that State Statutory Bodies and Government-Linked Companies take an active role in fostering a more inclusive and competitive economic landscape in Sarawak.

State e-Procurement System

Now allow me to update the august House on the development of the state e-Procurement System. The e-Quotation and e-Tender modules are expected to be rolled out to all ministries and department headquarters by December this year. Adoption of e-Procurement is necessary to transform public purchasing from a paper-based administrative task into a strategic procurement platform. It directly addresses the core challenges of public sector spending, namely the need to be transparent, efficient, accountable, and cost-effective. Therefore, I would like to urge all ministries and departments to take the necessary steps to ensure that their offices are adequately prepared, familiarized, and committed to using the system.

PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP MASTERPLAN STUDY

Tuan Speaker, the government recognized the importance of exploring alternative financing mechanisms to complement state funding in the delivery of public infrastructure and services, while carefully managing the state's long-term financial commitments. In this regard, Public-Private Partnership approaches provide an opportunity to leverage private sector financing, expertise, and innovation, thereby optimising the use of state and future resources and supporting Sarawak's development agenda.

We have completed our PPP master plan, which will serve as a compliant framework to guide PPP implementation, offering specific strategies, institutionalized guidelines, and actionable steps to facilitate Sarawak's development through private sector participation.

At the same time, we are also collaborating with the *Unit Kerjasama Awam Swasta* of the Prime Minister’s Department, to strengthen the capacity of the State Government agencies involving in PPP project development and implementation.

ISSUES RAISED BY THE AHLI-AHLI YANG BERHORMAT

Tuan Speaker, I wish to respond to several issues raised by the Honourable Member for Padungan. Firstly, I would like to touch on issues raised with regards to Sarawak's financial management and performance for 2025 and 2026. At the outset, let us understand one fundamental

principle of public finance. Every budget is prepared using the best available information at that time, reflecting the current year's economic performance and the projected outlook for the year ahead.

No government can accurately predict any external shock that may arise. When the budget was formulated, no one anticipated the scale of global economic turbulence that would emerge in 2025 and persist in 2026. As an open economy, Sarawak is inevitably affected by developments in the global marketplace. Faced with these changing realities, any responsible government, including the GPS Government, must adjust its revenue expectations and expenditure requirements to ensure economic stability and protect the welfare of its people.

Tuan Speaker, in 2025, the Global Economic turbulence intensified. Commodity markets weakened, economic growth slowed, petroleum prices declined. As a petroleum-producing state, Sarawak inevitably experienced lower petroleum-related revenue. That was not due to any failure of policy or administration; it was the direct consequence of adverse external conditions. The real question is not why revenue declined. The real question is how a responsible government responds when revenue declines, while the *rakyat* faces increasing economic pressure, food prices rise, household expenses increase, and businesses face higher operating costs.

Rather than retreating from our responsibility, we strengthened our support for the people through enhanced assistance under SKAS, of which almost half a billion *ringgit* has been distributed to all eligible recipients to cushion the impact of the global crisis faced by the rakyat. This is what responsible governments do. They do not abandon, GPS to not abandon the *rakyat* simply because economic conditions have become difficult …(*Applause*)…

Tuan Speaker, The Honourable Member for Padungan's argument becomes even more flawed when he assumed that the recovery in Brent crude prices in 2026 must automatically translate into high standard revenue. This is over-simplistic view of our petroleum industry works. Revenue for petroleum is not determined by Brent prices alone. It depends on production volumes, realized sales, export patterns, market demand, and the timing of transactions. If revenue were determined solely by Brent prices, budget forecasting would be effortless. Every oil-producing government in the world would simply track a single number and predict the revenue with perfect accuracy. This is clearly not how the industry operates.

The Honourable Member for Padungan chooses to focus on one headline indicator while ignoring all other underlying variables that actually determine revenue performance. That is selective reasoning designed to fit his political narrative. These are the doomsayers that always look at the negative aspect of us. Don’t forget 2019, somebody told Sarawakian that within three years we Sarawak will get bankrupt. Are we bankrupt? No, we are not*… (Applause)…* Our revenue has increase. So, this is their attitude.

As a responsible and caring government, we continue to prioritise the welfare of the people. In 2026, assistance under SKAS was further enhanced with increase in eligibility and allocation, 25% discount on electricity bills was provided to ease household expenses, while rental discounts for business premises were introduced to support hawkers, traders and small businesses. These measures require expenditure. They represent deliberate policy choices to protect the *rakyat* and support economic resilience during an increasingly challenging global environment.

Tuan Speaker, the Honourable Member for Padungan appears to believe that governing is merely an exercise in chasing revenue figures. But the GPS Government believes governing is about protecting people. In 2025, when petroleum prices weakened and revenue declined, we increased assistance to help Sarawakians cope with higher living costs. In 2026, despite stronger oil prices, we recognised that revenue remained subject to production realities and market conditions, while we continue to expand support measures for households and businesses.

The Honourable Member for Padungan offers assumptions. We rely on facts. He looks at Brent prices. We look at the entire economy. He measures success by a single revenue line. We measure success by whether the *rakyat* are protected, businesses remain resilient and the state continues to move forward. This is the difference between political rhetoric and action by a responsible government …(*Applause*)…

Tuan Speaker, secondly on the issue to halt the New Kuching International Airport, KUTS-ART, and the proposed deep-sea port, such a call is based on short-sighted thinking. The Honourable Member for Padungan appears to define prudence as avoiding major investments. The government defines prudence as making strategic investments, supported by proper planning, sound governance, and long-term economic justification. There is a fundamental difference. Prudence is not the absence of spending. Prudence is the wise allocation of resources to secure future prosperity.

Tuan Speaker, the government is not embarking on these projects without careful planning. These projects are supported by long term economic objectives, growing urbanisation, expanding industrial activities, and Sarawak's ambition to become a regional hub for energy, trade, and investment. No developed economy has achieved transformation without first investing in strategic infrastructure.

This strategic infrastructure is an investment. Airports, ports, and urban transit systems, create jobs, attract private investment, stimulate business activity and generate economic growth for decades. By choosing to remain status quo may in fact, cost more than the cost of construction through lost investments, missed opportunities, and slower growth.

Therefore, the choice before us is simple: invest for the future and risk being left behind. We choose to invest for the future. The GPS Government chooses to invest in Sarawak's future. Sarawak's future will not be secured by standing still. It will be secured by planning boldly, investing wisely delivering responsibly. For these reasons, I reject the Honourable Member for Padungan call to halt these strategic projects and strongly support their continued implementation in the interest of present and future generations.

Tuan Speaker, on the third issue regarding the 30% Bumiputera participation in major State Government development projects, this policy is not a blanket policy imposed across all State Government projects or procurement exercises as alleged by the Honourable Member for Padungan. It is a policy that applies to projects valued at RM100 million and above, implemented through several separate work packages by State Departments, State Statutory Bodies and Sarawak Government-Linked Companies.

Under this policy, at least 30% of the total value of the project packages shall be allocated to *Bumiputera* contractors. It is important to emphasise that the 30% requirement does not mean that every project or every procurement packages must be reserved for *Bumiputera* contractors. Rather, the requirement is assessed against the aggregate value of the contract packages within a qualifying large-scale project. As such, only the portion specifically allocate to fulfil the participation requirement is subject to the policy. Packages outside the designated *Bumiputera* allocation will continue to be awarded through normal procurement process.

Therefore, for such projects, non-*Bumiputera* contractors still be needed as main contractors, joint-venture partners, and sub-contractors. I must emphasize that this policy is not a zero-sum game. A stronger more prosperous Bumiputera community will create a larger economic pie for everyone. It will create new supply chain, new sub-contracting opportunities, and a more stable and equitable Sarawak.

I urge the Honourable Member for Padungan to stop looking at this through the lenses of 1971 and racial perspective. Look at Sarawak of 2026 and beyond, because we are building a future

where every Sarawakian, regardless of race and background has a stake in our prosperity. At the moment, this 30% quota is a vital tool for that equitable wealth distribution. Once *Bumiputera* contractors and businesses are able to stand on their own feet, and compete on a level playing field, the government would certainly need to review the policy.

Tuan Speaker, on the issue raised on private jet leasing, let me clarify why Hornbill chose Cempaka Helicopter Corporation Sdn. Bhd. as the lessor of the Falcon 8X. Cempaka is an associated company of AIROD, which has extensive experience in aircraft maintenance, repair and overhaul, airport handling and hangar services. AIROD also has experience in handling and supporting VVIP aircrafts, including those operated for the Malaysian Federal Government, provides aviation support services to major airlines and the Royal Malaysian Air Force. Against this background, Hornbill Skyways selected Cempaka as the lessor for Falcon 8X. The appointment of Cempaka was also made in accordance with Hornbill Skyways' established procurement, governance and due diligence processes.

Tuan Speaker, I now return to the issue of pagination raised by the Honourable Member for Padungan. *Mana satu buku salah. Habis*. *Dia punya buku.* He invited the government to verify the matter. He gave me a copy. We checked. The facts are now before this august House. Let us be clear. This was never merely pagination. The allegation strikes at the integrity of Budget Papers, the credibility of the government, and the professionalism of the officers who prepared them. This is unwarranted.

Tuan Speaker, the facts are unequivocal. The Command Papers were printed, prepared, distributed under strict quality assurance procedure. 100 copies were printed, circulated, verification confirmed that all copies were properly assembled, correctly paginated, and contained identical establishment data throughout. Only one copy was alleged to contain irregularity, the copy held by the Honourable Member for Padungan. The copy held by the Member for Pending is also irregular.

Examination further established that the document had been altered and tampered with, after it had left government custody. Nonetheless, the establishment figures remained intact, the data remained unchanged, and the budget information remained accurate. The irregularity was only the pagination.

The conclusion is therefore clear-cut: the irregularity did not originate from the government. It did not arise from the preparation, printing or distribution of the Budget Papers. The allegation against the government's processes is simply unfounded. The government stands firmly behind the integrity of the Budget Papers, to robustness of our procedures and the professionalism of the officers who prepared them.

CONCLUSION

Tuan Speaker, the success of this 2027 State Budget will not only be judged solely by the strength of our fiscal position or the size of our allocations. It must be seen in better connectivity, greater opportunities, stronger communities, and a higher quality of life for Sarawakians. Opportunity must be more than a promise of a better tomorrow. It must become a reality our people can experience in their everyday lives.

Sarawak has reached a defining stage in its development journey. We must not allow the limitations of yesterday to determine the possibilities of tomorrow. Our future must be shaped by our aspirations and priorities, while recognizing our responsibilities within the federation, and safeguarding Sarawak’s rightful interests with wisdom and conviction. The measure of responsibility is the benefit it brings to the people.

As we move towards 2030, political leadership must look beyond any single budget or development plan. We must preserve stability while embracing progress, strengthen the foundations

that future generations will inherit. Sarawak's diversity, social harmony, and shared sense of belonging must remain central to that endeavour. Progress must unite our communities, not divide them.

It is now our collective responsibility to make this Budget of Confidence and Budget of Opportunity a legacy of achievement. Let confidence inspire conviction. Let opportunities lead to achievement. Let leadership be measured by delivery. For Sarawak's future cannot rest on ambition alone, it must be built through the decisions we make, and the results we deliver. One Sarawak. One Shared Responsibility. One Future Worth Building.

Tuan Speaker, before I conclude, I wish to place on record my appreciation to Tuan Speaker and Deputy Speaker for presiding over the sitting with fairness and diligence. I also wish to acknowledge the officers and staff of the Dewan, together with the Sarawak Civil Service, for their professionalism and dedication in facilitating the proceedings throughout this sitting.

As we approach this holiday season, I wish to take this opportunity to wish all those celebrating Deepavali a blessed and prosperous festival. I would also like to wish all my Christian friends a joyous and blessed Merry Christmas. May these festive seasons be filled with peace, love, and happiness. Finally, I wish everyone a Happy and Prosperous New Year, with hopes that the coming year will bring renewed hope, prosperity, and unity to Sarawak. Thank you very much …(*Applause*)…

Timbalan Speaker: Thank you, Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah, Timbalan Premier. Seterusnya saya mempersilakan, without a break Yang Berhormat, Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas sekali lagi untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan bagi Kementerian yang seterusnya, iaitu Kementerian Infrastruktur dan Pembangunan Pelabuhan. Silakan, Yang Berhormat.

Timbalan Premier Sarawak; Menteri Infrastruktur dan Pembangunan Pelabuhan Sarawak; dan Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri N.37 Bukit Saban (YB Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas): Selamat petang, salam sejahtera, *salam Sarawakku Sayang, salam Segulai Sejalai.* Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker.

Pagi berseri indah suasana,
Senyum terukir penuh kesantunan;
Salam hormat pembuka bicara,
Kini MIPD menyampaikan penggulungan.

Condolences

Tuan Speaker, we remember with deep respect the late Dato Sri Song Swee Guan, who passed away on 4th October 2026 at the age of 84. His lifelong dedication to public service and invaluable contributions to Sarawak will always be remembered with gratitude and appreciation. Condolences to the family.

Congratulatory

I would like to convey my congratulations to the President of the Senate, Yang Berhormat Senator Dato Sri Awang Bemee bin Awang Ali Basah, who has been honoured with Panglima Negara Bintang Sarawak (PNBS), carrying the title, *"Dato Sri".* My warmest congratulations to Yang Berhormat Datuk Haji Idris bin Buang, Deputy Speaker and ADUN N.16 Muara Tuang.

Timbalan Speaker: Terima kasih*... (Interruption)... (Laughter)...*

Timbalan Premier Sarawak; Menteri Infrastruktur dan Pembangunan Pelabuhan Sarawak; dan Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri N.37 Bukit Saban (YB Datuk Amar Douglass Uggah Embas): Yang Berhormat Datuk Sebastian Ting Chiew Yew, Deputy Minister for Tourism and ADUN N.73 Piasau on being conferred the Panglima Gemilang Bintang Kenyalang which carry the title *"Datuk", Tahniah, Datuk Timbalan.*

I wish to congratulate Yang Berhormat Dato Friday anak Belik, ADUN N.39 Krian and Yang Berhormat Senator Dato Rita Sarimah Patrick Insol on their conferment of the Panglima Setia Bintang Sarawak which carry the title *"Dato"* in the conjunction with the 80th Birthday of His Excellency the Governor of Sarawak, Tun Pehin Sri Dr. Wan Junaidi Tuanku Jaafar on 10th October 2026.

REMARKS ON 2027 SARAWAK BUDGET

Tuan Speaker, my sincere appreciation to Yang Amat Berhormat Datuk Patinggi, in his remark on the budget, Yang Amat Berhormat Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg, Premier of Sarawak, for presenting the 2027 Sarawak Budget, themed*, "Together Building Prosperity and Securing Our Futures".*

The 2027 Budget provides RM10.098 billion for development expenditure, the highest allocation to date, with 64% directed towards rural development. This reflects the GPS Government's commitment to balanced and inclusive development, particularly in improving infrastructure and accessibility in rural and remote areas. Of the RM2.27 billion provided through Alternative Funding, RM1.266 billion has been allocated to two major infrastructure projects under my Ministry, namely the Coastal Road (RM366 million) and the Second Trunk Road (RM900 million).

A further RM742 million has been allocated for road and bridges construction across Sarawak, including the Rural Bridges Transformation Programme and Emergency Response Works for Damaged Public Infrastructure. My ministry will ensure that the allocations entrusted to us are managed prudently, utilised effectively for the benefit of the *rakyat*.

REFLECTION ON ACHIEVEMENTS (2022–2026)

Tuan Speaker, looking back on my journey as Minister for Infrastructure and Port Development since 2022, I am encouraged by how far we have come. Despite the challenges faced, the collective efforts of the Sarawak and Federal Governments, my Ministry and our implementing agencies have brought significant improvements to Sarawak's infrastructure landscape. From major highways, strategic bridges to rural roads and river crossings, we have made meaningful progress in connecting communities and improving accessibility across Sarawak.

Guided by the GPS Government's development agenda under the leadership of Yang Amat Berhormat Premier Datuk Patinggi, we remain committed to strengthening Sarawak's infrastructure network, ensuring that no community is left behind and creating lasting opportunities for *rakyat*, towards realising Sarawak's aspiration to become a developed and high income Region by 2030.

INFRASTRUCTURE CHALLENGES

Tuan Speaker, to better understand the challenges faced by rural and interior communities, I personally led three Infrastructure Expeditions. XPDC Version 1, Version 2, Version 3, between July 2025 and August 2026. The expeditions covered Baram, Bario, Kakus, Belaga, Murum, Ulu Skrang, Ulu Kota, Ulu Entabai and Ulu Kanowit.

During these expeditions, we witnessed firsthand the deteriorating conditions of ex-logging roads and timber roads, damaged slopes and embankments, ageing bridges and unsafe river crossings. These conditions continue to hinder accessibility and pose safety risks to rural and interior

communities that depend on these routes for their daily activities. Following these inspections, my ministry took steps to assess the affected infrastructure, identify appropriate remedial measures and prioritise the necessary upgrading and maintenance works. These expeditions have reinforced the importance of practical and targeted interventions that respond to actual conditions on the ground, particularly in improving safety and accessibility for rural and interior communities.

Tuan Speaker, apart from addressing these infrastructure challenges, my ministry has also introduced measures to strengthen project implementation and overcome challenges arising from the COVID-19 pandemic. As part of JKR's restructuring exercise, the three Regional Offices were dissolved to eliminate overlapping functions in project management and streamline administrative and reporting arrangements. Their responsibilities will now have consolidated under the respective JKR Divisional Offices, which have been strengthened with additional personnel and resources.

This restructuring has improved accountability, project monitoring, decision-making, coordination, while providing the public and Wakil Rakyat with a single point of reference for project updates and assistance. We have also addressed construction cost pressures, including matters relating to the Variation of Price (VOP), while strengthening project monitoring and contractor accountability. Through JKR Sarawak's One-Month Pledge, greater emphasis is placed on assessing contractors' readiness and progress at the early stages of implementation, allowing timely intervention to prevent further delays.

These measures have contributed to improved project delivery, with critically delayed projects reduced from 98 in June 2022 to seven in September 2026, a reduction of approximately 93%. While challenges remain, this progress reflects the importance of early intervention, closer supervision and effective coordination among implementing agencies.

Tuan Speaker, allow me to update this august House on the implementation progress of infrastructure projects funded by the Sarawak and the Federal Governments.

STATE-FUNDED PROJECTS

Projects Under State Development Funding

Tuan Speaker, over the past five years, Sarawak's registered road network has expanded from 32,241km in May 2022 to 40,255km in 2026. This progress reflects the collective efforts of the GPS Government and the Federal Government in improving road connectivity and accessibility. Building on this progress, I wish to update this august House on the latest status of the 278 state-funded projects worth approximately RM34.96 billion, as reported during the previous DUN sitting. Progress on these initiatives is as follows:

(a) 100 projects completed worth RM11.30 billion;
(b) 119 projects currently under construction costing RM18.99 billion; and
(c) 59 projects at the pre-contract stage amounting RM4.66 billion.

Coastal Road Network and Second Trunk Road

Tuan Speaker, the Coastal Road Network and Second Trunk Road are two major infrastructure initiatives undertaken by the Sarawak Government, involving a combined investment of RM11 billion and spanning 654.70km.

Construction of Bridges in Sarawak

Of the 22 mega bridges worth RM6.55 billion, 12 bridges have been opened to the public since November 2024. Building on this progress, the 1.7km Batang Paloh Bridge is scheduled to open to traffic on 30th October 2026 bringing the total number of completed mega bridges in Sarawak to 13.

Together with the completed Muara Lassa Bridge, it will improve connectivity for communities on Pulau Bruit. Both bridges will provide better road access from Pulau Bruit to Daro, Tanjung Manis, Sarikei and the wider coastal road network.

The 870m Batang Lupar 2 Bridge, featuring Sarawak's tallest bridge towers at 145.5m, forms part of the Second Trunk Road and is expected to open in November 2026. Upon completion of this bridge, it will reduce the travelling distance between Sri Aman and Betong from 73km to approximately 28km and travel time from one hour to roughly 25 minutes.

The Batang Saribas 2 Bridge, spanning 2.43km across Batang Saribas in the Pusa area of Betong Division, is targeted for completion in December 2026. Once completed, the bridge will provide an additional road connection across Batang Saribas. Meanwhile, in northern Sarawak, the 772.4m Sungai Limbang Bridge is expected to open to the public in December 2026. This will reduce travelling time by up to one hour and 30 minutes and serve as a new landmark to enhance Limbang's tourism potential. Upon completion of the remaining bridges and connecting roads, these projects are expected to:

(a) eliminate nine ferry crossings;
(b) reduce the Kuching–Sibu travelling distance from approximately 396km to 252km; and
(c) shorten travel time.

Rural Bridge Transformation Programme (RBTP)

Tuan Speaker, the government continues to enhance rural connectivity through the Rural Brigde Transformation Programme by upgrading and replacing minor bridges, particularly along ex-logging and timber road log bridges in the interior. Under this RM400 million programme involving 135 bridges, the progress is as follows:

(a) 39 have been completed;
(b) 31 are under construction;
(c) 17 are at the tender stage; and
(d) 48 are at the pre-contract stage.

Development of Bebuling STOLport, Betong

Tuan Speaker, another significant development in strengthening Sarawak's transport connectivity is the completion of the RM248 million Bebuling STOLport in Spaoh, Betong. The STOLport successfully conducted its trial flights in September 2026, marking an important milestone towards its operational readiness. Preparations are ongoing for the commencement of passenger services, targeted for 2027, connecting Betong with Kuching, Sibu and Miri.

Apart from passenger transportation, the STOLport is also expected to support agricultural cargo movement, providing opportunities for local farmers and entrepreneurs to access wider markets. We are also exploring the potential establishment of a CENTEXS Flying Academy to provide aviation and drone-related training, creating new skills development opportunities for young Sarawakians.

FEDERAL-FUNDED PROJECTS

Tuan Speaker, the Federal Government has been instrumental in transforming Sarawak's road infrastructure through major highway development projects. Among these, the Pan Borneo Highway with an investment of RM16.02 billion, which stands as one of the largest infrastructure projects in Sarawak's history. To date, 782km of the highway have been completed, with only the remaining 4km section at Lambir still under construction.

I would like to take this opportunity to update this august House on the implementation two other major projects, namely Trans Borneo Highway and Sarawak–Sabah Link Road.

Trans Borneo Highway (LTB)

The implementation of LTB project continues to progress, with the current status of these three sections as follows:

(a) Miri Section (4.95km): The contract was awarded on 18th September 2026, with the site possession on 2nd October 2026;
(b) Limbang (54.6km); and
(c) Lawas (33.7km).

Both sections are expected to be awarded by the end of this year.

Sarawak-Sabah Link Road (SSLR)

Implementation of both phases of Sarawak-Sabah Link Road, involving RM8.17 billion, is progressing alongside approximately 93km of road upgrading works under the Trans Borneo Highway. These projects will strengthen connectivity in northern Sarawak, provide alternative road connections between Sarawak and Sabah without passing through Brunei Darussalam. The implementation status is as follows:

(a) SSLR Phase 1 has achieved 78.07% physical progress, with completion target of 2027;
(b) SSLR Phase 2 has recorded 23.38% physical progress, with completion scheduled of 2030.

JKR Sarawak as Technical Department Under Arahan Perbendaharaan 182

JKR has been appointed as Technical Department to implement projects under AP182, offering technical expertise and executing development projects assigned by the Federal agencies, project below RM50.0 million. Over the past four years, JKR has been entrusted with 235 projects, with a total project value of RM3.81 billion. The implementation status of these projects are as follows:

(a) 22 have been completed;
(b) 92 under construction;
(c) 36 at tender stage; and
(d) 85 at pre-contract stage.

Kementerian Kemajuan Desa Dan Wilayah (KKDW)

I wish to update this august House on the rural roads and rural bridges under KKDW implemented by JKR.

Rural Roads and Bridges

A total of 108 projects worth RM6.85 billion has been implemented under the rural road and bridge projects. The progress of this project are as follows:

(a) 18 have been completed;
(b) 39 are under construction;
(c) 12 at tender stage; and
(d) 39 are at pre-contract stage.

Tuan Speaker, to ensure that these projects are delivered effectively, my ministry will continue to monitor the contractor performance and take appropriate action where progress is unsatisfactory. These include issuing warnings, terminating contracts where necessary, appointing rescue contractors to complete affected projects. Such measures are essential to strengthen accountability, safeguard public funds and minimise delays in delivering infrastructure to the *rakyat*.

Driving Environmental, Social, And Governance (ESG) And Sustainable Infrastructure

Tuan Speaker, JKR continues to advance sustainable infrastructure development through the adoption of innovative engineering technologies. I am pleased to update this august House on the five key projects under the three main approaches:

(a) Tunnel Construction and Elevated Highway Structures – These innovative approaches are adopted to minimise environmental disturbances. Four projects incorporating these methods are now under construction:

    (i) Bukit Pagon Tunnel (SSLR Phase 2, Package 4B): Sarawak's first 2.24km tunnel utilising a New Austrian Tunnelling Method, which will shorten the existing 22km mountainous route to approximately 7km;

    (ii) Batang Samarahan–Batang Sadong Bridge (Package A1-B): An 11km elevated highway across peat swamp areas;

    (iii) Jalan Teku–Pasai Siong to Kemuyang, Sibu (Package 1): A 700m elevated highway utilising innovative Segmental Arch System; and

    (iv) Sedilu National Park (Package A2): A 798.6m elevated viaduct designed to minimise disturbances to peatlands and wildlife habitats.

(b) Another innovation is Water Bag Surcharge Technology, adopted under Sebuyau–Lingga Highway (Package B1), this technology use water-filled bags instead of conventional earth fill to accelerate soil consolidation and stabilise road embankments. It reduces the need for additional earth materials and improves construction efficiency on soft ground.

Tuan Speaker, these projects reflect the Sarawak Government's continued commitment to integrating sustainable engineering practices into infrastructure development, ensuring long-term resilience, improved road safety and environmental protection while delivering lasting benefits to the *rakyat* in line with the policy of environmental sustainability of PCDS 2030.

PORTS DEVELOPMENT

Change of Status of Bintulu Port from Federal Port to State Port

Tuan Speaker, the year 2026 marks a historic milestone in Sarawak's maritime and economic development, with the successful transfer of Bintulu Port from Federal to Sarawak jurisdiction. This monumental achievement strengthens Sarawak's authority over its port administration and development, reflecting the spirit and aspirations of MA63.

With this opportunity, we wish to convey our deepest gratitude to Yang Amat Berhormat Prime Minister, Dato' Seri Anwar Ibrahim and Yang Amat Berhormat Premier of Sarawak, Yang Berhormat *dari* Gedong for their visionary leadership and political will in reaching the agreement that paved the way for the successful change of status of Bintulu Port from a Federal Port to Sarawak State Port.

Effective 1st September 2026, Bintulu Port Authority (Sarawak) officially assumed regulatory responsibility over Bintulu Port, marking a significant milestone in strengthening Sarawak's port

governance and enabling a more coordinated approach to port planning, regulation and development in line with the state's economic and industrial priorities under PCDS 2030.

Operationalisation of Sarawak Ports Authority

Tuan Speaker, on 24th September 2026, Majlis Mesyuarat Kerajaan Negeri approved the phased operationalisation of the Sarawak Ports Authority, effective 1st November 2026, with the commencement of the relevant provisions of the Sarawak Ports Authority Ordinance, 2024. This phased approach allows for systematic establishment of administrative, regulatory and operational frameworks to ensure a smooth and orderly transition.

Sarawak Ports Masterplan

As announced by Yang Amat Berhormat Premier, the Sarawak Government has allocated RM8 million in the 2027 Budget for a comprehensive Sarawak Ports Masterplan study. The plan will strive to develop port clusters according to their geographical advantages and industrial strengths to prevent overlapping and to ensure that each port is complementary to one another. The Sarawak Port Masterplan preparation is in the pipeline.

Strengthening Port Performance and Operational Efficiency

Tuan Speaker, for the period January to August 2026, our ports recorded robust increases in cargo throughput compared to the corresponding period in 2025. Registering a growth of 12.5% attaining 48.6 million tonnes against 43.21 million tonnes for the same period last year.

This upward trend in cargo throughput is an encouraging indicator of Sarawak's expanding trade, industrial and economic activities. It reinforces the vital role of our ports as gateways to trade, investment and economic growth.

To support this growth, we will continue to enhance port infrastructure operational capacity to meet increasing demand. As part of these efforts, RORO operations have been progressively relocated to Senari Terminal from Pending. To facilitate this relocation, a vehicle yard with a total capacity of 3,500 vehicles is being developed. Phase 1, accommodating 2,500 vehicles, has been operational since November 2025.

The extension of Senari Terminal's wharf from 635m to 885m and the construction of a new container yard with a capacity of 200,000 TEUs are planned to commence in 2027. These developments will reduce vessel waiting times, ease congestion and improve cargo handling efficiency, while increasing the terminal's overall container capacity by 36% to 750,000 TEUs.

The Dredging and Associated Works Project at Batang Baram Delta, Miri has achieved 89.53% physical progress, with major dredging, training bund construction and navigational improvements targeted for completion by March 2027. The project will support the establishment of an Oil and Gas Support Services Hub by middle 2027, while facilitating shipbuilding, containerised cargo activities, cruise services and oil palm bunkering.

Awards And Recognitions

Tuan Speaker, through the adoption of modern technology and innovation, agencies under my ministry's purview have made commendable progress in their respective fields, earning recognition at various levels for their achievements in infrastructure and port management.

I am delighted to inform this august House that JKR Sarawak has received several prestigious awards in the past few months for its achievement in engineering, innovation and infrastructure development. Among these are:

(a) Batang Lupar Bridge No. 1, recognised by the Malaysia Book of Records as Malaysia's Longest River-Crossing Bridge*. …(Applause)…*

(b) The 2.43km Muara Lassa Bridge in Mukah, which won the Road Engineering Excellence Award 2026 from the Road Engineering Association of Malaysia*. …(Applause)…*

(c) The Nation Builder Award 2026, under the category of Public Sector Leadership in AI-Powered 5D BIM (Building Information Modelling).

(d) Project titled "Difficulty Obtaining Critical Project Data in JKR Sarawak", that is a good title *…(Laughter)…* led by Kumpulan All Stars, won Gold Award at Public Service Innovation Asia during the Malaysia Technology Expo 2026. The team also received the Japan Intellectual Property Association Special Award under the category of Best Public Service Innovation.

Tuan Speaker, our Port Authorities also earned notable recognition. Miri Port Authority, in particular has received the following awards:

(a) Sustainable Maritime Infrastructure Award in International Business Leadership Recognition Award 2026;

(b) Master Entrepreneur Category (Transportation & Logistics Industry) in Asia Pacific Enterprise Awards (APEA) 2026.

In the area of financial management and accountability, Kuching Port Authority, Rajang Port Authority and Miri Port Authority were honoured with *Anugerah Khas* CABCOM 2026 for maintaining high standards in the management in their annual financial statements and budgets.

JKR Sarawak and our Port Authorities continue to pursue excellence through innovation, digitalisation and AI technology to enhance operational efficiency and project delivery. Their achievements reflect the dedication and professionalism of their officers and staff in serving the *rakyat*. I congratulate all agencies concerned on their accomplishments and confident that they will continue to earn greater recognition at national and international levels.

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak continues to implement infrastructure, socio-economic development initiatives in the Upper Rajang Development Agency, Highland Development Agency and Betong Division Development Agency which come under my purview.

Upper Rajang Development Agency (URDA)

Under the Upper Rajang Development Agency, RECODA is currently overseeing 41 development projects, of which 24 have been completed, 13 are under implementation and four are at the tender documentation stage.

Recent completions include the Ngungun/ Jagau Road in Kanowit on 7th June 2026 and the new road connecting Baleh Bridge, Rumah Belaja, Nanga Benin, SK Nanga Pelagus and Pelagus Resort (Phase 1 – Section 2), completed on 6 August 2026.

Highland Development Agency (HDA)

Under HDA, the Miri–Marudi–Mulu (Kuala Melinau) and Long Panai–Long Lama (MMMLL) road project is progressing ahead of schedule, with KOP 1 and KOP 2 recording 39.93% and 32.56% physical progress respectively, as of September 2026.

RECODA is also overseeing 43 infrastructure projects involving roads, bridges and water supply, of which 25 have been completed, 15 are under construction and there are three are under design stage.

Betong Division Development Agency (BDDA)

Betong Division Development Agency plays a significant role in planning and implementation of 511 projects with total cost amounting to RM1.48 billion in the region. The progress of the overall projects is as follows;

(a) 185 has been completed;
(b) 112 are under construction, 13 ahead of schedule; and
(c) 214 are at the pre-contract stage.

Looking ahead, a common strategy for regional agencies will be place greater emphasis on economic and educational programmes aimed at enhancing skills, increasing participants' income and improving livelihoods, in line with the aspirations of PCDS 2030.

ADDITIONAL PORTFOLIO

Unit for Other Religions (UNIFOR)

Tuan Speaker,

Financial Assistance for Houses of Worship and Mission Schools

From 2017 to 2026, the Sarawak Government has allocated RM565 million for the construction, repair, upgrading, equipping of the Houses of Worship and other religious, religions namely Christian, Buddhists, Taoists, Baha'i, Hindu, and Sikh. *Ada tepuk tangan ka? Haiya! …(Applause)…*

Of the RM90 million allocated for 400 projects 2026, RM34.88 million for 148 projects has been disbursed under Phase 1, while RM49.88 million for 224 projects and RM5.24 million for 28 projects under Phases 2, and Phase 2 and 3 respectively would be disburse very-very soon…(*Laughter*)… For Mission Schools, cumulative RM120 million has been allocated from 2021 to 2026, including RM30 million this year, comprising RM20 million for infrastructure improvements and RM10 million for STEM initiatives, reaffirming the Sarawak Government's commitment to strengthening educational facilities and opportunities.

Mobile Outreach and Stakeholder Engagements

Tuan Speaker, in line with Sarawak's inclusivity agenda, UNIFOR continues to strengthen interfaith harmony through targeted outreach, interfaith engagements and ORSEM online system enhancements. These initiatives have contributed to 45% increase in new applications for Government assistance from religious organisations, reflecting improved accessibility, wider outreach for Houses of Worship throughout Sarawak.

Strengthening Audit Readiness and Good Governance

UNIFOR engaged the recipient of the assistance to comply with procedure of implementing the project to confirm the policy of transparency, integrity and accountability.

Sarawak Disaster Management Committee (SDMC)

Tuan Speaker,

Disaster Assistance and Preparedness

I would like to update this august House on the assistance provided for disaster victims and the measures undertaken by the Sarawak Government to strengthen disaster preparedness.

Southwest Monsoon 2026

The Southwest Monsoon, which began on 14th May 2026, brought hot and dry weather across Sarawak. During those seasons, there were frequent occurrences of hot spots which lead to haze. In early September, API readings exceeding 500 in Serian Division, this led to declaring over emergency on 4th September 2026 and lifted on 7th September 2026. Other divisions also recorded unhealthy to very unhealthy air pollutant index.

According to Lembaga Sumber Asli dan Alam Sekitar and Jabatan Alam Sekitar, the highest number hotspots recorded in August 2026 was 187 in Sarawak. While 13,473 were recorded in Kalimantan. This indicates that transboundary haze from Kalimantan was a major contributor to the deterioration of air quality in Sarawak. State and Divisional Disaster Control Centres were also activated to coordinate response efforts and monitor the haze situation across Sarawak.

Cloud Seeding Operations

Due to dry and hot weather, water level in our dam and water reservoir has reached critical level, thus there is a need to conduct a cloud seeding operation. These operations aimed to enhance rainfall particularly water catchment areas and affected locations. Four series of Cloud Seeding Operations were conducted;

(a) From 11th to 12th May 2026;
(b) From 19th to 21st June 2026;
(c) From 3rd to 7th September 2026;
(d) From 8th to 10th October 2026.

Overall, the operations yielded positive results, with rainfall recorded at Bakun, Murum and Batang Ai Dams, as well as several reservoirs serving water intake facilities of across Sarawak

Water Supply Assistance Operations

Due to the continuous dry and hot weather, SDMC has coordinated the water distribution with JBALB and JKMS to affected areas throughout Sarawak.

Project Funded by NADMA

Tuan Speaker, NADMA has funded several projects to support disaster management in Sarawak, including Pusat Pemindahan Kekal Bencana (PPKB):

(a) SK Beradek, Kuching cost RM8.5 million is under construction, expected to be completed by the end of 2026;
(b) Long Busang, Kapit cost RM9 million and is at the design stage.

They also donate to us bailey bridges for emergency response: The construction of two Bailey Bridges at Sungai Bunau, Long Tebangan and Sungai Benuang, Long Jeeh, Miri are expected to be completed, the one that completed is Sungai Baleh.

Emergency Response Works

Since 2023, a total of 635 Emergency Response Work projects worth RM729.58 million have been approved. These project for your information are the repair of *jalan-jalan yang rosak, jalan-jalan yang putus akibat dari banjir dan sebagainya*. Of these projects, 431 projects worth RM374.07 million have been completed, while the remaining 204 projects worth RM355.51 million are at various stages of implementation.

In addition, under the Minor Emergency Work Assistance Fund this include erosion happening in longhouses in *kampung* along the road, a total of 140 projects amounting to RM35.91 million have been approved since 2020. Of these, 91 projects worth RM22.66 million have been completed while 49 projects worth RM13.25 million are in various stages of implementation.

Financial Aid for Home Fire Victims (Bantuan Ehsan Kebakaran Rumah)

Bantuan Ehsan Kebakaran Rumah provides financial assistance of up to RM70,000 per affected household to support rebuilding of homes damaged by fire. From May to October 2026, approximately RM2.4 million has been approved for 23 individual houses, RM1.28 million and one longhouse with 16 doors, RM1.12 million.

El Niño Mitigation Plan

METMalaysia has forecast potential El Niño conditions extending into 2027. In response, SDMC has directed the Divisional Disaster Management Committee to monitor hotspot and water shortages areas. The public is also advised to use water prudently and avoid open burning. During haze conditions, the public should also limit outdoor activities and wear appropriate face masks.

Tuan Speaker, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all members of the State Disaster Management Committee, Divisional Disaster Management Committee, District Disaster Management Committee, NGOs and volunteers, Yang Berhormat-Yang Berhormat for their dedication and cooperation throughout the management of disaster throughout Sarawak.

ISSUES RAISED BY THE AHLI-AHLI YANG BERHORMAT

Tuan Speaker, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to all Ahli Yang Berhormat who raised oral questions on matters within purview of my Ministry. I assure Yang Berhormat that any questions not answered during the debate session or in this winding-up speech will be replied in writing by the Ministry to the respective Yang Berhormat for their information and reference.

Roads and Bridges Construction

On the concern of Ahli Yang Berhormat for Meradong, I would like to update the status of these projects:

(a) RC Bridge connecting Jalan Muhibah and Kampung Rancak is currently under construction, and the project is expected to be completed April 2028;

(b) the Construction of Alternative Road Connecting Jalan Kilang to Jalan Genting is currently under tender evaluation stage and construction is expected to commence in the first quarter of 2027;

(c) the upgrading of Pasi/ Bintangor Road and the Proposed Construction of a Dual Carriageway from the Pan Borneo Highway to Pasi-Bintangor Road, Sarikei District, Sarikei Division is currently at the siting application stage.

For the information of the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Balingian, Project Jalan SK Sungai Liuk-Kuala Balingian Fasa 3 and Projek Rakyat Bina Baharu Jambatan Penakub Ulu, Mukah are in progress. In response to Ahli Yang Berhormat for Kalaka, the physical progress of *Projek Naik Taraf Jalan* Kampung Kupang ke Simpang Bajau is reported at 61.53% expected to be completed in September 2027.

I would like to inform the Ahli Yang Berhormat for Serembu that the proposed upgrading of Jalan Kuching-Bau is currently in the process of land acquisition. The upgrading works from Bau-Lundu junction to Bau Town is currently under construction withphysical progress as of 25th September 2026 is recorded at 20.95%.

To update Ahli Yang Berhormat for Tellian, the progress for the alternative road to Petanak Scheme is progressing at 64.23% and expected to be completed by the third quarter of 2027. For the information of *Ahli Yang Berhormat* for Opar. *Projek Membina Jalan* Kampung Kendaie/Selampit, Lundu, *Bahagian* Kuching, Sarawak is currently under construction with progress of 54.64%, expected to be completed in fourth quarter of 2027. Selampit Bridge is under construction with 42.12% and expected to be completed in the second quarter of 2027.

Upgrading of Roads and Bridges

I would like to update Ahli Yang Berhormat for Repok regarding Sungai Lepong bridge. The appointed service provider is carrying out an engineering assessment to determine the appropriate repair measures. Findings and recommendations for the proposed remedial works will determine further direction the way forward.

I wish to inform Ahli Yang Berhormat for Kalaka, *Projek Naik Taraf Jalan* Serandong, Perpat, Batang Maro and Paloh is currently under land acquisition process, and the construction is expected to commence in December 2026 after the process is completed. The Bridge Project Across Sungai Krian, Saratok, Sarawak was tendered through the Stage 2 Open Pre-Qualification on 17th July 2026, and the tender closed on 15th September 2026.

On the concern raised by Ahli Yang Berhormat for Telang Usan, regarding the Proposed Upgrading of Ex-logging Road at Telang Usan and Mulu, Baram, Miri, the design has been completed and expected to be implemented in the first quarter of 2027. The project involves construction and upgrading of approximately 30.21 km of road together with nine bridges with the estimated cost amounting to RM260 million.

In response to Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Bukit Semuja, the construction of concrete bridge at Batang Kerang connecting Kampung Penyabah, Kampung Kuala is under tender stage.

I wish to update Yang Berhormat Tamin, JKR Sarawak is currently in the process of taking over Jalan Ulu Mukah-Selangau, Jalan Ulu Selangau and Jalan Stapang Quarry, Ulu Oya-Selangau. At present, the road alignment survey works are in progress. The next step is to gazette the roads, following which proposed upgrading of ex-logging roads to JKR standard specifications can be implemented.

To Yang Berhormat Engkilili, the government has approved proposed link roads from R.C. Bridge over Batang Ai River, Merebong to Engkilili Town, Bukit Tungku, Klampo, Lubok Antu, Sri Aman Division. The project is expected to be completed first quarter of 2028. Meanwhile, under the Federal Government under KKDW has approved six projects:

(a) Ulu Skrang Road, Lubok Antu, Sarawak (Phase 2);
(b) Concrete Bridge Across Batang Ai River, Engkilili Bazaar, Sri Aman Division;
(c) Sebeliau-Bilararap Road, Sri Aman Division; and under planning stages,
(d) Upgrading of Ulu Skrang Road, Sri Aman Division;

(e) Construction of a New Concrete Bridge at Nanga Entalau, Ulu Skrang, Lubok Antu Division, Sri Aman;
(f) Construction of Menjuau Ulu Bridge, Sri Aman Division.

Commercial Wharf

To Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Repok, the tender documents for the Proposed Reinforced Concrete Commercial Wharf at Sungai Nyelong, Sarikei Division has been completed and is expected to be tendered in the fourth quarter of 2026.

New Requests

For the information of Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat regarding the specific roads, bridges, solar street lighting and other projects requested on behalf of the constituencies of Meradong, Jepak, Balingian, Tellian, Ngemah, Katibas, Bukit Begunan, Pelagus, Batu Danau, Lingga, Ba'Kelalan, Repok, Tupong and Machan, my Ministry, together with JKR Sarawak will review the proposed projects.

CONCLUSION

Tuan Speaker, in 2017, the GPS Government of Sarawak set out with a clear determination. To uphold our rights, strengthen our economic independence and deliver a better future for our people. Nine years on, look at how far have we come:

(a) Since 2022, Sarawak has been recognized as high-income region ahead of target 2030*…(Applause)…*
(b) Our revenue increased from RM6.5 billion 2017 to a projected RM15 billion in 2027*…(Applause)…* and
(c) We will be the Battery of ASEAN.

Equally important, Sarawak continues to preserve and protect what makes us a special, our greatest strength, the peace, the respect, the unity among our different races and religions, making us a model state for harmony in Malaysia. Today, Sarawak stand proud, confident, united, and ambitious for the future. The GPS Government believes in protecting peace to keep our people safe, fostering unity to make Sarawak stronger and driving prosperity to give our children a brighter future.

Tuan Speaker, under the leadership of Premier from Gedong, let us continue to chart Sarawak's future with a clear vision creating opportunities for young people, improving the lives of our rural communities and ensuring that every Sarawakian has the chance to prosper. No one will be left behind. Let us stand firm against extremism, prejudice or any attempt to turn neighbours against one another. We must never allow differences in race, religion and politics to divide us. Instead, let us continue to respect one another and protect the peace we have enjoyed for generations.

Tuan Speaker, my fellow Sarawakian, let us stand together with GPS*…(Applause)…* and our Premier, I have to mention the name here, apology *…(Applause)…* Yang Amat Berhormat Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg. Stand together, and victory is ours. Safeguard our rights, strengthen our unity, and move forward with courage and confidence.

As we look towards 2030 and beyond, we must work towards it, protect what we built, make sure every community shares in Sarawak's progress. Let us stand firm, stay united, keep moving forward. Let us turn our aspirations into action, our plans into results, our shared hopes into a better future of Sarawak. The responsibility is ours. Sarawak is our home. Our future is in our hands. Agi

Idup, Agi Ngelaban…*(Applause)*… Jaga Sarawak, Intu Sarawak…*(Applause)*…Pending tak setuju …*(Laughter)*…

Before I conclude, I wish to express my appreciation to Tuan Speaker for your wisdom and guidance in presiding and proceedings of this House. My heartfelt thanks also to Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat for your views, suggestions throughout this session. I wish to express my appreciation to my two Deputy, Yang Berhormat dari Sadong Jaya dan Yang Berhormat dari Samalaju, the entire MIPD team, agencies under my Ministry, our fellow Civil Servants, members of the media for your continued support, dedication and hard work. Your contributions are deeply appreciated.

As Deepavali approaches, I would like to extend my warmest wishes to all those celebrating the Festival of Lights. May this joyous occasion bring happiness, peace and prosperity to you and to your loved ones. Happy Deepavali.

Finally, to all Christians, I would like to wish you a Happy and Blessed Christmas. To everyone, Happy and Prosperous New Year 2027. Bring renewed hope, unity and shared prosperity to Sarawak. Dengan ini, izin saya mengakhiri ucapan penggulungan saya dengan beberapa rangkap pantun.

Pergi ke Gedong di pagi hari,
Singgah sebentar membeli juadah,
Premier Sarawak berwawasan tinggi,
Membangun negeri penuh amanah.
... (Applause)...

Melati putih harum berseri,
Mekar indah di laman rumah,
Jalan dan jambatan dibina bestari,
Pelabuhan maju membawa tuah.
... (Applause)...

Pergi pasar membeli serai,
Bertemu sahabat serta saudara,
Perpaduan rakyat sentiasa dihargai,
Hidup harmoni aman sejahtera.
... (Applause)...

Thank you.

Tuan Speaker: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, dengan segala hormatnya saya menjemput Yang Amat Berhormat Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari Bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg, Premier Sarawak; Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru; Menteri Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar dan Menteri Tenaga dan Kelestarian Alam Sekitar untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan.

Premier Sarawak; Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru Sarawak; Menteri Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar Sarawak; Menteri Tenaga dan Kelestarian Alam Sekitar Sarawak; dan Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri N.26 Gedong (YAB Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg): Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker.

Terlebih dahulu, saya ingin merakamkan setinggi-tinggi penghargaan dan ucapan terima kasih kepada Ahli-Ahli Yang Berhormat atas sokongan padu mereka terhadap Rang Undang-Undang yang telah dibentangkan, iaitu:

(a) Supply (2027) Bill, 2026;
(b) Supplementary Supply (2026) Bill, 2026;

(c) Sarawak State Library (Amendment) Bill, 2026; dan
(d) Public Holidays (Amendment) Bill, 2026

Saya yakin, dengan kelulusan Rang Undang-undang ini, Kerajaan Sarawak akan dapat melaksanakan tanggungjawabnya dengan lebih cekap dan berkesan. Dalam ucapan penggulungan saya pada petang ini, saya akan menyampaikan pencapaian Sarawak serta langkah seterusnya untuk memperkukuhkan pembangunan dan kesejahteraan rakyat.

Tuan Speaker,

TEN YEARS OF TRANSFORMATION

When I assumed the leadership of Sarawak in January 2017, Sarawak was at a different stage of its development. Our GDP stood at RM124.5 billion, 11.9% of our households lived in absolute poverty and the median household earned RM4,163 a month. Since then, much has changed in Sarawak.

These 10 years have not been easy. We went through the COVID-19 pandemic, disruptions to global supply chains, volatility in commodity and energy markets and heightened geopolitical tensions. More recently, developments in west Asia have added further pressure to global energy markets and contributed to greater uncertainty in oil prices and supply. The focus throughout this period has not only been on managing immediate economic conditions, but also on preparing Sarawak's economy for longer term structural change.

Tuan Speaker, 10 years is long enough to show whether a government has delivered its commitments. Sarawak is in a very different position than it was in 2017. In 2025, Sarawak's GDP reached RM153.5 billion*…(Applause)…*nearly a quarter higher than in 2016.

We are proud that the World Bank has recognised Sarawak as a high-income state in 2022 and we have managed to retain that status. From a traditionally resource-based economy dependent on oil and gas, agriculture and other commodities, we have diversified into downstream oil and gas, renewable energy, the digital economy and advanced manufacturing including semiconductors.

More importantly, our economic progress is reflected in the improving livelihoods of our people. Absolute poverty has since fallen to 8.4% of households. The median household now earns RM5,504 a month, about a third more than in 2016.

The development of new economic sectors alongside the continued strength of our traditional industries has broadened Sarawak's economic base and strengthened our capacity to generate revenue. The state's revenue more than doubled from the figure quoted by my Deputy Premier in 2016, it was RM5.9 billion to RM13.6 billion in 2026. As I announced when I tabled Sarawak's budget in 2027, our revenue next year is projected to reach RM15.1 billion*... (Applause)...* the highest in Sarawak's history. Our increased revenue has enabled us to mobilise greater resources to finance Sarawak's development priorities, and these benefits are being reinvested back to the people of Sarawak. We are executing major road programmes such as the coastal road network and the second trunk road which are worth about RM11 billion. All are fully funded by the Sarawak GPS Government*... (Applause)...*

The programme, as mentioned by a Member for Bukit Saban, encompassed 21 major bridges, 193km of new roads and the upgrading of 425km of existing roads. Soon, on 30th October, there will be a soft launch of the Batang Paloh Bridge. The 12,000 residents of Pulau Bruit will no longer have to wait for the ferry to reach their homes*... (Applause)...*The coastal road network is expected to complete in 2027, next year, and the second trunk road by 2030. We have set aside a further RM2.27 billion next year for this and other backbone roads, including the Northern Coastal Highway*…(Applause)…*

Tuan Speaker, we are also building the RM3.8 billion, 142km road in Baram, connecting Miri, Marudi, Mulu, Long Panai and Long Lama, known as 3M2L. The Miri to Marudi stretch will be built on R5 standard, while the Marudi to Mulu stretch will follow the R3 standard. Water supply infrastructure is also another key priority for my administration. Under Upgrading and Replacement of Water Pipelines Programme, we are upgrading more than 2,700km of water pipelines throughout Sarawak. This will improve water supply availability and reduce non-revenue water. Beyond physical infrastructure, we are also investing in the wellbeing and future of our people through better access to education, targeted welfare assistance, and opportunities for all Sarawakians to improve their quality of life.

Tuan Speaker, strengthening Sarawak's financial position has also involved building institutions and securing strategic assets that can support economic development over the longer term. In 2017, Sarawak only had a few institutions capable of financing our development of participating directly in key industries. We wanted to change that**.** We established the Development Bank of Sarawak (DBOS) to finance strategic projects and PETROS to secure Sarawak's rights and direct role in our oil and gas industry.

We have since carried this same spirit and approach further. Today, Sarawak is the largest single shareholder of AFFIN Bank *…(Applause)…* as mentioned just now by Bukit Saban, Bintulu Port has been transferred to Sarawak *…(Applause)…* and we have AirBorneo, our own airline, connecting Sarawak to the world*…(Applause)…*Through the Sarawak Sovereign Wealth Future Fund, we are also investing a share of today's revenue so that the prosperity we build now will also serve generations yet to come. These initiatives serve different purposes, but collectively they have expanded the institutions, assets and financial mechanisms available to support Sarawak's long-term development.

Tuan Speaker,

A NEW INCLUSIVE FUTURE FOR ANAK SARAWAK

In past DUN speeches, I have often talked about preparing our *Anak Sarawak* for the future. When I reflect upon the efforts of my administration for the last nearly 10 years, I believe we have done more than that. In fact, we have already created an entirely new, inclusive future for our young Sarawakians.

Allow me, Tuan Speaker, to tell you the real-life stories of our people today. When a Sarawakian child is born, the mother received *Bantuan Ibu Bersalin* (BIB*)... (Applause)...* a cash grant of RM450 to support her needs including postnatal care and healthy nutrition during the confinement period. In addition, RM1,000 is placed in the child's name under the Endowment Fund Sarawak …(*Applause*)… The money will grow with interest and when they turn 18 it will help them to continue studies or start a small business. Madam Sylvia anak Jiau from *Kampung Semadang* in Padawan is among the over 110,000 mothers who have received the BIB grant *... (Applause)...* Her eight-month baby boy is among the 159,000 Sarawakian children with the Endowment Trust Fund account *... (Applause)...* This support is provided to every Sarawakian family regardless of their race, regardless of their religion or income. When a child is born in rural areas or in the cities, every *Anak* Sarawak receives the same benefit*... (Applause)...* from their very first breath, the GPS Government is by their side and that is what inclusivity means to us, no one is left behind.

When I took office, rural electricity coverage was at 89.6%. Today, 99.3% of our rural communities receive electricity supply through grid extensions and off-grid supply under the Sarawak Alternative Rural Electrification Scheme (SARES). Longhouses too have been built and rebuilt through interest-free loans under the Longhouse Loan Scheme which has helped repair and build more than 9,000 longhouse doors across Sarawak including Rumah Panjang Selangking and Rumah Panjang Jaloh in Betong, Sungai Lutong Baru in Baram and Nanga Medamit in Limbang, just to name a few. And just as we have improved the homes people live in, we are improving the

roads they travel by. For many years, Sarawakians in remote areas have relied on old logging roads to reach the nearest town. We have started the process of taking over these roads beginning with about 5,977km which will be maintained as public roads.

Tuan Speaker, through the *Sumbangan Keperluan Asas Sarawak* (SKAS), we provide targeted assistance to ease the burden of low-income families and the elderly. This year, B40 households receive RM1,100 under SKAS, credited directly into their SPay Global e-wallet. For Madam Pusspa a/p Trozen Vera Samy from Tabuan Dayak, Kuching who are amongst our SKAS recipients, this assistance is a tangible expression of our commitment to the wellbeing of our people, offering financial relief from the cost of everyday essentials. At the same time, she also benefits from 25% discount on her electricity bill and RM5 off her water bill every month, enjoyed by every household in Sarawak... (*Applause*)… The Sarawak Rental Assistance Scheme also helps families cover the costs of their home rentals with RM200 each month. Encik Anuar bin Peli, a van driver from Kota Samarahan, his wife and six children are among the beneficiaries. Through this assistance, my administration is able to ease the pressure of keeping a roof over their heads and provide families with greater peace of mind.

For households who are ready to buy a house, they can apply for RM10,000 under the Housing Deposit and Repayment Assistance Scheme (HDRAS), which has already helped more than 3,400 first-time homebuyers. Madam Leong Soi Mei is a recent recipient, who purchased her house in Sarikei. Her story reflects how targeted assistance can turn the dream of owning a home into reality, giving families a place to call their own and a foundation for the future.

Tuan Speaker, in Sarawak, we are providing an equal playing field for all children to succeed through our investments in education, regardless of socio-economic status. When our children start school, they will learn Mathematics and Science in English. Effectively preparing them with the language skill required in tertiary education and for their professional carriers. Student who excels in the *Ujian Penilaian* Dual Language Program Sarawak assessment in year six have the opportunity to study at Yayasan Sarawak International Secondary School.

Fathias Rawai Tang, a mixed Penan boy from Ulu Baram and Meliva Nara anak Alexander Betie, an Iban girl from Rumah James, Lubuk Kelampu, Betong are among our Yayasan Sarawak International Secondary School student currently studying the Cambridge curriculum. Before this, only children from wealthy backgrounds could access world class education*... (Applause)...* Today, under the GPS goverment every child has that opportunity*... (Applause)...*

In 2023, I made a promise that *Anak Sarawak* would be able to study for free at our own Universities under the Free Tertiary Education Scheme (FTES). This year, under the scheme, around 6,246 young Sarawakian are pursuing their degrees in 64 programmes. More than half, come from low income families and received RM15,000 a year for their living. Among the beneficiaries of FTES are Gloria Dau Aju, a Kayan student from Uma Belor in Belaga, pursuing a Bachelor of Technology Management at University of Technology Sarawak; Priska Emban anak Kenedy, an Iban student from Rumah Uri, Bebuling Atas, Spaoh who is pursuing Bachelor of Science in Agrotechnology at i-CATS University College and Syaza Irwani Adriana binti Mohd Qushairi, a Malay student who is pursuing a Bachelor of Computing in Curtin University.

We are also providing equal opportunities to students who graduated with UEC qualifications from private Chinese secondary schools. Terry Lin Zhen Bin who graduated from Pei Min Middle School in Miri began his Bachelor of Computer Science studies in Swinburne under FTES. In a few years' time, graduation photos will hang on the wall of their homes, in longhouses in Belaga, Betong, and in city apartments.

Tuan Speaker, I know how proud their family will be, seeing how far their children have come, *... (Applause)...* achieving something they once thought was beyond their reach. With regards to the

concerns raised by the Honourable Member for Tanjong Datu, the Sarawak Government recognises that our investments in education must be matched by meaningful career opportunities at home.

As Sarawak continues to develop high-growth industries such as semiconductors, high-technology agriculture, and oil and gas, our graduates will have greater opportunities to build rewarding careers and contribute to the state's economic growth without having to seek employment elsewhere. This has been proven with our experienced *Anak Sarawak* who return to work for our GLCs because of attractive remuneration and benefits.

For example, Puan Siti Aisyah binti Mohd, Manager for Governance and Compliance. Prior to joining Sarawak Petchem, she drove ESG integration in national agricultural development financing and led the development of a RM200 million agrotechnology financing programme at Agrobank. Now, she is now in Sarawak returning home*... (Applause)...* Her colleague, Encik Abang Noor Akmal Yahya bin Abang Rosli, Manager of Engineering and Technology, brings over 25 years of experience in petrochemical and chemical manufacturing across six countries, the United Kingdom, Belgium, Netherlands, Germany, China and Malaysia. He is now here, in Sarawak. Mr. Aldrin Glenn Roland, who is a Senior Rotating Equipment Engineer in Sarawak Petchem, also returned to Sarawak. He underwent industrial training during his undergraduate studies in Germany and worked in the manufacturing industry in Peninsular Malaysia. Now, back to Sarawak.

Meaning, Tuan Speaker, these are a few examples of our top talented Sarawakians coming home to serve Sarawak. At the same time, I would like to share some success stories of our *Anak Sarawak* who were given overseas scholarships through Yayasan Sarawak. They pursued their studies and returned to contribute to Sarawak's future. One such example is Mr. Randu anak Rangen, a Bidayuh Scholar from Kampung Stabut, Padawan, who earned a Master of Science in Environment Politics and Society from University College London and is now working in PETROS as their legal counsel.

Another example is Madam Jacinta Lim, a physiotherapist from Limbang, who began her career in Singapore before receiving a full scholarship from Yayasan Sarawak and Swinburne in 2016 to pursue a Masters in Clinical Physiotherapy at Curtin University in Australia. Upon returning, she established Rehab Concept, now operating in three physiotherapy centres, two in Kuching and one in Petaling Jaya*…(Applause)…*Beyond her business, she contributes to the community through rehabilitation and public awareness programmes and supports NGOs, such as the Kuching Parkinson's Society.

Tuan Speaker, some of the recipients that I have mentioned are in the Dewan today*…(Applause)…* Tuan Speaker, allow me to invite them to stand up to acknowledge their presence*…(Applause)…* These are the few who have benefited from our success story and there are thousands out there who have also similar benefited*…(Applause)…* This is the work of GPS Government for the people. Thank you very much. Congratulations to you all on behalf of the Dewan.

Tuan Speaker, many of us in this august House grew up with various challenges. Even though we had big ambitions, we had to walk long distances to go to school. We faced difficulty in securing scholarships and in finding high-paying jobs. But today, all our Sarawakian children, regardless of background and family income, can become whoever they aspire to be. The GPS Government has created a new, bright and inclusive pathway for all *Anak* Sarawak. One that none of us had before. So that they can reach their fullest potential and achieve their highest dreams.

Tuan Speaker,

POWERING SARAWAK'S FUTURE

As we build the talent our industries need, we must strengthen their capacity to grow. And as these industries expand, so will our demand for energy. We are strengthening Sarawak's energy

security by developing our onshore and offshore oil and gas resources, while expanding hydropower and solar generation.

Our petroleum industry began in the early 1900s, when oil was first struck on 10th October 1910 at Canada Hill Miri by the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Company under SHELL. Onshore production continued until 1972. Today, advances in geophysical technology and subsurface imaging give us the opportunity to revisit our onshore hydrocarbon potential. We are already seeing results. In July 2026, PETROS and PETRA Energy commenced first oil production from the Adong Kechil West LA production system in Block SK433 in Miri, producing about 800 barrels of oil per day from one oil, reviving Sarawak's onshore oil and gas production after nearly 50 years*…(Applause)…*

Tuan Speaker, we are building on this momentum, and we are going to explore other onshore sites. Advanced gravity surveys are giving us a clearer picture of the geology below the surface, and initial exploration efforts will focus on Balingian, Limbang Trusan, Marudi and Niah*…(Applause)…* In parallel, PETROS is exploring the integrated development of offshore gas fields in western Sarawak, off the coast of Kuching, to establish a reliable source of gas supply for the Kuching Low Carbon Hub (KLCH). This will help attract new industries and investments, create downstream opportunities and drive economic growth in Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, under the Sarawak Gas Roadmap, our aim is to make more strategic use of Sarawak's gas domestically. To support this, PETROS has entered into a joint development agreement with Hoegh Evi, from Norway, to develop the Kuching LNG Terminal as part of the Kuching Low Carbon Hub. The proposed terminal will establish Sarawak's first LNG regasification facility to provide gas supply for Kuching and the surrounding areas. Together, the LNG Terminal, and the development of Western Sarawak's offshore gas resources will strengthen the long-term gas supply needed for power generation and future industrial activities in the southern region.

With strategic LNG infrastructure, the Kuching Deep-Sea Port and industrial part Tanjung Embang is being developed as a major economic growth area for Kuching and Borneo, attracting high value industries such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), semiconductors, food processing and intelligent machinery. This is a new area all together. Separately, the proposed new Kuching International Airport will be a strategic investment in Sarawak's future, with an initial capacity of 15 million passengers annually. Integrated with the wider Tanjung Embang ecosystem, the airport will strengthen regional and international connectivity, expand passenger and cargo movement, and position Sarawak as a regional hub for tourism, trade and investment. A dedicated taskforce comprising of relevant government agencies and authorities has been established to coordinate the overall development of Tanjung Embang. Physical development is expected to begin early next year.

Tuan Speaker, building on this foundation, Samajaya 2 High Tech Park in Samarahan has been identified as the first development area to kickstart the wider development of the Kuching Low-Carbon Hub. PETROS is leading the development of the park and its critical infrastructure, with the site targeted to be ready for investors by early 2028. We are also bringing more gas into our major centres of demand. The 65km Samalaju Bintulu Pipeline is expected to complete by end of 2026. Once operational, it will deliver natural gas to existing and future industries in Samalaju Industrial Park and support further downstream development. Reliable gas supply then allows us to strengthen power generation when demand rises. This is why Combined Cycle Gas Turbine (CCGT), power plants in Miri and Samalaju are being developed to provide additional capacity as electricity demand continues to grow. At the same time, nine, *sembilan*, Solar Power Purchase Agreements have been signed, representing 1,450mw of solar capacity. Together with hydropower, this will increase the contribution of renewables to our energy mix, while gas provides the firm power needed to support the transition.

Tuan Speaker, power generation is only useful if we can deliver the electricity reliably across Sarawak. The Bunut-Medamit-Limbang grid, completed in July this year, and Lawas transmission network, completed last November, has strengthened supply in northern Sarawak. With Limbang

connected to the main Sarawak grid, we can move away from dependence on diesel generation and create further opportunities to extend electricity supply into Batu Danau and Ulu Medamit. This infrastructure forms the backbone of the Sarawak Sabah Interconnection, achieving a major milestone towards realising the Borneo Grid and the greater ASEAN Power Grid initiative.

Tuan Speaker,

TURNING SUSTAINABILITY INTO OPPORTUNITY

Growth also brings responsibility. As our economy and industries expand, we must be mindful of the resources we use and the environment we leave behind for future generations. Net Zero therefore cannot sit apart from economic development. It has to shape the way we grow, by using energy more efficiently, reducing emissions and getting more value from the resources we already have.

In June, the State Cabinet approved the Sarawak Net Zero Strategy and Carbon Plan, giving us a clearer pathway to pursue both economic growth and progressive decarbonisation. We are conducting a study on establishing the Sarawak Climate Finance Accelerator, to identify investment-ready projects and help Sarawakian enterprises access the capital needed to bring them forward.

On carbon pricing, we are also moving from framework to implementation. The necessary measurement, reporting and verification system, carbon market framework and policy development are being finalized so that the mechanism can operate clearly and effectively.

Tuan Speaker,

ATTRACTING STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND SUPPORTING SMES TO GROW

Sarawak has continued to attract major investment. In July, Western Digital, broke ground on a RM1.8 billion glass-substrate facility in Samajaya. Producing material for the next generation of data storage. In Samalaju, OCI Tokuyama Semiconductor Materials is building a RM2 billion plant to produce semiconductor-grade polysilicon, the first in Southeast Asia and we are producing it.

On 8th October, I witnessed the signing of the Framework Agreement between SoftBank, Grab and PETROS to explore building an AI and digital infrastructure platform in Sarawak. Our services sector is also attracting new investment in tourism, healthcare and retail. This December, IKEA will open its first East Malaysia store right here in Kuching…(*Applause*)… I'm glad, Tuan Speaker, more than 90% of the staff IKEA has hired so far are Sarawakians…(*Applause*)…

Tuan Speaker, Kuching hosted the 2nd Borneo Economic Forum themed*, "Shaping the Future of Borneo".* The forum strengthened our relationship within Borneo and beyond, bringing over 150 private companies from ASEAN Countries, China and India together to collaborate on exploring new business opportunities across Borneo.

The next step is to turn these opportunities into tangible benefits for our businesses, especially our SMEs. My administration will continue to support them with access to financing, digital capabilities, and infrastructure needed to build partnership and participate in regional supply chains. This is part of a broader ambition for Sarawak to serve as a gateway for Borneo. Not by competing with our neighbours but being a place where partners, goods, services and ideas come together for the benefit of all. To realize that ambition, Sarawak must also be connected to the world. AirBorneo is that connection. This year marked a turning point as AirBorneo took its first steps beyond East Malaysia, flying to Kuala Lumpur on 20th July and Singapore on 22nd July this year.

Before the end of this year, I will launch AirBorneo's inaugural flight from Kuching to Jakarta, …(*Applause*)… linking Sarawak directly with Indonesia's capital and its more than 280 million

people. This connection will further enhance Sarawak's health tourism sector, which recorded over RM200 million in revenue in 2025.

BUILDING COMPETITIVE AND LIVEABLE URBAN AREAS

Tuan Speaker, for many years, Sarawak's major urban and industrial development has been concentrated in Kuching, Bintulu and Miri. With the Pan Borneo Highway and Second Trunk Road improving connectivity across Sarawak, we now have the opportunity to unlock the growing economic potential of our central region, particularly Sibu. Sibu has long been an important centre for trade, commerce and river logistics. Sibu's shipbuilding cluster, comprising more than 50 shipyards, serves domestic and international markets.

I wish to express my appreciation to Yang Amat Berhormat Prime Minister and the Federal Government for agreeing to Sarawak's proposal to establish the Sibu Special Economic Zone in 2027 MADANI Budget. The Sibu Special Economic Zone will build on the city's existing strengths to attract investments in high-value manufacturing, downstream processing, agro-industry, logistics and the green economy. It will create skilled employment, open new markets for our SMEs and strengthen economic linkages with Bintulu, Mukah, Kapit and the wider Rajang Basin.

We will work closely with the Ministry of Finance and other relevant federal agencies to secure special incentives and translate the proposed zone into concrete plans and investments, positioning Sibu as a new engine of growth for central Sarawak. In this regard, we will form a joint committee to oversee the development of the Sibu Special Economic Zone with the Federal Government particular MOF.

Tuan Speaker, as we develop new economic centres, we must also ensure that our cities offer a good quality of life. I am pleased that Kuching was unanimously elected Convenor and Chair City of the Alliance for Healthy Cities for 2028–2030 at its 11th General Assembly in Sydney last September*…(Applause)…*

Kuching will also host the Alliance's 12th Global Conference in 2028. This recognition builds on Kuching's growing international profile, having hosted the 15th World Congress on Design and Health this year, with the IWA World Water Congress and Exhibition scheduled for 2028. This is Water Congress, World Water Congress. Through our chairmanship of the Alliance, we will strengthen international collaboration and adopt global best practices in urban planning, public health and sustainable development to build cities across Sarawak that are competitive, healthy, inclusive and liveable for generations to come.

Tuan Speaker, in line with our efforts to enhance Kuching as a city of international stature, public facilities must continue to be upgraded befitting a modern, liveable and sustainable city. But it is disheartening to note there is a call for the ART, the New Kuching international airport and Kuching deep-sea port projects to be halted. Therefore, I agree with Member for Kota Sentosa that any cancellation of these projects is "*gostan"* politics and short-sighted. Let me reassure this august House that the GPS government under my leadership will continue to forge ahead with their implementations towards 2030 …(*Applause*)…

Tuan Speaker,

STRENGTHENING FEDERAL RELATIONSHIP

We are committed to strengthen our relationship with the Federal Government. In the 2027 MADANI Budget, the Federal allocation for Sarawak was increased from RM15.1 billion this year to RM16.2 billion in 2027, covering development funds and the operational spending of federal ministries and agencies. I don't know how much is meant for development yet, because it is cumulative account. We hope that federal agencies in Sarawak will be able to expedite the

implementation of the development programmes and projects based on the approved allocation and scope. These are the fruits of our partnership, and the foundation of that partnership is the Malaysia Agreement 1963.

In the *Mesyuarat Majlis Tindakan Pelaksanaan Perjanjian Malaysia 1963* held in September 2026 in Kota Kinabalu, Yang Amat Berhormat Prime Minister acknowledged that the MA63 agenda was not just a discussion of issues related to Sabah and Sarawak, but it is a national agenda. It is a national narrative and responsibility. Additionally, when tabling the budget on 9th October, the Prime Minister called the MA63 a *"National Covenant"* that the whole nation must honour.

The Prime Minister acknowledged that for decades the Special Grant did not keep pace with the needs of Sabah and Sarawak. And so, the Special Grant under the Federal Constitution has been raised from RM600 million to RM1.5 billion as an interim measure, effective this year. I would like to thank the Federal Government for this important step, while negotiations towards a fair and sustainable annual formula will continue. My administration remains committed to pursuing Sarawak's outstanding rights under MA63 …(*Applause*)…

Tuan Speaker,

BRUNEI DARUSSALAM — STRENGTHENING A SHARED BORDER

A strong partnership at home gives us the confidence to look outward. Last month, in Bandar Seri Begawan, our partnership with Brunei advanced on two fronts during the 27th Meeting on the Implementation of the Exchange of Letters, and the 27th Annual Leaders' Consultation. On the land boundary between Sarawak and Brunei, more than half of the 528km border has now been surveyed and demarcated.

On energy, Sarawak is ready to sign the Term Sheet on Power Interconnection with Brunei, and we hope to do so within this year. We will continue to build on our strong relationship with Brunei, deepening cooperation and creating greater opportunities for the mutual benefit of our people.

BUILDING INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

Tuan Speaker, beyond our neighbours, we are taking Sarawak's story to the region. In September, I led a Sarawak delegation to the headquarters of the Asian Development Bank in Manila, for a private meeting with the President, a closed-door session with the management of ADB's Southeast Asia Regional Department, and a fireside chat before the bank's own staff and leadership.

My message to them was simple, Sarawak is a modest domestic energy market on its own, so our future lies in deeper integration with ASEAN. We intend to reach 10gw of total generation capacity by 2030 and 15gw by 2035, supplying our neighbours through the ASEAN Power Grid, and existing bilateral arrangements.

The Bank's management expressed genuine interest in supporting Sarawak, be it through financing, technical assistance or project preparation support, while confirming its interest in deepening engagement through its planned Malaysia office. Together, we identified clear ground for collaboration, from regional power links and green finance to low carbon urban development such as our Kuching Low Carbon Hub. Sarawak's credibility on the international stage is not requested but it is earned - one delivered promise at a time.

Tuan Speaker,

ASIAN INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION CENTRE (AIAC) – BORNEO REGIONAL HUB

Beyond energy cooperation, we are also strengthening our legal and commercial foundations needed to support Sarawak's growing economy and attract investment. On 19th October, I had the privilege of witnessing the exchange of agreements formalizing the establishment of the first Borneo Regional Hub for Asian International Arbitration Centre (AIAC) in Kuching*…(Applause)…*

Tuan Speaker, I have, with your own background, this marks a significant milestone in the advancement of the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) ecosystem in Sarawak, as the AIAC establishes its first regional hub outside Kuala Lumpur. The establishment of this hub reflects our commitment to strengthening the legal and commercial framework necessary to support Sarawak's continued economic growth.

Strategically positioned to serve Sarawak and the wider Borneo region, this establishment is poised to enhance access to efficient and effective commercial dispute resolution, foster international recognition and greater regional collaboration, as well as reinforce investor confidence through a more conducive and competitive business environment.

SARAWAKPASS

Tuan Speaker, now I touch the SarawakPass. In 2023, I set out the vision for Sarawak Pass as a trusted digital identity that would enable Sarawakians to use their credentials across public and private services, while strengthening digital trust and addressing fragmented authentication. Following the Memorandum of Understanding signed with the National Cyber Security Agency (NACSA) on 28th November 2025, SarawakPass successfully integrated with the national digital identity, MyDigital ID in June 2026. This enables single sign-on (SSO) to participate in state and federal online services.

SarawakPass, now, has more than 1.93 million registered users and provides access to more than 300 services. Its service network has expanded through SSO integration with SEB Cares, Sarawak Water and AirBorneo. Led by Sarawak Civil Service Digitalisation Unit (SCSDU), SarawakPass will continue to provide a trusted foundation for connected services and more responsive, personalised and proactive public service delivery, including targeted assistance.

Tuan Speaker, *Biro Pengaduan Awam* Malaysia conducted nationwide inspections between May and June 2026 to evaluate public complaint management for the year 2025. 13 states across Malaysia including Sarawak, through our *'TALIKHIDMAT'* system—participated in this assessment.

Following these inspections, Sarawak was recognised as one of the top five states, receiving seven distinct ratings*…(Applause)…*including Public Response Efficiency, Complaint Management Governance, Strategic Public Communication and Excellence in Digital Innovation. Seven stars for Sarawak. This achievement reflects the ongoing commitment of the Sarawak Government to strengthen governance, accountability, and the overall effectiveness of public complaint management, effectively bolstering public confidence and trust in the government.

Tuan Speaker,

SARAWAKKU SAYANG: MENDEKATI RAKYAT, MEMPERKASA KOMUNITI

Kerajaan GPS sedang giat melaksanakan Program Sarawakku Sayang 2026. Program ini menghimpunkan pelbagai agensi kerajaan, GLC, NGO dan sektor swasta di bawah satu platform, membolehkan rakyat mendapatkan perkhidmatan kesihatan, pendidikan, kebajikan dan digital secara terus. Di samping itu, program ini membuka ruang kepada usahawan untuk menjana pendapatan melalui jualan makanan, kraftangan dan produk tempatan. Setakat ini, usahawan tempatan telah menjana jualan sebanyak RM2.4 juta melalui Program Sarawakku Sayang …(*Applause*) …

Program ini telah dilaksanakan di lapan bahagian, Limbang, Miri, Bintulu, Kapit, Sibu, Sarikei, Betong dan Mukah, dengan jumlah lebih daripada 540,000 pengunjung. Sambutan yang amat menggalakkan ini mencerminkan azam rakyat Sarawak untuk terus *segulai sejalai* yang telah sekian lama menjadi sakti kekuatan kita. Dalam silang rentak perpaduan, tersimpul utuh ikatan kebersamaan kita anak Sarawak. Inilah pendekatan tulen pentadbiran Kerajaan GPS, bukan sekadar menunggu rakyat datang kepada kerajaan, tetapi kerajaan sendiri yang turun padang mendekati mereka …(*Applause*)…demi mendengar denyut nadi dan memahami isi hati nurani masyarakat.

Melalui ruang interaksi begini, hubungan diperkukuh, permasalahan dapat dikenal pasti, dan penyampaian perkhidmatan dapat disampaikan dengan jauh lebih cepat serta berkesan. Falsafah Sarawakku Sayang, "*Jaga Sarawak, Intu Sarawak*" adalah pasak utama yang mencerminkan sikap saling menghormati, mengambil berat dan menjaga Sarawak sesama kita. Kepada seluruh rakyat Sarawak, marilah kita bersama-sama menjaga keamanan dan memelihara perpaduan di bumi kenyalang kita ini. Janganlah kita membiarkan Sarawak dipecah-belahkan oleh anasir-anasir luar…(*Applause*)… Marilah kita terus teguh bersatu, demi mempertahankan hak dan masa depan Sarawak serta menjayakan agenda *"Sarawak Maju Makmur" …(Applause)…*

PENGHARGAAN UNTUK PENJAWAT AWAM SARAWAK

Tuan Speaker, di sebalik setiap kejayaan yang kita kecapi, ada keringat penjawat awam … (*Applause*) … (*Laughter*) … keringat penjawat awam yang mengalir tanpa mengira waktu, …(*Applause*)…(*Laughter*)…dengan dedikasi yang tidak pernah luntur…(*Applause*)… merentasi batas kota hingga ke sanubari luar bandar ... (*Applause*) …

Di tapak tangan merekalah amanah kerajaan dijadikan realiti … (*Applause*) … memacu denyut kemajuan kepada setiap anak Sarawak. Jasa mereka adalah pada setiap jambatan yang direntasi, setiap titisan air bersih yang mengalir ke rumah rakyat, setiap rumah yang kini terang pada malam harinya dan kampung-kampung yang sudah tidak lagi terasa jauh. Tanpa mereka, aspirasi PCDS 2030 untuk Sarawak hanya tinggal impian.

Ketegasan kita menuntut hak Sarawak di bawah MA63 berdiri di atas paksi wibawa Perkhidmatan Awam Sarawak yang cekap, telus dan berintegriti … (*Applause*) … Inilah manifestasi paling nyata bahawa Sarawak tidak pernah gentar dan sentiasa berupaya mengemudi bahtera pentadbirannya sendiri … (*Applause*) …

Kerajaan GPS tidak pernah alpa tentang pengorbanan mereka. Komitmen kita adalah untuk terus menjaga kebajikan penjawat awam dengan membina dan menaik taraf pejabat serta kuarters kerajaan, demi memastikan mereka yang berkhidmat di pelosok pedalaman menikmati ruang kerja dan kediaman yang lebih selesa.

Agenda ini didukung dengan pelaburan yang berterusan dalam memperkasakan kepimpinan serta keupayaan mereka, kerana kita tahu, untuk membina Sarawak yang bertaraf dunia, kita memerlukan perkhidmatan awam yang juga bertaraf dunia. Atas komitmen dan dedikasi ini, Kerajaan GPS merakamkan setinggi-tinggi penghargaan kepada seluruh anggota Perkhidmatan Awam Sarawak *... (Applause) ... (Laughter) …* Kejayaan Sarawak hari ini adalah hasil titik peluh anda semua.

Sebagai tanda penghargaan, *...(Laughter)...* saya dengan sukacitanya bagi pihak Kabinet dan GPS, mengumumkan pemberian Bantuan Khas Kewangan sebanyak dua bulan gaji *... (Applause) ...* kepada anggota Perkhidmatan Awam Negeri Sarawak, berdasarkan gaji pokok terakhir bulan November 2026, yang akan dibayar sebelum hujung tahun 2026 *... (Applause) ...* Ini dijangka memberi manfaat kepada lebih kurang 19,851 penjawat awam Sarawak dengan anggaran jumlah perbelanjaan RM144 juta *... (Applause) ... Ada chance lah tok ... (Laughter) ...*

Kita juga tidak melupakan sumbangan rakan-rakan Perkhidmatan Awam Persekutuan *... (Applause) ...,* yang berkhidmat di Sarawak, termasuklah para guru, petugas kesihatan dan anggota keselamatan. Usaha gigih dan keikhlasan mereka menjadi tunjang kepada kejayaan program pembangunan yang inklusif dan mampan di Sarawak.

Sebagai tanda terima kasih atas khidmat dan pengorbanan rakan-rakan Perkhidmatan Awam Persekutuan yang berkhidmat di Sarawak, saya juga mengumumkan Bantuan Khas Kewangan sebanyak RM700 secara *one-off*, *... (Applause)...* kepada penjawat awam persekutuan yang berkhidmat di Sarawak. Of course they get their own Federal Government also, so you combine *banyak lah*. Ini dijangka memberi manfaat kepada lebih kurang 132,347 orang anggota perkhidmatan awam Persekutuan *... (Applause)...* dengan anggaran perbelanjaan sebanyak lebih kurang RM93 juta. Ini akan dibayar pada suku pertama tahun 2027.

Saya berharap penghargaan ini menjadi pemangkin semangat kepada penerima untuk terus berbakti dan melonjakkan mutu penyampaian perkhidmatan kepada rakyat dan Sarawak. Memandangkan tempoh menuju tahun 2030 semakin ampuh melangkah, saya mahu setiap agensi bergerak lebih pantas dalam pelaksanaan projek dan penyampaian perkhidmatan.

Tuan Speaker, kita juga tidak lupa kepada para pesara Perkhidmatan Awam Negeri Sarawak. Walaupun mereka tidak lagi aktif, jasa mereka akan tetap dikenang dan sebagai tanda terima kasih, Kerajaan GPS akan memberikan bantuan kewangan secara *one-off* sebanyak RM500 seorang *... (Applause) ...* kepada lebih kurang 10,141 penerima dengan anggaran perbelanjaan lebih kurang RM5.1 juta.

Kerajaan GPS juga menghargai sumbangan dan pengorbanan para pengamal media, *... (Laughter)...* dalam menyampaikan maklumat dan berita secara professional yang memberi impak besar kepada pembangunan sosio-ekonomi Sarawak. Sebagai tanda penghargaan ke atas sumbangan mereka, Kerajaan GPS akan beri insentif berjumlah RM700 seorang secara *one-off ... (Applause)...* kepada pengamal media swasta yang berdaftar dengan enam persatuan media di Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, akhir kata, saya ingin merakamkan setinggi-tinggi penghargaan kepada Tuan Speaker, Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, Yang Berhormat Setiausaha Kerajaan Sarawak, Setiausaha Persekutuan Sarawak, Peguam Besar Negeri, Setiausaha Kewangan Negeri, Ketua-ketua jabatan, seluruh anggota Perkhidmatan Awam serta semua pegawai dan warga kerja Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak yang telah mengendalikan persidangan kali ini dengan teratur dan cemerlang.

Saya juga ingin mengambil kesempatan ini untuk mengucapkan Selamat Hari Deepavali dan Selamat Hari Krismas kepada semua yang bakal meraikannya. Semoga sambutan perayaan ini membawa keberkatan, memperkukuh perpaduan, serta menyemai semangat saling menghormati dan *Segulai Sejalai* yang menjadi tunjang kepada kemajuan dan kestabilan Sarawak. Saya juga ingin mengucapkan Selamat Tahun Baharu 2027, semoga Sarawak terus maju dan makmur. Sarawak milik kita bersama, inilah rumah kita, tanpa mengira kaum, agama dan bangsa. Demi anak-anak kita dan generasi yang akan datang, marilah kita terus melangkah bersama. *Sarawak First*, Utamakan Sarawak *... (Applause)...*

Sayang Sarawak sungainya deras,
Hutan menghijau indah berseri,
Bumi Kenyalang indah dan luas,
Kekal makmur teguh berdiri
... (Applause) ...

Dari Lawas hingga ke Lundu,
Gunung dan benaknya disapa bayu,
Hidup harmoni, muafakat berpadu,

Rakyat sejahtera, Sarawak maju
... (Applause) ...

Ikan bekut dari Gedong terkonang-konang, ... (Laughter) ...
Terkonang-konang di tepi perigi,
Kerajaan GPS terus berjuang,
Demi Sarawak, kamek sikkan berhenti
... (Applause) ...

Sekian, *I beg to move*. Terima kasih.

Tuan Speaker: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, I shall now call upon Yang Amat Berhormat Premier of Sarawak and Minister for Finance and New Economy to move the Motion that the Bill be read the second time.

Premier Sarawak; Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru Sarawak; Menteri Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar Sarawak; Menteri Tenaga dan Kelestarian Alam Sekitar Sarawak; dan Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri N.26 Gedong (YAB Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg): Tuan Speaker, I beg to move that the Supply (2027) Bill, 2026 be read a second time.

Tuan Speaker: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, the question is that the Supply (2027) Bill, 2026 be read a second time. As many as are of the opinion say "*Yes*".

Government: Yes… (Resounding "*Yes*")

Tuan Speaker: As many as are of the contrary opinions say "*No*".

Opposition: No… (Murmuring "*No*")

Tuan Speaker: The "*Yes"* have it. The Bill is read the second time.

Bill is read a second time

Tuan Speaker: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, the question is that the following Motion be passed, referred to the Committee of Supply, *"That this Dewan resolve to approve the Development Estimates 2027 as contained in Command Paper No. 13 of 2026 laid on the Table on 12th October 2026"*. As many as are of the opinion say "*Yes*".

Government: Yes… (Resounding "*Yes*")

Tuan Speaker: As many as are of the contrary opinions say "*No*".

Opposition: No… (Murmuring "*No*")

Tuan Speaker: The "*Yes*" have it. The Motion is passed and carried and shall stand committed to the Committee of Supply. The House shall now resolve into the Committee of Supply.

COMMITTEE STAGE

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

[Tuan Pengerusi mempengerusikan Mesyuarat]

Tuan Pengerusi: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, we shall now consider Command Paper No. 11 of 2026 on the Estimates of Revenue and Ordinary Expenditure for the year 2027 and laid on the Table on 12th October 2026.

Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, the question is that the amount of expenditure on all heads as set forth in the Estimates of Revenue and Ordinary Expenditure for the year 2027 be approved. As many as are of the opinion say "*Yes*".

Government: Yes… (Resounding "*Yes*")

Tuan Pengerusi: As many as are of the contrary opinions say "*No*".

Opposition: No… (Murmuring "*No*")

Tuan Pengerusi: The "*Yes*" have it. The Estimates of Revenue and Ordinary Expenditure for the year 2027 are approved. We shall now consider, the Supply (2027) Bill, 2026.

The Schedule

Tuan Pengerusi: The question is that the Schedule be ordered to stand part of the Bill. As many as are of the opinion say "*Yes*".

Government: Yes… (Resounding "*Yes*")

Tuan Pengerusi: As many as are of the contrary opinions say "No".

Opposition: No… (Murmuring "*No*")

Tuan Pengerusi: The "*Yes*" have it. The Schedule stand part of the Bill.

Clauses 1 and 2

Tuan Pengerusi: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, the question is that Clauses 1 and 2, be ordered to stand part of the Bill. As many as are of the opinion say "*Yes*"?

Government: Yes… (Resounding "*Yes*")

Tuan Pengerusi: As many as are of the contrary opinions say "*No*".

Opposition: No… (Murmuring "*No*")

Tuan Pengerusi: The "*Yes*' have it. Clauses 1 and 2 be ordered to stand part of the Bill.

Enacting Schedule, Clauses and Title

Tuan Pengerusi: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, we shall now consider Command Paper No. 13 of 2026 on the Development Estimates for the year 2027 laid on the Table on 12th October 2026. The question is that the amount of expenditure on all heads set for in the Development Estimates 2027 be approved. As many as are of the opinion say "*Yes*"?

Government: Yes… (Resounding "*Yes*")

Tuan Pengerusi: As many as are of the contrary opinions say "*No*".

Opposition: No… (Murmuring "*No*")

Tuan Pengerusi: The "*Yes*" have it. The Development Estimates 2027 is approved. The Dewan shall now resume.

HOUSE RESUMED

[*Tuan Speaker mempengerusikan Mesyuarat*]

Tuan Speaker: Yang Amat Berhormat Premier.

Premier Sarawak; Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru Sarawak; Menteri Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar Sarawak; Menteri Tenaga dan Kelestarian Alam Sekitar Sarawak; dan Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri N.26 Gedong (YAB Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg): Tuan Speaker, I wish to report that the Supply (2027) Bill, 2026 and the Motion of Development Estimates for the year 2027 has been considered by the Committee of Supply and agreed to without amendment.

RANG UNDANG-UNDANG KERAJAAN –

BACAAN KALI YANG KETIGA

SUPPLY (2027) BILL, 2026

Premier Sarawak; Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru Sarawak; Menteri Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar Sarawak; Menteri Tenaga dan Kelestarian Alam Sekitar Sarawak; dan Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri N.26 Gedong (YAB Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg): Tuan Speaker, I beg to move that the the Supply (2027) Bill, 2026 be read a third time and do pass.

Tuan Speaker: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, the question is that the Supply (2027) Bill, 2026 be read a third time and do pass. As many as the opinion say "*Yes*".

Government: Yes… (Resounding "*Yes*")

Tuan Speaker: As many as are of the contrary opinions say "No".

Opposition: No… (Murmuring "*No*")

Tuan Speaker: The "*Yes*" have it, the Bill is read a third time and passed.

Bill is read a third time and passed

USUL UNTUK MELULUS RESOLUSI ANGGARAN PERBELANJAAN PEMBANGUNAN BAGI TAHUN 2027

Premier Sarawak; Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru Sarawak; Menteri Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar Sarawak; Menteri Tenaga dan Kelestarian Alam Sekitar Sarawak; dan Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri N.26 Gedong (YAB Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg): Tuan Speaker, I beg to move that this House resolve to approve the Development Estimates for the year 2027 as contained in Command Paper No. 13 of 2026 laid on the Table on 12th October 2026.

Tuan Speaker: Another Minister to second?

Timbalan Premier Sarawak; Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru Kedua Sarawak; Menteri Infrastruktur dan Pelabuhan Sarawak; dan Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri N.37 Bukit Saban (YB Datuk Amar Douglas Unggah Embas): Tuan Speaker, I beg to second.

Tuan Speaker: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, the question before the Dewan is that the Motion in the name of Yang Amat Berhormat Premier of Sarawak and Minister for Finance and New Economy be approved. As many as the opinion say "*Yes*".

Government: Yes… (Resounding "*Yes*")

Tuan Speaker: As many as are of the contrary opinions say "*No*".

Opposition: No… (Murmuring "*No*")

Tuan Speaker: The "*Yes*" have it, the Motion is approved.

Question is put and agreed to

Motion is approved

USUL PENANGGUHAN

Timbalan Menteri Kesihatan Awam, Perumahan dan Kerajaan Tempatan Sarawak (Kerajaan Tempatan); dan Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri N.76 Marudi (YB Datuk Dr Penguang Manggil): Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker.

Tuan Speaker and all the Honourable Members of this august House, Selamat *petang, Salam Sarawak Maju dan Makmur, Salam Segulai Sejalai, Salam Satu GPS dan Salam Satu Sarawak*. I rise before this august House, to move a Motion of Adjournment of the Second Meeting of the Fifth Session of the Nineteenth Sarawak State Legislative Assembly, which took place from 12th to 21st October 2026.

I wish to begin by registering my utmost appreciation and sincere congratulations to the Right Honourable Premier, Member for N.26 Gedong, for having eloquently presented the Supply (2027), Bill, 2026, also known as the Sarawak Budget 2027, with a theme, "*Together Building Prosperity and Securing Our Futures*"; with full conviction, poise and tenacity.

I would also like to congratulate the Deputy Premier, the Second Minister for Finance and New Economy, and Minister for Infrastructure and Ports Development, and Member for N.37 Bukit Saban; The Minister for Education, Innovation and Talent Development and Member for N.20 Tarat, as well as the Deputy Minister in the Premier's Department (Laws, MA63 and State-Federal Relations) and Member for N.7 Samariang, for having successfully tabled the Supplementary Supply (2026) Bill, 2026, the Sarawak State Library (Amendment), Bill, 2026 and the Public Holidays (Amendment) Bill, 2026 respectively, with the objectives to strengthen governance and enhance the government's administration for the convenience of the public.

Tuan Speaker, this sitting of the Dewan Undangan Negeri will go down well in the history of our Sarawak Legislative Assembly as the Yang Amat Berhormat Premier has presented the highest ever budget of RM14.845 billion, guided by the Post Covid-19 Development Strategy, 2030 (PCDS 2030), which focuses on the people centric development agenda.

Sadly, to mention to, that to some Honourable Members of this august House, this may be their last DUN sitting, before the dissolution of the State Legislative Assembly, to give way for the forth coming PRN 13 which could be held anytime soon. To those Honourable Members, we wish them the best of luck in their new endeavours.

Moving forward, I would like to commend all the Honourable Members of this august House for their untiring commitments, dedication and participations during the debate on the four Bills, as well as for their quality inputs, comments, critiques throughout the sitting. The good decorum, conduct and the maturity displayed by almost all Honourable Members deserve special mention and preside well for this Honourable Institutions, called the Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, the last 10 years had witnessed monumental transformation in Sarawak's socio-economic and geo-political landscape. Yang Amat Berhormat Premier's divergent thinking in his revenue re-engineering strategies in increasing our revenue by more than two-folds, to a projected total revenue of RM15.091 billion for 2027, is something which all Sarawakians should be proud of.

The 2027 budget is also a rural biased development budget with 60% set aside for rural development *vis-à-vis* for the provision of roads and bridges infrastructure, treated water supply, SARES, Internet Connectivity, as well as many other facilities that would help to enhance the lives of our rural populace.

Yang Amat Berhormat Premier's initiatives in positioning Sarawak as a green renewable energy and petro-chemical digital and low carbon hub in this part of the world, as well as other soul-touching initiatives, indeed all goes very well for the future socio-economic growth of Sarawak, and the well-being of its people.

Sarawak's efforts in restoring our rights, which have been eroded or taken away, either intentionally or inadvertently and/ or to resolve the unfulfilled rights as enshrined in the Malaysia Agreement 1963 (MA63), the Inter-governmental Committee Reports and the Malaysian Constitution under the stewardship of Yang Amat Berhormat Premier is yet another important achievement in our quest for a better and wealthier Sarawak.

The setting up of PETROS, Development Bank of Sarawak (DBOS), the purchase of strategic assets such as Bakun Hydropower and Bintulu Port, the Affin Bank, the setting up of Sovereign Wealth Future Fund, FTES, UNIFOR, the enactment of many futuristic Bills, the increase in the special grant from the Federal Government under Article 122D of the Malaysian Federal Constitutions are some of the obvious manifestation of his continuous commitments, devotion and conviction in restoring our rights and dignity as equal partners in the formation of Malaysia in 1963.

All these, coupled with the construction of the new modern state-of-the art Kuching International Airport and Kuching Deep Sea Port in Tanjung Embang, the setting up of Air Borneo, the amendment of our Federal Constitution/ Acts and our very own legislations and the provisions of many low-hanging fruits initiatives, touches the hearts and minds of all Sarawakians, regardless of their skin colours, social, cultural and political differences. This, however, should not be misconstrued that Sarawak wants to leave the Federation, as a such decision may be counterproductive and may not be the ultimate solution to resolve the existing oddity *vis-à-vis* the Malaysia Constitution, the Malaysian Agreement 1963 (MA63) as well as the Inter-Governmental Committee Report.

Tuan Speaker, all these dreams which had become a reality to all Sarawakians, are only possible because of the visionary, innovative and foresight of one man, our Premier. As a tribute to a man who has dedicated his life and has done so much within short period of time, it is only right and just that he be exalted or aggrandized as the Architect of Modern Sarawak or *Bapa Sarawak,* who would be remembered past his age and generations to come by all Sarawakians in particular and the world civil societies at large. The legacy that he would leave behind will create, yet another chapter, in the history of the development of modern Sarawak, a touchstone that our generation and many generations to come will never forget.

Moving forward, I urge all Honourable Members of this august House and all Sarawakians out there, young and old, regardless of their political and religious divides to give your fullest and

undivided support and cooperation to the GPS Government ably led by the Right Honourable Premier for the good and betterment of our people, now and generations to come. As the late Tok Nan, I quote, "*Jaga Sarawak, Intu Sarawak*".

Tuan Speaker, last but not least, I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Sarawak and Federal Secretaries and all their able staffs for their continuous cooperation and support, and their tireless efforts in upholding good governance and timely service delivery to the people of Sarawak. I would also like to thank and congratulate your goodself Tuan Speaker and your team for the excellent job in ensuring the smooth running of the proceeding throughout the DUN Sessions.

Lastly, I wish all of our Hindu friends, Happy Deepavali, to all Christians, a Merry Christmas and to all Sarawakian in particular and Malaysians in general, *Selamat menyambut Tahun Baharu 2027*. *Arap ke taun baru to, mai pengelantang, mai penyenang, entuchong baka bukit, ngebong baka langit, gayu ko sentuku, gerai ko sempandai.*

Tuan Speaker, on this note, I beg to move. Sekian, terima kasih.

Tuan Speaker: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, dengan ucapan Usul Penangguhan itu tadi, maka kita telah sampai ke penghujung Mesyuarat Kedua bagi Penggal Kelima Dewan Undangan Negeri Ke-19. Alhamdullilah, persidangan yang telah berlangsung selama lapan hari ini telah berjalan dengan lancar dan teratur atas kerjasama dan keprihatinan semua Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat dalam menjaga ketinggian dan kemuliaan Dewan yang mulia ini. Saya berdoa agar semua Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat kembali ke kawasan masing-masing dengan selamatnya dan terus berkhidmat kepada rakyat. Begitu juga kepada sekalian yang hadir selamat menuju ke destinasi masing-masing.

Bagi pihak Dewan yang mulia ini saya ingin juga mengucapkan jutaan terima kasih kepada Yang Berhormat Setiausaha Kerajaan Negeri, Yang Arif Peguam Besar Negeri, Yang Berbahagia Setiausaha Kewangan Negeri, Yang Berbahagia Setiausaha Persekutuan, Yang Berbahagia Timbalan-timbalan Setiausaha Kerajaan Negeri, semua Setiausaha Tetap Kementerian, semua Ketua Jabatan dan Agensi Kerajaan, para pegawai, para petugas khas, para media dan semua pihak yang telah bertungkus-lumus dalam menjayakan persidangan ini.

Bagi pihak Dewan yang mulia, saya juga ingin mengucapkan Selamat Hari Deepavali, Selamat Hari Krismas, Selamat Tahun Baharu 2027 kepada semua di dalam dan di luar Dewan yang mulia ini. Saya akhiri sidang kita dengan beberapa rangkap pantun.

Pohon beringin teguh di kota,
Bunga melur penyejuk mata,
Bajet drangka seia sekata,
Penentu hala tuju kemakmuran kita.
... (Applause)...

ADUN berkhidmat bak hulubalang,
Jasa ditabur takkan hilang,
Bajet 2027 bajet cemerlang,
Wawasan 2030 pasti dijulang.
... (Applause)...

Tanam padi lebat berbuah,
Dimasak bubur buat sarapan,
Pemimpin hebat rakyat bertuah,
Bajet komprehensif membawa harapan.
... (Applause)...

Naik ART pergi ke pasar,
Lambang kemajuan Bumi Kenyalang,
Sejarah tercatat bajet terbesar,
Bawah pimpinan Premier terbilang.
... (Applause)...

Gagah perkasa si burung helang,
Terbang berteman penuh ceria,
Pelan dirangka visi cemerlang,
Kemajuan Sarawak di persada dunia.
... (Applause)...

Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, with that, the House is now adjourned*, sine die.*

(Mesyuarat ditangguhkan pada jam 6:24 petang)