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| 62. | Yang Berhormat Encik Mohd Chee bin Kadir
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4. Encik Wan Mohamad Zaki bin Wan Alias	<i>Jabatan Penyiaran Sarawak</i>

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1. Encik Mohamad Nor Majidi bin Marekan	<i>Percetakan Nasional Malaysia Berhad</i>
2. Encik Vincent Vyner ak Tubom	<i>Percetakan Nasional Malaysia Berhad</i>

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2. Cik Zuraidah binti Zaidi	<i>SAINS</i>
3. Encik Siddeq Harris Chiew	<i>SAINS</i>
4. Encik Izzat Luqman	<i>SAINS</i>

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2. Encik Helmy bin Abdul Rahman	<i>Jabatan Pertanian Sarawak</i>
3. Encik Shah Riwandya Sia bin Ridzuan	<i>Jabatan Pertanian Sarawak</i>
4. Encik Mohammad Zaidi bin Rambli	<i>Jabatan Pertanian Sarawak</i>
5. Encik Edry Saiful bin Abdul Hamid	<i>Jabatan Pertanian Sarawak</i>
6. Encik Lawrence Encharang	<i>Jabatan Pertanian Sarawak</i>
7. Encik Mohamed Nazeerudin bin Gulam Mohamed	<i>Kementerian Industri Makanan, Komoditi dan Pembangunan Wilayah Sarawak</i>
8. Encik Fadillah bin Lokman	<i>Jabatan Tanah dan Survei Bahagian Kuching</i>

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1. Cik Noria binti Suut
2. Puan Nur Azira binti Abdul Kadir
3. Encik Nurkhairudin bin Osen
4. Puan Rabiah binti Abdul Kadir
5. Puan Aisha Parveen binti Badron
6. Cik Genang anak Timbung

7. Puan Siti Norhiza binti Mohammad Yusri
8. Puan Hanisah Abdullah
9. Cik Siti Halimah binti Mohamad Nawawi
10. Cik Nurhaffizah Abdullah
11. Puan Natasha Nadia binti Mohd. Saidi
12. Puan Angela Lisa anak Mathew Linol
13. Encik Felix Aaron anak Michael
14. Cik Calista Abbie anak Sapa @ Patrick Sapa
15. Cik Sharina binti Sopian
16. Puan Norziana binti Haji Ahmad
17. Encik Mohd Hasfia bin Abdullah
18. Puan Nur Eliana Abdullah
19. Puan Nazmah binti Darham
20. Puan Tracy Lyana anak Bana
21. Encik Mohd Zulkhairi bin Mohammad Hejemi
22. Puan Dayang Nazira binti Abang Martaza
23. Puan Jasmine Sinja anak Robinson
24. Puan Dayang Noorazilla binti Jasni
25. Cik Parcelia Renyelia anak Pamg
26. Cik Nur Zafirah binti Affendy Michael
27. Puan Deidre anak Wilson
28. Encik Muhammad Elliyas bin Matali
29. Cik Siti Nur Marsitah binti Roslan
30. Puan Nur Amira Lystiani binti Poniman
31. Encik Alwie bin Haji Ali
32. Cik Hawa binti Morsad
33. Encik Razali bin Awi
34. Puan Nora binti Atem
35. Encik Zahari bin Bolhi
36. Encik Lukas Jammany anak Kated
37. Encik Hazrin Syah bin Hamzah
38. Encik Salman bin Jaya
39. Encik Romzi bin Bujang
40. Encik Musa bin Julai
41. Puan Suraya binti Hamden
42. Puan Noraisah binti Ahmad
43. Cik Siti Zalilah binti Samsawi

PELAJAR PRAKTIKAL

1. Encik Mohammad Aizzat Rahman bin Ismail
2. Cik Nurathirah binti Talang
3. Encik Mohammad Naufal bin Sharzalee
4. Encik Alikhan bin Adil Rahman
5. Encik Muhamad Arish Syameer Ruka bin Mohd Hafiz Beckwell

(Mesyuarat dimulakan pada jam 9.03 pagi)

(Tuan Speaker mempengerusikan Mesyuarat)

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PEMASYHURAN DARIPADA TUAN SPEAKER

Tuan Speaker: Bismillahirrahmanirrahim. Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh. Selamat pagi dan Salam sejahtera.

Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, I have granted Leave of Absence under Standing Order 81 to Yang Berhormat Dato Sri Tiong King Sing, Honourable Member for N.52 Dudong, for today's Sitting.

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

[Penggulungan daripada Para Menteri]

Tuan Speaker: Dengan hormatnya saya menjemput Ahli Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah bin Ali Hasan, Timbalan Premier; dan Menteri Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar Kedua untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan.

Timbalan Premier; dan Menteri Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar Kedua (YB Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah bin Ali Hasan): Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker. Terlebih dahulu, saya ingin mengucapkan setinggi-tinggi tahniah kepada Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak Tun Pehin Sri Dr. Haji Wan Junaidi bin Tuanku Jaafar di atas pelantikan sebagai Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak yang kelapan pada 26 Januari 2024.

Di kesempatan ini juga, saya mengucapkan takziah kepada seluruh keluarga Almarhum Tun Pehin Sri Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud yang telah kembali ke rahmatullah pada 21 Februari 2024. Mantan Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak telah menerajui Sarawak selama 33 tahun sebagai Ketua Menteri. Almarhum juga telah berkhidmat sebagai Timbalan Menteri dan Menteri di peringkat Kerajaan Persekutuan dengan mencurahkan khidmat bakti kepada rakyat Sarawak dan Malaysia pada keseluruhannya melebihi enam dekad. Ini merupakan satu kehilangan yang besar kepada Sarawak kerana Almarhum adalah seorang tokoh pemimpin yang banyak berjasa dan menyumbang kepada kemajuan dan pembangunan Sarawak khasnya dan Malaysia amnya. Almarhum dikenali sebagai “*Bapa Pemodenan Sarawak*” dan kepimpinannya dalam memperkenalkan konsep “*Politik Pembangunan*” yang menitikberatkan pembangunan sosioekonomi seimbang, mendorong perkembangan industri serta memupuk perpaduan dalam kalangan komuniti yang berbilang kaum. Semoga rohnya dicucuri rahmat dan ditempatkan dalam kalangan orang yang beriman.

Saya juga mengambil kesempatan ini untuk merakamkan ucapan takziah kepada keluarga mendiang Yang Berhormat Senator Datuk Mutang Tagal, Yang di-Pertua Dewan Negara Malaysia yang telah meninggal dunia pada 10 Mei 2024. Pemergian mendiang merupakan satu kehilangan yang besar kepada Sarawak, khasnya dan Malaysia, amnya. I lost my friend, my family friend and respected leader from Lawas.

Tuan Speaker, Tuan Yang Terutama di dalam Ucapan Perasmian telah menzahirkan perasaan bangga dan memuji Kerajaan Sarawak kerana menitikberatkan kelestarian dalam setiap pembangunan yang dirancang selari dengan matlamat konsep dan falsafah *Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)*; dan *Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG)* ke arah mencapai sasaran menjadi wilayah mampan dan berdaya tahan.

Kejayaan Kerajaan Sarawak menjadi perintis bagi inisiatif peralihan kepada Tenaga Boleh Diperbaharui untuk mengurangkan pelepasan karbon termasuk pelaksanaan inisiatif Pemerangkapan, Penggunaan dan Penyimpanan Karbon (*Carbon Capture Utilization and Storage* - CCUS) telah mendapat respon positif daripada pemain industri di peringkat global dan membuka banyak peluang pelaburan, perniagaan dan pekerjaan baharu di Sarawak.

Tuan Yang Terutama turut menyatakan rasa gembira kerana Kerajaan Sarawak telah melaksanakan pelbagai inisiatif untuk memelihara dan memulihara alam sekitar contohnya melalui inisiatif pengurusan hutan mampan dan pewartaan *Totally Protected Areas* (TPAs).

Saya juga mengucapkan jutaan terima kasih kepada semua Ahli Yang Berhormat yang turut serta dalam perbahasan dan memberi pandangan yang bernas berhubung dengan perkara-perkara di bawah bidang kuasa Kementerian Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar.

Program Pengukuran Tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu

Tuan Speaker, Program Pengukuran Tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu. Untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, Kerajaan Sarawak sentiasa mengiktiraf dan mempertahankan hak rakyat ke atas tanah NCR mereka yang sah dan diwujudkan selaras dengan peruntukan undang-undang tanah sedia ada. Pengukuran dan pengeluaran surat hak milik tanah NCR telah dilaksanakan sejak 1960an khususnya melalui Operasi Penyelesaian (Settlement Operation) selaras dengan Bahagian V Kanun Tanah Sarawak Bab 81.

Bagi memastikan pengukuran tanah NCR dilaksanakan secara lebih efisien dan efektif, Program Pengukuran Tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu telah dilaksanakan bermula pada tahun 2010.

Melalui inisiatif ini, sehingga 30 April 2024, seluas lebih kurang 1,145,465 hektar atau 2,830,444 ekar telah berjaya diukur secara perimeter dan seluas lebih kurang 908,460 hektar atau 2,244,805 ekar daripadanya telah pun diwartakan sebagai Rizab Komunal Bumiputera (Pertanian) di bawah Seksyen 6 Kanun Tanah Sarawak. Pewartaan untuk baki kawasan yang telah diukur secara perimeter akan dilaksanakan secara berterusan. Kerja-kerja pengukuran ini adalah berdasarkan permohonan daripada pihak yang terlibat. Mana-mana kawasan yang terlibat dengan kes mahkamah, ia hanya akan diukur setelah kes tersebut selesai atau pihak yang terlibat menarik balik tuntutan mereka di mahkamah dan membuat permohonan baharu untuk menyertai program ini.

Sejak tahun 2017, fokus pengukuran juga ditumpukan kepada pengukuran lot-lot individu di bawah Seksyen 18 Kanun Tanah Sarawak bagi kawasan yang telah diwartakan di bawah Seksyen 6 Kanun Tanah Sarawak berdasarkan permohonan dan kesediaan penuntut-penuntut tanah tersebut.

Sehingga 30 April 2024, sebanyak 83,968 lot individu telah berjaya diukur yang melibatkan kawasan seluas 102,636 hektar atau 253,613 ekar yang telah dan akan dikeluarkan surat hak milik tanah di bawah Seksyen 18 Kanun Tanah Sarawak.

Bagi mempercepatkan pengukuran lot individu tanah NCR ini, penuntut tanah hendaklah hadir semasa pengukuran di lapangan, menanda sempadan tanah mereka dengan jelas dan mengelak pertikaian dalam membuat tuntutan agar pengukuran berjalan dengan lebih lancar. *“Kadang-kadang berlaku Tuan Speaker, notis sudah diberi, kita nak pergi ke kawasan tersebut, ada yang terlibat tidak berada di lapangan, ini akan melambatkan lagi proses ini”*.

Kerajaan Sarawak komited dalam memastikan kelangsungan program ini dan akan terus menyediakan dana yang diperlukan di samping dana yang diterima daripada Kerajaan Persekutuan.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Ba’Kelalan, setakat 30 April 2024, terdapat satu kawasan di Batang Suai, Niah, Miri berkeluasan lebih kurang 304 hektar atau 751 ekar

telah dikeluarkan dengan Provisional Native Communal Title di bawah Rule 7, The Land (Native Communal Title) Rules, 2019. Pengukuran bagi kawasan ini akan mula dilaksanakan pada Jun tahun ini dan di jangka siap dalam tempoh sebulan.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Ba'Kelalan juga, di bawah peruntukan seksyen 6A(2) Kanun Tanah Sarawak, keluasan kawasan Native Territorial Domain yang boleh dituntut oleh satu komuniti ditetapkan sehingga 1,000 hektar.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Bukit Semuja, setakat 30 April 2024, sebanyak 17 kawasan berkeluasan 27,087 hektar atau 66,931 ekar telah diluluskan untuk diukur perimeter di bawah Program Pengukuran Tanah NCR Inisiatif Baharu di dalam kawasan DUN Bukit Semuja.

Daripada jumlah itu, sebanyak 15 kawasan berkeluasan 25,065 hektar atau 61,936 ekar telah siap diukur, satu kawasan berkeluasan 84 hektar atau 208 ekar akan dimulakan pengukuran dalam masa terdekat dan satu lagi kawasan berkeluasan 993 hektar atau 2,454 ekar tidak dapat diukur kerana terlibat dengan kes mahkamah. Sebanyak 15 kawasan berkeluasan 20,341 hektar atau 50,264 ekar telah diwartakan sebagai Rizab Komunal Bumiputera (Pertanian) di bawah Seksyen 6 Kanun Tanah Sarawak.

Daripada jumlah kawasan yang telah diwartakan tersebut, sebanyak tujuh kawasan berkeluasan 8,818 hektar atau 21,789 ekar telah diluluskan untuk pengukuran lot individu.

Daripada jumlah itu, sebanyak dua kawasan berkeluasan 1,054 hektar atau 2,604 ekar telah siap diukur melibatkan sebanyak 636 lot. Dua kawasan lagi berkeluasan 1,707 hektar atau 4,218 ekar sedang dalam proses pengukuran di mana seluas 905 hektar atau 2,236 ekar daripadanya telah siap diukur melibatkan sebanyak 1,117 lot. Tiga kawasan berkeluasan 6,475 hektar atau 16,000 ekar akan dimulakan pengukurannya tertakluk kepada kesediaan penuntut tanah di lapangan.

Di bawah Program Pengukuran Kampung Tradisional pula, sebanyak sembilan kawasan berkeluasan 153 hektar atau 378 ekar telah diluluskan di dalam kawasan DUN Bukit Semuja di mana kesemuanya telah siap diukur melibatkan sebanyak 1,602 lot.

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

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, pelaksanaan program Skim Penempatan Semula (SPS) dan Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK) sejak Rancangan Malaysia Ke-4 (RMKe-4) merupakan komitmen dan keprihatinan Kerajaan Sarawak terhadap rakyat berpendapatan rendah yang memerlukan tanah untuk mendirikan rumah.

Di bawah peruntukan RMKe-12 dan peruntukan Projek Rakyat sehingga 30 April 2024, sebanyak 75 projek SPS dan SPK telah diluluskan yang akan menyediakan sebanyak 7,570 lot kediaman dengan kos pelaksanaan dianggarkan berjumlah RM1.219 bilion. Daripada 75 projek tersebut, 19 projek telah siap sepenuhnya mengikut skop pembangunan dan baki 56 projek akan diteruskan sehingga penghujung RMKe-12.

Sejak 6 Mei 2018, projek-projek SPS dan SPK yang dilaksanakan adalah menggunakan spesifikasi infrastruktur yang telah ditambah baik seperti jalan raya yang berturap, parit konkrit, lot-lot yang ditembok dan sistem retikulasi bekalan air serta bekalan elektrik.

Kerajaan Sarawak juga telah menetapkan bayaran premium tanah tidak melebihi RM2,500 bagi setiap lot kediaman di dalam SPS dan SPK walaupun kos penyediaan setiap lot tersebut dianggarkan dalam lingkungan RM120,000 hingga RM150,000. Ini membuktikan keprihatinan Kerajaan GPS yang sentiasa memberi perhatian kepada rakyat yang memerlukan bantuan.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kalaka, terdapat lima Skim Pembesaran Kampung telah diluluskan di DUN Kalaka, iaitu empat SPK diluluskan di bawah peruntukan Projek Rakyat dan satu SPK diluluskan di bawah Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12 (RMKe-12). Empat SPK yang diluluskan di bawah Projek Rakyat di DUN Kalaka ialah SPK Pagan, SPK Roban Fasa 2, SPK Baharu Kupang dan SPK Hulu Saratok Fasa 2. Diantaranya, SPK Pagan sedang dalam proses tender; SPK Roban sedang dalam proses pengambilan balik tanah; SPK Baharu Kupang dan SPK Hulu Saratok telah pun dimuktamadkan pertapakannya untuk proses pengambilan balik tanah. Keempat-empat SPK ini dianggar dapat menyediakan sejumlah 706 lot kediaman setelah kerja pembinaan siap sepenuhnya.

Bagi skim yang diluluskan di bawah Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12 iaitu SPK Paloh pula menyediakan 134 lot kediaman di bawah Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12 dengan nilai siling sejumlah RM500,000 untuk tujuan reka bentuk. Kerja reka bentuknya akan dimuktamadkan pada tahun 2024. Sekiranya pelaksanaan SPK Paloh diluluskan dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-13, kerja-kerja pembinaannya di jangka akan bermula pada suku kedua tahun 2026 dan di jangka siap pada suku kedua tahun 2028. Selain daripada lima SPK yang telah diluluskan ini, Jabatan Tanah dan Survei akan mengemukakan semula cadangan pelaksanaan SPK Baru Saratok dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-13. SPK ini dianggar mampu menyediakan 130 lot kediaman sekiranya cadangan ini diluluskan kelak.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Lingga, kerajaan telah melaksanakan Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK) Hulu Lingga dan SPK Lingga Fasa 1 dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-8 dan SPK Lingga Fasa 2 Peringkat 1 dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-10. Skim-skim ini telah menyediakan sejumlah 305 lot kediaman di mana 277 lot telah diperuntukkan dan baki 28 lot lagi sedia untuk diagihkan. Manakala, bagi menampung keperluan lot kediaman kepada penduduk yang terlibat dengan hakisan sungai, Jabatan Tanah dan Survei akan mengemukakan cadangan untuk pelaksanaan SPK Lingga Fasa 2 Peringkat 2 dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-13. Dengan pelaksanaan skim ini nanti, ia akan dapat menampung keperluan penduduk yang terjejas dengan hakisan sungai.

Berkenaan dengan cadangan untuk menaik taraf infrastruktur yang sedia ada kepada infrastruktur berspesifikasi baharu, Jabatan Tanah dan Survei akan menjalankan kajian *feasibility* ke atas cadangan penaiktarafan ini memandangkan sebahagian daripada lot-lot kediaman yang diperuntukkan telah didirikan rumah kediaman. Berhubung dengan keperluan lot kediaman untuk keluarga tambahan di Kampung Ladong (Kampung Hilir) dan Kampung Lemanak (Kampung Hulu) pula, Jabatan Tanah dan Survei akan mengemukakan semula cadangan pelaksanaan Skim Penempatan Semula (SPS) Kampung Baru, Sri Aman dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-13 bagi menampung keperluan lot kediaman bagi keluarga tambahan dari kampung-kampung di sekitar Bandar Simanggang termasuk Kampung Ladong dan Kampung Lemanak.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kabong, pembangunan infrastruktur bagi Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK) Hulu Kabong Fasa 1 yang menyediakan 200 lot kediaman telah siap dilaksanakan pada 19 November 2021. Kerajaan telah meluluskan Fasa 1 SPK ini untuk dibangunkan dengan Rumah SPEKTRA Permata dan program Rumah Mampu Milik. Daripada 200 lot kediaman tersebut, 50 lot kediaman telah diperuntukkan kepada pihak Perbadanan Pembangunan Perumahan Sarawak (HDC) untuk pembangunan Rumah SPEKTRA Permata. Kerja pembinaan untuk projek Rumah SPEKTRA Permata yang telah bermula pada 24 November 2023 untuk tempoh 18 bulan dengan kos sebanyak RM28 juta dilaksanakan mengikut jadual. *Progress* terkini pelaksanaan adalah 10.5%. Manakala, kerajaan juga telah bersetuju melantik Lembaga Pembangunan dan Lindungan Tanah (LCDA) dan Borneo Development Corporation (BDC) untuk membangunkan Rumah Mampu Milik bagi baki lot kediaman di dalam Fasa 1 SPK tersebut dengan masing-masingnya diperuntukkan 75 lot.

Rumah Mampu Milik yang dibangunkan ini adalah mengikut model reka bentuk rumah di Kemuyang, Sib. Pembangunan Rumah Mampu Milik oleh LCDA dan BDC juga akan melibatkan lot-lot kediaman yang telah diperuntukkan kepada para *allottee* yang berjaya. Pihak LCDA dan BDC

bersama JTS sedang mengadakan perbincangan dengan para *allottee* bagi membangunkan lot Rumah Mampu Milik tersebut. Cadangan Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kabong untuk SPK Hulu Kabong Fasa 2 untuk dibangunkan dengan Rumah SPEKTRA Permata dan Rumah Mampu Milik akan dikaji untuk pertimbangan.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kabong juga, kerja-kerja penyediaan tapak bagi projek *Kabong New Township Extension Phase One* telah pun siap. Manakala bagi kerja-kerja penyediaan infrastruktur akan ditender pada suku kedua tahun 2024. Manakala cadangan SPK Sessang, SPK Empelam, SPK Gerigat dan SPK Nyabor akan dikemukakan semula dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-13 (RMKe-13). Sementara itu, Jawatankuasa Keselamatan dan Kemajuan Kampung Alit, Kabong, adalah disaran untuk mengemukakan permohonan bagi pelaksanaan Skim Pembesaran Kampung Alit kepada Penguasa Jabatan Tanah dan Survei Bahagian Betong.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Beting Maro, Skim Pembesaran Kampung (SPK) di bawah pelaksanaan Jabatan Tanah dan Survei adalah SPK Beladin. SPK Beladin berkeluasan 82 ekar telah diluluskan di bawah Kajian Separuh Penggal Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12 (RMKe-12) dengan nilai siling berjumlah RM2,034,000 untuk kos reka bentuk dan pengambilan balik tanah keseluruhan kawasan berkenaan. Jabatan Tanah dan Survei akan memohon peruntukan bagi pembinaan infrastruktur berspesifikasi baharu untuk pelaksanaan secara berfasa dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-13 (RMKe-13).

Manakala, cadangan pelaksanaan bagi SPK Pusa, SPK Beting Maro, SPK Sepinang, SPK Tambak dan SPK Kalok adalah di bawah kendalian pihak LCDA. Bagi SPK Pusa, ia di dalam proses penyediaan pelan susun atur yang merangkumi kawasan seluas 30 ekar untuk menyediakan kemudahan-kemudahan kediaman, beribadah, beriadah, *cottage industry* serta rizab-rizab kerajaan. Bagi SPK Beting Maro, SPK Sepinang, SPK Tambak dan SPK Kalok pula, LCDA akan mengemukakan semula permohonan peruntukan di bawah RMKe-13 untuk pertimbangan dan kelulusan.

Tuan Speaker,

Pengambilan Balik Tanah

Setakat 30 April 2024, terdapat 1,248 projek memerlukan pengambilan balik tanah bagi projek yang mana pertapakan telah diluluskan semenjak 2018. Sebanyak 519 projek telah diperuntukkan dengan dana berjumlah RM1.008 bilion. Daripada jumlah tersebut, 130 projek Persekutuan dan 389 projek Sarawak telah diperuntukkan masing-masingnya dengan dana sebanyak RM227.67 juta dan RM781.07 juta. Jabatan Tanah dan Survei Sarawak masih memerlukan dana sebanyak RM1.535 bilion untuk melaksanakan pengambilan balik tanah bagi 729 projek. Dana yang diperlukan adalah sebanyak RM448.67 juta bagi 151 projek Persekutuan dan RM1.086 bilion bagi 578 projek Sarawak.

Komitmen kerajaan dalam menyelesaikan pengambilan balik tanah dalam tempoh enam bulan adalah bergantung kepada penyaluran dan ketersediaan peruntukan dana daripada agensi pelaksana. Kelewatan penyaluran peruntukan tersebut kepada Jabatan Tanah dan Survei akan menjejaskan pelaksanaan projek dan tentunya akan menjejaskan tempoh enam bulan seperti yang telah ditetapkan. Oleh yang demikian, saya menyeru kepada semua agensi pelaksana Kerajaan Sarawak dan Persekutuan supaya memastikan dana yang secukupnya, disedia dan disalurkan segera kepada Jabatan Tanah dan Survei bagi tujuan memuktamadkan proses pengambilan balik tanah.

Untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, antara projek mega yang telah dan sedang dilaksanakan yang melibatkan pengambilan balik tanah ialah Lebuhraya Pan Borneo, *Second Trunk Road/ Coastal Highway*, *Sarawak Sabah Link Road (SSLR)*, *Trans Borneo* dan *Northern Coastal Highway (NCH)*. Projek-projek ini adalah bertujuan untuk menyediakan prasarana rangkaian lebuhraya secara lebih terancang, sistematik dan efisien demi meningkatkan kesalinghubungan di antara kawasan bandar dan luar bandar di Sarawak.

Bagi projek Lebuhraya Pan Borneo, ketersediaan dana pengambilan balik tanah yang disalurkan oleh Kerajaan Persekutuan kepada Jabatan Tanah dan Survei telah berjaya memastikan pengambilan balik tanah disiapkan dalam tempoh yang dirancang dari tahun 2015 sehingga 2017 sekaligus memberi impak besar kepada pelaksanaan pembinaan Lebuhraya Pan Borneo. Sehingga kini, lebuhraya sepanjang 826 kilometer dari Teluk Melano, Sematan sehingga ke Miri telah pun 99% siap.

Bagi projek *Second Trunk Road/ Coastal Highway*, ketersediaan dana pengambilan balik tanah berjumlah RM220 juta yang disalurkan oleh Kerajaan Sarawak kepada Jabatan Tanah dan Survei telah menyelesaikan pengambilan balik tanah bagi jajaran jalan sepanjang 215 kilometer. Pengambilan balik tanah bagi baki jajaran jalan sepanjang 40.6 kilometer pula akan diselesaikan pada penghujung tahun ini.

Sementara itu bagi projek Trans Borneo Highway, Jabatan Tanah dan Survei memerlukan peruntukan dana sebanyak RM194.45 juta daripada Kerajaan Persekutuan bagi pengambilan balik tanah. Pembinaan jalan yang melibatkan jajaran jalan sepanjang 73.8 kilometer yang dijadualkan bermula pada November 2024 akan terjejas sekiranya jumlah dana yang diperlukan tidak disalurkan kepada Jabatan Tanah dan Survei.

Bagi projek Sarawak Sabah Link Road (SSLR) pula, ketersediaan dana pengambilan balik tanah berjumlah RM200 juta bagi Fasa 1 yang melibatkan jajaran jalan sepanjang 77 kilometer dan sebahagian daripada Fasa 2 yang melibatkan jajaran jalan sepanjang 45 kilometer akan diselesaikan pengambilan balik tanah pada penghujung tahun ini. Pengambilan balik tanah bagi baki Fasa 2 sepanjang 275.5 kilometer yang memerlukan dana sejumlah RM127 juta akan diselesaikan pada tahun 2025 tertakluk kepada penyaluran dana yang diperlukan.

Projek *Northern Coastal Highway* pula, ketersediaan sebahagian dana pengambilan balik tanah berjumlah RM20 juta yang disalurkan oleh Kerajaan Sarawak kepada Jabatan Tanah dan Survei telah menyelesaikan pengambilan balik tanah bagi jajaran jalan sepanjang 6 kilometer pada penghujung tahun 2023. Pengambilan balik tanah bagi baki jajaran jalan sepanjang 82.7 kilometer yang memerlukan dana sejumlah RM140 juta akan diselesaikan apabila keseluruhan dana yang diperlu disalurkan sepenuhnya.

Kementerian saya akan sentiasa meningkatkan komunikasi dan koordinasi dengan agensi lain yang melibatkan penyaluran dana demi memastikan kejayaan pelaksanaan projek yang lebih efisien.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Meradong, beberapa permohonan pertapakan bagi Meradong Swimming Pool telah dikemukakan oleh Kementerian Belia, Sukan dan Pembangunan Usahawan (MYSED) Sarawak. Namun Majlis Perancangan Negeri (SPA) memutuskan agar tapak baharu perlu dikenal pasti kerana tapak yang dicadangkan adalah tidak sesuai berdasarkan perancangan kerana melibatkan kawasan lapang di dalam taman perumahan dan tapak stesen bas.

SPA semasa mesyuarat pada 17 Jun 2020 telah meluluskan Lot 1661 dan 1662 Binatang Town District, Binatang Town District, itu nama lama, yang terletak berdekatan dengan Kompleks Sukan Bintangor untuk tujuan tersebut. Namun, MYSED pada 23 Februari 2024 sekali lagi telah mengemukakan permohonan ke atas tapak lain iaitu Lot 232, Block 39, Sarikei Land District yang terletak berdekatan dengan Jalan Pasi-Tanjung Manis. Permohonan tersebut akan dikemukakan kepada SPA untuk pertimbangan.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Bawang Assan, Padungan dan Bukit Assek, kadar cukai tanah baharu telah diguna pakai dan berkuat kuasa pada 1 Januari 2023. Pemberitahuan rasmi kepada pemilik tanah telah dibuat melalui pewartaan bertarikh 30 Jun 2022.

Semakan cukai tanah ini adalah selaras dengan peruntukan Seksyen 30(5) Kanun Tanah Sarawak yang membenarkan semakan cukai tanah dibuat setiap 10 tahun. Kadar cukai tanah lama telah diguna pakai sejak 1994 iaitu 30 tahun yang lepas.

Penentuan kadar cukai baharu tersebut dibuat setelah kajian terperinci termasuklah perbandingan amalan kadar cukai tanah yang dilaksanakan di negeri-negeri lain di Malaysia.

Semakan cukai tanah ini juga dilaksanakan bagi memastikan ia selari dengan kadar kenaikan nilai pasaran hartanah. Rekod transaksi hartanah menunjukkan peningkatan nilai secara keseluruhannya dari 75% sehingga ke 200% bagi tempoh dari tahun 1994 sehingga 2022 di seluruh Sarawak.

Perancangan dan pembangunan pesat infrastruktur inisiatif Kerajaan GPS di sesebuah kawasan telah merancakkan pembangunan sosio-ekonomi di kawasan tersebut dan secara langsung meningkatkan nilai pasaran hartanah. Dengan perancangan dan pembangunan ini, terdapat beberapa kawasan telah dibangunkan dengan pembangunan perumahan, komersil dan industri yang dahulunya hanya digunakan untuk pertanian. Contohnya kawasan di Sibujaya telah membangun dengan pesat sebagai bandar satelit yang serba lengkap.

Sebagai indikator, nilai pasaran hartanah rumah kedai 3 tingkat di kawasan Matang Jaya adalah RM340,000 seunit pada tahun 2000 dan RM1.4 juta seunit pada tahun 2023. Ini menunjukkan kenaikan nilai pasaran rumah kedai tiga tingkat sebanyak 300% di antara tempoh berkenaan di kawasan tersebut.

Manakala, nilai pasaran hartanah industri di kawasan Rantau Panjang, Sibujaya dari transaksi yang direkodkan oleh Jabatan Tanah dan Survei, tanah kegunaan industri adalah RM60.00 semeter persegi pada tahun 2005 dan RM180 semeter persegi pada tahun 2020. Ini menunjukkan kenaikan nilai pasaran hartanah industri sebanyak 200% di antara tempoh berkenaan di kawasan tersebut.

Limpahan pembangunan sehingga melibatkan tanah desa atau *country land* ini juga telah mewajarkan tanah-tanah yang terlibat untuk dikategorikan semula sama ada sebagai tanah pinggir bandar (*sub-urban land*) atau tanah bandar atau *town land*. Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat dan semua Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat di Dewan yang mulia ini, Sarawak adalah satu-satunya wilayah di Malaysia yang tidak mengenakan cukai tanah bagi semua jenis kegunaan kediaman seperti banglo, *semi-D*, teres, *apartment*, flat dan kegunaan pertanian berkeluasan kurang daripada 100 ekar. Surat hak milik bagi dua kegunaan ini adalah surat hak milik yang paling banyak didaftarkan dan dimiliki oleh rakyat Sarawak.

Kerajaan melalui Jabatan Tanah dan Survei telah dan akan terus memberi penerangan kepada pemilik tanah yang terlibat berkenaan dengan kadar semakan cukai tanah. Kita akan terus memberi penerangan kepada mereka yang terlibat berhubung dengan kadar semakan cukai tanah dan kadar premium bagi pelanjutan hak milik tanah. Maklumat ini juga boleh diperolehi di laman sesawang Jabatan Tanah dan Survei dan aplikasi *Mobile LASIS*.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Padungan, terdapat kesilapan maklumat berhubung dengan kegunaan tanah bagi Lot. 165, Block 14, Sadong Land District semasa proses semakan semula kadar cukai tanah pada tahun 2023. Lot tersebut merupakan tanah kegunaan pertanian berkeluasan 5,000. Eh, 5.271 hektar. 5.271 hektar atau 13.02 ekar. Oleh yang demikian, tiada cukai tanah tahunan seharusnya dikenakan ke atas lot tersebut ekoran daripada pemansuhan cukai tanah yang dilaksanakan pada tahun 2016. Tindakan pembetulan telah pun dilaksanakan oleh Jabatan Tanah dan Survei dengan sewajarnya.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tellian, proses pengambilan balik tanah bagi projek Jalan SK Nanga Baoh/ Baoh Ulu, Mukah telah selesai pada tahun 2021 yang melibatkan tiga lot tanah berhak milik, 26 lot tanah Hak Adat Bumiputera dan satu lot tanah kerajaan berdaftar dengan keseluruhan keluasan adalah 31.36 hektar. Jajaran jalan ini adalah sepanjang

10.06 kilometer dengan kos pengambilan balik tanah adalah sebanyak RM1.87 juta. Bagi Projek Bekalan Air Luar Bandar Jalan Lubok Bemban/ Bukit Engkerbai/ Ulu Sikat, Mukah, pengambilan balik tanah telah selesai pada tahun 2023 yang melibatkan satu lot tanah berhak milik dengan kos pengambilan balik tanah berjumlah RM79,279.

Proses pengambilan balik tanah di Sarawak adalah berdasarkan peruntukan Kanun Tanah Sarawak. Bagi memastikan kesediaan tanah untuk pembangunan yang melibatkan pengambilan balik tanah diurus dengan berkesan, Prosedur Operasi Standard dan manual kerja sentiasa dikemaskini dari semasa ke semasa. Jabatan Tanah dan Survei sentiasa mempertingkatkan kerjasama dengan agensi pelaksana serta ketua masyarakat setempat bagi memastikan projek pembangunan dapat dilaksanakan mengikut perancangan yang telah ditetapkan. Oleh yang demikian, saya menyeru kepada semua Ahli Yang Berhormat agar sama-sama membantu dalam memastikan kelancaran pelaksanaan projek kerajaan di kawasan masing-masing. Ini adalah untuk kemudahan masyarakat kita. Untuk meningkatkan lagi kesejahteraan masyarakat kita.

Tuan Speaker,

Pembaharuan Bandar (Urban Renewal)

Untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, salah satu inisiatif berterusan Kerajaan Sarawak dalam meningkatkan kesejahteraan dan sosioekonomi rakyat selaras dengan hala tuju Sarawak maju menjelang 2030 adalah melalui Program Pembaharuan Bandar (*Urban Renewal*). Antara objektif utama program ini adalah untuk meningkatkan taraf dan kualiti hidup rakyat dengan menyediakan rumah mampu milik yang selesa dan teratur, penempatan terancang yang dilengkapi dengan infrastruktur asas, utiliti, kemudahan rekreasi, tempat ibadah dan premis perniagaan untuk pembangunan sosioekonomi penduduk setempat.

Setakat ini, empat Projek Pembaharuan Bandar yang dilaksanakan secara berfasa telah siap sepenuhnya untuk didiami oleh penduduk kampung yang terlibat. Antaranya Projek Pembangunan Darul Hana Fasa Pertama yang melibatkan 318 Ketua Isi Rumah dari Kampung Semarang, Kampung Panglima Seman Lama dan kawasan sekitarnya. Setakat 30 April 2024, seramai 258 Ketua Isi Rumah telah berpindah ke Darul Hana dan baki 60 Ketua Isi Rumah di jangka berpindah pada masa terdekat ini. Manakala, Fasa Kedua melibatkan sejumlah 252 Ketua Isi Rumah dari Kampung Pulo Ulu yang juga di jangka akan berpindah ke Darul Hana sebelum penghujung tahun ini.

Kerajaan Sarawak juga turut mengambil kira keperluan Ketua Keluarga Tambahan dengan menyediakan rumah kediaman di Sungai Bedaun yang mana seramai 106 Ketua Keluarga Tambahan dari Kampung Semarang, Kampung Panglima Seman Lama dan kawasan sekitarnya. Pengagihan rumah kepada Ketua Keluarga Tambahan yang layak akan dilaksanakan sebelum penghujung tahun ini.

Selain itu juga, di bawah Program Pembangunan Semula Kampung Datu, Sibu dan Projek Pembangunan Kemuyang, Sibu, seramai 49 Ketua Isi Rumah dan 67 Ketua Keluarga Tambahan dari Kampung Datu, sebahagian Kampung Baharu dan sebahagian Kampung Hilir, Sibu akan mula berpindah ke Kampung Datu Baru, Sibu sebelum penghujung tahun ini.

Pembangunan Bandar Baharu (New Township), Pekan Baharu dan Pusat Perkhidmatan (Service Centre)

Tuan Speaker, untuk memastikan keseimbangan ekonomi bagi kawasan bandar dan luar bandar, Kerajaan Sarawak melalui Lembaga Pembangunan dan Lindungan Tanah (LCDA) telah merancang dan sedang giat menjalankan pelbagai pembangunan di kawasan-kawasan tersebut. Antara inisiatif kerajaan adalah mewujudkan pembangunan bandar baharu (*new township*), pekan baharu dan pusat perkhidmatan (*service centre*).

Dalam Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12, kerajaan telah meluluskan siling peruntukan berjumlah RM227,148,471 bagi melaksanakan projek-projek pembangunan bandar baharu, pekan baharu dan pusat perkhidmatan (*service centre*). Bagi pembangunan bandar baharu dan pekan baharu sebagai hab pemangkin ekonomi di luar bandar, LCDA giat melaksanakan projek-projek seperti berikut:

- (a) Bandar Baru Sebuyau, Samarahan;
- (b) Bandar Baru Simunjan, Samarahan;
- (c) Bandar Baru Daro Fasa II, Mukah; dan
- (d) Pekan Baru Kabong, Betong.

Selain itu, projek-projek pembangunan pusat perkhidmatan (*service centre*) juga diberi keutamaan dan kini dalam pelbagai peringkat pelaksanaan, antaranya adalah:

- (a) *Lingga Service Centre, Sri Aman;*
- (b) *Matu Service Centre, Mukah;*
- (c) *Igan Service Centre, Mukah;*
- (d) *Matadeng Service Centre, Mukah;* dan
- (e) *Ulu Merapok Service Centre, Lawas.*

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Daro, kerja-kerja penyediaan infrastruktur untuk Bandar Baru Daro Fasa II, Mukah telah dimulakan pada Mac 2024 dan di jangka siap pada suku pertama tahun 2025. Manakala, bagi pembinaan rumah kedai termasuk *cottage industry* di jangka bermula suku ketiga 2024 dan tempoh pelaksanaannya adalah selama 18 bulan.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Daro juga, Kerajaan Sarawak melalui Jabatan Tanah dan Survei sedang menyediakan Pelan Pembangunan Pekan Daro di mana Pelan Akhir di jangka siap dalam suku ketiga 2024 dan akan dikemukakan kepada Majlis Perancangan Negeri untuk pertimbangan. Antara komponen yang dicadangkan dalam Pelan Pembangunan Pekan Daro adalah untuk kegunaan kediaman, industri, komersil, rizab kerajaan, padang atau rekreasi, pusat kejiranan (*neighbourhood sub-centre*), kawasan perkuburan dan juga jaringan jalan raya.

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Meluan, kerajaan telah pun meluluskan pelan struktur bagi pembangunan di kawasan Julau yang dijadikan rujukan untuk pembangunan di kawasan sekitar tiga hingga empat kilometer radius dari Pekan Julau. Pelan sedia ada ini lebih strategik memandangkan ia terletak di jalan utama yang menghubungkan Pekan Julau dengan Bandar Sibu serta mengambil kira keperluan untuk zon komersil seluas 17.52 hektar serta komponen-komponen lain seperti kediaman, industri, institusi pendidikan, institusi keagamaan, rekreasi dan rizab kerajaan. Setakat ini, stadium, Pejabat Daerah Julau, SMK Julau No. 2, Klinik Kesihatan Julau dan *Julau State Government Quarters* telah dibangunkan berpandukan pelan struktur ini.

Pelan sedia ada ini memadai untuk menampung keperluan seperti yang dibangkitkan oleh Ahli Yang Berhormat. Ia akan ditambah baik dari semasa ke semasa selaras dengan *trend* pembangunan dan keperluan setempat.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Murum, kerajaan melalui Jabatan Tanah dan Survei sedang menyediakan *Local Plan* bagi Sungai Asap di Kapit yang kini sedang dalam proses kajian dan pengumpulan data. *Local Plan* ini nanti antaranya, antara lainnya akan menyediakan zon-zon pembangunan untuk kegunaan kediaman, komersil, industri, rizab kerajaan, institusi pendidikan, institusi keagamaan, rekreasi dan jaringan jalan raya. Cadangan *Local Plan* Sungai Asap ini akan dibentangkan ke Majlis Perancangan Negeri untuk pertimbangan dalam suku ke-4 tahun 2024.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Beting Maro, status penyediaan Pelan Pembangunan Pusat Pentadbiran Daerah Pusa 2030 adalah di peringkat draf akhir dan sedia untuk dibentangkan ke Mesyuarat Majlis Perancangan Negeri untuk pertimbangan dan kelulusan. Antara

komponen-komponen yang dicadangkan di dalam pelan pembangunan ini merangkumi zon-zon pembangunan seperti perumahan, komersil, perindustrian, institusi kerajaan, kemudahan masyarakat, kawasan lapang dan rekreasi, sistem jaringan jalan serta rizab untuk aktiviti-aktiviti pertanian.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Beting Maro, sebanyak 68 unit rumah daripada 271 unit rumah bagi Projek Penempatan Semula Nelayan Beladin telah siap dibina oleh Lembaga Pembangunan dan Lindungan Tanah (LCDA). Pihak Lembaga Kemajuan Ikan Malaysia (LKIM) telah mengenal pasti dan meluluskan seramai 64 peserta untuk ditawarkan rumah-rumah tersebut melalui pembiayaan pinjaman daripada *Mutiara Mortgage and Credit Sdn. Bhd.* Proses temuduga oleh LKIM bagi baki empat rumah akan diadakan pada bulan Jun 2024. Manakala, pembinaan baki 203 unit rumah PSN Beladin ini akan dilaksanakan setelah peruntukan diluluskan oleh Kerajaan Persekutuan.

Bagi projek Beladin *Slipway*, ianya telah pun siap dilaksanakan oleh pihak LCDA. Bagi memastikan projek ini diurus dengan baik dan memberi manfaat kepada penduduk setempat khususnya para nelayan, pihak LCDA akan meneruskan perbincangan bersama dengan *Sarawak Association of Maritime Industry (SAMIN)*, LKIM dan Persatuan Nelayan di kawasan berkenaan.

Memartabatkan Pengurusan Hutan di Sarawak

Tuan Speaker, hutan merupakan satu khazanah yang dianugerahkan kepada Sarawak yang perlu dipelihara dan diurus dengan sebaik-baiknya. Kita harus berbangga dengan kemampuan kita dalam menguruskan sumber ini dengan dan mengekalkan keluasan litupan hutan untuk kesejahteraan dan kemakmuran kehidupan manusia.

Sarawak masih mampu mengekalkan 7.65 juta hektar atau 62% kawasan litupan hutan menerusi penambahbaikan dan pemerkasaan polisi sedia ada serta pelaksanaan pelbagai program pengurusan hutan secara lestari.

Ini juga mengekalkan Sarawak sebagai penyumbang terbesar kawasan litupan hutan di Malaysia iaitu sebanyak 42.4% daripada 18.05 juta hektar keseluruhan kawasan berhutan di Malaysia.

Amalan Pengurusan Hutan Mampan

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan Sarawak melalui polisi Pensijilan Pengurusan Hutan (*Post-2022 Forest Management Certification Policy*) menyasarkan tiga juta hektar kawasan Lesen Jangka Panjang untuk dipersijilkan selewat-lewatnya pada tahun 2025. Setakat ini, sejumlah 26 Unit Pengurusan Hutan (FMU) dengan keluasan 2.38 juta hektar dan tujuh unit Pengurusan Ladang Hutan (FPMU) dengan keluasan 97,966 hektar telah mendapat pensijilan masing-masing.

Pencapaian status pensijilan hutan adalah penting untuk membuktikan pengurusan hutan yang dilaksanakan di Sarawak adalah memenuhi piawaian antarabangsa dan ini membolehkan produk kayu yang dihasilkan dapat dipasarkan secara kompetitif di pasaran global.

Kolaborasi Antarabangsa

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan Sarawak melalui Jabatan Hutan Sarawak telah mengadakan kolaborasi dengan pelbagai pihak di luar negara bagi mengukuhkan pengurusan hutan, teknologi perhutanan dan penyelidikan hutan di Sarawak. Antara kerjasama yang telah dilaksanakan adalah seperti berikut:

- (a) Kerjasama antara Jabatan Hutan Sarawak dengan Kesatuan Eropah (EU). Kerjasama ini telah memberi faedah kepada Jabatan Hutan Sarawak dari segi pemindahan teknologi, pengurusan sistem dan maklumat serta kejuruteraan hutan. Skogforsk Research Institute, Sweden akan

bekerjasama dengan Jabatan Hutan Sarawak dalam memberi input kepakaran teknikal dalam industri perladangan hutan bagi memastikan pematuhan kepada polisi terkini *European Union Deforestation Regulation* (EUDR).

- (b) Kerjasama dengan pihak National Institute of Environment Studies (NIES) Japan dengan penghantaran pegawai-pegawai Jabatan Hutan Sarawak ke NIES Tsukuba, Japan bagi menjalani latihan teknologi perhutanan iaitu kaedah penganalisaan data *Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR)*.
- (c) Kerjasama dengan Van Hall Larenstein University of Applied Sciences di Velp, Netherlands. Pada 20 hingga 29 April 2024, beberapa pegawai Jabatan Hutan Sarawak telah menjalani latihan teknikal dalam pengurusan dan pembangunan perdagangan karbon hutan di universiti berkenaan.
- (d) Kerjasama dengan International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO) dengan menandatangani dua (2) Perjanjian Projek pada 21 Mac 2023 iaitu projek *Management of Upper Baram Forest Area for Conservation and Sustainable Development with Involvement of Local Communities Upper Baram, Sarawak* bernilai USD556,083.00 dan projek *Community Empowerment in Forest Management and Forest Landscape Restoration in Upper Baram, Sarawak* bernilai USD258,000.00. Di samping itu, pada November 2023, pihak ITTO telah meluluskan dua projek baharu lagi, iaitu *Management of Sungai Menyang Conservation Area for Orang Utan Protection and Uplifting Community Livelihood, Sarawak* bernilai USD261,904.00 dan *Critical Upliftment of Local Livelihoods: Urgent Actions for Community-Based Conservation and Development in Upper Baram* bernilai USD139,000.00 telah diluluskan. Objektif kesemua projek ini adalah untuk meningkatkan pemuliharaan biodiversiti dan pembangunan sosio-ekonomi penduduk tempatan.
- (e) Satu persidangan antarabangsa anjuran kerjasama antara Jabatan Hutan Sarawak, Sarawak Timber Association (STA), ITTO dan World Wildlife Fund for Nature (WWF) Malaysia telah diadakan pada 6 hingga 7 Mac 2024 di Kuching. *International Conference on Sustainable Management of Tropical Forest* tersebut telah mengumpulkan seramai 200 pakar, pembuat dasar dan pihak berkepentingan untuk membincangkan mengenai amalan terbaik pengurusan hutan global dan memupuk jaringan hubungan (*networking*) dengan semua pihak berkepentingan tersebut. Persidangan ini telah meletakkan Sarawak di persada dunia dalam jaringan sistem pengurusan hutan mampan.

Manakala, SFC pula telah mengadakan kerjasama dengan pelbagai agensi antarabangsa dalam bidang pemuliharaan dan penguatkuasaan hidupan liar termasuk kerjasama dengan:

- (a) US Embassy melalui *US Fish & Wildlife Service* (USFWS) untuk beberapa siri Latihan seperti berikut:
 - (i) *Wildlife Trafficking Investigators Programme* bertempat di *The International Law Enforcement Academy* (ILEA) Bangkok pada 31 Julai sehingga 11 Ogos 2023; dan
 - (ii) *International Conservation Chiefs Academy* (ICCA) bertempat di Shepherdstown, West Virginia, *USFWS National Conservation Training Center*, USA pada 11 hingga 25 September 2023.
- (b) NParks Singapore berkaitan analisa penyakit bawaan hidupan liar dan penyelidikan lapangan dalam bidang botani;
- (c) *Science and Technology Research Partnership for Sustainable Development* (SATREPS) Japan bagi kajian lapangan dan Latihan pegawai di Kawasan TPA seperti Bako, Santubong, Lambir Hills dan Pulong Tau;

- (d) *Asian Forest Cooperation Organisation (AFoCO)* Korea, bagi penanaman pokok dan penyelidikan Fasa 1 di Taman Negara Rejang Mangrove; dan
- (e) Indianapolis Zoo USA bagi latihan pegawai veterinar dan hidupan liar.

Konservasi dan Pewartaan

Tuan Speaker, Konservasi dan Pewartaan. Sejajar dengan Polisi Guna Tanah Kerajaan Sarawak melalui Jabatan Hutan Sarawak telah mewartakan kawasan seluas 3.9 juta hektar sebagai Hutan Simpan Kekal daripada jumlah enam juta hektar yang disasarkan. Pada tahun ini, Kerajaan Sarawak telah mewartakan sebuah kawasan Hutan Simpan Kekal yang baharu iaitu *Bajoh-Ujong Murod Protected Forest* yang berkeluasan 13,125 hektar. Ia menjadikan luas keseluruhan Hutan Simpan Kekal di Sarawak setakat ini adalah 3,960,471 hektar.

Dalam usaha eksplorasi khazanah hutan serta kekayaan kepelbagaian biologinya, program ekspedisi saintifik telah dan sedang dilaksanakan dengan kerjasama pelbagai pihak termasuk para penyelidik. Satu ekspedisi saintifik telah diadakan pada 19 Februari hingga 2 Mac 2024 di Taman Rimba Sebangkoi, Sarikei oleh Jabatan Hutan Sarawak bersama Pejabat Residen Sarikei dan Majlis Daerah Sarikei. Pelbagai aspek kajian telah dilaksanakan meliputi bidang tanah, entomologi, hidrologi, botani, anatomi kayu, kulat, cendawan, kelawar dan burung. Pada masa yang sama, inventori sumber hutan turut dilaksanakan. Hasil ekspedisi ini akan digunakan untuk penyediaan kertas cadangan pewartaan Taman Rimba Sebangkoi sebagai *Amenity Forest*, iaitu untuk tujuan penyelidikan, pendidikan dan rekreasi.

Penghijauan Malaysia dan Greening Sarawak Campaign

Tuan Speaker, Program Penghijauan Malaysia melalui Kempen Penanaman 100 Juta Pokok (2021 hingga 2025) telah dilancarkan secara serentak di seluruh negara pada 5 Januari 2021 bagi memastikan komitmen negara untuk mengekalkan sekurang-kurangnya 50% daripada keluasan tanah negara dilitupi dengan kawasan hutan dapat dicapai.

Selari dengan kempen tersebut, Kerajaan Sarawak komited untuk menanam sebanyak 35 juta pokok melalui inisiatif *Greening Sarawak Campaign* dengan menggalakkan penanaman pokok termasuk spesis pokok untuk perhutanan bandar, pokok ladang hutan, pokok hutan asli dan sebagainya. Sarawak merupakan penyumbang tertinggi bagi penanaman pokok di Malaysia setakat April 2024 dengan merekodkan penanaman sebanyak lebih 34 juta pokok. Kita menjangkakan akan dapat mencapai sasaran penanaman 35 juta pokok dalam masa terdekat, iaitu lebih awal daripada tahun sasaran 2025.

Manakala, *Sarawak Forestry Corporation (SFC)* melalui *Project Rewilding* telah menanam 98,000 pokok di kebanyakan Kawasan Terlindung Sepenuhnya (TPA) di seluruh Sarawak. Pada tahun ini, sebanyak 20,000 pokok lagi disasarkan akan ditanam di kawasan TPA seperti Rajang Mangrove, Bukit Lima Sibu, Samunsam, Similajau dan Piasau.

Menerusi kempen penanaman pokok, semangat cintakan alam semula jadi dapat dipupuk di kalangan masyarakat melalui penanaman pelbagai pokok sekaligus menyokong komitmen Sarawak dalam program penghijauan Malaysia.

Melestarikan Kepelbagaian Biologi

Tuan Speaker, satu penemuan habitat terbaharu monyet *Presbytis Chrysomelas Cruciger* (*Tricolour Langur*) iaitu monyet merah, telah direkodkan di Sungai Selai Inah, Jemoreng semasa ekspedisi saintifik dilaksanakan di kawasan berkenaan. Penemuan ini telah diterbitkan pada 27 Mac 2024, dalam artikel antarabangsa, iaitu *Check List the Journal of Biodiversity Data*. Spesis tersebut hanya pernah dijumpai di Taman Negara Maludam. Untuk makluman, monyet yang unik tersebut dikategorikan sebagai spesis terancam secara kritikal dalam *International Union for Conservation of*

Nature (IUCN) Red List serta spesies yang terlindung dalam *Wild Life Protection Ordinance, 1998*. Pihak Jabatan Hutan Sarawak dalam proses pewartaan kawasan habitat monyet tersebut, iaitu seluas lebih kurang 845 hektar sebagai *Sungai Selai Inah Protected Forest*.

PENGIKTIRAFAN DUNIA KEPADA KHAZANAH HUTAN SARAWAK

Sarawak Delta Geopark (SDGp) dan Pencalonan Niah sebagai Tapak Warisan Dunia

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak menyasarkan untuk mendapatkan pengiktirafan UNESCO bagi Sarawak Delta Geopark pada tahun 2026. Sebagai persediaan ke arah pengiktirafan tersebut, pelbagai usaha sedang giat dilaksanakan bagi memastikan pencalonan SDGp memenuhi dan mematuhi kriteria UNESCO *Global Geopark* (UGGp). Antara inisiatif yang telah dan sedang dijalankan adalah menubuhkan Unit Pengurusan Geopark, penyediaan *dossier*, pelaksanaan pelbagai aktiviti kesedaran awam dan pembinaan infrastruktur bagi kedampakan (*visibility*) SDGp. Pengiktirafan *Sarawak Delta Geopark* sebagai UNESCO *Global Geopark* akan melonjakkan industri geopelancongan di Sarawak sekaligus meningkatkan taraf sosioekonomi penduduk selaras dengan aspirasi PCDS 2030.

Pada September 2023, *International Council on Monuments and Sites* (ICOMOS) yang berpusat di Paris telah membuat penilaian teknikal terhadap cadangan pencalonan Taman Negara Niah sebagai Tapak Warisan Dunia UNESCO. Sehubungan itu juga, satu dokumen *Integrated Conservation Management Plan* telah disediakan dan diserahkan ke Pejabat UNESCO, Paris pada bulan Februari 2024 untuk menyokong pencalonan tersebut. Cadangan pencalonan ini di jangka diputuskan semasa persidangan *World Heritage Committee* yang ke-46, yang dijadualkan pada bulan Julai 2024 di India.

Inisiatif Karbon Hutan

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak adalah peneraju utama di Malaysia dalam inisiatif karbon hutan. Inisiatif karbon hutan ini akan menggalakkan amalan pengurusan hutan secara berkekalan dan mengurangkan kesan perubahan iklim. Inisiatif ini juga akan mempertingkatkan kemakmuran ekonomi, keterangkuman sosial serta kelestarian alam sekitar selari dengan strategi Kerajaan Sarawak melalui PCDS 2030.

Semenjak penggubalan *Forests (Forest Carbon Activity) Rules* pada tahun 2022, sebanyak 13 permohonan permit penyelidikan karbon hutan telah diterima. Daripada 13 permohonan ini, satu lesen karbon hutan dalam proses akhir pengeluaran manakala dua permit penyelidikan karbon hutan telah dikeluarkan. Sebanyak tujuh permohonan masih dalam proses penilaian dan tiga permohonan telah ditolak.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Pending, seluruh dunia memberi perhatian terhadap perubahan iklim (*climate change*). Perdagangan karbon adalah salah satu inisiatif bagi menangani isu tersebut di samping menjadi sumber ekonomi baharu. Inisiatif ini memperkukuhkan lagi usaha konservasi hutan kerana perdagangan karbon ini tidak melibatkan penebangan pokok dan penerokaan kawasan hutan.

Untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, fi 5% yang dikenali sebagai *Forest Ecosystem Fee* (FEF) akan dikenakan ke atas hasil nilai karbon yang diperdagangkan. Kadar FEF ini adalah kompetitif dan berpatutan bagi menggalakkan penyertaan pemaju projek karbon hutan di Sarawak. Selain itu, kerajaan juga mengenakan cukai tahunan penggunaan tanah untuk perdagangan karbon berdasarkan keluasan kawasan lesen. Sekiranya kadar fi dan cukai ini tidak setara dengan kadar yang diguna pakai di peringkat antarabangsa, perundangan sedia ada membenarkan semakan dibuat ke atas kadar berkenaan.

Untuk makluman, setakat ini, formula penetapan harga karbon di peringkat antarabangsa juga belum dimuktamadkan. Oleh yang demikian, harga karbon yang diperdagangkan di peringkat global

pada masa ini adalah berdasarkan kesepakatan dan persetujuan antara pembeli dan penjual (*willing buyer and willing seller*).

Komitmen Sarawak untuk sama-sama menangani cabaran perubahan iklim berdasarkan agenda global *net zero emission* menjelang 2050, merupakan *intangible benefits* yang lebih utama dan yang tidak boleh dinilai berdasarkan kepada "*dollar and cents*" sahaja.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Pending juga, maklumat berkenaan inisiatif karbon ini boleh didapati di laman sesawang Jabatan Hutan Sarawak. Selaras dengan keperluan Piawaian Karbon Antarabangsa, pelesen karbon hutan adalah diwajibkan untuk memaparkan keterangan mengenai projek karbon hutan di laman sesawang masing-masing. Selain itu, maklumat mengenai projek karbon hutan juga boleh diakses melalui laman sesawang *An International Carbon Standard Registry*. *Registry* ini merupakan sistem berpusat antarabangsa bagi mengetahui rekod dan status *Verified Carbon Unit* sesebuah syarikat.

Inventori Sumber Hutan

Tuan Speaker, Projek Inventori Sumber Hutan (ISH) di Sarawak telah dilaksanakan untuk menyokong pelaksanaan Inventori Sumber Hutan Nasional Ke-6 sebagai usaha berterusan dalam memastikan khazanah hutan negara dapat diurus secara mampan.

Inisiatif ini dijalankan bagi mendapatkan maklumat berkenaan sumber hutan di Sarawak bagi tujuan pelaporan dan pengurusan sumber hutan di peringkat kebangsaan dan antarabangsa, di samping mengenal pasti dirian hutan dan membuat verifikasi penstrataan hutan di kawasan hutan simpan kekal di Sarawak.

Projek Inventori Sumber Hutan Fasa Ketiga yang melibatkan 319 plot kluster dilaksanakan di bawah Rancangan Malaysia Ke-12 meliputi kawasan Hutan Simpan Kekal (PFE) seluas 3.9 juta hektar. Laporan penuh inventori sumber hutan di dalam kawasan Hutan Simpan Kekal di Sarawak di jangka akan diterbitkan menjelang akhir tahun 2025.

Perhutanan Sosial dan Pembangunan Komuniti (Social Forestry and Community Development)

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan Sarawak melalui Jabatan Hutan Sarawak juga menjalankan pelbagai inisiatif perhutanan sosial bagi meningkatkan taraf dan kualiti hidup komuniti yang tinggal di dalam dan di sekitar kawasan Hutan Simpan Kekal melalui projek pembinaan infrastruktur asas, program pemerkasaan keupayaan serta latihan kemahiran. Setakat ini, antara program dan projek yang telah dilaksanakan adalah penganjuran Ekspo Hasil Hutan Bukan Kayu (NTFP), pembinaan dua jambatan gantung di Long Kerong, Ulu Baram, dan penganjuran program Komunikasi, Pendidikan dan Kesedaran Awam (CEPA).

Projek dan program pembangunan komuniti yang dijalankan mampu meningkatkan pendapatan, menyediakan kemudahan asas, menjana ekonomi alternatif, sekaligus mengurangkan kebergantungan terhadap sumber hutan selari dengan salah satu objektif utama PCDS 2030 iaitu meningkatkan taraf hidup komuniti.

Melindungi khazanah alam merupakan tanggungjawab kita semua. Mengiktiraf kepentingan dan sumbangan komuniti dalam memastikan khazanah ini terjaga, Kerajaan Sarawak melalui SFC telah melaksanakan pelbagai inisiatif untuk memperkasakan dan sekaligus membantu meningkatkan sosioekonomi komuniti yang tinggal di kawasan berhampiran dengan TPA. Antara program penting yang sedang dijalankan termasuklah melantik Renjer Penjaga Hidupan Liar (*Wildlife Guardian Ranger*) dan Renjer Hidupan Liar Kehormat (*Honorary Wildlife Ranger*).

Sehingga kini, seramai 247 orang komuniti setempat telah menerima tawaran sebagai *Wildlife Guardian Ranger* manakala seramai 1,088 orang telah dilantik sebagai *Honorary Wild Life Ranger*.

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

Tuan Speaker, dalam memastikan sumber hasil hutan dan hidupan liar di Sarawak terjaga, Jabatan Hutan Sarawak dan Sarawak Forestry Corporation (SFC) sentiasa memberi komitmen yang tinggi dalam menjalankan aktiviti penguatkuasaan.

Sejak tahun 2022 hingga April 2024, Jabatan Hutan Sarawak telah merekodkan sejumlah 217 kes kesalahan hutan. Dalam tempoh yang sama, 15 kes didaftar untuk pendakwaan di mahkamah, di mana empat kes telah selesai diputuskan oleh mahkamah, manakala 11 kes masih dalam proses pendakwaan dan perbicaraan. Sebanyak RM1.1 juta kompaun dan RM4.9 juta hasil pelupusan melalui jualan kayu rampasan telah dikutip dalam tempoh tersebut.

Manakala, sejak Januari 2024 sehingga April 2024, SFC telah membuka sebanyak Sembilan kertas siasatan bagi kes kesalahan yang berkaitan TPA dan hidupan liar. Satu kes telah dibawa ke mahkamah bagi tujuan pendakwaan manakala lapan lagi kes masih dalam peringkat siasatan.

Bagi tempoh masa yang sama, sejumlah 13 kes pada tahun sebelumnya telah didakwa di mahkamah di mana 12 kes telah dikenakan hukuman denda atau penjara, manakala satu kes dikenakan bon berkelakuan baik. Sehingga kini, jumlah kompaun terkumpul sejak awal tahun 2024 adalah sebanyak RM35,500, manakala jumlah denda mahkamah adalah sebanyak RM180,492.

Untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, Jabatan Hutan Sarawak juga telah diberi penarafan semula *Corruption Risk Rating* dari status risiko tinggi pada tahun 2020 ke status risiko rendah oleh Suruhanjaya Pencegahan Rasuah Malaysia (SPRM) bagi tahun 2023. (*Applause*)

Tuan Speaker, Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Opar, berdasarkan rekod Jabatan Hutan Sarawak, Gunong Poi Forest Reserve telah diwartakan melalui Warta GN. 145 (CXLV) pada tahun 1927 dan *First Extension* pula diwartakan melalui GN. 732 pada tahun 1958. Berdasarkan siasatan di lapangan dan semakan dokumen-dokumen yang berkaitan, hanya Kampung Pasir Hulu yang termasuk di dalam kawasan pewartaan.

Manakala bagi Kampung Jantan dan Kampung Temaga Dayak, pertindihan ke atas kawasan pewartaan hanya melibatkan tanah pertanian yang diusahakan penduduk kedua-dua kampung tersebut. Sehubungan dengan itu, pihak Kementerian serta agensi berkaitan sedang dalam peringkat akhir bagi memuktamadkan rekomendasi penyelesaian untuk pertimbangan kerajaan sebelum tindakan seterusnya diambil.

Sektor Perlombongan Sarawak

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak mempunyai kepelbagaian sumber mineral yang amat penting dan bernilai tinggi untuk kegunaan industri tenaga dan pembuatan hiliran (*downstream industry*). Berdasarkan rekod Jabatan Mineral dan Geosains Malaysia, Sarawak, anggaran nilai semasa deposit sumber mineral di Sarawak bagi kawasan seluas lebih kurang 39,824 kilometer persegi atau 3,982,400 hektar atau bersamaan dengan 32% keluasan Sarawak yang telah dibuat kajian kewujudan sumber mineral dan pemetaan geologi yang dianggarkan bernilai lebih kurang RM1.252 trilion.

Melalui *Post COVID-19 Development Strategy (PCDS) 2030*, Kerajaan Sarawak juga berusaha untuk melaksanakan kajian dan pemetaan geologi bagi kawasan seluas lebih kurang 31,474 kilometer persegi atau 3,174,400 hektar atau bersamaan dengan 25.3% keluasan Sarawak yang belum diterokai dengan anggaran kos berjumlah RM300 juta. Peruntukan berjumlah RM21 juta juga telah diluluskan oleh Kerajaan Sarawak dalam Rancangan Malaysia Kedua Belas (RMKe-12) dan setakat 31 Mac 2024, kawasan seluas 1,289 kilometer persegi atau 128,900 hektar telah dilengkapkan kajian dengan kos perbelanjaan berjumlah RM12.1 juta.

Kerajaan Sarawak melalui Kementerian ini juga telah mengemukakan permohonan kepada Kementerian Sumber Asli dan Kelestarian Alam Malaysia (NRES) agar peruntukan yang lebih besar dapat disalurkan kepada pihak Jabatan Mineral dan Geosains Malaysia, Sarawak supaya kajian kewujudan sumber mineral di Sarawak dapat dilaksanakan dengan lebih luas. Kajian dan pemetaan geologi ini amat penting bagi membolehkan perancangan guna tanah dan pembangunan industri berasaskan mineral dapat dibuat secara terperinci dan komprehensif oleh kerajaan.

Dalam pembangunan industri berasaskan mineral, Kerajaan Sarawak kini sedang berusaha membangunkan industri hiliran (*downstream*) terutamanya berasaskan pasir silika bagi pembuatan *photovoltaic glass (PV glass)* untuk kegunaan penjanaan kuasa solar (tenaga hijau) dan batu kapur (*limestone*) untuk industri klinker dan simen. Selain itu, kerajaan juga sedang mengkaji potensi industri berasaskan mineral strategik yang bernilai tinggi iaitu Unsur Nadir Bumi Bukan Radioaktif (NR-REE). NR-REE diperlukan dalam pelbagai industri pembuatan seperti *magmetics, phosphors, ceramics, metal alloys, defense* dan sebagainya.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Baleh, di kawasan Tunoh Kapit, terdapat satu kawasan telah diluluskan untuk dikeluarkan dengan Pajakan Melombong (*Mining Lease (ML)*) yang berkeluasan lebih kurang 1,937 hektar dan satu lagi kawasan berkeluasan lebih kurang 2,344.87 hektar telah diluluskan pembaharuan Lesen Mencarigali Am (*General Prospecting License (GPL)*).

Bagi Pajakan Melombong yang telah diluluskan, pajakan berkenaan hanya akan dikeluarkan dan dibenarkan beroperasi setelah syarat-syarat kelulusan khas dipatuhi, di mana, antaranya adalah seperti:

- (a) Kerja-kerja ukur sempadan perimeter kawasan pajakan melombong telah disiapkan oleh Juruukur Swasta Berlesen yang berdaftar dengan "*Land Surveyors Board Sarawak*" dan diluluskan oleh Jabatan Tanah dan Survei;
- (b) Memperolehi kelulusan Kajian Terperinci Kebolehupayaan Lombong (*Detailed Mine Feasibility Study*) dan Pelan Pemulihan Lombong (*Mine Rehabilitation Plan*) di bawah *Minerals Ordinance 2004* daripada Lembaga Pengurusan Mineral Sarawak (*State Minerals Management Authority*);
- (c) Memperolehi kelulusan *Environmental Impact Assessment* di bawah *Natural Resources and Environment Ordinance [Cap.84 (1958 Edition)]* daripada Lembaga Sumber Asli dan Alam Sekitar (NREB);
- (d) Memperolehi kelulusan Skim Pengendalian Melombong di bawah Akta Pembangunan Mineral 1994 daripada Jabatan Mineral dan Geosains Malaysia, Sarawak; dan
- (e) Memperolehi kelulusan *Hidrological Assessment & Water Quality Control and Monitoring* daripada *State Water Authority*.

Sekiranya aktiviti perlombongan dilakukan tanpa Pajakan Melombong yang sah, maka boleh disabitkan dengan kesalahan dan dikenakan denda tidak melebihi RM500,000 atau penjara tidak melebihi 10 tahun atau kedua-duanya sekali.

Bagi kawasan yang telah dikeluarkan dengan tenemen mineral, kerajaan boleh membatalkan tenemen mineral tersebut sekiranya didapati terdapat pelanggaran syarat-syarat khas dalam tenemen tersebut.

Prestasi Industri Perakayuan Sarawak

Tuan Speaker, prestasi eksport hasil industri perakayuan Sarawak bagi tahun 2023 menurun sebanyak 20% kepada RM3.14 bilion berbanding RM3.95 bilion pada tahun 2022. Penurunan nilai eksport ini adalah kesan daripada pengurangan jumlah eksport produk utama iaitu papan lapis.

Jepun kekal sebagai pengimport utama bagi produk perkayuan Sarawak dengan nilai RM1.67 bilion atau 53% daripada keseluruhan nilai eksport.

Setakat suku pertama 2024, nilai eksport produk perkayuan adalah RM682 juta berbanding RM752 juta pada tempoh yang sama tahun 2023 iaitu penurunan sebanyak 9%.

Jepun kekal sebagai pengimport utama bagi produk perkayuan Sarawak dengan nilai RM387 juta atau 57%. Pasaran utama lain adalah India sebanyak RM104 juta, China RM46 juta, Taiwan RM29 juta dan Filipina RM23 juta.

Bagi menyokong aspirasi untuk mempromosikan ekonomi hijau, Sarawak juga mengeluarkan dan mengeksport kayu pelet. Nilai eksport kayu pelet Sarawak bagi tempoh suku pertama tahun 2024 adalah berjumlah RM22 juta. Ini merupakan peningkatan sebanyak 118% berbanding tempoh yang sama tahun 2023 yang bernilai RM10 juta. Kayu pelet merupakan bahan bakar mesra alam yang digunakan untuk menjana kuasa elektrik. Pasaran utama kayu pelet Sarawak adalah Jepun dan Belanda. Produk biojisim terutama sekali kayu pelet mempunyai satu potensi yang besar untuk pasaran dalaman mahupun eksport kerana kita mempunyai sumber bahan mentah yang mampan. Peluang ini harus dimanfaatkan oleh pemain industri perkayuan di Sarawak.

Sejajar dengan aspirasi PCDS 2030 untuk meningkatkan pengeluaran produk kayu bernilai tinggi (*high value timber product*), PUSAKA telah menghasilkan *Engineered Wood Product Blueprint* dan Polisi Pembangunan Industri Buluh Sarawak sebagai garis panduan dan hala tuju industri kayu kejuruteraan dan buluh di Sarawak. Pembangunan industri ini di jangka akan mentransformasikan landskap industri perkayuan dan buluh di Sarawak.

PUSAKA selaku pemangkin pembangunan industri perkayuan Sarawak menggalakkan penghasilan produk perkayuan bernilai tambah tinggi dan mampan. Ini dilaksanakan menerusi program penyelidikan dan pembangunan atau R&D secara kerjasama strategik dengan institusi penyelidikan, pengajian tinggi serta penglibatan langsung pihak industri perkayuan. Inisiatif R&D ini dilaksanakan dengan memberi tumpuan kepada "*Applied R&D*" ke arah pengkomersilan.

Industri Buluh

Tuan Speaker, PUSAKA komited dalam melaksanakan inisiatif untuk membangunkan industri buluh di Sarawak. Pada tahun 2023, Polisi Pembangunan Industri Buluh Sarawak telah disediakan. Susulan itu, "*Jerayawara Program Kesedaran Pembangunan Industri Buluh Sarawak 2023*" dan "*Pertandingan Produk Kraf Buluh 2023*" juga telah diadakan bagi meningkatkan kesedaran masyarakat dan pemain industri dalam membangunkan industri ini.

Pada Februari 2024, PUSAKA telah membida penganjuran "*13th World Bamboo Congress 2026*" (*13th WBC*) di Sarawak. Tujuan pembidaan tersebut adalah untuk mempromosikan industri buluh di samping membolehkan pemain industri mendapat maklumat berhubung perkembangan terkini industri buluh di peringkat global. Ianya sekaligus dapat meningkatkan penyertaan rakyat Sarawak dan pihak swasta serta menarik pelaburan dalam membangunkan industri buluh di Sarawak.

Berdasarkan kepada "*Bamboo Global Market Report 2023*", pasaran produk buluh di peringkat global adalah berjumlah USD71.63 bilion. Untuk makluman, industri buluh di Sarawak masih lagi di peringkat awal. Maka dengan adanya inisiatif yang dilaksanakan oleh PUSAKA, ianya di jangka dapat membantu meningkatkan pembangunan industri buluh di Sarawak agar berpotensi menghasilkan produk berasaskan buluh untuk pasaran domestik serta bersaing untuk menembusi pasaran global. Oleh yang demikian, PUSAKA telah menyasarkan 10,000 hektar kawasan untuk penanaman buluh menjelang 2030 dengan menggalakkan penglibatan usahasama pihak swasta dan juga komuniti.

Program Pembangunan SME Industri Perabot

Selaras dengan usaha Kerajaan untuk memperkasakan industri hiliran bernilai tambah tinggi terutama sekali perabot dan meningkatkan kapasiti pengeluaran industri SMEs, PUSAKA sedang membangunkan *STIDC Blueprint for SMEs in Woodworking and Furniture Making Industry in Sarawak 2030*. Antara pelan tindakan strategik yang akan dilaksanakan adalah penyusunan semula program Pembangunan SME industri perabot Sarawak. Program ini adalah sejajar dengan matlamat PUSAKA untuk meningkatkan pengeluaran perabot untuk pasaran eksport. Perabot, produk kayu kejuruteraan, produk biojisim dan produk berasaskan buluh akan di jangka menyumbang kepada nilai eksport berjumlah RM4 bilion menjelang 2030.

Kerajaan Sarawak melalui PUSAKA bercadang untuk mewujudkan kemudahan infrastruktur seperti Taman Industri Perabot (*Furniture Park*) bagi menarik lebih banyak pelaburan tempatan dan luar negara. Di samping itu, program-program pembangunan usahawan sedang giat dijalankan untuk meningkatkan penglibatan serta kemahiran pemain industri tempatan supaya berdaya saing.

Bagi tujuan tersebut, PUSAKA akan meneruskan program *Say D'Signers* untuk menghasilkan pereka perabot tempatan. Di samping itu, PUSAKA juga mengadakan kerjasama dengan Institut Kemahiran MARA Alor Setar dan UiTM Sarawak yang di jangka akan melahirkan lebih ramai anak muda untuk menyertai industri perkayuan khasnya industri perabot.

Pengurusan Alam Sekitar

Tuan Speaker, Kerajaan Sarawak komited dalam mengurus dan melindungi sumber semula jadi untuk mencapai pembangunan mampan. Sehubungan itu, *the Natural Resources and Environment Ordinance [Chapter 84 (1958 Edition)]* mewajibkan pihak pemaju projek untuk mengemukakan laporan penilaian kesan alam sekitar atau *Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)* dan Pelan Pengurusan Alam Sekitar atau *Environmental Management Plan (EMP)* untuk kelulusan NREB sebelum projek dimulakan.

Bagi suku pertama tahun 2024, NREB telah menerima sejumlah 12 laporan EIA dan 19 laporan EMP. Daripada jumlah tersebut, sebanyak 11 laporan EIA dan 16 EMP telah diluluskan manakala empat masih dalam pelbagai peringkat penilaian. Dalam tempoh yang sama, daripada 1,207 projek di bawah pemantauan NREB sebanyak 340 projek telah dipantau melalui *Post-EIA Inspection*.

Terdapat sebanyak 28 kes ketidakpatuhan terhadap terma dan syarat kelulusan EIA dan EMP telah direkodkan. Daripada jumlah tersebut, satu kertas siasatan telah dibuka manakala 21 notis dan enam notis akhir telah dikeluarkan oleh NREB. Sebanyak lapan kes telah diselesaikan di mana pihak pemaju projek telah mengambil tindakan pembetulan terhadap ketidakpatuhan tersebut.

Status Kualiti Udara di Sarawak

Berdasarkan kenyataan yang dikeluarkan oleh Jabatan Meteorologi Malaysia (METMalaysia), negara kita sedang mengalami fasa peralihan monsun (*inter-monsoon season*) yang bermula pada 29 Mac 2024 dan di jangka berterusan sehingga Mei 2024. Dalam tempoh tersebut, rantau negara termasuk Sarawak di jangka akan mengalami kejadian ribut petir, hujan lebat dan angin kencang dalam jangka masa yang singkat pada waktu petang dan awal malam di kawasan selatan dan tengah Sarawak.

Pada masa yang sama, METMalaysia juga turut meramalkan fenomena El-Niño berterusan sehingga suku kedua tahun 2024. Keadaan panas dan kering ini boleh meningkatkan risiko berlakunya kebakaran tanah gambut dan belukar. Walau bagaimanapun, setakat ini insiden kebakaran yang dilaporkan berlaku di Kampung Pemukat dan Banting di Lawas dan Kuala Baram di Miri tidak menjejaskan kualiti udara ambien di Sarawak. Bacaan Indeks Pencemar Udara (IPU) di

seluruh Sarawak bagi tempoh Januari sehingga Mac 2024 adalah di dalam kategori Baik (0 hingga 50) dan Sederhana (51 hingga 100).

Kerajaan ingin menasihatkan orang awam untuk tidak melakukan pembakaran terbuka terutama sekali semasa cuaca panas dan kering untuk mengelak kejadian jerebu setempat. Sebarang aduan bolehlah diajukan kepada Pejabat NREB dan Jabatan Alam Sekitar (JAS) yang terdekat untuk tindakan lanjut.

Prosedur Operasi Standard untuk melaksanakan Pencegahan dan Pemadaman Kebakaran di kawasan Tanah Gambut di Kuala Baram, Miri

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, Prosedur Operasi Standard (SOP) Pencegahan dan Pemadaman Kebakaran di Kawasan Tanah Gambut yang telah ditambah baik telah diadaptasi oleh lapan syarikat pemilik tanah di Kuala Baram, Miri dengan termeterainya *Memorandum of Undertaking (MoU)* berkenaan SOP tersebut pada 1 Mac 2024 yang lalu.

SOP ini menyarankan beberapa tindakan bagi mencegah kebakaran tanah gambut di Kuala Baram seperti menghalang daripada pencerobohan tanah oleh pemburu atau pemancing haram dengan mendirikan pos kawalan keselamatan 24 jam di lokasi strategik serta menjalankan rondaan. Syarikat-syarikat tersebut diwajibkan melantik *person-in-charge* untuk membuat laporan secara berkala kepada pihak berkuasa, menubuhkan pasukan pemadaman api berserta peralatan yang lengkap untuk kesiapsiagaan memadam kebakaran sekiranya ia berlaku di kawasan tanah mereka.

Kawal Selia Kendiri Alam Sekitar Melalui Audit Pematuhan Alam Sekitar

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, Kerajaan Sarawak melalui NREB akan mewajibkan pelaksanaan Audit Pematuhan Alam Sekitar (*Environmental Compliance Audit - ECA*) bagi sektor perhutanan berkuat kuasa mulai 1 Julai 2024. Adalah dijangkakan 101 projek perhutanan yang terdiri daripada 61 Pemegang Forest Timber Licence dan 40 Pemegang Licence for Planted Forest (LPF) akan mengadaptasi pendekatan kawal selia sendiri (*self-regulation*) alam sekitar melalui ECA. Ini adalah sejajar dengan hasrat Kerajaan Sarawak untuk meningkatkan akauntabiliti pihak pemaju projek melalui pendekatan kawal selia sendiri dengan memastikan pematuhan terma dan syarat kelulusan laporan EIA, garis panduan atau peraturan lain yang dikeluarkan oleh NREB di bawah *Natural Resources and Environment (Audit) Rules, 2008*.

Bagi memastikan ECA dapat dilaksanakan dengan lancar, NREB telah mengadakan 14 siri latihan audit yang telah berjaya menghasilkan 166 juruaudit berdaftar dengan NREB dalam pelbagai sektor. Melalui kerjasama di antara NREB dan Sarawak Timber Association (STA), projek perintis ECA telah dilaksanakan yang melibatkan sembilan pemegang FTL dan empat pemegang LPF.

Dalam masa terdekat, NREB akan memperluaskan pelaksanaan pendekatan kawal selia sendiri alam sekitar ini kepada sektor pertanian, kuari dan perlombongan serta projek mega.

Transfer of Autonomy on Environment under Malaysia Agreement 1963 (MA63)

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Dewan yang mulia ini, proses *Transfer of Autonomy on Environment under Malaysia Agreement 1963 (MA63)* akan dijalankan secara berfasa. Dalam fasa pertama, Kerajaan Sarawak berhasrat mengambil alih kuasa tadbir urus berkaitan dengan pengurusan buangan terjadual (*Scheduled Wastes*) bermula pada tahun 2025. Manakala aspek pengurusan efluen industri, kawalan kualiti udara dan pengurusan EIA akan diambil alih pada fasa berikutnya.

Bagi memperkasakan pelaksanaan *Transfer of Autonomy on Environment under Malaysia Agreement 1963 (MA63)*, satu rangka kerja pelaksanaan telah disediakan dan diperaku oleh Lembaga NREB pada 2 Ogos 2023. Rangka kerja tersebut yang berada di bawah seliaan

Kementerian ini terdiri daripada Jawatankuasa Pemandu, Jawatankuasa Teknikal serta empat Jawatankuasa Kerja yang masing-masing bertanggungjawab berkenaan perkara perundangan, sumber manusia, pembangunan sistem dan infrastruktur.

Dari segi perundangan, Kerajaan Sarawak dalam proses meminda *the Natural Resources and Environment Ordinance [Cap.84 (1958 Edition)]* dengan menambah peruntukan-peruntukan yang berkaitan sebagai punca kuasa bagi membolehkan NREB mengambilalih kuasa autonomi alam sekitar yang menyeluruh dari Kerajaan Persekutuan.

Kerajaan Sarawak juga telah meluluskan penyusunan semula organisasi dan keperluan sumber manusia bagi memastikan jumlah tenaga kerja yang mencukupi dan kompeten. Pegawai-pegawai NREB turut didedahkan dengan aktiviti pemantauan dan penguatkuasaan Akta Kualiti Alam Sekeliling, 1974 dan peraturan-peraturan di bawahnya seperti Peraturan-peraturan Kualiti Alam Sekeliling (Buangan Terjadual), 2005.

Sekiranya wujud keperluan untuk peminjaman atau penyerapan tenaga kerja dari JAS Sarawak ke NREB, ia akan dibincangkan serta diteliti secara bersama dengan pihak Jabatan Perkhidmatan Awam Malaysia dan JAS Malaysia terlebih dahulu sebelum ia dilaksanakan.

Selain itu, NREB juga sedang membangunkan *Environmental Information System Sarawak (EnvISS)* yang merupakan sistem pengurusan sisa buangan terjadual yang setara dengan yang diguna pakai oleh Jabatan Alam Sekitar (JAS) seperti *Electronic Scheduled Waste Information System (eSWIS)*, Mypremis dan Elektronik Kualiti Alam Sekitar (eKAS).

Tuan Speaker, untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Ba'Kelalan, Kerajaan Sarawak melalui NREB telah menjalankan pemantauan kualiti air sungai ambien (*ambient river water quality*) melalui pelaksanaan *River Water Quality Monitoring Program (RWQMP)* sejak tahun 1999.

Pada tahun 2023, berdasarkan pemantauan terhadap 66 batang sungai di seluruh Sarawak, sebanyak 11 sungai adalah dalam kategori Indeks Kualiti Air (IKA) "*Bersih*" dan 50 sungai dalam kategori "*Sederhana Tercemar*". Selebihnya, lima sungai dalam kategori "*Tercemar*" iaitu Sungai Kenyana, Sungai Penat, Batang Matu, Batang Jemoreng dan Sungai Miri.

Bagi memelihara kualiti dan meminimalkan kesan pencemaran air sungai, pihak NREB:

- (a) Menjalankan penguatkuasaan melalui *Post-EIA Inspection* bagi projek-projek yang dilaksanakan di sepanjang sungai untuk memastikan terma dan syarat kelulusan EIA dipatuhi;
- (b) Mengadakan kempen kesedaran dan pendidikan alam sekitar dengan komuniti, industri dan pelajar sekolah dengan menerapkan modul berkaitan kepentingan penjagaan sungai; dan
- (c) Melaksanakan program pemuliharaan sungai dari semasa ke semasa dengan kerjasama agensi-agensi lain yang berkaitan.

Dalam usaha kerajaan untuk rehabilitasi kualiti air Sungai Plan, Bintulu, NREB telah menandatangani satu *MoU* dengan MLNG Sdn. Bhd., JAS Sarawak, *Bintulu Development Authority* serta Universiti Putra Malaysia Kampus Bintulu bagi melaksanakan projek pemuliharaan sungai tersebut dalam tempoh empat tahun. Melalui projek ini, *baseline data* akan dikumpul dan pemantauan bulanan akan dilakukan bagi mengenal pasti *trend* kualiti air sungai tersebut.

Bagi Sungai Miri pula, inisiatif bagi meminimalkan pencemaran sungai akibat pencemaran air kumbahan (*grey and black waste water*), Kerajaan Sarawak telah menyiapkan projek Sistem Pembentungan Berpusat Fasa 1 untuk Bandaraya Miri pada awal tahun 2024. Kerja-kerja penyambungan sistem tersebut ke kawasan perumahan, bangunan komersil dan pejabat kerajaan di jangka siap pada suku ketiga tahun 2024. Bagi persediaan pelaksanaan Fasa 2 projek ini, *Valuation Lab* telah diadakan pada bulan Mac 2024 yang lalu.

Pengiktirafan

Tuan Speaker, Kementerian bersama-sama dengan jabatan dan agensi dibawahnya sentiasa komited untuk memberi perkhidmatan yang berkualiti secara berterusan. Usaha-usaha ini telah diiktiraf melalui pelbagai anugerah yang telah diterima di peringkat kebangsaan dan antarabangsa. Antaranya adalah:

(a) Jabatan Tanah dan Survei

- (i) Empat Anugerah Emas dan tiga Anugerah Khas sempena *Malaysia Technology Expo (MTE) 2024* di bawah kategori *International Innovation Awards (IIA)* dan *Public Service Innovation Asia (PSIA)*;
- (ii) Kategori Emas Anugerah Integriti, Tadbir Urus dan Anti Rasuah (AIGA) 2023; dan
- (iii) Anugerah Emas Setiausaha Kerajaan Sarawak bagi Anugerah Kualiti Perkhidmatan Awam Sarawak (AKPANS).

(b) Jabatan Hutan Sarawak

- (i) Anugerah Emas Premier Sarawak bagi Anugerah Kualiti Perkhidmatan Awam Negeri Sarawak (AKPANS) 2022;
- (ii) Dua Anugerah Emas dan satu Anugerah Khas sempena *Malaysia Technology Expo (MTE) 2024* di bawah kategori *Public Service Innovation Asia (PSIA)*; dan
- (iii) Kategori Emas Anugerah Integriti, Tadbir Urus dan Anti Rasuah (AIGA) 2023.

(c) Sarawak Forestry Corporation

Kategori Gangsa Anugerah Integriti, Tadbir Urus dan Anti Rasuah (AIGA) 2023.

(d) PUSAKA

Anugerah Gangsa Premier Sarawak bagi Anugerah Kualiti Perkhidmatan Awam Negeri Sarawak (AKPANS) 2022.

Pengurusan Hal Ehwal Islam di Sarawak

Tuan Speaker, sekarang saya ingin menyentuh beberapa perkara yang dibangkitkan oleh Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat berhubung dengan pengurusan hal ehwal Islam di Sarawak.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Balingian, Kerajaan Sarawak akan meneliti cadangan pembinaan masjid di Kampung Seberang Mukah, demi memenuhi keperluan masyarakat Islam setempat. Buat masa kini, surau di Kampung Sungai Alo boleh menampung keperluan semasa masyarakat sekitar dan bahkan surau ini telah pun diberi kelulusan untuk mendirikan solat Jumaat.

Berhubung dengan cadangan pembinaan balai cerap di Kampung Sungai Alo, Mukah pula, buat masa ini, kerajaan belum ada perancangan untuk menambah bilangan balai cerap di Sarawak.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kabong, cadangan pembinaan Masjid Baharu Daerah Kabong bagi menampung kapasiti kira-kira 3,000 orang jemaah telah mendapat kelulusan pelan bangunan daripada Majlis Daerah Saratok. Tender untuk pelaksanaannya akan dijadualkan pada bulan Jun 2024 dan pembinaannya di jangka akan bermula pada penghujung tahun ini.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Beting Maro, buat masa ini, belum ada cadangan untuk pembinaan sekolah rendah Islam antarabangsa di kawasan Beting Maro. Walau bagaimanapun, kerajaan sedang membina Sekolah Menengah Islam Antarabangsa di Kuching dan di jangka mula beroperasi pada tahun 2027. Sekolah antarabangsa ini akan memberi peluang kepada murid-murid di seluruh Sarawak termasuk daripada kawasan Beting Maro untuk melanjutkan

pelajaran menggunakan kurikulum Al-Azhar dan *International General Certificate Secondary Education* (IGCSE).

Penutup

Tuan Speaker,

*Dari Lawas ke Tanjung Belawai,
Ku kerahkan tenaga untuk berkayak,
Selamat Menyambut Hari Gawai,
Buat rakan keturunan Dayak.*

Gayu Guru Gerai Nyamai, Lantang Senang Nguan Menua. Saya juga ingin mengucapkan Selamat Hari Wesak bagi mereka yang meraikannya. Selamat Hari Ibu, yang sudah kita sambut. Siapalah kita kalau bukan kaum ibu. Kita harus hormat kepada ibu.

Demikianlah saja Ucapan Penggulangan saya bagi Kementerian Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar. Terima kasih.

Tuan Speaker: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, we will have a break. Dewan resumes at 11.30 a.m.

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Tuan Speaker: Dengan hormatnya saya menjemput Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah bin Ali Hasan, Timbalan Premier; dan Menteri Perdagangan Antarabangsa, Industri dan Pelaburan untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulangan.

Timbalan Premier; dan Menteri Perdagangan Antarabangsa, Industri dan Pelaburan (YB Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah bin Ali Hasan): Tuan Speaker, I will now continue my winding up *speech* for the Ministry of International Trade, Industry and Investment Sarawak.

The global economy is expected to experience moderate growth in 2024. The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) forecasted that the global GDP will grow at 3.1% supported by improved global trade, manageable inflation and favourable conditions in the labour market.

The Malaysian economy is expected to grow by 4.0% to 5.0% in 2024 underpinned by the recovery in the technology upcycle, improve exports in electronic and electrical (E&E) and non-E&E, as well as higher commodity prices.

The Sarawak economy is projected to expand at 5.0% to 6.0% in 2024 driven by strengthening trade performance and growth in consumer spending. Manufacturing sector is expected to increase moderately supported by improved global market.

Performance of Investment and Development of Industry

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak recorded RM22.8 billion of approved investments in services, manufacturing and primary sectors in 2023. Domestic Direct Investment (DDI) was the main contributor at 65.8% or RM15 billion while Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) contributed 34.2% or RM7.8 billion of the total approved investments. These approved investments involved 339 projects which potentially create 4,500 jobs.

The manufacturing sector contributed the highest share of investments at 40.3% at or RM9.2 billion of the total approved investments, followed by services sector at 38.6% or RM8.8 billion and primary sector at 21.1% or RM4.8 billion.

In 2023, the manufacturing sector contributed 27.7% to the total GDP of Sarawak, creating 4,200 employment opportunities. The approved investments were mainly in E&E (semiconductors wafers, testing and probing) RM3.4 billion, basic metal (copper foil and building materials) RM2.6 billion and chemical products (ECH and Fertilizer) RM1.3 billion.

It is worth noting that nearly 50% of the approved projects in 2023 have been materialised in various stages of development. Among these projects were E&E, basic metal, chemical and food products.

For the first quarter of 2024, manufacturing sector recorded RM2.4 billion worth of investment for 30 projects. These investments are expected to create more than 2,000 employment opportunities and were mainly in chemical products (urea & melamine) RM1.7 billion, basic metal products (metallic silicon & molten aluminium) RM436 million and non-metallic mineral products (cement & concrete) RM143 million.

Sarawak continues to attract new investment interests and expansion from both FDI and DDI. Among them are:

- (a) Solar glass project and mining of silica sand worth RM6.5 billion;
- (b) Data centre worth RM18.6 billion; and
- (c) Expansion to manufacture components for battery worth RM1 billion.

As one of the strategic promoted sectors under the Post COVID-19 Development Strategy 2030 (PCDS 2030), manufacturing will shift to more advanced and technology-driven production, move up the value chain and diversify towards sustainable green growth. My Ministry will continue to improve the ease of doing business to attract quality investments, enhancing the position of Sarawak as a preferred investment destination.

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak holds huge potential in resource-based sector. We will further unlock the opportunities and potential of this sector for the participation of foreign and domestic investors. The Sarawak Gas Roadmap (SGR) comprising four strategic hubs in Miri, Samalaju, Bintulu and Kuching, is expected to attract more than RM100 billion worth of FDI and DDI over ten years.

The investment in oil and gas sector will further accelerate the economic growth, create jobs and stimulate infrastructure development. To promote greater growth in domestic gas statewide, PETROS is investing RM4 billion in Bintulu, Samalaju and Miri hubs in the next three years. These includes:

RM100 million to deliver gas to Bintulu town by expanding the trunkline and gas network. The project is expected to benefit more than 28,000 households, as well as commercial and industrial customers; RM1 billion to develop the Samalaju Pipeline (SPL) project. The proposed 65 km pipeline will transport natural gas from Bintulu to Samalaju Industrial Park (SIP). The project Engineering Procurement Construction Installation and Commissioning Contract was awarded in December 2023 and is currently under the Detailed Design phase. The SPL project is on track for the first gas in SIP by the end of 2025; and RM2.5 billion to develop the 500 MW Miri Combined Cycle Gas Turbine (CCGT) Power Plant. The CCGT Power Plant is expected to be commissioned by Quarter 4 of 2027 and will connect to Sarawak Energy's Tudan substation to supplement the energy demand for northern Sarawak. The Power Plant is expected to create more than 100 direct job opportunities during the operational phase.

PETROS continues to be actively involved in upstream activities especially in rejuvenating onshore exploration and commercialisation. To date, PETROS is already participating in 18 Sarawak blocks. This will sustain the long-term supply of natural gas to realise the SGR.

The Rosmari and Marjoram Integrated Oil and Gas project is the first deepwater gas field in Sarawak developed by Sarawak SHELL Berhad. The project is expected to contribute up to 20 percent of gas supply in Sarawak, which is crucial to support the SGR. This project comprises a remotely operated offshore platform and onshore gas plant (OGP1), with infrastructure that includes one of the longest sour wet gas offshore pipelines in the world stretching more than 200 km. It is designed to 800 million standard cubic feet of gas per day and is expected to start operations in 2026.

Investment in oil and gas projects continue to progress well with another onshore project, namely Bintulu Additional Gas Sales Facility (BAGSF-2) which has commenced delivery of feed gas to Sarawak's first methanol plant in September 2023. The methanol plant is expected to start commercial operation in July 2024, receiving up to 160 million standard cubic feet of gas per day.

With the recent amendment of Distribution of Gas Ordinance 2016 (Cap.72), PETROS is appointed as the exclusive Gas Aggregator in Sarawak. As a result, PETROS has been mandated to develop more gas infrastructure and ensure sufficient allocation of gas to accelerate industrial development.

To achieve decarbonisation and net-zero ambition, Carbon Capture, Utilisation and Storage (CCUS) is an enabler that serves as a powerful value driver for economic and industrial growth in Sarawak. PETROS as the Resource Manager for CCUS in Sarawak has signed a Storage Site Agreement with PETRONAS and Japanese Consortium for the M3 depleted field offshore Sarawak. Phase 1 of the M3 CCUS plan is to sequester 1.6 million tonnes of CO₂ emission from Bintulu LNG plant to the M3 field, which will be commencing in 2028. This project will play an important role in decarbonising key industries, making Sarawak a more attractive investment destination. This collaboration is also a strategic move to unlock the potential of CCUS in Sarawak. Furthermore, low-carbon LNG from Sarawak would enhance the attractiveness across various consumer segments.

Investment in CCUS will support sustainable industrial growth and create new economic opportunities while addressing carbon emissions, including the oil and gas sector. In this regard, PETROS is collaborating with PETRONAS to convert the M1 depleted gas field into the first and biggest CCUS project in Malaysia for the development of Kasawari gas field. The first CO₂ injection into M1 is targeted by the middle of 2026.

Tuan Speaker, in line with the PCDS 2030, Sarawak is moving towards a green and digital economy. This has attracted industries that are committed to achieve low carbon or net-zero footprint in their production or services. These new investment opportunities are in green energy from solar and biomass, and sustainable fuels from microalgae and green hydrogen.

Besides providing skilled and high paying job opportunities, these new investments can also create advanced value chains and support industries for the participation of our business community. These new sectors are expected to generate higher positive impacts. For instance, our existing dedicated industrial parks in Sama Jaya and Samalaju have attracted participation by both DDI and FDI, generating direct and indirect impacts such as:

- (a) Employment opportunities for more than 23,000 locals with annual wages of RM1.30 billion;
- (b) Local economy earning worth RM6.3 billion; and
- (c) Exported products worth more than RM24.3 billion.

Tuan Speaker, as we usher in the new economy, we acknowledge that the traditional industries in Sarawak remain an important contributor to economic development and job creation. These traditional industries are transitioning to more sustainable and green practices in tandem with the

new economy. Shipbuilding in Sarawak is another strategic sector, which has grown due to our geographical landscape and oil and gas activities.

Historically, this sector played a crucial role in transporting timber products from upstream logging areas to downstream processing facilities and export markets. The industry has grown from constructing traditional simple boats to the sophisticated vessels that ply the domestic and international waters. I am happy to inform this august House that 68 out of 100 shipyards in Malaysia are in Sarawak, which makes Sarawak the heartland of the shipbuilding and ship repair industry in Malaysia.

In 2023, the shipbuilding and ship repair industry has contributed RM562 million to Sarawak's external trade with vessels of international standards exported to global destinations such as Indonesia, Singapore, United Arab Emirates, Russia, China, Germany and Australia.

With the increasing demand for oil and gas, along with growing logistics, the maritime industry is expected to continue to remain strong, driving future growth and competitiveness. As such, the shipping industry in Sarawak will potentially be a catalyst for innovation and technological advancement in vessel design, automation and digitalisation to enhance efficiency, safety and security of the maritime operation. This includes investing in research and development, innovative solutions for greenhouse gases emissions reduction technology and promote sustainable materials, aligning with Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) principles.

My Ministry will further develop industrial parks, including park for shipbuilding and ship repair activities, upgrade the infrastructure and facilities as well as capability and capacity building of human capital.

Tuan Speaker, the World Economic Forum reported that 25% of drugs used in modern medicine are derived from rainforest plants. Global sales of pharmaceuticals are estimated at USD75 billion annually with a significant portion derived from rainforest plants.

Recognising the economic prospects of exploring and commercialising Sarawak's unique biodiversity, Sarawak Government is developing the Sarawak Bioindustrial Park as one of the catalytic projects under PCDS 2030.

This park will enhance the growth of biotechnology industries in Sarawak, particularly in healthcare within the region. This initiative aims to advance biodiversity research for commercial purposes, positioning itself as a prime investment destination and a vital high-tech hub for biotechnology enterprises. To position Sarawak as a preferred investment destination, InvestSarawak has commenced operation as a one-stop centre to act as intermediaries between investors and government agencies as well as to facilitate investors by providing information, guidance, and advisory services.

In December 2023, InvestSarawak has signed the Memorandum of Understanding with Surbana Jurong Infrastructure Pte. Ltd. of Singapore to collaborate on the development and management of industrial parks in Sarawak. The partnership is currently exploring holistic industrial park management model which includes the opportunities in energy transition and industrial decarbonisation.

In February 2024, InvestSarawak has collaborated with EUROCHAM Malaysia to organise the EU Business Day 2024 with the theme "*Sarawak in Focus*", attended by 500 companies from 17 EU member states. The programme has garnered interest among the EU member states to explore Sarawak as a potential investment destination in green energy and digital technology.

Development Of Trade

Tuan Speaker, despite the challenging economic landscape, Sarawak continued to achieve trade surplus of RM67.7 billion in 2023. The total trade value was lower by 11.2% to RM193 billion due to slower global demand, lower commodities prices and geopolitical tension. Exports declined by 14.8% to RM130.4 billion, while imports contracted by 2.5% to RM62.6 billion compared with 2022.

Sarawak exports remain dominated by LNG, which accounted 42.0% of the share of total exports in 2023. The total export volume of LNG increased marginally at 0.7% to 24.8 million tonnes. However, the export value dropped by 11.6% to RM54.8 billion due to weak commodity prices. The average price for LNG declined by 12.2% from RM2,520 per tonne to RM2,213 per tonne during the same period.

Exports of E&E products rose by 15.4% in 2023, supported by increased demand in semiconductor, solar and components for the electric vehicle batteries. The E&E sector is expected to grow at 5.0% in 2024, arising from the positive global demand for sustainable, greener and cleaner industries such as solar, electrical vehicles and medical technology devices.

Total imports in Sarawak dipped by 2.5% to RM62.6 billion in 2023 dragged down by major categories, namely intermediate and consumption goods. Imports of intermediate goods, which accounted for 52.4% of the total imports decreased as a result of slowdown in manufactured exports. While consumption goods with the share of 18.4% contracted by 3.2%.

The World Trade Organisation (WTO) projected 3.3% of growth in merchandise trade, which will be supported by stronger private and public spending, improved supply chain and increased labour force participation. Sarawak's trade is expected to improve in 2024 in tandem with the recovery of global trade. As of first quarter of 2024, the total trade increased by 5.9% to RM52.2 billion from RM49.3 billion of the first quarter of 2023. Both exports and imports rebound by 5.8% and 6.3% respectively, supported by growth in the global and domestic demand.

My Ministry is leveraging on Sarawak Trade and Tourism Office in Singapore (STATOS) to further increase trade activities by encouraging local businesses to export their goods and services to international markets, especially Singapore. In 2023, STATOS has facilitated total exports of more than RM160 million, mainly on agricultural products such as bird nest, gula apong, highland rice, kek lapis and seafood. STATOS has also assisted 14 Sarawakian businesses through their Export Promotion Assistance Programme with total allocation of RM0.5 million in 2023, which has expanded the local products to Singapore amounted to RM23.34 million.

Last year, MINTRED Connects was introduced to facilitate more SMEs in targeted markets such as China and United Kingdom. The programme promotes export-oriented activities for SMEs to further expand their markets abroad. This programme has attracted potential collaboration to invest in agriculture, energy storage, education, and health worth RM100 million. My Ministry will continue to facilitate more SMEs to explore trade and investment opportunity for export markets.

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak's strategic location with proximity to Singapore, Indonesia, and Brunei Darussalam, will position Sarawak as a gateway to Southeast Asia's market. The development of new capital of Indonesia in Kalimantan would potentially benefit the regional economic development. The renewed Border Trade Agreement (BTA) between Malaysia and Indonesia in 2023 will further boost economic and trade activities between both countries.

In this regard, the government will pursue closer socio-economic cooperation with the Indonesia Government, especially Kalimantan in various sectors. Among the development to accelerate economic development including power, telecommunications, SMEs development, and the Tebedu-Entikong cross-border zone.

In addition, the border towns at the Sarawak-West Kalimantan border are developed with necessary infrastructures to spur business activities and create jobs opportunities. Among the projects are construction of roads at Temporary Border Post Serikin, and upgrading of facilities for Immigration, Customs, Quarantine and Security (ICQS) to facilitate movement of goods and people.

Master Plans involving border towns such as Lubok Antu, Serian, Bau, Kapit, Belaga, Mulu, Bario, and Ba'Kelalan are being developed to identify catalyst projects for potential joint border development.

In 2023, a joint venture project on green energy was established between Sarawak and Kalimantan to develop Mentarang Induk Hydroelectric Plant in North Kalimantan. The collaboration underscores the proactive engagement of Sarawak with Kalimantan to share knowledge and expertise in renewable energy generation. At the same time, 10 Malaysian companies had submitted Letters of Intent to participate in the development of Nusantara.

The Sarawak Government will further explore opportunities and planned efforts to collaborate as well as enhance trade and economic cooperation with Indonesia in air and sea connectivity, medical, education, and tourism. As such, the Sarawak Trade and Tourism Office in Kalimantan, Indonesia will be established to promote investment, trade, and tourism between both regions.

The Sarawak Government has also established the Sarawak Trade and Tourism Office in Brunei (STATOB), which will be operating this year. STATOB will serve as a strategic platform for Sarawak to enhance and accelerate economic collaboration with Brunei Darussalam. This will facilitate business and investment while also showcasing Sarawak's products and tourism attractions, both in Brunei and globally.

Tuan Speaker, Micro, Small, and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSMEs) are the important engine of growth of economic, innovation, and employment. According to the OECD SME Outlook Report 2024, MSMEs represent more than 90% of businesses globally, while their contribution to GDP for most economies ranging from 40% to 60%. In addition, MSMEs employ roughly 70% of the workforce.

In Malaysia, MSMEs formed 97% of the total business establishments, employed more than 48% of the workforce and contributed 38.4% to national GDP in 2022. Whilst, in Sarawak, 93% of the business establishments were MSMEs. Majority were in services sector.

Despite the concerns of MSMEs on the rising cost of doing business due to global economy, slow recovery in China and geopolitical risks, MSMEs continue to remain resilient and adaptive to global business environment. As MSMEs navigate the complexities of the dynamic economic outlook, it is essential for MSMEs to champion new business models, leverage on emerging technologies and adopt sustainable growth strategies.

According to the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the digital economy is expected to contribute an average of 24.3% to the world economy in 2025 which is worth USD25 trillion. Investment in digital economy such as infrastructure, human capital, innovation, and entrepreneurship will create transformative impacts on socio-economic growth. Imagine if MSMEs can take advantage of just 1% of this resource, it will contribute USD250 billion to the country's GDP. This new economy presents opportunities for entrepreneurs by leveraging e-commerce platform to market and sell their products and services online globally.

Sarawak has developed Sarawak Digital Economy Blueprint 2030, which provides strategic framework and roadmap to be a major powerhouse in the region. By 2030, digital economy is expected to contribute approximately 20% to Sarawak's GDP, which 80% of MSMEs will adopt digitalisation. Adoption of technology by MSMEs will drive future innovation and improved access to the global economy. In this regard, I urge our MSMEs to take advantage of the opportunities arising from this new economy. My Ministry will continue to promote entrepreneurial culture among our

communities, foster innovation to strengthen business competitiveness and to build MSMEs' capabilities in digital and new economy.

CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME

Tuan Speaker, capacity building will upgrade the capability and resilience of MSMEs to unlock their full potential and thrive in the competitive business environments. My Ministry will continue to provide training and skills programmes to enhance and improve their competencies in management, technology, marketing, and finance. I am delighted to inform this august House that my Ministry is the first government agency in Malaysia to undertake collaboration with TikTok Malaysia. In 2023, more than 100 Sarawakian sellers have participated in the TikTok Shop x MINTRED programme and recorded gross sales value worth more than RM1 million.

My Ministry is also implementing initiatives to provide capacity building in digital skills for MSMEs to navigate through the digital transformation journey. For the first quarter of 2024, more than 2,800 MSMEs were trained in basic, technical, and digital entrepreneurship. We will further strengthen the export capability of SMEs through participation in the national and international expos. In the first quarter of 2024, STATOS has assisted 53 SMEs to participate in two renowned international expos, namely Asia Pacific Maritime 2024 and FHA – Food and Beverage 2024, which were held in Singapore to promote and market their products and services. At the Asia Pacific Maritime 2024, the shipbuilding industry attracted potential sales of RM1 billion. While at Food and Beverage 2024 (FHA), SMEs from Sarawak generated potential sales of RM12.6 million.

In addition, the Sarawak Government encourages investors to include local content in their investment projects by giving priority to capable and competent Sarawakian companies. Among the projects include mechanical works, module fabrication, piping system, construction, consultancy, and offshore maintenance. Local content is one of the requirements to be eligible for tax incentives under the initiative by the Federal Government. Initiatives to increase local participation in contract works were also taken by Sarawak Government, particularly in oil and gas and energy sectors. For oil and gas sector, at least 75% of locals will be participating in the contracts and services by the year 2030. In 2023, works and services in oil and gas sector in Sarawak worth RM5.7 billion or 41% out of total value of RM13.6 billion were awarded to Sarawakian companies. These contracts awarded to Sarawakian companies have increased by 48% in 2023.

While for energy sector, Sarawak Energy Berhad requires commitment from the foreign companies to provide local participation in the contract works. Since 2017, 35% of all capital works projects awarded to foreign companies have been undertaken by local Sarawakians. To further enhance the competency and capability of SMEs, my Ministry is collaborating with the higher education and training institutes. This year, my Ministry together with the Ministry of Education, Innovation and Talent Development (MEITD) and Sarawak Skills is organising Industry Continuous Professional Development Programme in Lawas, Miri, Kuching, Kapit and Bintulu. This programme will train Sarawakians to meet the demand and requirement of investors in fields such as telecommunication, digital hardware, green mobility, and storage as well as green hydrogen.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Tuan Speaker, access to funding and capital is always the primary challenge faced by MSMEs. As such, my Ministry is offering various financial assistances such as *Graduan Ke Arah Keusahawanan (GERAK)*, *Usahawan Teknikal dan Vokasional (USTEV)*; Go Digital Programme, Sarawak Micro Credit Scheme (SKMS); and *Skim Pinjaman Industri Kecil dan Sederhana (SPIKS)*. As of first quarter of 2024, more than 5,300 MSMEs have benefited from these financial assistances with a total amount of RM118.09 million.

In addition, more than 110,000 MSMEs also have benefited from the various entrepreneurship programmes offered by other agencies such as Department of Agriculture Sarawak, Kraftangan Malaysia, LKIM, SME Corp, INSKEN and SKM. In transitioning towards sustainable, green and

circular economy, MSMEs face challenges to adopt ESG principles and tapping into sustainable financing facilities. Therefore, my Ministry through collaboration between Invest Sarawak, the United Nations Global Compact Network for Malaysia & Brunei and Alliance Bank has provided RM1 billion green financing facility.

To date, RM150 million has been disbursed to 172 SMEs. This financial facility provides preferential banking incentives to participating Sarawakian SMEs that demonstrate improvement in sustainable business practices. These incentives include access to transition financing and working capital at better rates and preferential deposit rates for business current accounts. As such, I would like to encourage more SMEs to utilise this financing facility in their ESG initiatives.

My Ministry will continue to enhance the resiliency and competitiveness of MSMEs toward a more sustainable and inclusive economy. Thus, we will improve the MSMEs' access to green financing opportunities for lower borrowing costs and favourable terms.

DEVELOPMENT OF INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES

Tuan Speaker, industrial facilities and infrastructure are essential to facilitate and promote industrial growth in Sarawak. As such, my Ministry is developing the industrial parks and facilities to attract and to provide a conducive environment for industrial growth. In 2023, the construction of five industrial parks and one *Anjung Usahawan* were completed. This year, two industrial parks and five *Anjung Usahawan* are scheduled to be completed. To date, 31 projects are in various stages of implementation, involving site application, land acquisition, tendering or construction.

My Ministry will ensure these projects are ready and able to meet the needs of both foreign and domestic investors. The good infrastructure and utilities within the industrial parks and business premises will support the growth of industrial activities, drive industrialisation and socio-economic development. This will improve the competitiveness of businesses through access to shared amenities and support services. Indeed, these projects will create synergies, efficiencies and opportunities for businesses to thrive and innovate.

ISU-ISU YANG DIBANGKITKAN

Tuan Speaker, saya ingin mengucapkan terima kasih kepada Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Padungan, Tebedu, Kabong, Batu Lintang, Jepak dan Tanjong Datu di atas cadangan-cadangan yang berkaitan di bawah bidang kuasa Kementerian ini. Kementerian saya akan mengkaji dan mempertimbangkan cadangan-cadangan dari Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat tersebut.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kabong, tapak Anjung Usahawan Kabong telah ditukar kerana cadangan tapak asal tidak menepati keperluan projek. Cadangan tapak baharu masih dalam pertimbangan pihak berkuasa.

Untuk makluman Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Padungan, berdasarkan laporan MIDA pada Februari 2024, terdapat penurunan jumlah pelaburan asing di Sarawak pada 2023. Ini kerana laporan tersebut belum merangkumi beberapa projek pelaburan yang telah diluluskan oleh Jawatankuasa Penyelarasan Perindustrian. Begitu juga dengan beberapa projek pelaburan semula (*reinvestment*) atau pengembangan (*expansion*) oleh pihak pelabur asing yang sedia ada dan menggunakan sumber kewangan tempatan telah disenaraikan sebagai pelaburan domestik.

Pada masa yang sama, beberapa cadangan pelaburan dalam bidang tenaga hijau dan pusat data turut diterima selain daripada projek pengilangan. Semalam (*yesterday*), satu rombongan yang melibatkan tujuh buah syarikat dari Amerika Syarikat telah berjumpa dengan Yang Amat Berhormat Premier dan saya untuk mendapatkan maklumat mengenai peluang pelaburan di Sarawak khususnya dalam bidang seperti *renewable energy*, *F&B*, *e-commerce*, *aerospace and pharmaceutical*. Coca Cola, Amazon di antara tujuh syarikat yang datang jumpa dengan Yang Amat Berhormat Premier.

Tuan Speaker, we will continue to intensify our efforts to attract more quality investments. We will also enhance the investment policy for a more comprehensive investment promotion strategy to attract both domestic and foreign investments. Our clear policy direction is well recognised. This has been reflected through the invitations by European and East Asian countries to Yang Amat Berhormat Premier to share our initiatives abroad in transitioning Sarawak towards green and sustainable development. As a result, this has put Sarawak on the world map as a leading green economy.

Tuan Speaker, the application for land in industrial estates developed by my Ministry is subject to evaluation by Industrial Coordination Committee and approval by State Planning Authority. All applications must conform to the terms and conditions before they can be considered.

Under the current policy of Sarawak, the Government can re-enter the land if there is no development after three, five or seven years from the date of issuance of land title or registration of land lease depending on the scale of the development. However, Sarawak Government will issue the reminder notice to the lease holders before taking actions to re-enter the land.

I would like to thank Ahli Yang Berhormat for Batu Lintang for your suggestions on the importance of good governance for CCUS development in Sarawak, anyway we will consider all those suggestions, very positive suggestions. PETROS as the CCUS Resource Manager is implementing a comprehensive regulatory framework in accordance with international practices and standards. Each project will be evaluated through stringent project governance and technical assurance processes. These evaluation mechanisms will assess the readiness of the projects to advance to the next phase only after completing the necessary work activities.

PENUTUP

Tuan Speaker, sebelum mengakhiri ucapan penggulungan ini, saya menyampaikan penghargaan kepada Tuan Speaker kerana berjaya mengendalikan persidangan DUN dengan tegas dan baik. Saya juga mengucapkan terima kasih kepada semua pegawai yang terlibat dalam menjayakan persidangan ini.

Akhir sekali, saya mengucapkan Selamat Hari Wesak, Hari Gawai dan Hari Raya Aidiladha kepada semua Ahli Yang Berhormat dan seluruh rakyat Sarawak. Saya juga ingin mengambil kesempatan ini untuk mengucapkan Selamat Hari Guru kepada semua warga pendidik.

*Asal benang dari kapas,
Benang ditenun menjadi baju,
Belon Sarawak sedia berlepas,
Terbang megah di langit biru.*

*Kalau tuan ke Samarahan,
Janganlah tuan terburu-buru,
Ekonomi baru menambah pendapatan,
Agar rakyat sejahtera dan maju.*

Dengan itu, saya mengakhiri ucapan penggulungan bagi Kementerian Perdagangan Antarabangsa, Industri dan Pelaburan. Terima kasih.

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

Timbalan Premier; Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru Kedua; Menteri Infrastruktur dan Pembangunan Pelabuhan (YB Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas): Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker. Tuan Speaker, first of all, I would like to express my utmost appreciation to Tuan Yang

Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak, Tun Pehin Sri Dr. Haji Wan Junaidi bin Tuanku Jaafar for his maiden opening address in the First Meeting of the Third Session of the Nineteenth Dewan Undangan Negeri on 6th May 2024. His Excellency's address will serve as earnest advice and invaluable guide for us as we discharge our duties and responsibilities and will help us to steer Sarawak to achieving its goal to becoming a high-income economy and a prosperous society by 2030.

I wish to extend my warmest and heartiest congratulations to his excellency Tun Pehin Sri Dr. Haji Wan Junaidi bin Tuanku Jaafar on his appointment as the eighth Governor of Sarawak. I am confident that his excellency's distinguished credentials and wide experience in both administrative and political arena would bring Sarawak to greater heights.

Tuan Speaker, on this occasion, I would join with all my colleague to extend my deepest condolences to the family of the late Tun Pehin Sri Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud, our former Governor of Sarawak who returned to the mercy of God on 21st February 2024. The late Tun Pehin Sri was a visionary leader whose efforts significantly modernized Sarawak, elevating the economic status and improving the living standards of Sarawakians. His legacy of transformative leadership will undoubtedly be remembered.

His contributions were invaluable, particularly during the 33 years as Chief Minister and 10 years as the Governor of Sarawak. His efforts to foster inter-ethnic unity have been instrumental in creating a harmonious Sarawak, and allowing us to create diversity across religions, political beliefs, and cultures. May his soul rest in peace.

I also would like to stand my deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences to the family of the Honourable Senator Datuk Mutang Tagal on his sudden passing. Sarawak lost an exemplary representative of the Dayak Community, respected leader who had contributed a lot to the development of the country and Sarawak in particular. All his services deed and sacrifices were always be remembered. May his soul rest in peace.

ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE 2023 AND PROSPECTS FOR 2024

I would like to update this august House on the world, nation, and the state's latest economic performance and its outlook for 2024. The global economy demonstrated significant resilience in 2023 despite the challenges posed by slow recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, Russia's invasion of Ukraine, Middle East conflict and the cost-of-living crisis. The International Monetary Fund in its World Economic Outlook in April 2024 estimated global growth to be 3.2% in 2023. This represents an upward revision of 0.2% points from the October 2023 World Economic Outlook estimates, attributed to the notable strength revealed by both the Advanced Economies and Emerging Markets and Developing Economies.

Robust consumer spending, supportive monetary policy and continued improvement in the labour market contributed to stronger-than-expected 2.5% growth in the United States in 2023. Whilst the Euro Area experienced slower than expected growth of 0.4%, partially due to its high exposure to the conflict in Ukraine that resulted in disruptions to trade routes and supply chains. Meanwhile, the China economy grew at 5.2% in 2023 driven by increased demand for services and resilient manufacturing investment and government spending on infrastructure. Growth in its high-tech manufacturing industry continues to be strong at the beginning of 2024. Overall, for 2024, the risk for China economy focuses on the deepening of property sector woes. As for India, its economy grew at 7.8% as a result of increased private consumption and investment, plus its government's push for infrastructure development.

Tuan Speaker, inflation has subsided in many countries. Global inflation was estimated to have eased from 8.7% in 2022 to 6.8% in 2023, reflecting declines in oil and food prices. The downward trend of global inflation is expected to continue in 2024, with the rate expected at 5.9%. Nevertheless, the downside risks remain. Escalating tensions in the Middle East may cause a shock to oil prices.

With elevated inflation, this may mean further tightening of interest rates. The rising trade distortions and increasing fragmentation between economic power and geopolitical influence are anticipated to persist. This will exert downward pressure on global trade bringing to an increase of only 3.0% in 2024.

This growth remains below the world trade historical average growth of 4.9%. Against the backdrop of several adverse risks to global growth, the global economy is forecasted to grow at 3.2% in 2024.

Malaysia Economic Performance 2023 and Prospect for 2024

In 2023, Malaysia's economy grew at a slower than expected rate at 3.7%, on the back of persistent softening in global trade, global tech downcycle, geopolitical tensions and tighter monetary policies. Overall, the economy was supported by resilient domestic demand, recovery in tourism activities, and improvement in the labour market and wages. Meanwhile, Malaysia achieved a milestone with the highest approved investment in its history, totalling RM329.5 billion in 2023.

Malaysia's inflation moderated to 2.5% in 2023. Inflation continued to subside into the first two months of 2024, bringing down the inflation rate to 1.7% in comparison with 3.7% in the corresponding period of 2023. Over the same period, there was a significant drop in food prices from 7% to 1.9%. On the contrary, inflation for housing, water, electricity, gas, and other fuels increased in the first two months of 2024 on account of a higher cost of building materials and the upward revision in water tariffs in early February. Nonetheless, inflation for 2024 is forecasted to be within a manageable level of 2.1% to 3.6%.

In 2024, Malaysia's economy is poised to grow between 4% to 5%, propelled by a resurgence in exports and robust domestic spending. Household consumption is forecasted to benefit from sustained employment growth and increasing wages.

Sarawak Economic Performance in 2023 and the Prospects for 2024

Tuan Speaker, I shall now update this august House on Sarawak's economy. Sarawak's economic growth is expected to moderate to around 4% in 2023. This growth is largely supported by domestic demand, which partly offset the softening impact of export growth.

On the supply side, the services sector is estimated to grow at 7.9% in 2023, spearheading Sarawak's economic growth. There was a notable surge in visitor arrivals, reaching 6.9 million by the end of 2023, marking a two-fold increase compared to the previous year. This proved that our concerted efforts to attract visitors for both tourism and business events yielded significant results. For the first three months of 2024, Sarawak registered a total of two million visitors, a 22.3% increase compared to the corresponding period in the previous year. This provided support to the growth in the wholesale and retail trade, restaurant, accommodation, and transportation businesses.

Meanwhile, the subdued production and sluggish external demand for liquefied natural gas (LNG) contributed to slower growth in the manufacturing sector in 2023. At the same time, growth in the mining sector is estimated to contract by 0.1%, primarily stemming from a deceleration in crude oil production and a reduction in natural gas output due to unplanned plant shutdowns. However, a rebound in growth is forecasted for 2024, driven by supportive global energy prices and augmented natural gas production, notably from the Kasawari field and enhanced output from existing gas fields.

As for the agriculture sector, there was a notable increase of 5.3% in the production of crude palm oil (CPO) in 2023, supported by an increase in matured planted areas and a higher yield of fresh fruit bunches (FFB). There was also a higher extraction rate for CPO at 19.83% in 2023 compared with 19.47% in 2022. During the year, CPO prices averaged RM3,755 per tonne in Sarawak. Production of CPO is expected to increase further in 2024. In the first quarter of 2024,

Sarawak witnessed an increase of 7.0% in CPO production with FFB yield recorded at 3.08 tonne per hectare compared with 2.87 tonne per hectare in the corresponding period of 2023.

The construction sector is expected to perform favourably at 5.7% in 2023. This is supported by growth in the property sector, notably in the residential segment, and supported by the implementation of strategic infrastructure and utilities projects under the 12th Malaysia Plan. The momentum of growth in the construction sector is forecasted to continue into 2024, particularly in the civil engineering works.

Demand Side

On the demand side, growth in 2023 is driven largely by domestic demand. The continuing initiatives from both the Sarawak and Federal Governments, namely the monthly electricity bill discount initiative under the *Sarawakku Sayang* Special Aid programme and financial assistance under *Sumbangan Tunai Rahmah* (STR), have provided a cushion to the *rakyat*, especially in mitigating the effects of rising prices on households' purchasing power. With the improvement in employment, overall private consumption is estimated to expand by 5.3% in 2023.

Meanwhile, public consumption is anticipated to surge by 9% in 2024. This robust growth is underpinned by sustained spending on emoluments and other operational expenses aimed at enhancing the capacity and capability of the Sarawak Civil Service, thus facilitating more efficient service delivery to the *rakyat*.

On the investment front, a total of RM9.2 billion investment was approved in the manufacturing sector in 2023, particularly in electrical and electronics and the basic metal industry. At the same time, investment in capital goods increased by 5.4% compared with the previous year. This increasing trend continues into the first two months of 2024, whereby Sarawak also witnessed a 7.4% increase in the import of capital goods. Continuous efforts made by the Sarawak Government to diversify Sarawak's economy are expected to encourage more private investment in 2024. In the first quarter of 2024, a total of RM132 million worth of investment in the manufacturing sector was approved, while a potential RM2.3 billion worth of investment received is still under consideration.

As for public investment, RM7.2 billion was expended in 2023 for the implementation of development programmes and projects. In 2024, the Sarawak Government has approved the allocations of RM9 billion and RM5.5 billion under the Development Budget and Alternative Funding, respectively. Both allocations will accelerate the 12th Malaysia Plan projects implementation which are expected to further increase development momentum in Sarawak. Besides, a total allocation of RM5.8 billion approved by the Federal Government for development purposes will further augment Sarawak's development and economic growth in 2024.

External demand, on the other hand, experienced a slowdown in 2023. Total trade declined by 11.1% after experiencing a contracted growth of 14.8% in exports and 2.5% in imports. This decrease in export growth was attributed to lower demand for LNG and crude petroleum, alongside a moderation in commodity prices.

The average price of Brent crude oil dropped from USD100.9 per barrel in 2022 to USD83 per barrel in 2023. Additionally, the export value of crude palm oil contracted by 19.7%. Nonetheless, in the first two months of 2024, there was a notable increase in total trade for Sarawak, expanding at 11.6% compared with the corresponding period of 2023. We anticipate this trend will continue in 2024 with improvement in global trade.

In anticipation of improved external demand and increased domestic activities in 2024, alongside lower inflation, Sarawak economy is expected to remain resilient and poised to achieve a growth rate between 5% and 6% in 2024.

Timbalan Speaker: Datuk Amar, Yang Berhormat Deputy Premier, I would like to ask if it will be alright for you to continue until 1.30 p.m., after that we will have a lunch break, if you can finish this particular Ministry.

Timbalan Premier; Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru Kedua (YB Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas): We will be finishing within half an hour.

Timbalan Speaker: Okay, thank you.

Timbalan Premier; Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru Kedua (YB Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas): Continue?

Timbalan Speaker: Yes, please.

Inflation

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak's inflation remained at 3.2% in 2023. Nonetheless, the rate gradually softened from 4.3% in January 2023 to 2.4% in December 2023. This was particularly driven by a moderation in inflation for food and non-alcoholic beverages as well as falling oil prices.

From January to February 2024, we continue to experience the softening of inflation in Sarawak, averaging 1.9%. This gradual decrease is expected to continue throughout 2024 bringing the inflation rate to a manageable level of 2.5% to 3%.

Labour Market

In 2023, the labour market in Sarawak demonstrated continued stabilisation, with a preliminary unemployment rate at 3.5%. At the end of 2023, Sarawak boasted 240,529 job vacancies, with 17% of these positions designated for highly skilled professionals.

PERFORMANCE OF PROJECTS IMPLEMENTATION UNDER THE TWELFTH MALAYSIA PLAN

Tuan Speaker, I wish to update this august House on the implementation of various development programmes and projects under the 12th Malaysia Plan in Sarawak.

12th Malaysia Plan State Funded Projects

A total of 1,391 State funded projects with a ceiling of RM37.98 billion has been approved. Of this amount, 997 or 72% are physical projects while the remaining 394 or 28% are non-physical projects, including grants, contributions, investments, programmes, and events.

As of March 31st, 2024, out of 997 physical projects, 210 projects or 21% have been completed while the remaining 787 projects, or 79% are still at various stages of implementation. Cumulative expenditure from the year 2021 up to 31st March 2024 was RM19.1 billion or 50% against the total 12th Malaysia Plan ceiling. The government will continue to expedite the implementation of the planned projects and at the same time, introduce new measures to reduce and mitigate sick and delayed projects. This includes the appointment of rescue contractors and ensure that mobilisation of works commence within one month upon issuance of the Letter of Award.

Performance of Rural Transformation Projects (RTP)

Under the 12th Malaysia Plan period, a total of 7,808 rural transformation projects with an allocation of RM1.64 billion have been approved. As of 31st March 2024, a total of 5,231 projects, or 67%, have been completed while the remaining 2,577 projects, or 33%, are still at various stages of

implementation. Cumulative expenditure from the year 2021 up to March 31st, 2024, was RM1.227 billion or 75% against the total approved allocation.

Performance of Projek Rakyat

The 2024 Sarawak Budget demonstrates a strong commitment to accelerate rural development through substantial allocation of RM550 million for *Projek Rakyat*. As of April 2024, a sum of RM74 million has been expended. These projects are at various stages of implementation, signifying tangible progress towards achieving rural development goals.

12th Malaysia Plan Federal Funded Projects

Tuan Speaker, under the First Rolling Plan of 12th Malaysia Plan, the Federal Government approved a total of RM3.34 billion for the implementation of 921 projects. In terms of financial performance, a sum of RM1.97 billion, or 59% of the approved allocation, had been approved as of 31st December 2021.

Under the Second Rolling Plan, a total of RM3.24 billion had been allocated for the implementation of 960 projects. In terms of financial performance, RM3.09 billion or 95% of the allocation had been expended as of 31st December 2022.

Under the Third Rolling Plan, a total of RM4.4 billion had been approved for the implementation of 1,042 projects of which RM4.16 billion or 95% of the allocation had been expended. Out of 1,042 projects, 876 are projects that were continued from the previous Rolling Plan. In terms of physical performance, 320 projects have been completed and the balance is at various stages of implementation.

Meanwhile, under the Fourth Rolling Plan, a total of RM5.8 billion has been approved for the implementation of 1,088 projects, of which RM1.28 billion or 22% of the allocation has been expended. Out of 1,088 projects, 396 are continuation projects from the previous Rolling Plan. As of April 2024, 191 projects have been completed, while the balance is at various stages of implementation.

PERFORMANCE OF PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION UNDER ALTERNATIVE FUNDING

Tuan Speaker, allow me to update this august House on the financial performance of projects implemented under Alternative Funding. To date, a total sum of RM12.523 billion has been expended for the implementation of the following major development projects:

- (a) RM3.937 billion for the construction of the Coastal Road and Second Trunk Road projects;
- (b) RM2.824 billion for Sarawak Water Supply Grid – Stressed Areas;
- (c) RM1.526 billion for the Rural Electricity Scheme Projects;
- (d) RM1.9 billion for the implementation of projects by the three regional development agencies under RECODA namely Upper Rajang Development Agency, Highland Development Agency, and Northern Region Development Agency;
- (e) RM693 million for the projects under the Integrated Regional Samarahan Development Agency;
- (f) RM527 million for the implementation of Kuching Urban Transportation System;

- (g) RM395 million for the construction of the Sarawak Multimedia Authority Rural Telecommunication tower and Sarawak Rural Broadband Network through Sarawak Digital Economy Corporation;
- (h) RM183 million for the digital empowerment programme and the construction of digital infrastructure and telecommunication towers;
- (i) RM156 million for the construction of State Administrative Centers in Jepak, Limbang, and Lawas;
- (j) RM144 million for the construction of CENTEX in Lundu, Dalat, and Lawas, and UTS Mukah Laila Taib Campus;
- (k) RM114 million for the construction of Sarawak International schools in Kuching and Siburan;
- (l) RM51 million for construction of Bebuling STOLPort in Betong;
- (m) RM38 million for the development of the new Sarawak Civil Service Leadership Institute in Santubong; and
- (n) RM35 million for the construction of the State Archive Building in Kuching.

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FOR THE STATE 2023 AND THE FIRST QUARTER 2024

Tuan Speaker, now I would like to highlight the financial performance of the State for the year 2023 and the first quarter of 2024.

Revenue, 2023

Sarawak generated a total revenue of RM13.311 billion in 2023, this is a record-breaking and the highest ever revenue collected in the history of Sarawak. This remarkable achievement was attributed to our continuous revenue re-engineering efforts as mooted and driven by our Yang Amat Berhormat Premier. This revenue collection is higher by RM1.401 billion or 12% compared to the revenue collected in 2022 of RM11.910 billion. The higher revenue collection was mainly contributed by receipts from compensation in lieu of oil and gas rights, dividends and interests' income, Sarawak State Sales tax, and Special Grant.

For the information of this august House, the State Sales Tax on oil and gas is the major contributor to the overall State revenue. As of March 2024, it has contributed a total sum of RM17.01 billion to the State coffer since its introduction on 1st January 2019.

Ordinary Expenditure, 2023

In 2023, Sarawak spent a total sum of RM11.369 billion approved for the year on Ordinary Expenditure, of which RM4.569 billion was expended on operating expenditures while RM6.8 billion was appropriated to the Development Expenditure Account to finance the implementation of various development programmes and projects.

Development Expenditure, 2023

Tuan Speaker, with regards to development expenditure, the State expended a sum of RM7.191 billion out of RM8.006 billion or 89.8% of the total Development Budget for the year 2023.

Revenue, 2024

Tuan Speaker, now allow me to update the members of this august House on the performance of State revenue and expenditure for year 2024. For the year 2024, the state's revenue projection

was at RM12.749 billion. As of 31st March, a sum of RM4.798 billion or 38% of the projected revenue has been collected, contributed by the following major sources:

- (a) State Sales Tax of RM1.462 billion;
- (b) Cash compensation in lieu of oil and gas rights of RM1.234 billion;
- (c) Dividends of RM1.303 billion particularly from the State's investment in MNLG Group of Companies;
- (d) Raw water royalty of RM162 million;
- (e) Interest income of RM304 million;
- (f) Forestry receipts of RM61 million;
- (g) Land premium of RM31 million;
- (h) Federal grants and reimbursement of RM24 million; and
- (i) Other sources such as mining royalties, water sales and land rents of RM217 million.

Based on the performance thus far, we are confident that we can achieve the targeted revenue projection for this year, *kalau tidak lebih*. Barring any unfavourable circumstances at the geopolitical level globally could adversely affect the oil and gas markets.

Expenditure, 2024

On the expenditure side, we have spent RM1.119 billion or 9.1% of the approved Ordinary Expenditure as of 31st March this year, while a sum of RM441 million or 4.8% has been expended for the Development Expenditure for the same period. These expenditures are expected to pick up towards the second half of the year in tandem with the progress of the programmes and projects implementation.

Towards this, I urge all Controlling Officers and Heads of Departments to intensify their efforts in ensuring the successful execution of programmes and projects within their purview. It is crucial that these projects are delivered on time, within budget, and most importantly, that they can achieve their intended outcomes. I also would like to see Heads of Departments and Officers in charge of projects to go to the ground, "*turun padang*" as frequent as possible, so that they know the actual problems and issues so as to be able to resolve these expeditiously.

Revenue Re-engineering

I would like to enlighten this august House on the progress of the revenue re-engineering initiatives undertaken by the Sarawak Government.

Implementation of State Sales Tax on Export of Selected Timber Products

In the previous Dewan Undangan Sarawak sitting in May 2023, I reported that the Sarawak Government had approved the imposition of State Sales Tax (SST) on the export of selected timber products effective 1st June 2023.

I am pleased to report that we have successfully collected RM14 million in 2023. For 2024, Sarawak is projected to collect RM33 million and as of 31st March this year, a sum of RM8.3 million has been collected.

Introduction of State Sales Tax on Export of Ferroalloys and Polysilicon

I also wish to inform this august House that the Sarawak Government has approved the introduction of SST on the export of ferroalloys and polysilicon, at the rate of 1.5% effective 1st September 2024.

The SST rate of 1.5% on the export of ferroalloys and polysilicon is a fair and reasonable rate on the affected companies as they are also enjoying other tax incentives from the Federal

Government and favourable power rates from the state. The revenue generated from this source will give us fiscal flexibility in enhancing our socioeconomic development efforts which would include among others, implementing clean and renewable energy initiatives.

Moving forward, Sarawak Government will continue to explore new opportunities to enhance and diversify our revenue sources. This is imperative as we continue vigorously in pursuing our development agenda so that no one will eventually be left behind.

SARAWAK PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME

Tuan Speaker, I also wish to enlighten this august House on the initiatives undertaken by the Sarawak Government towards enhancing the effectiveness and efficiency of our financial system. Sarawak has embarked on the Public Financial Management Transformation Programme, in short PFM, which sets a new and high benchmark for financial management emphasising on efficiency, accountability, and strategic alignment. PFM is fostering a transparent and result-oriented public financial ecosystem which would ultimately ensure sufficient allocation of resources that contribute directly to the state's developmental milestones set under Post COVID-19 Development Strategy (PCDS) 2030 and beyond.

Under the PFM, two key programmes have been initiated. There are:

- (a) Management of Fiscal Risks; and
- (b) Results-Based Budgeting.

Implementation of Result-Based Budgeting (RBB)

In collaboration with the World Bank, State Financial Secretary's Office has begun to lay the groundwork for this transformative journey. Our immediate focus has been to kick-start the Results-Based Budgeting (RBB) process, which marks a paradigm shift from traditional budgeting methods. This new approach emphasises measurable outcomes and impacts rather than mere inputs and outputs, aligning Sarawak's objectives to ensure that its public expenditures result to quantifiable, impactful, and meaningful outcomes.

In December of last year, the World Bank team conducted a comprehensive Gap Analysis on our current budgeting system, leading to a detailed intervention plan that sets the stage for RBB's full implementation by fiscal year 2026. Collaboration with the World Bank on such a major initiative will greatly improve and strengthen our public financial management and budgeting, so that it can be at par with those in developed nations.

We have made some progress with several workshops being organised involved key stakeholders across various ministries, departments, and agencies. These workshops have been instrumental in raising awareness about RBB, introducing its core components and Strategic Performance Plan Frameworks. The next phase of our implementation will include statewide awareness programmes, Train-of-Trainer sessions, and further workshops on Integrated RBB.

Recently, the Sarawak Government has approved the RBB Policy Circular, which serves as a definitive guide for the implementation of RBB within Sarawak's public sector. This policy encapsulates the essential elements such as accountability, the roles of central agencies, and a strategic implementation process, ensuring a unified approach across all levels of government. It outlines the fundamental elements of integrated results planning, budgeting, monitoring, evaluation, and performance reporting, thus providing a structured pathway for our ministries, departments, and agencies in their budget management.

RBB is not just about allocating funds; it is about linking these funds to specific results. This method enhances accountability, improves resource allocation, increases efficiency, and supports

better decision-making. It fosters a culture of innovation, adaptability, and continuous improvement within our government operations.

Furthermore, by making our budgeting decisions transparent and directly linked to outcomes, we enhance communication with stakeholders and the public, ensuring they understand the rationale behind our financial decisions. This approach not only builds trust but also demonstrates the tangible impacts of public spending, engaging our people in the governance process.

As we align our practices with those of the Federal Government, which has been adopting Outcome-Based Budgeting since 2013, we reaffirm our commitment to adhering to the best practices in public financial management. This whole-of Government approach ensures that every ringgit spent is an undertaking towards a more prosperous, sustainable, and resilient Sarawak.

TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME FOR STATE STATUTORY BODIES AND GOVERNMENT-LINKED COMPANIES (GLC)

In addition, the Sarawak Government is also collaborating with the World Bank in reviewing existing Statutory Bodies and Government-Linked Companies regulatory and monitoring frameworks. The study is divided into two phases:

- (a) Phase 1 covered an assessment on the adequacy of the current governance framework of Statutory Bodies and Government-Linked Companies, collectively known as State-Owned Enterprises (SOEs), in delivering their objectives and mandates effectively. This phase has been completed in July 2023; and
- (b) With completion of Phase 1, we are currently embarking on Phase 2 on the formulation and preparation of a comprehensive SOEs Reform Programme. This phase is focusing on strengthening the regulatory framework and ownership policies by reviewing the existing laws and regulations, developing the SOEs Ownership Policy and formulating the Corporate Governance Code. In addition, a digitalised monitoring system will be developed to achieve a more systematic, real-time delivery of information and performance to the stakeholders.

As part of continuous efforts to strengthen the corporate governance of SOEs, we have also introduced the following:

- (a) Introduction of the State Dividend Policy in August 2022 which mandated GLCs to declare an annual dividend of at least 10% of their profit-after-tax. This is to maximise the dividend returns from the GLCs within the boundary of the laws. With the implementation of this policy, payment of dividends from GLCs has increased by more than 100% in 2023 compared to 2022. This contributes additional revenue to Sarawak for socioeconomic development purposes, while at the same time inculcating financial discipline, promoting performance driven culture, and creating greater sense of accountability among all GLCs;
- (b) Investment Policy and Guidelines for SOEs and Sarawak Local Authorities (SLAs) have just been issued, aimed at providing comprehensive advises for the formulation of their investment policy. This will ensure that funds are invested and managed properly and sustainably with calculated risks. This policy is an important document and forms an integral part of good governance in managing fund for SOEs and SLAs. Having an investment policy will enhance the quality of decision-making and demonstrate a commitment to the fiduciary care of public funds. This will provide confidence to the government, Board of Directors, and all relevant stakeholders on the management of investment activities by these entities.
- (c) Guidelines on Preparation and Presentation of Annual Reports of State Statutory Bodies and State Local Authorities were issued in April 2024, aimed at providing a uniformed Annual Report reporting format. Having this standard reporting will assist the stakeholders to understand the agencies:

- (i) objectives, functions, and operations as well as annual planning and direction;
 - (ii) the overall financial position;
 - (iii) impacts and outcomes of programmes and projects on targeted group; and
 - (iv) status on provision of resources and assistance by the Government.
- (d) Adoption of Malaysian Public Sector Accounting Standard (MPSAS) for Sarawak statutory bodies and local authorities. This adoption is to improve transparency and governance in managing public monies. MPSAS, issued by the Accountant General's Department of Malaysia in accordance with the Ministerial Function Acts 1969, which came into effect on 1st January 2017, must be followed by all public sectors in Malaysia. It has been formulated based on the International Public Sector Accounting Standard (IPSAS) which has procedures for the recognition, measurement, and disclosure of specific public sector matters. These procedures are not found in Malaysia Financial Reporting Standard (MFRS) and Malaysia Private Entity Reporting Standard (MPERS);
- (e) State-Owned Enterprises Monitoring System (e-SOEs) is at the final stage of development and expected to go live by the end of 2024. This e-SOEs, will enable online submission of the accounts as required in the Statutory Bodies (Financial and Accounting Procedure) Ordinance, 1995. This effort will improve efficiency in monitoring activities and effective decision-making based on timely information at hand.

PRUDENT SPENDING

Tuan Speaker, with ongoing commitment to sustainability and efficiency, we continue to reinforce strict financial disciplines and controls. In this regard, a Circular on prudent spending - *Surat Pekeliling Setiausaha Kewangan Negeri Sarawak Bil. 5/2024: Garis Panduan Perbelanjaan Secara Berhemat Bagi Mengawal Perbelanjaan Awam Kerajaan Sarawak* has been issued to all state ministries, departments, local authorities, statutory bodies, and government-linked companies.

This Circular is to instil financial discipline and provide clear guidelines for expenditures amongst others, overtime claims, official duties travel, asset management, utility usage and office supplies, management of meetings, event management, and implementation of development projects.

Expenditures should be reasonable and prudent so that the distribution of resources can be optimised and managed more efficiently and effectively without compromising on the delivery of public services. Compliance with this circular is critical in preventing unnecessary and extravagant expenditures by government machineries.

In this regard, I would like to assure this august House that the Sarawak Government is committed and will continue to put in place strategic measures aimed at strengthening financial discipline and management in all aspects. With this commitment, I thus urge all Controlling Officers to also demonstrate greater accountability, caution, and prudence in the spending of public funds.

As provided under the Financial Procedure Act 1957 (Revised 1972) and Treasury Instructions, Controlling Officers must acknowledge that they are responsible and accountable for the management of financial resources allocated to them, which must be managed efficiently and effectively.

With a collaborative commitment to prudent financial management, we will be able to sustain our financial health and equip Sarawak for any eventuality.

PUBLIC ASSET MANAGEMENT

Public asset management plays a pivotal role in ensuring the efficient utilisation and maintenance of resources, enhancing service delivery, and promoting the long-term sustainability of

an organisation. Proper asset management, in compliance with regulatory requirements, would facilitate financial transparency and risk mitigation.

We have undertaken several key initiatives on public asset management:

- (a) Issuance of the *Dasar Pengurusan Aset Kerajaan* which serves as a guide to all state ministries, departments and agencies. Under this policy guidelines, *Manual Pengurusan Aset Menyeluruh* has been published, and several related circulars have been issued, outlining principles, strategies, and best practices to ensure effective asset management;
- (b) Implementation of Integrated Asset Management System (IAMS) in 2023, which has streamlined the online processes of asset tracking, maintenance, and disposal, leading to cost-savings and operational efficiency;
- (c) Implementation of Asset Management Competency training to train the appointed officers on asset lifecycle management and risk management; and
- (d) Establishment of *Pasukan Inspektorat Pengurusan Aset* to carry out scheduled inspections on Government agencies' asset management protocols and identified asset for improvement.

STRENGTHENING PROCUREMENT INITIATIVES

Enhancing Unit Pendaftaran Kontraktor dan Jururunding (UPKJ) Registration

Tuan Speaker, we are committed to advancing procurement excellence through various strategic initiatives. Among others, the gazettment of the Financial Procedure Regulation (Registration of Contractors and Consultants) Instruction, 2024 and The Fees Order, 2024 on 25th March 2024 with the following objectives:

- (a) Re-alignment of class of registration and financial limits for works, and mechanical categories in accordance with CIDB's grade and financial limits;
- (b) Imposition of registration fees for consultants in line with the Ministry of Finance Malaysia's practice and procedure; and
- (c) Broadening the scope of disciplinary actions to include warning and blacklist to contractors and consultants who have defaulted in performing any contract.

Bumiputera Contractors Development Programme

Starting this year, we are implementing the *Program Kontraktor Berdaya Saing* (PKBS) to increase the participation of Bumiputera contractors in Government projects through competitive bidding. This programme also aimed at building a pool of capable, competent, and resilient contractors that eventually will grow and be able to compete in the open market.

Under the PKBS programme, to date, a total of 350 participants have been selected throughout Sarawak to undergo a 10-day training programme to strengthen their knowledge and competencies in construction activities and procurement processes. Upon completion of their training, they will be given an opportunity to participate in selective tenders in undertaking Government projects with the value ranging from RM200,000 to RM2.5 million.

To further strengthen the capability of our Bumiputera contractors and suppliers and enhance their participation in the economy, we will continue to collaborate with other relevant agencies and stakeholders such as the Sarawak Economic Development Corporation (SEDC), Sarawak Timber Industry Development Corporation (STIDC) and Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB) Sarawak through the implementation of the following programmes:

- (a) Program Peningkatan Usahawan Bumiputera (PUTERA). As of April 2024, 254 Bumiputera contractors and suppliers have received machineries and equipment amounting to RM1.4 million;
- (b) Pusat Inkubator dan Bimbingan Usahawan (PIBU). As of April 2024, 23 PIBU are currently operating throughout Sarawak with a total of 5,889 participants;
- (c) Program Skim Pembiayaan Kontraktor Kecil Bumiputera (SPKB). As of April 2024, a total of RM1.4 million financial assistance has been disbursed to the contractors under this scheme; and
- (d) *Program Pembangunan Vendor Perabot Bumiputera* through collaboration with JKR Sarawak and STIDC. As of April 2024, 32 Bumiputera furniture vendors have been appointed by STIDC for the supply of furniture to Government offices with a total contract value of RM5 million per year.

In addition, the training and development programme for Bumiputera contractors and suppliers will continue to be conducted covering aspects of competency, generic and online courses. As of April 2024, nine series of training have been conducted which have benefited 300 participants.

Dasar Penyertaan Kontraktor Bumiputera Dalam Perolehan Kerja/ Projek Pembangunan Yang Menggunakan Peruntukan Kerajaan Negeri was issued last year. In the first quarter of 2024, the percentage of works awarded was recorded at 77.2% amounting to RM497 million from the total amount of RM644 million allocated to the Bumiputera.

Sarawak e-Procurement System

We are embarking on the implementation of e-Procurement System whereby procurement exercise will be conducted digitally to enhance efficiency, effectiveness, and transparency of the government procurement processes. The development of the system is divided into three stages.

- (a) Stage 1, the development of e-Direct Purchase module has been completed and will be rolled out by year end;
- (b) Stage 2, development of e-Quotation module is ongoing and has achieved 72% completion; and
- (c) Stage 3, development of e-Tender module will be implemented upon completion of Stage 2.

The government's digital procurement initiative aims at elevating the procurement regime towards international standards while at the same time ensuring a seamless and innovative procurement ecosystem in Sarawak.

GOOD GOVERNANCE AND PRUDENT FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

We have always upheld and maintained good governance practices to achieve and sustain our sound financial position. As I have mentioned in the Dewan Undangan Negeri Sitting in November last year, Sarawak was accorded with a clean certificate, an unqualified report for its financial account for the year ended 31st December 2022 by the Auditor General of Malaysia. With this, Sarawak has earned 21 consecutive years of clean records for its financial statements. *(Applause)*

On the credit ratings for Sarawak, Moody's and Standard & Poor's have reaffirmed the Sarawak ratings at A3 and A- with Stable Outlook, respectively, while Rating Agency Malaysia (RAM) has reaffirmed Sarawak with a credit rating of AAA. These assigned ratings reflect sound financial performance and prudent budgetary practices by the State in managing its financial affairs.

In this respect, I would like to thank all Sarawak civil servants for their unwavering commitment to exemplary financial management and governance. I assure this august House that my Ministry remains dedicated to upholding the highest standards of financial responsibility. We will continue to adopt international best practices and leverage digital technologies to enhance our operations. Additionally, we are committed to further strengthening the professionalism and competency of our officers, ensuring that they are equipped to meet the challenges of today and tomorrow.

ISSUES RAISED BY THE AHLI-AHLI YANG BERTHORMAT

Tuan Speaker, Over the last few days, Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat have debated and highlighted various issues and challenges that we face in our continuous efforts to develop and transform Sarawak.

In response to the issue raised by the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Bawang Assan in respect of Federal grants to Sarawak, I wish to inform that negotiation on the formula for Special Grant is still on going. As an interim payment, Federal has decided to raise the annual Special Grant to Sarawak from RM16 million to RM300 million pending the finalisation of the formula to be agreed upon between the Federal and Sarawak Governments.

We are committed to continue working closely with the Federal Government to secure more development funds to support our development agenda including the PCDS 2030, Sarawak Digital Economy Blueprint 2030, and Sarawak Green Energy initiatives. We are also leveraging on the Malaysia Agreement 1963 platform whereby the funding need of Sarawak is also being raised and deliberated, particularly for the development of basic infrastructure, utilities, telecommunication, border security, health, and education.

CONCLUSION

We, the GPS Government, will not waver in our efforts to ensure that Sarawak will continue to progress and scale greater height. We must strive to do better and remain resilient and competitive given the challenging and uncertain economic situation.

Akhir kata, saya ingin mengambil kesempatan ini untuk merakamkan ucapan terima kasih kepada Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat atas perkongsian idea dan cadangan yang bernas pada Persidangan Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak kali ini. Ada dua pantun:

*Puteri Santubong puteri kayangan,
Gagah perkasa pahlawan Rentap,
Abang Jo pintar jajar kewangan,
Ekonomi Sarawak bertambah mantap.*

*Berkain songket mempelai,
Tanda ikatan cincin permata,
Rakyat dan GPS segulai sejalai,
Demi pembangunan Sarawak tercinta.*

Terima kasih.

Timbalan Speaker: Terima kasih, Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar *Deputy Premier* atas ucapan penggulungan bagi Kementerian Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru. Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, we have a lunch break and the Dewan resumes at 2.45 p.m.

(Mesyuarat ditangguhkan pada pukul 1.42 petang)

(Mesyuarat dimulakan pada pukul 2.46 petang)

[Timbalan Speaker mempengerusikan Mesyuarat]

Timbalan Speaker: Ahli-ahli Yang terhormat, ingin saya dengan hormatnya menjemput Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas, Timbalan Premier dan Menteri Infrastruktur dan Pembangunan Pelabuhan untuk menyampaikan ucapan penggulungan.

Timbalan Premier; Menteri Infrastruktur dan Pembangunan Pelabuhan (YB Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas): Terima kasih, Tuan Speaker. I must apologise for *my suara tak berapa manis*.

Tuan Speaker,

*Lapan hari Dewan bersidang,
Sarawak first ADUN perjuangkan,
Ucapan MIPD kini bertandang,
Rakyat sejahtera harus diutamakan.*

First, I would like to offer my condolences to the family of the late Tun Pehin Sri Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud, former Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak who passed away on 21st February 2024. Tun Pehin Sri Abdul Taib Mahmud who served as the fourth Chief Minister of Sarawak for 33 years before becoming as the Head of the State for another decade was known for his significant development-oriented policies that benefited all members of the community in Sarawak. His leadership brought political stability to Sarawak and his legacy will continue to inspire future generations.

Tuan Speaker, in light of the sudden passing of the Honourable Senator Datuk Mutang Tagal on 10th May 2024, I extend my deepest condolences to the family. His unexpected departure is a profound loss, not only to Sarawak but for the nation as a whole. May his soul rest in peace.

Congratulatory Messages

Tuan Speaker, I must congratulate the Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak, Tun Pehin Sri Dr. Haji Wan Junaidi bin Tuanku Jaafar for being appointed as the eighth Yang di-Pertua Negeri of Sarawak with confidence in His Excellency's excellent unwavering guidance as we fulfil aspirations of the *rakyat* and ensure that Sarawak remains a region of unity and in diversity.

I would like to express my deepest gratitude to Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak, Tun Pehin Sri Dr. Haji Wan Junaidi bin Tuanku Jaafar for presiding over the First Meeting of the Third Session of the 19th Sarawak State Legislative Assembly on 6th May 2024.

SARAWAK INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

Tuan Speaker, infrastructure investment for roads and bridges is key to Sarawak's socioeconomic development. Investing in infrastructure is an essential and constructive measure towards advancing social and economic progress especially in the remote areas of Sarawak.

For the information of this august House, under the 12th Malaysia Plan, RM76.83 billion has been approved for the implementation of infrastructure projects by JKR Sarawak. Out of the sum, RM44.28 billion (58%) is funded by the state, approved by the GPS Government.

Never in the history of Sarawak has such a colossal amount been allocated for infrastructure development. This is a record expenditure, reflecting the GPS Government's commitment to enhancing the livelihood of the *rakyat* and fostering economic progress.

This record expenditure is not merely rhetorical but is evident that the GPS Government is serious in the extensive infrastructure development set to provide tangible improvements, mobility,

promising significant advancements in both quality of life and economic opportunities for the people of Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, allow me to update this august House on the progress of infrastructure development projects under my purview.

State-Funded Projects

For the information of this august House, my ministry has been entrusted to implement 237 State-funded projects under the 12th Malaysia Plan. The 237 state-funded projects amounting to RM22.6 billion comprise of the following:

- (a) 140 road projects worth RM16 billion;
- (b) 25 bridges worth RM3 billion;
- (c) 62 buildings worth RM2.7 billion;
- (d) 9 riverine structures worth RM843 million; and
- (e) 1 airport extension worth RM54.9 million.

The progress of these projects are as follows:

- (a) 40 have been completed;
- (b) 52 are under construction; and
- (c) 145 are at the pre-contract stage.

Coastal Road Network

The Coastal Road Network consists of 13 new road and bridge packages and 29 rehabilitation works packages valued at RM5.42 billion. This amount has been allocated to these packages in order to provide better access and seamless connectivity along Sarawak's coastal area. To date, 12 out of the 13 new road and bridge packages are under construction, two packages expected to be completed this year. Meanwhile, one package is at a re-tender stage. The construction schedule for the 12 packages includes two targeted for completion in 2024, nine completed in 2025 and one completed in 2026.

Rehabilitation of Coastal Roads

As for the rehabilitation work packages, 23 out of 29 have been completed compared to 17 packages reported in the last DUN. The construction progress of the remaining six rehabilitation work packages are:

- (a) 0.76% for Matu – Igan Road (10.7 km);
- (b) 99.39% for Oya/ Igan Road (12.05 km);
- (c) 98.74% for Mukah – Oya Road (7.55 km) and Mukah – Matading Road (8.09 km); and
- (d) 96.19% for the Proposed Roundabout at Balingian RGC.

This is the respond to Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Balingian's concern on the status of Batang Balingian Bridge Approach Road (5.8 km) and Balingian – Kuala Balingian Road (11.62 km), and Kuala Balingian – Kuala Serupai Road the construction progress is 42.56% and 71.09% respectively.

Tuan Speaker,

Second Trunk Road Project

The Second Trunk Road consists of 20 projects with a total value of RM5.58 billion. 13 projects are in various stages of construction, and the remaining seven projects are at a pre-contract stage. The construction schedule for the 13 projects encompasses six projects that are targeted for

completion in 2025, followed by three completed in 2026, three targeted completed in 2027, and one project to be completed in 2028.

Projek Rakyat

My Ministry is entrusted to implement 194 *Projek Rakyat* with a cost of RM7.11 billion, comprising the following:

- (a) 102 road projects costing RM4.13 billion;
- (b) 44 bridges costing RM1.9 billion;
- (c) 43 buildings costing RM781.57 million;
- (d) One STOLport costing RM296 million; and
- (e) Four jetties costing RM1.47 million.

The progress of these projects are as follows:

- (a) 93 have been completed;
- (b) 28 are under construction; and
- (c) 73 are at a pre-contract stage.

My Ministry is committed to improve the efficiency of our project management system and ensure timely completion of projects.

Maintenance of Roads in Sarawak

Last year, JKR Sarawak has received RM465 million under the Malaysia Road Record Information System (MARRIS) for the maintenance of *Jalan Raya Negeri* (JRN) and *Jalan Kampung* (JKPG). This comprises a total road length of approximately 15,301 km. I wish to inform this august House, 99.71% of this allocation has been spent as follows:

- (a) RM279 million for Long Term Management and Maintenance (LTMM) contracts; and
- (b) RM186 million for *Jalan Raya Negeri* and *Jalan Kampung* maintenance and other maintenance jobs carried out by JKR divisions.

As for 2024, the Sarawak Government has approved RM495 million under MARRIS for a total road length of approximately 15,314 km. Expected expenditure for 2024 is as follows:

- (a) RM280 million for Long Term Maintenance Team contracts; and
- (b) RM215 million for *Jalan Raya Negeri* and *Jalan Kampung* maintenance and other maintenance jobs carried out by JKR divisions.

As reported in the previous DUN sitting, the Baram area, which had been identified as a pilot program to manage the maintenance of rural road connectivity, has secured three proponents on a two-years contract basis for each respectively. Such contracts require yearly funding of RM5 million each, totalling RM15 million sourced under MARRIS. This maintenance must be completed in an efficient and timely manner. The pilot program is expected to commence in June 2024.

Emergency Response Work

The *rakyat* depends on reliable land infrastructures, such as roads and bridges, to carry out their daily activities. Unfortunately, natural disasters such as floods and landslides can cause serious damage to infrastructure. This poses hardships to the people by affecting their mobility. As of today, project under this programmed, 62 projects have been approved by the Sarawak Government with an allocation amounting to RM100 million via the State Disaster Management Committee (SDMC)

for implementation under this program. Currently, 21 projects have been completed, 21 are under construction.

Projects Under AP182

Implementation of the approved Federal-funded projects is of paramount importance to the Sarawak. As at May 2024, JKR Sarawak has being given responsibility to implementing projects for the projects below RM50 million under project AP182. Eight federal ministries requested relaxation on procurement methods of a total of 58 projects to be implemented by their respective ministries. Therefore, JKR Sarawak is currently implementing only 133 projects worth RM2.02 billion. The status are as follows:

- (a) three have been completed;
- (b) seven are under construction; and
- (c) 123 are at the Front-End Engineering and design stage.

Throughout the course of executing the projects pertaining to AP182, JKR Sarawak encountered various challenges including:

- (a) unresolved land issues.
- (b) inadequate information; and
- (c) insufficient ceilings.

To ensure there is no delay in the implementation of the projects in future, JKR have decided will not accept to implement future project before the above three issues was resolve. This is way to ensure that future projects are executed seamlessly.

Tuan Speaker,

Pan Borneo Highway

PBH, also known as Pan Borneo Highway Sarawak, is an existing Federal trunk road from Telok Melano to Miri, tagged as Asian Highway 150 (AH150). As of 25th April 2024, 22 out of 25 sections have been fully opened to the public, accounting for an overall progress of about 99.42%.

On the other hand, two sections, namely Sarikei and Beluru are at the final stage of construction and expected to be completed in the third quarter of 2024. The remaining Lambir section is expected to be completed in 2027 with two new added scopes, namely.

- (a) Construction of 1 kilometer of viaduct at Bukit Song; and
- (b) The re-alignment of 4 kilometer of road to avoid the existing Lembaga Air Kawasan Utara (LAKU) watermain.

Tuan Speaker, in addition, the Federal Government is also looking into the rehabilitation of the existing dual carriageway which was excluded from the Pan Borneo Highway upgrading road. The 136 km upgrading project is also known as the Pan Borneo Redline. The Pan Borneo Redline is as follows:

- (a) Batu Kawa to Serian;
- (b) Julau to Sibu Airport Roundabout;
- (c) Bintulu Airport to Nyabau;
- (d) Pujut link to Kuala Baram; and
- (e) Nine overtaking lanes.

Trans Borneo Highway

Tuan Speaker, the Trans Borneo Highway is one of the components under the AH150. It will connect Sarawak and Sabah through Brunei Darussalam. This project comprises three sections, namely:

- (a) Miri Section (from Kuala Baram to CIQ Sungai Tujuh);
- (b) Limbang Section (CIQ Tedungan to CIQ Pandaruan); and
- (c) Lawas section (Lawas town to CIQ Merapok).

The Miri section is targeted to be tendered in the fourth quarter of 2024. Meanwhile, the other two Limbang and Lawas are currently at pre-contract stage and are targeted to be tendered later 2025.

Sarawak-Sabah Link Road (SSLR)

Tuan Speaker, the Federal Government in its effort to connect Miri-Limbang-Lawas via land infrastructure has approved the construction of the Sabah-Sarawak Link Road. The project will start from Mulu (*Sabah-Sarawak Link Road Phase*) and will end at Simpang Gelugus (*Sabah-Sarawak Link Road Phase 1*).

For Sabah-Sarawak Link Road Phase 1, from Simpang Gelugus to Long Lopeng length of 76km, the project is ongoing with a physical progress of 29.7% as of 25th April 2024. Meanwhile, for SSLR Phase 2 with a total length of 320 km, the Letter of Acceptance was issued to the successful contractor on 25th March 2024.

**RURAL ROAD AND BRIDGE PROJECTS UNDER
KEMENTERIAN KEMAJUAN DESA DAN WILAYAH (KKDW)**

Tuan Speaker, JKR Sarawak is currently implementing 108 rural road and bridge projects under Kementerian Kemajuan Desa Wilayah (KKDW) worth RM6.13 billion. The status of these projects is as follows:

- (a) 10 have been completed;
- (b) 11 are under construction; and
- (c) 87 are at pre-contract stage.

Abandoned Logging Roads

KKDW has approved a total of RM543.1 million for the upgrading of 14 abandoned logging roads projects. To date, the status of these projects are as follows:

- (a) Four are under construction; and
- (b) 10 are at the pre-contract stage.

Improvement of Jiwa Murni Road Projects

For the information of this august House, under the *Jiwa Murni* program, there are 16 projects worth RM928 million. These projects were intended to construct 461 km of Low Volume Rural Road (LVRR) and 82 bailey bridges.

To update this august House, 14 completed projects have been handed over to JKR Sarawak for maintenance and the remaining two are still under the defect liability period. Upon completion of the period, Malaysian Armed Forces will repair all the defects before handing over to JKR Sarawak. The two projects are as follows:

- (a) Membina Jalan dari Nanga Merit ke Sungai Baleh, Kapit; and
- (b) Membina Jalan dari Belaga ke Nanga Merit, Kapit.

However, many of these roads have deteriorated due to irregular maintenance, posing challenges to accessing essential services in rural regions. Hence, the Sarawak Government has proactively undertaken the upgrading of *Jiwa Murni* roads, using State funding amounting to RM226.31 million. The roads are:

- (a) *Menaiktaraf Jalan Balak dari Long Lopeng ke Ba'Kelalan, Lawas;*
- (b) *Menaiktaraf Jalan dan Membina Jambatan di Kampung Saeh, Bekenu, Miri;*
- (c) *Menaiktaraf Jalan Rh. Satu, Kuala Mendalam, Batu Danau, Limbang;*
- (d) *Menaiktaraf Jalan dari Miri ke Marudi; and*
- (e) *Menaiktaraf Jalan dari Pekan Belaga ke Menjawah, Belaga.*

These initiatives are a testament to the government's commitment to improving access to rural areas and ensuring that these roads meet JKR standards.

Additionally, the Federal Government had allocated RM84.05 million to further improve four *Jiwa Murni* roads. To date, all four of these packages are under construction.

CRITICALLY DELAYED PROJECTS

As to date, a total of 24 contracts have been terminated, 15 of which were state funded while nine were Federal. 15 of these terminated works have been revived through the appointment of rescue contractors while the remaining nine are in the pre-contract stage. The process of termination and appointment of rescue contractors for federal projects are a lot more complex, so it takes a lot more time. The lengthy termination process caused delays in effort to revive the project.

We have worked diligently to reduce critical project delays. From January to April 2024, we have observed a remarkable reduction from 22 critically delayed projects to just 11 (two state, nine federal). This achievement has been made possible by JKR Sarawak through a series of measures that include:

- (a) ensuring timely payments to contractors;
- (b) implementing close monitoring of projects to ensure progress and prompt completion of outstanding works; and
- (c) one Month Intervention Pledge by contractor to JKR.

These efforts have improved project efficiency and exemplified our commitment to delivering quality outcomes within stipulated time frames. My ministry will continue to closely monitor all projects to ensure that they are completed expeditiously.

PORT DEVELOPMENT

Establishment of Sarawak Ports Authority

Tuan Speaker, the approval, and passage of the Sarawak Ports Authority Bill, 2024 on 7th May 2024 was a historic milestone for ports development in Sarawak. Again, we appreciated all the comments and suggestions that were raised during the debate session.

We would like to congratulate to the unsung heroes behind all the work, they know who they are and thank you for your commitment. Nevertheless, the work does not stop after the Bill is passed, much is to be done. In fact, it is the beginning of the next phase of how we going to transform our Port.

With all the support and blessing of Sarawak Ports Authority Bill, 2024, the establishment of Sarawak Ports Authority will materialise sooner rather than later, and it will certainly bring positive impacts to the port and related industries in Sarawak.

The Change of Status of Bintulu Port to State Port

I am delighted to inform this august House that, as we mentioned earlier, that the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed to hand over the Bintulu Port, federal port to the state port, which was signed in March 2024, witnessed by the Right Honourable Prime Minister of Malaysia and the Right Honourable Premier of Sarawak. But first I would like to congratulate Yang Amat Berhormat Premier on the success of the changing the status of Bintulu Port to state port. That is an achievement after 63 years, *balik kepada kita. (Applause)*.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation also to the Right Honourable Prime Minister for his agreement to handover Bintulu Port to Sarawak. And I also would like to extend my gratitude to Ministry of Transport and other Federal agencies in facilitating the process of handing over. And, I would like to applaud my MIPD Team, SAG Chambers, SFS and other State agencies for all their effort and commitment to materialise this handover. The Federal Government has indicated to us that they are in the midst of preparing the Bill to repeal the Bintulu Port Authority Act, 1981 to facilitate the transfer of Bintulu Port to the State Port.

Port Performance

Sarawak's ports play a catalytic role in driving Sarawak towards becoming a high-income economy by 2030. As Sarawak aims to export more goods, the development and modernisation and transformation of our ports must be given top priority.

Kuching Port

Kuching Port handled a total of 2.34 million tonnes in first quarter of 2024, an increase of 5.8% compared to first quarter of 2023. For Kuching Port, the Sarawak Government has funded RM71.4 million for the supply, installation, and commissioning of two new electrically powered quay cranes. These were fully commissioned at the Senari Terminal on 26th March. With these two new quay cranes, Kuching Port will improve its container handling performance on vessel productivity from 26 to 50 gross moves per hour.

In addition, a new vehicle yard with a capacity of 2,500 vehicles will be completed in the Senari Terminal in the fourth quarter of 2024. It will serve to stow vehicles when Roll-On Roll-Off (RORO) cargo vessels call at the Senari Port.

Rajang Port

The Rajang Port registered a total throughput of 0.34 million tonnes in first quarter of 2024, an increase of 12.4% compared to first quarter of 2023.

Miri Port

With a total throughput of 0.85 million tonnes in the first quarter of 2024, the Miri Port has registered an increase of 10% compared to the same quarter in 2023. For the information of this august House, the project on the dredging of the Batang Baram Delta and associated works is scheduled to commence with the cost of RM230 million. *Terima kasih*, Yang Amat Berhormat Premier for approving the fund for that dredging. Long time overdue.

Tanjung Manis Port

The Tanjung Manis Port handled a total throughput of 0.45 million tonnes of first quarter of 2024, increase 20.73% compared to first quarter of 2023.

Samalaju Port

The Samalaju Port registered a total of 1.65 million tonnes throughput in the first quarter of 2024, an increase of 24%.

Port Summary

So, for the year 2023, the state port authorities registered decrease of 7.14% of throughput. The decrease in 2023 cargo volume handled throughout the state ports is attributed to reduced global consumer spending, elevated global inventory levels, and high interest rates and inflation. However, I am pleased to inform this august House, for the first quarter of 2024, the state port authorities registered an increase of 12.2% in total throughput compared to the first quarter of 2023, at least some good news.

Going forward, my Ministry will work closely with the state ports to implement the recently passed Sarawak Ports Authority Bill, 2024 to enhance the ports' role in import-export logistic supply for the economic development in line with the Post COVID-19 Development Strategy 2030.

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Tuan Speaker, I am also answering some issues on regional development. The three regional development that I am going to respond here is the Upper Rajang Development Agency, Highland Development Agency, and these two agencies are under RECODA, and also, I am also replying to Betong Division Development Agency.

Upper Rajang Development Agency (URDA)

The Sarawak Government as we all know has allocated RM1.5 billion to URDA to carry out 43 projects, comprising:

- (a) 27 roads and bridges;
- (b) 11 water supplies;
- (c) Three master plan studies; and
- (d) Two buildings.

To date, the status:

- (a) 10 have been completed;
- (b) 18 are under construction; and
- (c) 15 are at the pre-contract stage.

As for the 10 completed projects:

- (a) Six are road and bridge projects; and
- (b) Four are non-physical projects namely, three masterplans for Kapit, Bakun and Belaga, and the acquisition of URDA office.

For the upcoming year, an additional six projects are slated for completion, namely:

- (a) Proposed New Road to Ng. Geremai, Kanowit;

- (b) Cadangan Naik taraf Jalan Ke Long Tangau, Penempatan Semula Metalun, Belaga;
- (c) Cadangan Naik taraf Jalan Ke SK Tegulang, Penempatan Semula Tegulang, Belaga;
- (d) Proposed Upgrading of Ex-Logging Road from Proposed Jiwa-Murni Road to Rumah Empang and Settlement Near Batang Rajang;
- (e) Proposed Improvement of Existing Timber Logging Road to Lusong Laku, Sungai Linau (Phase 1); and finally,
- (f) Proposed New Farm Road from Rumah Taing to Existing Logging Road.

Under the 12th Malaysia Plan Mid-Term Review, four new road infrastructure projects with a total approved ceiling of RM4 million have been allocated for implementation up to design stage, aligning with the urgent need for the road improvements to resolve traffic congestion as outlined in the Kapit Detailed Masterplan.

A collaboration between RECODA and UNIMAS has resulted in the development of the Socio-Economic Development Plan (SEDP) 2022-2026, aimed at enhancing rural communities' quality of life and identifying growth opportunities. As a result of this collaboration, a total of RM2 million has been allocated to URDA under the Mid-Term Review for socio-economic development in the region.

Highland Development Agency (HDA)

Tuan Speaker, the Highland Development Agency (HDA) has also made significant strides with 51 projects undertaken. A total of 20 infrastructure projects, comprising 19 road and bridge projects and one electricity supply project have been awarded, worth approximately RM576 million.

As to date, the status of these 51 projects is as follows:

- (a) 16 have been completed;
- (b) One is under construction;
- (c) 31 are at the pre-contract stage; and
- (d) Three "*projek sakit*" have been terminated, with one project to be handed over to JKR Sarawak and two to be undertaken by rescue contractor.

The Proposed Construction of New Single Lane Bridge Crossing Sg. Layun at Long Kevok, Miri Division Project with a contract sum of RM9 million is currently under construction and is expected to be completed by the fourth quarter of 2024.

Notably, the project implementation for the road linking Miri-Marudi, Marudi-Mulu (Kuala Melinau) and Long Panai-Long Lama, comprising 160.5 km of single carriageway, nine major bridges, 13 minor bridges and one passenger jetty terminal has been approved, with construction to commence in the first quarter of 2025.

This project will provide a safer and more cost-effective alternative mode of transportation and logistics, complementing the existing air connectivity. Additionally, it is anticipated to stimulate tourism growth, facilitating overall economic development in the region.

Under the 12th Malaysia Plan Mid-Term Review, RM2 million has been allocated for socio-economic development in 2024 and 2025, focusing on scale-up programmes and downstream activities to enhance the quality of life for rural residents in the HDA area.

Betong Division Development Agency (BDDA)

Tuan Speaker, for the information of this august House, projects under the Betong Division Development Agency (BDDA) are funded under Development Expenditure instead of Alternative Funding. BDDA plays a significant role in the planning and implementation of 208 projects in the region.

The approved projects under the BDDA are divided into six sectors, each addressing different aspects of development in the region. In terms of Infrastructure Development, BDDA has approved 67 projects worth RM552.24 million. This sector plays a key role in improving the overall infrastructure of the division, ensuring that residents have access to proper roads, bridges, and other essential amenities.

Under the Social and Women's Affairs Development sector, 45 projects have been approved worth RM384.59 million. This sector focuses on improving social services and promoting women's empowerment within the community.

Agriculture and Food Industry Development is another important sector, with 42 approved projects worth RM255.92 million. These projects aim to boost the agricultural sector in the division and provide support to the local farmers and food producers.

Business, Industrial, and Entrepreneurship Development has also received a significant boost, with 32 approved projects worth RM137.54 million. This sector focuses on promoting business growth and entrepreneurship within the division, creating new opportunities for economic development.

Tourism and Environmental Development also has been approved 13 projects worth RM98.9 million. These projects aim to promote sustainable tourism practices and protect the environment, ensuring that the division remains a desirable destination for visitors.

There are nine projects worth RM34.8 million under the utility and telecommunication development. These projects focus on improving utility services and expanding telecommunication infrastructure within the division.

The implementing agencies that are involved in BDDA projects include JKR Sarawak, Department of Irrigation and Drainage, Department of Agriculture, Majlis Daerah Betong, Majlis Daerah Saratok, Land Custody and Development Authority, Lembaga Kemajuan Sagu dan Nipah, Sarawak Economic Development Corporation and Ministry of Utility and Telecommunication. Each of these agencies plays a crucial role in the planning, implementation, and monitoring of various development projects within the BDDA framework.

As of now, the progress of various projects can be compared in terms of their stages of completion. Currently, there is one project that has been fully completed, nine are currently under implementation and the remaining 198 are at pre-contract stage. One project was completed in March 2024 on the upgrading and maintenance of farm roads at various locations in DUN Kabong (Phase 1) worth RM5 million.

I would like to emphasise the pivotal role of rural development in URDA, HDA and BDDA in realising the aspirations of the PCDS 2030. With concerted efforts and support from all stakeholders, I am confident that these three regional development agencies will contribute significantly to improving connectivity, living standards and economic growth in respective regions, thus ensuring a brighter future for the *rakyat*.

OTHER PORTFOLIO UNDER THE PURVIEW OF DEPUTY PREMIER

Unit for Other Religions (UNIFOR)

Tuan Speaker, now I am responding to another Portfolio under my office. The allocation given to UNIFOR in 2023 amounting to RM100 million was fully utilised as follows:

- (a) RM80 million for construction and repairing works of 477 House of Worships; and
- (b) RM20 million for 127 mission schools.

Thank you, YAB Premier, for increasing the allocation.

The Sarawak Government is committed to strengthen its policy of inclusivity by increasing the allocation given to UNIFOR amounting to RM110 million in 2024. From the RM110 million grant, a sum of RM90 million has been allocated for construction, repair and upgrading Houses of Worships. As of May 2024, an approved Phase 1 allocation involved an amount of RM14.34 million for 32 projects. For the approved Phase 2, a sum of RM40.87 million was allocated for 91 projects. This assistance will be disbursed soon. The allocation of RM20 million for mission schools are now in the final compilation to be submitted to the UNIFOR Mission School Executive Committee (UMSEC) for the final endorsement before they are disbursed.

Tuan Speaker, the construction for the UNIFOR building, we have a new building which commenced on 13th July 2022, is expected to be completed in July 2024. The YB Minister for Local Government promised that. The permit/ Occupation Permit (OP) will be issued in early September 2024. Amidst we can move in 2025, the progress completed at 96.38%, lucky we get a good contractor.

State Disaster Management Committee (SDMC)

This Committee has undertaken various programme to prepare the community to face any majority rising out from natural disaster. The last northeast monsoon caused havoc to us and started 11th November 2023, and during these four months Sarawak recorded 24 flood occurrences in five divisions, Kuching, Serian, Betong, Kapit and Bintulu. To assist the disaster victims, we have set up 23 temporary evacuation centres and coordinated by the Committee. In this centre, we are providing food, basic hygiene necessities and all the requirements by the people.

Northeast Monsoon 2023/ 2024

During the monsoon session, a total of 656 households head of disaster victims are moved into temporary evacuation centre and they are entitled for *Bantuan Wang Ihsan*, RM1000 per household. In addition, the Sarawak Welfare Department has allocated the sum of the RM475,553 for the provision of foods and other necessities to the disaster victims at the temporary evacuation centre.

River Conservation Project

YAB Premier also approved fund for the upgrading of various rivers in Sarawak. He had approved RM26.6 million. The purpose is to ensure that these rivers are being clean, clear to avoid being the cause of the flood. So, the project has been implemented up to this year.

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

So, the government provides financial aid of Ringgit Malaysia RM70,000 maximum per household to fire victim, this will be assessed by the relevant technical Government agencies on the ground. Since 2020 until May 2024, a total of 2,430 *pintu* of longhouses and individual houses have

been suffering from been fire victim and the financial aid has been approved RM152.2 million. These financial assistances are indeed critical for fire victim to rebuild their houses.

The State Government also providing fund under JKR to repair infrastructure that was damaged due to flood or erosion. At this juncture, 12 project with the allocation of RM1.89 million have been completed in 2023.

In this respect, to take opportunity to thank the frontliner working closely together with the SDMC to ensure that the victim is being taken care of.

ISSUES RAISED BY THE AHLI-AHLI YANG BERTHORMAT

Tuan Speaker, make sure I address the right Speaker. Tuan Speaker, Sarawak is indeed to have the Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat deeply committed to development to their constituencies well-being the *rakyat*. The active involvement of the Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat in pertinent issues are a clear indication of dedication.

I would express our gratitude to all the Honourable Members who provided valuable suggestions feedback pertaining to my Ministry. These are the important matters that have been brought up in this august House.

I wish to inform Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tamin, on the following project:

- (a) *Membina Jalan Nanga Baoh/ Nanga Tamin/ Stapang Bahagian Mukah;*
- (b) *Projek Membina Jalan Nanga Luam/ Nanga Woh/ Ulu Mukah; and*
- (c) *Projek membina Jalan Ng. Pakoh to Rh. Pantan Ulu Oya, Sib.*

Are expected to be tendered by the first quarter of 2025.

In response to the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tellian, "*Road Construction from Nanga Baoh to Ulu Baoh*" is suspended due to prolonged land issue. Construction will only be continued after the land issues is resolved.

To address the issue raised Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Telang Usan, the *Pembinaan Jambatan Sungai Paong, Long Apu, Ulu Baram*, the construction of Sungai Paong Bridge to Long Apu, Baram, Miri Division in final stage of preparing tender. For the information of the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Kalaka, *pembinaan jalan dari Simpang Bajau ke Kampung Kupang*, tender is expected to be called in June 2024.

On the concern raised by the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Katibas, the construction of the Banjor Makut and review construction of Makut to Nanga Lian, Rumah Peter, tender is expected to be called fourth quarter of 2024.

For the information of the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Machan, on Julau on Jalan Ulu Machan, the project is currently under the tender evaluation stage.

I wish to inform the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Baleh, on Jalan Oyan-Sekero Oyan (Jalan Sungai Lubok Baya/ Klinik Ng. Sekaroh/ Rh. Sylvester Jimba/ Rh. Nansian Naya Oyan, Kapit), the construction is expected to commence by the third quarter 2024.

For the information of the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Daro, propose dual carriageway from Jambatan Muara Lassa to Daro town, the project is currently under the planning stage.

To respond to the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Opar, *Projek Naik Taraf Jalan dari Jalan Biawak ke Kendaie* is currently under pre-contract.

For the information of the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tellian, for the Upgrading of Road at Jalan Tingkas Sebakong, Jalan Bukit Inkerbai, Jalan Lubok Bemban dan Jalan Tajam, Lubok Babi, the project is under pre-contract stage and for Jalan Sebakong, Ulu Sikat Jalan Bemban, it is expected to be tendered second quarter of 2025.

For the information of the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Katibas, Jalan Rumah Jabat/ Nanga Lian Engkuah, tender expected to be called August 2024.

In response to the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Jepak, on the request tar sealed road from Tatau to Kuala Tatau Phase 1 and Phase 2, JKR is in the process of requesting additional allocation for this project.

I wish to inform the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Opar, the construction project of Jalan Selampit is currently under tender stage finally under tender stage.

On the current raised issue by the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Katibas, Rumah Jamba Bridge, tender is expected to be called in the fourth quarter of 2024. As for the Musah Bridge, construction of a temporary bridge is to be completed by the end of this month, I hope to complete it by the end of this month. *Sudah janji lama* and the reconstruction of the Musah Bridge is expected to be tendered next year. Ini jambatan yang runtuh.

To respond to the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Batu Kitang's request to rebuild the Batu Kitang Bridge, it will be incorporated under the Proposed Upgrading of Jalan Kuching-Bau Phase 2.

Immigration, Customs, Quarantine, and Security

For the information of the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tebedu ICQS Tebedu, the project will commence work by the first quarter of 2025.

On Street Lighting

Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Repok, the solar street lighting along Jalan Kwong Ming – Minah to be installed this year.

I wish to inform the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Pelagus the construction of a ferry ramp Nanga Tulie and Nanga Melipis is expected to commence by the third quarter of this year.

For the information of the Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Engkilili, there are six infrastructure road projects under his under area under KKDW and these are at pre-contract stage.

On the various phase on the other requests for street lighting, building, bridges road, upgrading abandoned logging road by the Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat from all the Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, my ministry will deliberate and consider these requests propose the viable projects to be considered under the 13th Malaysia Plan (2026-2030).

Tuan Speaker, I fully support and would like to endorse His Excellency's view that Sarawak is fortunate to have Yang Amat Berhormat Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Zohari bin Tun Abang Haji Openg as the Premier of Sarawak. *(Applause)*. In time of global uncertainties, Sarawak needs a leader that have proven track record, a clear vision and ability to maintain stability while steering our state to a greater height and creating new and more opportunities for all. Our YAB Premier has consistently proven that he is a leader that Sarawak needs, to navigate Sarawak through the complexity of global challenges and changes getting Sarawak into a modern governance in economic transformation. Today, Sarawak is already recognised as a high-income region. *(Applause)*

Under this leadership, Sarawak has seen substantial adjustment in digital transformation, infrastructure development and economic transformation. YAB Premier's visionary initiative pushing for digital economy enhancing connectivity and promoting sustainable environmental practices showcased a forward-thinking leader that respect both our environment and our cultural heritage.

Tuan Speaker, there is an old Japanese proverb, "*Vision without action is a daydream, Action with vision is a nightmare*". YAB Premier is not only a visionary but also a leader that takes action to make sure his vision becomes a reality. (Applause)

His visionary and pragmatic practice towards economic diversification has protect our economy, the only state in Malaysia against multi-global economic shock. His leadership has proven to strengthen our economic resilient, the promotion of Malaysia's religious harmony and economic security. In addition, his determination has brought Sarawak to being financially robust. In 2023, Sarawak has collected a record breaking highest ever revenue collected in history. By supporting the YAB Premier, we are not just endorsing a leader, we are embracing a collective vision for Sarawak that promotes inclusivity, innovation, and inspiration.

Let us all rally behind the YAB Premier, stand united to develop; including the two friends on the other side into a modern economy while maintaining our values that defines us in Sarawak as Sarawakians.

Tuan Speaker, I want to acknowledge my sincere gratitude to Tan Sri Datuk Amar Speaker for effectively handling the proceedings of this august House. Very, very patient.

Tuan Speaker, my appreciation also goes to all the Honourable Members, the Sarawak civil servants, my Ministry and its agencies, members of the media, and everyone's present here for your steadfast dedication and commitment, ensuring the seamless running of this session. Saya juga ingin mengucapkan Selamat Hari Wesak, Hari Gawai, Hari Raya Aidil Adha kepada semua Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat *and also* Selamat Hari Guru. Finally, I have got a few *pantuns*.

*Projek Infrastruktur Giat Dilaksana,
Entiti Pelabuhan Menjadi Satu,
Di Bawah Pimpinan Premier Bijaksana,
Sarawak Makmur Rakyatnya Bersatu.*

*Tanjong Sebekut cukup besai,
Endur kitai betanam padi,
Abang Johari tuai kitai,
Rayat tetap nyukung berari.*

*Gayu Guru Gerai Nyamai,
Lantang Senang Nguan Menua,
Satu Jun Gawai Besai,
Nya alai aku Ngambi Kita Semua Ngabang
Satu Aribulan June ba BCCK.*

Terima kasih.

Tuan Speaker: Dengan segala hormatnya saya menjemput YAB Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) 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; Menteri Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar; dan Menteri Tenaga dan Kelestarian Alam Sekitar (YB Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg): Terima kasih, Tuan

Speaker. Terlebih dahulu, saya mengucapkan tahniah kepada Tun Pehin Sri Dr. Haji Wan Junaidi bin Tuanku Jaafar atas pelantikan beliau sebagai Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak yang kelapan. Semoga dengan pelantikan Tun Pehin Sri, Sarawak dan rakyat Sarawak akan terus menikmati kestabilan, kemajuan dan kemakmuran.

Ucapan sulung Tun Pehin Sri telah memberi inspirasi kepada kita untuk terus membangunkan Sarawak ke arah kemakmuran ekonomi, keterangkuman sosial dan kelestarian alam sekitar seiring dengan aspirasi PCDS 2030.

Tuan Speaker, di kesempatan ini, saya ingin menyampaikan ucapan takziah kepada seluruh keluarga mendiang Senator Datuk Mutang Tagal, Yang di-Pertua Dewan Negara yang ke-20. Saya dan seluruh rakyat Sarawak amat berduka cita dengan pemergian mendiang. Mendiang akan terus dikenang sebagai seorang pemimpin yang berwibawa. Jasa dan sumbangan mendiang akan sentiasa dihargai dan akan terukir dalam lipatan sejarah Sarawak. Semoga roh mendiang bersemadi dengan tenang.

Tuan Speaker, saya ingin mengucapkan penghargaan dan terima kasih kepada Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat yang telah mengambil bahagian dalam perbahasan serta sokongan mereka terhadap Usul Penghargaan Kepada Mantan Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak dan juga Rang Undang-undang yang telah dibentangkan iaitu:

- (a) *Supplementary Supply (2023) Bill, 2024;*
- (b) *Supplementary Supply (2024) Bill, 2024,*
- (c) *Sarawak Ports Authority Bill 2024;*
- (d) *Public Health Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2024;* dan
- (e) *Sarawak Forestry Corporation Bill 2024.*

Kelulusan Rang Undang-undang ini sudah pasti akan melicinkan pelaksanaan pentadbiran dan pembangunan Sarawak. Dalam ucapan penggulungan saya pada petang ini saya hanya akan berkongsi mengenai beberapa pencapaian utama Sarawak serta hala tuju kita ke arah 2030.

Post COVID-19 Development Strategy 2030

Tuan Speaker, three years ago, I launched the PCDS 2030 with a clear vision that is economic prosperity, social inclusivity, and environmental sustainability. I am pleased to inform this august House that we are making significant strides towards these goals. The 12th Malaysia Plan was our starting point in implementing the strategies and initiatives laid out in the PCDS 2030. The 12th Malaysia Plan, which is currently in its fourth year, is scheduled to conclude in December 2025.

We have achieved a multitude of accomplishments, particularly through the successful execution of projects that have brought significant value and substantial impact. These encompass a wide range of projects, such as the construction of physical and digital infrastructure, utilities, environmental initiatives, housing developments, educational institutions, healthcare facilities, and socioeconomic programs.

My administration will continue to rigorously monitor and track our PCDS 2030 targets to actively problem solve and expedite the implementation of Sarawak's priority projects. Preparation for the 13th Malaysia Plan is set to commence this year. The primary focus will be on implementing the second phase of the PCDS 2030.

Tuan Speaker, we welcome the World Bank's recognition of Sarawak as a high-income economy based on our Gross National Income (GNI) per capita of USD18,360. We achieved earlier than our target which is 2030.

Under the 13th Malaysia Plan, we will continue our concerted efforts to increase the median household income and to alleviate hardcore poverty. We will ensure that all *anak Sarawak* receive

the necessary training and education to develop a skilled and productive workforce. With higher efficiency and productivity through the use of technology and innovation, we will be able to increase household incomes, resulting in higher standards of living in Sarawak.

For instance, I have initiated a pilot project for rice production in Lubok Punggor, using high-yielding, hybrid paddy seedlings, supported by the latest agricultural technology and infrastructure. This proof-of-concept project has demonstrated increased productivity with the ability to produce five harvesting seasons within two years, effectively boosting our farmers' incomes to an estimated RM6,400 per hectare per month. Meaning they will be out of the poverty bracket.

We are expanding this initiative to Tanjung Bijat in Sri Aman, Spaoh in Betong and Tanjung Purun in Lundu. Besides, the areas that been mentioned by my colleague, Minister for Food Industry, Commodity, and Regional Development. I am confident that Sarawak will not only achieve its rice self-sufficiency level, but also become a net rice exporter by 2030.

Tuan Speaker,

Malaysia Agreement 1963

Securing Sarawak's rightful entitlements under the Malaysia Agreement 1963 remains a top priority. My administration is actively continuing the discussions with the Federal Government, and we are making significant progress. I am pleased to share some of our recent MA63 achievements.

(a) Health And Education

The Federal Government has approved the immediate construction of the Sarawak Cancer Centre. In order to expedite the implementation of this project, the Federal Government has also agreed for Sarawak Government to use our own funds, with full reimbursement from the Federal Government.

I am pleased to inform this august House that this arrangement is also applicable for us to expedite the development of dilapidated schools and clinics, particularly in the rural areas. The Sarawak Education Department has also been empowered with the authority to approve the implementation projects that are directly funded by the Sarawak Government. This delegation of power aims to streamline the bureaucratic process for the implementation of education projects in Sarawak.

(b) Bintulu Port Authority

As mentioned by my colleague, the Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal and Sarawak Government was signed in March 2024 to facilitate the process of changing the status of Bintulu Port to a State Port. It is expected that the whole handover process will be completed by the end of this year.

I wish to record my appreciation to the Prime Minister and the Federal Government for their cooperation and support. I am confident that the pending matters under the MA63 will also gain the Federal Government's endorsement and finalisation.

Tuan Speaker,

Oil & Gas

Sarawak's oil and gas sector, bolstered by Carbon Capture, Utilisation and Storage (CCUS), is projected to surpass RM60 billion in GDP contribution by 2030. I am elated that Sarawak's oil and gas sector has yielded significant achievements in recent years. Last year, we secured RM10 billion from PETRONAS comprising of sales tax, dividends, and royalty. Record in history. *(Applause)*.

Sarawak has also kickstarted a promising CCUS industry. We will have three landmarked Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) projects signed this year, namely the Kasawari-M1 project, the Lang Lebah-Golok project, and the storage of industrial CO₂ emissions M3 project.

I would like to assure this august House that the Sarawak Government has developed the necessary legal and regulatory framework for the CCS sector to safeguard the rights and environmental safety of Sarawak. All companies wanting to develop and operate CCS in Sarawak must comply to our legal and regulatory framework, including the requirements of the Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA).

According to the CCUS Market Global Opportunity Analysis and Industry Forecast 2023-2032, the global CCS market presents a compelling opportunity, with a projected compound annual growth rate of 13.3%. Sarawakian companies are uniquely positioned to capitalise on this nascent market as the region's early movers and I urge them to develop their expertise in this field, establishing themselves as leaders in the upcoming regional CCS projects.

With our oil and gas, and CCUS industry activities accelerating, Sarawak's Oil & Gas, Services and Equipment (OGSE) players play an important role in the success and attainment of this ambition. Malaysia's OGSE sector is projected to reach RM40 billion to RM50 billion by 2030. By leveraging Sarawak's growing oil and gas activity, local OGSE companies can partner and learn from the industry leaders, propelling them to regional prominence and ultimately, global success.

We envision a future with Sarawak OGSE companies listed on the stock exchange, with substantial valuations comparable to international OGSE players.

PETROS as the Gas Aggregator for Sarawak

Tuan Speaker, since March 2024, PETROS has commenced engagements with PETRONAS, upstream gas producers and downstream gas buyers on the Distribution of Gas (DGO) (Amendment) Ordinance, 2023, passed in this august House which states that PETROS is the only party mandated to buy, distribute, and sell gas as the single buyer and single seller in Sarawak. *(Applause)*.

The appointment of PETROS as the gas aggregator for Sarawak marks a significant step forward towards managing our gas resources to ensure availability of gas domestically for power generation as well as new and existing industries required to spur growth and development across Sarawak. PETROS and PETRONAS are working together to ensure a seamless transition for the gas aggregator role which we expect to be completed by the third quarter of 2024.

The gas aggregator's role will enable PETROS to invest in gas infrastructure to accelerate the development of the four strategic hubs under the Sarawak Gas Roadmap which will attract more than RM100 billion of foreign direct investment and domestic direct investment opportunities.

Commitment to Address Climate Change

Tuan Speaker, the World Meteorological Organisation declared 2023 the hottest year on record, with temperatures reaching 1.45°C above pre-industrial levels, nearing the 1.5°C threshold of the Paris Agreement. This year they say might be even warmer. Last month, heatwaves across the ASEAN countries, and flooding in Dubai, Guangdong, and Houston highlighted that climate change can impact any region globally. Just last week, Brazil also experienced severe floods, further emphasising that regions like Sarawak, where biodiversity and livelihoods are at immediate risks are not alone in facing these challenges. As the world becomes warmer, we are likely to witness more extreme weather and climate events.

Spearheading climate action, Sarawak is establishing a Climate Change Centre. I think we are the first in this region to have this Climate Change Centre. *(Applause)*. This central hub will

coordinate, manage, and support all climate change initiatives and carbon trading in Sarawak. The study on establishing this important centre has now reached its completion stage, paving the way for its upcoming development.

Tuan Speaker, we are crafting a climate change policy to establish a carbon footprint baseline. This effort will empower communities, businesses, and policymakers to tackle emissions and promote low-carbon technologies, paving the way for a sustainable future for Sarawak.

We are also crafting low-carbon society blueprints to improve waste and flood management, cut urban carbon emissions, and promote green technology and practices to minimise climate change impacts.

Last month, I was invited to speak at the "*Regions for the Planet*" forum during H2Poland 2024 in Poznan, Poland, discussing Sarawak's innovative strategies for economic and social challenges in climate solutions. I highlighted our focus on hydrogen's key role in our clean energy strategy and its importance in decarbonisation efforts. During the forum, I emphasised Sarawak's commitment to climate action, demonstrated by our swift enactment of the following laws:

- (a) Environment (Reduction of Greenhouse Gases Emission) Bill, 2023; and
- (b) Carbon Storage and Forest Carbon Activity Rules 2022 which established a regulatory framework supporting forest conservation projects and enhancing our sustainability initiatives through carbon credit systems.

My discussions explored green bonds and international financing for implementing climate mitigation technologies. I stressed the importance of global collaboration, effective policies, and technological advancements in achieving a sustainable green economy.

Tuan Speaker, I have also been invited to deliver a keynote address at the Future Energy Asia Exhibition and Summit in Bangkok this coming Friday. (*Applause*); where I will share our key developments in our green economy initiatives. Indeed, Sarawak is in the radar of international people who are concerned on climate change. Kalau dulu tak tahu Sarawak, sekarang dunia sudah tahu Sarawak. (*Applause*).

Tuan Speaker,

Clean Energy for Economic Development

The urgency to combat climate change is clear. The International Energy Agency estimates tripling renewable energy could significantly reduce emissions by 2030.

Sarawak is leading the charge towards a sustainable future by advancing decarbonisation and green energy initiatives. This aligns with both local and global environmental goals. Our vision for a greener Sarawak prioritises significant investments in green technologies and infrastructure to diversify our energy mix beyond traditional sources. Leveraging our diverse energy mix, rich in hydroelectric and renewables, Sarawak has emerged as a regional green powerhouse in ASEAN. Our commitment to green innovation is evident in expanding green hydrogen, Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) from microalgae, and exploring innovative technology such as hybrid solar-wind projects.

Tuan Speaker, we will prioritise our energy allocation for domestic use in Sarawak. With our plans to double clean electricity generation to 10GW that is 10,000 megawatt by 2030, we will continue to offer competitive energy rates to investors in Sarawak, while only excess energy generated will be exported to neighbouring countries namely Brunei, Indonesia, and Singapore. The development of the cross-border transmission infrastructure will ensure electricity grid stability in the ASEAN region, while enabling Sarawak to recoup its energy investment costs. Sarawak's new

energy generation strategy includes constructing cascading power sources along rivers to generate electricity, minimising the need for inundating large land areas.

Saya ingin memaklumkan Dewan yang mulia ini bahawa pembangunan tenaga berdasarkan kaedah *cascading power sources* yang mesra alam ini bukan hanya dapat menjana tenaga boleh baharu, malah dapat memberi pulangan ekonomi tambahan kepada penduduk setempat. Pendekatan ini adalah selaras dengan komitmen kerajaan kita terhadap kelestarian pembangunan tenaga boleh baharu untuk kemakmuran Sarawak.

As Sarawak diversifies its clean energy portfolio, Tanjung Kidurong in Bintulu is poised to become one of the earliest locations worldwide to explore electricity generation from wave energy. Ini adalah lain daripada yang lain. Sarawak ini memang inovatif, Tuan Speaker. Harnessing the kinetic energy of the ocean could significantly contribute to our renewable energy portfolio, advancing our commitment to sustainable development and reinforcing our regional environmental leadership.

I recently visited the Drax Power Station in the United Kingdom, as they have successfully shifted from coal to biomass. The insights gained from the Drax Power Station provides Sarawak with a framework to develop sustainable energy solutions. This visit reinforced our plans to enhance and diversify Sarawak's renewable energy sector by converting our coal power plants to biomass, utilising wood pellets.

I wish to inform this august House that the biomass fuel derived from wood pellets are predominantly using by-products from timber activities. We are committed on sustainable management practices to balance economic utilisation with environmental conservation. By embracing advanced and cost-effective biomass technologies, we could develop a new, more efficient power plant tailored to the availability of our local resources.

While this initiative requires a significant initial investment, it promises substantial long-term benefits and fosters a circular economy. The surplus energy generated can be redirected to energize various sectors of our economy and sold at premium rates.

Hydrogen as Catalyst for Clean Fuels

Tuan Speaker, I stand firm for Sarawak to push towards greater economic diversification to ensure the energy security and prosperity of Sarawak. Our conviction in the new economy will drive the development of new growth sectors aligning with global trends and leading the way for Malaysia.

This compels Sarawak to accelerate its transition to green energy, including electrification and hydrogen and several catalytic projects that have been initiated. These catalytic projects are crucial for the development of more high-value downstream industries, such as clean fuels and chemicals namely, green ammonia, green methanol, which can add value to our economy.

Clean hydrogen is key in the production of clean ammonia and methanol to be used in clean fuels. Methanol is garnering increasing attention as a viable option for marine fuel due to its potential to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and address sustainability concerns in the shipping industry. Actually, Tuan Speaker, Merc has shifted the used of fossil fuels to methanol where they have shifted 20% of their fleet using green methanol and they are going to substitute fossil fuels.

Green methanol can be produced from green hydrogen via the methanol synthesis process, using green carbon from biomass. There are various industrial applications of methanol, including as a feedstock for the production of chemicals, plastic, as a substitute for transportation fuels. Recognising this, organisations such as the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) are actively engaged in developing guidelines for the design and operation of ships utilising green methanol as marine fuel of the future.

I am proud to share that Sarawak now owns, on our own a methanol plant in Tanjung Kidurong, Bintulu (*Applause*) with a production capacity of 1.75 million tonnes per annum operated by Sarawak Petchem Sdn. Bhd. This methanol plant uses natural gas as feedstock, and I am proud to inform this august House that the commercial operations will commence on 22nd July 2024 which coincides with this year's Sarawak Day celebration.

As part of their commitment to lowering carbon emissions, Sarawak Petchem has also inked the Memorandum of Understanding with PETRONAS Chemicals Group to undertake a feasibility study to develop the first low-carbon ammonia and urea production plant in this region.

Tuan Speaker,

Sarawak as Regional Trading Hub

Given Sarawak's strategic location in Borneo and our role in global supply chains, especially in the energy sector, consolidating our port activities under the Sarawak Ports Authority is a strategic and timely initiative.

To ensure maximum operational efficiency, we must equip our ports with state-of-the-art infrastructure, including deep-water access and advanced cargo-handling capabilities. Our ports will offer seamless intermodal connections and comply with the highest international standards for environmental, safety, and security practices.

The transition to greener and smarter port operations is gaining momentum across ASEAN, with investments increasingly directed towards reducing environmental impacts and enhancing automation. We are committed to promoting clean and green shipping practices that adhere to global standards.

We are set to produce green fuel for shipping, establish ourselves as the regional hub for green fuel bunkering, and implement a Common Utilities Corridor. This integrated, streamlined approach will boost operational efficiency and align with Sarawak's vision for advanced, environmentally conscious port facilities.

For this reason, we are currently undertaking an engineering study for the development of a deep-sea port in Tanjung Embang, not only to propel Sarawak as a regional trading hub, but also as the energy hub for the southern region. This transition solidifies Sarawak's leadership in regional development. It aims to elevate our ports to global status, positioning Sarawak as the regional trading hub and a key player in ASEAN's pursuit of a cleaner, greener future.

Moreover, with the takeover of MASwings, Sarawak is poised to become another aviation regional hub for ASEAN. In this regard, we are planning to develop a new international airport in Kuching to support the growing aviation industry in Sarawak. (*Applause*). Supported by a regulatory framework that promotes transparency, our ports and airports are vital drivers of regional development and global economic integration.

With our comprehensive enhancements of intermodal transportation and logistics network, Sarawak is poised to become a pivotal regional hub for connectivity within ASEAN. This is in line with the ASEAN Vision 2040, which aims to create a deeply integrated and highly cohesive ASEAN economy.

Importance of Private Sector Investments

Tuan Speaker, Achieving PCDS 2030 GDP target of RM282 billion requires aggressive economic diversification and private investments. Our political stability, commitment to green solutions, and reliable green energy, position Sarawak as standout in the region.

Typically, the private sector contributes 70% of gross capital formation in Sarawak, and we will strengthen our relationship with key private sector players, whether local or international. I am proud to share that the EU-Malaysia Business Day, held in February in Kuching, was attended by 17 Ambassadors from EU Member States as well as EU key business personnel. Sarawak is focusing on creating interest to lure potential investors to Sarawak in the areas of renewable energy and digital economy.

These engagements with key international industry players are a testament of Sarawak's attractiveness as a regional trading hub from a global investment perspective. The Sarawak Government will continue efforts to facilitate investments and trade, actively collaborate with financial institutions, local and foreign stakeholders to improve access to finance and ease of doing business. Our Government Linked Companies (GLCs) play a crucial role, not only in Sarawak's development agenda, but also in bringing in various partners to spur Sarawak's economic growth. GLCs must make expedient efforts towards financial independence from government funding, and secure funding from investors, financial and capital markets.

Tuan Speaker, I foresee that the space industry will be the new frontier for economic growth and technological advancement for Sarawak. It offers huge economic, institutional, regulatory, talent and technology development opportunities.

With Sarawak located just north of the equator, I believe we are ideally positioned as a launching pad for aerospace industries. For that, I have instructed i-CATS University College to establish an aerospace faculty to prepare our talented *anak Sarawak* for this industry. (*Applause*).

We have also initiated a collaboration between Sarawak Microelectronics Design (SMD) Semiconductor Sdn. Bhd. and a UK based company to produce compound chips design tailored for the aerospace industry.

PENUTUP

Tuan Speaker, sebagai penutup, Sarawak telah mencapai banyak kejayaan pada tahun 2023 atas usaha dan komitmen sektor awam dan sektor swasta.

Untuk mencapai aspirasi Sarawak maju dan berpendapatan tinggi menjelang tahun 2030, kita perlu meningkatkan usaha untuk terus mewujudkan sumber ekonomi baharu demi kemajuan dan kemakmuran Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker: Honourable Premier, are you taking part for the clarification?

Premier Sarawak; Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru; Menteri Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar; dan Menteri Tenaga dan Kelestarian Alam Sekitar (YAB Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Abang Haji Openg): Ya, ya.

YB Encik Chong Chieng Jen: Thank you, Tuan Speaker. Thank you, Right Honourable Premier. Ya, just one question on the issue of DBazaar that I've raised. I've waited through all the winding up of the Ministers but this issue that I have raised in my debate was not answered by any of the Ministers. I hope that the Yang Amat Berhormat Premier can address this issue and if not, at least some written answer be given after the sitting. Thank you, Tuan Speaker.

Premier Sarawak; Menteri Kewangan dan Ekonomi Baru; Menteri Sumber Asli dan Pembangunan Bandar; dan Menteri Tenaga dan Kelestarian Alam Sekitar (YAB Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Abang Haji Openg): Some legal, what do you call legal issues here between Sarawak Pay and DBazaar but will give you written answer. I thought over the durian also. (*Laughter*). (*Applause*).

Tuan Speaker, kita perlu meningkatkan tahap kemahiran dan pembangunan sumber manusia untuk mencapai aspirasi 2030 Sarawak. Pembangunan modal insan merupakan kunci utama untuk menjamin kemakmuran jangka panjang Sarawak.

Oleh yang demikian, kita telah mengambil langkah untuk memberi pengajian percuma kepada anak Sarawak di institusi pengajian tinggi milik Kerajaan Sarawak seperti University of Technology Sarawak, Curtin University, Swinburne University of Technology, i-CATS University College, dan CENTEXS, Insya-Allah, mulai 2026.

Tuan Speaker, ada orang tanya, *"Why not 2025, Why not 2024"*. But Kerajaan Sarawak is a responsible kerajaan. We have to plan properly. We cannot rush. Once we implement this project will be a long-term policy. So, I wish to assure anybody who has doubts that the Sarawak Government is a very responsible government. We plan early. (Applause). Inisiatif strategik ini akan memberi peluang kepada anak Sarawak yang layak untuk mengejar pendidikan tinggi dan menyumbangkan bakat unik mereka kepada pembangunan sosioekonomi Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, dua minggu yang lepas, Perdana Menteri Malaysia telah mengumumkan kenaikan gaji melebihi 13% untuk penjawat awam Persekutuan mulai Disember tahun ini. Kerajaan GPS menerima baik pengumuman ini dan akan turut melaksanakan pelarasan gaji untuk penjawat awam Sarawak. (Applause). Ini kerana Kerajaan GPS sangat menghargai komitmen dan pengorbanan seluruh penjawat awam Sarawak.

Buat masa ini, kita sedang menjalankan kajian terperinci mengenai pelarasan ini agar ianya lebih kompetitif selaras dengan tugas dan tanggungjawab penjawat awam Sarawak serta kekuatan kewangan Kerajaan Sarawak. Insya-Allah, saya akan mengumumkan hasil kajian ini dalam tempoh terdekat tertakluk kepada perincian (*details*) pelarasan gaji yang akan dikeluarkan oleh Kerajaan Persekutuan yang dijangka diketahui hanya dalam Bajet Persekutuan hujung tahun ini. Only after the Budget Session we will know the details then on the Sarawak part we will implement our side of salary revision.

Tuan Speaker, Sarawak akan menganjurkan Sukan Malaysia (SUKMA) ke-21 dari 17 hingga 24 Ogos 2024 dan SUKMA Para ke-21 dari 20 hingga 28 September 2024. Sama-samalah kita memberi sokongan penuh kepada atlet kita yang akan mewakili Sarawak tahun ini. (Applause). Saya mengucapkan terima kasih kepada rakan saya Menteri Sukan dan juga kepada Menteri Wanita, YB Dato Sri Hajah Fatimah Abdullah yang juga terbabit dalam Para SUKMA. Kejayaan atlet kita dalam SUKMA dan SUKMA Para akan membolehkan mereka mencipta nama di peringkat kebangsaan dan seterusnya peringkat antarabangsa.

Akhir kata, saya juga ingin mengucapkan terima kasih kepada Tuan Speaker, Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, Yang Berhormat Setiausaha Kerajaan Sarawak, Ketua-ketua Jabatan, anggota perkhidmatan awam serta semua warga kerja Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak yang telah mengendalikan persidangan DUN dengan teratur dan cemerlang.

Tuan Speaker, *Ke pasar Gedong...I'm from Gedong.* (Applause)

*Ke pasar Gedong membeli labang,
Iboh lupa makan mi udang,
Selesai udah kita bersidang,
Demi Sarawak, teruskan berjuang.*

*Yee sang sudah, rendang pun sudah,
Sekarang pansuh bakal dihidang,
Kekalkan perpaduan Sarawak yang indah,
Untuk dinikmati generasi mendatang.*

*Terbang kenyalang di waktu senja,
Hinggap sebentar di Padang Merdeka,
Selamat Hari Gawai kepada semua,
Lantang Senang Nguan Menoa.*

Terima kasih.

Tuan Speaker: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, I shall now call upon the Honourable Member for Tamin to wind up.

YB Ir. Christopher Gira @ Gira anak Sambang: Thank you again, Tuan Speaker, for giving me opportunity to move this motion of our Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak, Tun Pehin Sri Dr. Haji Wan Junaidi bin Tuanku Jaafar's address in this august House on 6th May 2024.

Tuan Speaker, on behalf of my family and the *rakyat* of DUN Tamin, I would like to extend heartfelt condolences to the family of late Senate President, Yang Berhormat Datuk Mutang Tagal who has passed away on 10th May 2024. His passing is a great loss to Sarawak and in particular to the Lun Bawang community. May his soul rest in peace.

Tuan Speaker, during this Dewan Undangan Negeri sessions for period of eight days in this august House four Bills and one motion passed namely:

- (a) Supplementary Supply (2023) Bill, 2024;
- (b) Supplementary Supply (2024) Bill, 2024;
- (c) Sarawak Ports Authority Bill, 2024;
- (d) Sarawak Forestry Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2024;
- (e) Protection of Public Health (Amendment) Bill, 2024;

And one Motion that is the Motion of Appreciation to the former Tuan Yang Terutama di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak, the late Tun Pehin Sri Taib Mahmud. I would like to congratulate the Ministers and Honourable Members for tabling and debating on those Bills respectively and was passed in this august House.

I also like to congratulate Yang Amat Berhormat Premier for tabling the Motion of Appreciation to the late Tun Taib in this august House on 8th May 2024. 29 Honourable Members in this august House inclusive of Ministers, Deputy Ministers and Backbenchers participated in this Motion. With the exception of the Honourable Member for Padungan who objected the Motion, this shows the Honourable Members' acknowledgement to the contributions of the late Tun Taib to our beloved Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, I totally agree with the Honourable Member for Bawang Assan that we need to see some good from the bad. On the same day of the passing of late Tun Taib, Honourable Member for Padungan posted on his Facebook account dated 21st February 2024, quoted to say, *"though we may disagree on certain policies during his tenure as Chief Minister, but overall, he has contributed tremendously to the development of the state, laying strong foundation for the present government and to the state to another level"*. Today, when we looked at his statement on 21st February 2024 versus his rejection on 8th May 2024, I wanted to say that clearly that the Yang Berhormat bagi Padungan as the Chairman of state's DAP for Sarawak is contradicting his own statement.

Tuan Speaker, DUN sitting this time is merrier when the number of GPS Backbencher seats increased compared to the previous DUN sitting with the addition of the Yang Berhormat bagi Bawang Assan, Yang Berhormat bagi Ba'Kelalan, and the Yang Behormat bagi Engkilili. Plus, the Yang Berhormat bagi Batu Lintang who recognized GPS as successful to manage the Sarawak Government. (*Applause*).

Here, I would like to welcome them to the GPS family. This is an indication that the GPS Government, under the leadership of the Yang Amat Berhormat Premier is gaining support because the proven track record in bringing the developments to Sarawak. I have full confidence under the YAB Premier leadership...(Interruption)...

Tuan Speaker: Honourable Member do not reply. The Member for Tamin is winding up. There is no right of rebuttal, if I allow, it will go endlessly at infinite time. Proceed.

YB Ir. Christopher Gira @ Gira anak Sambang: Thank you, Tuan Speaker. I have the confidence under the Yang Amat Berhormat Premier's leadership, Sarawak will become a top GDP contributor in Malaysia to overtake Selangor and the Federal Territory of Kuala Lumpur. In Malaysia, we have the Unity Government under the leadership of Yang Amat Berhormat Prime Minister, Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim, in Sarawak, I am pleased to call it United Government, *Segulai Sejalai* Government under the leadership of the Yang Amat Berhormat Premier Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg.

Tuan Speaker, during the eight days sitting, my fellow Honourable Members in this august House showed very comprehensive debates, participated in Bills, or brought up issues regarding their own respective constituencies. I also agreed with the suggestion of my Honourable Members in this august House, the name of the Dewan Undangan Negeri to be elevated to the Parliament of Sarawak or Legislative of Sarawak in consideration of Sarawak is a region in Malaysia.

On behalf of my fellow Backbenchers, I take this opportunity to thank all Ministers, Deputy Ministers to answering the questions and reply all the debates respectively. Not forgetting, I wish to thank the Yang Berhormat Tuan Speaker and Yang Berhormat Deputy Speaker and the DUN staffs for the well organised proceedings in this august House, ensuring that it was conducted with dignity and proper decorum.

I also would like to put on record my thanks and appreciations to the Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar State Secretary of Sarawak and officers from various ministries, state, and federal departments as well as the government agencies for their hard work and dedication to ensuring the smooth proceedings of this august House. My special thanks also go to the media who have provided coverage throughout the sittings.

Before I conclude my speech, I think it is not too late for me to wish our Muslim friends *Selamat Hari Raya Aidilfitri dan Maaf Zahir dan Batin*, *Selamat Hari Wesak*, *Selamat Hari Guru kepada tenaga pengajar*. For our Dayak communities, we are going to celebrate *Gawai Dayak* soon, *Selamat Hari Gawai*, *Guyu Guru Gerai Nyamai*, *Lantang Senang Nguan Menua*. Last but not least, I would like to share two *pantuns* to conclude my speech.

*Burung kenyalang terbangnya pagi,
Sesudah senja barulah pulang,
Sarawak maju makmur itu sudah pasti,
Marilah kita bersama jadikan ianya realiti.*

*Bukit Sematan pulau Sumatera,
Gunung selatan di Kota Jawa,
Sudah tiba Ahli Yang Berhormat turun padang dan buat kerja,
Di persidangan Dewan akan datang kita bersua.*

With that Tuan Speaker, I beg to move the Motion of Appreciation of the royal address by the Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak in this august House on 6th May 2024. Thank you very much.

Tuan Speaker: Honourable Member for Kota Sentosa to second.

YB Encik Yap Yau Sin: Thank you, Tuan Speaker. Before I proceed to second the Motion, I would like to congratulate Tuan Speaker for conducting the proceedings by the book in accordance with the Standing Orders. With that, I second the Motion. Thank you.

Tuan Speaker: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, the question is that the Motion in the name of Ahli Yang Berhormat bagi Tamin, Yang Berhormat Ir. Christopher Gira @ Gira anak Sambang in appreciation of the Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri's address be approved. As many as are of the opinion say "Yes".

Government: Yes... (Resounding "Yes")

Tuan Speaker: As many as are of the contrary opinion say "No". The "Yes" have it. The Motion is approved.

USUL PENANGGUHAN

Timbalan Menteri Belia, Sukan dan Pembangunan Usahawan (Pembangunan Usahawan) (YB Datuk Dr Ripin bin Lamat): Tuan Speaker, Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.

Tuan Speaker: Waalaikumsalam.

Timbalan Menteri Belia, Sukan dan Pembangunan Usahawan (Pembangunan Usahawan) (YB Datuk Dr. Ripin bin Lamat): Salam Sejahtera, Salam Sarawakku Sayang, Salam Sarawak Maju Makmur.

Terlebih dahulu, saya ingin mengucapkan terima kasih kerana diberi peluang untuk menyampaikan Usul Penangguhan untuk Mesyuarat Pertama bagi Penggal Ketiga Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak Ke-19 yang telah berlangsung pada 6 Mei hingga 15 Mei 2024.

Tuan Speaker, terlebih dahulu saya ingin merakamkan ucapan setinggi-tinggi tahniah kepada Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak, Tun Pehin Sri Dr. Haji Wan Junaidi bin Tuanku Jaafar atas pelantikan sebagai Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak yang kelapan. Setinggi-tinggi penghargaan dan terima kasih kepada Tuan Yang Terutama Tun atas ucapan pembukaan persidangan DUN pada 6 Mei 2024 yang lalu.

Tuan Speaker, sebelum meneruskan Ucapan Usul Penangguhan Persidangan pada petang ini, saya ingin mengucapkan takziah kepada seluruh keluarga Almarhum Tun Pehin Sri Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud, mantan Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak, yang telah kembali ke rahmatullah pada 21 Februari 2024. Ibarat pepatah melayu, "*harimau mati meninggalkan belang, manusia mati meninggalkan jasa dan nama*".

Tuan Speaker, "*a fit like no other*", 33 years of serving as the Chief Minister and 10 years as Governor of Sarawak, Almarhum Tun Pehin Sri Taib has led a strong and sustainable foundation for his successors, Almarhum Pehin Sri Tok Nan and now our YAB Premier to lead Sarawak to greater heights. Marilah kita sama-sama doakan semoga roh Almarhum dicucuri rahmat oleh Allah S.W.T. dan ditempatkan dalam kalangan orang-orang yang beriman dan beramal soleh. Aamiin Ya Rabbal Alamin.

Tuan Speaker, saya juga ingin mengucapkan salam takziah kepada keluarga mendiang Yang Berhormat Senator Datuk Mutang Tagal, Yang di-Pertua Dewan Negara yang telah meninggal dunia pada 10 Mei 2024.

Tuan Speaker, Ucapnama Perasmian Persidangan oleh Tuan Yang Terutama telah dibahas oleh Ahli-ahli Dewan yang mulia ini dengan kupasan, huraian dan cetusan buah fikiran yang bernas dan berinformatif.

Kebijaksanaan kepimpinan YAB Premier dan Kerajaan Gabungan Parti Sarawak (GPS) serta penekanan terhadap pembangunan berteraskan kemakmuran ekonomi, keterangkuman sosial dan kemampuan alam sekitar berpaksikan Pasca *COVID-19 Development Strategy* (PCDS 2030) amat penting untuk memacu Sarawak menjadikan wilayah maju menjelang 2030.

Tuan Yang Terutama juga menegaskan agar semua pihak bersatu padu, saling hormat menghormati dengan semangat toleransi dan mempertahankan kestabilan politik di Sarawak. Kekalkan hubungan akrab dengan Kerajaan Pusat untuk merealisasikan tuntutan-tuntutan hak Sarawak seperti yang termaktub dalam *Malaysia Agreement 1963* (MA63), IGC, Perlembagaan Persekutuan dan Perlembagaan Negeri Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, Tuan Yang Terutama juga yakin Sarawak dapat menggalas tanggungjawab menjadi tuan rumah Sukan Malaysia (SUKMA) dan Para SUKMA Ke-21 pada tahun ini dan menyeru semua pihak bekerjasama memastikan SUKMA ini akan berjalan dengan jayanya.

Di sini saya ingin merayu kepada semua yang berada di dalam Dewan ini dan masyarakat umum seluruh Sarawak untuk memberikan sokongan padu kepada pasukan SUKMA Sarawak dan juga PARA SUKMA "*Our Star Our Pride*", dengan slogan "*Agi Idup, Agi Ngelaban*" dan memastikan kita akan mencapai kejayaan cemerlang.

Tuan Speaker, pada persidangan kali ini lima *government bills* dan dua usul telah dibentangkan iaitu Usul Penghargaan kepada mantan Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak dan Usul Penghargaan Atas Ucapan Tuan Yang Terutama Yang di-Pertua Negeri Sarawak.

Kesemua Usul-usul dan Rang Undang-undang ini telah dibahas dengan meluas dan komprehensif dan semua Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat yang mengambil bahagian, baikny dari Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat Kerajaan GPS, Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat yang Pro-GPS dan dua orang Ahli Yang Berhormat Pembangkang, telah mengutarakan pandangan dan juga ulasan. Masing-masing memberi pendapat, cadangan menjurus kepada ketelusan dan kebaikan tadbir urus Kerajaan.

Syukur alhamdulillah semua usul-usul dan Rang Undang-undang ini telah diluluskan dalam persidangan ini.

Tuan Speaker,

SARAWAK PORTS AUTHORITY BILL, 2024

Easier said than done, but under the leadership of the YAB Premier who mooted this idea now becomes a reality. This Bill, considered as the catalyst for long-term economical strategic planning to drive and leapfrogged Sarawak's economy position in the region and throughout the world, in line with the PCDS 2030.

Tuan Speaker, "*A leader is one, who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way*", quoted by John C. Maxwell. The PCDS 2030 Master Plan, Sarawak Sovereign Wealth Fund, taking over of the Bakun Dam, the MA63 negotiation achievements, SST on oil & gas and petroleum products, taking over of the Bintulu Port, digital economy initiative, data storage and gas aggregator, this shows the YAB Premier's outstanding capability, courage, wisdom, and far-sightedness in making Sarawak a developed state by year 2030.

Perancangan pengambilalihan dan memiliki syarikat penerbangan dan *commercial bank* sendiri akan menjadi satu lagi *key landmark or magnificent achievements leadership of the YAB Premier*. Dan tadi kita pun baru mendengar satu lagi cadangan pembinaan lapangan terbang antarabangsa yang baru yang akan menjadikan Sarawak ke satu era baru dalam *aviation industry*. Sudah pasti dengan pembinaan lapangan terbang ini ia akan menjadikan satu *prime over* kepada ekonomi di Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, *"The task of the leader is to get his people from where they are to where they have not been"*, quoted by Henry Kissinger. *"When the whole world is silent, even one voice becomes powerful"*, quoted by Malala Yousafzai.

This is well translated with the bold initiative by the YAB Premier embarking on climate change, Net Zero Carbon Emission by 2050, Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF), biomass, green economy, circular economy, waste to energy, hydrogen, cascading dam, and wave enertik energy as well as Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage (CCUS). The YAB Premier has brought us to the new era of science and technology advancement as well as new sources of revenue for long-term financial sustainability.

Tuan Speaker, *"Leadership is the capacity to translate a vision into reality"*, quoted by Warren Bennis. The establishment of PETROS, Development Bank of Sarawak (DBOS), Sarawak Ports Authority, free tertiary education to Sarawakian student in state-owned IPTs starting from 2026 are the testament of a visionary leadership of the YAB Premier.

Tuan Speaker, *"leadership is the key to 99% of all successful efforts"*, quoted by Erskine Bowles. The leadership of the YAB Premier and GPS Government stands as the lynchpin for Malaysia's political stability, ensuring our state's progress, anchoring our collective aspirations with steadfast leadership and far-sighted governance. Let us stand tall, we are the architects of our destiny, the stewards of our prosperity, the guardians of a future where every Sarawakian can soar to new heights, unbound by adversities, and fuelled by the promise of a brighter tomorrow.

Tuan Speaker, saya ingin merakamkan ucapan tahniah kepada Yang Berhormat Senator Pele Peter Tinggom, bekas Setiausaha Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak yang telah dilantik sebagai Senator Dewan Negara dan kita mengucapkan selamat bertugas kepada beliau.

Terima Kasih kepada Yang Berhormat Tan Sri Speaker, Yang Berhormat Dato Timbalan Speaker, Setiausaha dan semua warga kerja Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak di atas komitmen dan kecemerlangan menjayakan persidangan ini.

Tuan Speaker, terima kasih juga kepada Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Setiausaha Kerajaan Sarawak, Yang Berbahagia Datuk Setiausaha Kerajaan Persekutuan dan jentera kerja Perkhidmatan Awam Sarawak dan Persekutuan yang telah membantu dalam menjayakan persidangan ini.

Saya juga ingin mengucapkan tahniahlah kepada kedua-dua kakitangan Kerajaan Sarawak dan Pusat yang mana kakitangan Kerajaan Pusat mendapat 15% kenaikan gaji dan juga Yang Amat Berhormat Premier tadi pun telah mengumumkan kenaikan yang sama kepada kakitangan Kerajaan Sarawak, jadi bolehlah kita mengendeng-ngendeng dengan kakitangan Kerajaan Sarawak.

Tuan Speaker, saya ingin mengucapkan setinggi-tinggi penghargaan kepada semua Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat di Dewan yang mulia ini atas usaha dan dedikasi dalam menyuarakan hasrat dan kehendak rakyat. Terima kasih kepada semua Menteri dan Timbalan Menteri yang telah menjawab soalan-soalan yang telah disuarakan semata-mata hendak membawa permasalahan rakyat dan menyelesaikannya di peringkat yang lebih tinggi iaitu di *august House* ini.

Tuan Speaker, saya ada dua rangkap pantun.

*Pembangunan Lestari Pemacu Ekonomi,
Ekonomi mampan negara maju,
Kepimpinan GPS bijak bestari,
YAB PREMIER pemacu hala tuju. (Applause)*

*Ikan bukut tekonang-konang,
Ikan Terubok sedap rasanya,*

*Persidangan DUN pasti dikenang,
Semua pulang dengan senyum gembira.*

Tuan Speaker, sebelum mengakhiri usul penangguhan persidangan, saya ingin mengucapkan kepada semua rakyat Sarawak terutamanya yang menyambut Hari Gawai, Selamat Hari Gawai Dayak, *Gayu Guru Gerai Nyamai, Lantang Senang Nguan Menua*. Selamat Hari Ibu kepada semua para ibu dan Selamat Hari Wesak kepada yang meraikan Hari Wesak.

Tuan Speaker, dengan ini, saya mencadangkan agar Mesyuarat Pertama bagi Penggal Ketiga Dewan Undangan Negeri Sarawak Ke-19 ditangguhkan. Sekian, terima kasih.

Tuan Speaker: Ahli-ahli Yang Berhormat, dengan ucapan usul penangguhan itu tadi maka kita telah sampai ke penghujung Mesyuarat Pertama bagi Penggal Ketiga Dewan Undangan Negeri Ke-19.

Alhamdulillah, persidangan yang berlangsung selama lapan hari telah berjalan dengan lancar dan teratur atas kerjasama dan keprihatinan semua Ahli Yang Berhormat dalam menjaga ketinggian dan kemuliaan Dewan yang mulia ini. Saya berdoa agar semua Ahli Yang Berhormat kembali ke kawasan masing-masing dengan selamatnya dan terus berkhidmat kepada rakyat.

Bagi pihak Dewan yang mulia ini, saya 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 ini, saya ingin mengucapkan selamat menyambut Hari Wesak kepada yang menganutnya, saya juga ingin mengucapkan Selamat Hari Gawai kepada semua yang meraikannya, *Gayu Guru Gerai Nyamai Lantang Senang Celap Lindap Nguan Menua*, Salam Aidil Adha diucapkan kepada semua di dalam Dewan dan di luar Dewan. Saya akhiri sidang Dewan ini dengan empat rangkap pantun.

*Maju Sarawak terus cemerlang,
Kepentingan rakyat keutamaan diberi,
Bertuah sungguh Bumi Kenyalang,
Premier berilmu bijak bestari.*

*Ibarat tinggi terbang Kenyalang,
Adap dan sopan takkan hilang,
Moga Sarawak terus gemilang,
Bawah naungan pemimpin terbilang.*

*Anggun seroga lambang harmoni,
Harum wangi bunga melati,
Sidang kita berakhir di sini,
Balik YB teruskan berbakti.*

*ADUN bersidang debat di hurai,
Isu kawasan YB susuli,
Sebentar lagi kita bersurai,
Sidang bajet berkumpul kembali.*

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

(Mesyuarat ditangguhkan pada pukul 4.57 petang)