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Badan Warisan Malaysia (BWM) is hosting two events at its centre at 2 Jalan Stonor, Kuala Lumpur. A summer sale will be held on May 17, from 10am to 5pm, featuring new and preloved items, including artisan goods. Admission is RM10 per person. There will be also be a talk titled 'Melaka Unesco listing at risk' on May 24 at 10.30am. Free for BWM members and RM20 for others. For details, visit www.badanwarisanmalaysia.org

RUN, RIDE IN SUBANG JAYA

Subang Jaya City Council (MBSJ), in collaboration with Serdang District Police Headquarters and South City Plaza, will be organising a 4.3km fun run and a 15km fun ride in conjunction with the Subang Jaya Car-Free Day 2025 celebration on May 18 at South City Plaza, Seri Kembangan, Selangor. The fee is RM20 for children and RM25 for those aged 13 and above. Application closes on May 14. For details, visit www.mbsj.gov.my

CANCER AWARENESS

Colorectal Cancer Awareness Week 2025 will be held at Taman Tasik Titiwangsa and Hospital Kuala Lumpur. Activities at the lake include a health talk, public screening and a fun run on May 3. Other events at the hospital are scheduled to take place from now until May 3. For details, visit colorectalmy.org/events.html

E-SPORTS TOURNEY

Ampang Jaya Municipal Council (MPAJ) will hold a PS5 FC25 tournament on May 25 at Padang Perbandaran MPAJ Pandan Indah during its car-free day. Registration fee is RM30. Register at shorturl.at/r1BaM or call 013-337 0961.

COMMUNITY GRANT

Applications are being accepted for the Petaling Jaya Social, Environment & Economy Development (PJ SEED) community grant by Petaling Jaya City Council (MBPJ) until May 30. For details, visit rb.gy/d22yfh

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MPAJ fines worksite operators for mosquito-breeding offences

SEVENTEEN compounds were issued to construction site operators in Ampang Jaya, Selangor, between January and March for mosquito-breeding offences.

Ampang Jaya Municipal Council (MPAJ), in a statement, said it carried out six operations at sites in Taman Melawati, Taman Sri Bayu and the surrounding areas, during which the council found poor site maintenance resulting in stagnant water areas, enabling mosquito larvae proliferation.

Each offence carries a maximum fine of RM1,000.

"MPAJ has been conducting regular operations to prevent the formation of mosquito-breeding grounds that could affect community health," the statement read.

On April 23, two construction sites in Hulu Kelang were issued nine compounds for not cleaning the building and having containers with water in which larvae were detected.

The statement added that larvae-elimination measures and



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A MPAJ Health Department officer (left) inspecting a construction site for potential mosquito breeding grounds.

search-and-destroy activities were also carried out during the operation.

MPAJ also reminded develop-

ers to keep construction sites free of stagnant water to prevent mosquito breeding and avoid facing enforcement action.

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More Selayang folk shifting towards online payment

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SOME 80% of payments to Selayang Municipal Council (MPS) in March were made online, indicating widespread acceptance of the Selangor government's push towards cashless methods.

MPS president Shahman Jalaudin said RM2.33mil was collected online during the month, comprising payment for various fees.

Among the biggest contributors were assessment tax (RM1.25mil), business licences (RM245,000), stall rentals (RM292,000) and building planning permits (RM366,000).

Speaking to *StarMetro* after the full board meeting, Shahman said the council would continue to promote cashless payments.

"We also encourage the public, when they come to our headquarters, to pay using our kiosks.

"However, we will still maintain our physical counters as some people still prefer making payments in person," he said.



Selayang Municipal Council's Customer Day is held on the first Friday of every month.

On a related matter, Shahman said MPS had collected RM58.7mil in assessment tax as of March 31, 87% of the total amount owed.

The council had also recouped some RM3mil in assessment arrears, he added, which was one-third of the total owed.

He said MPS had issued Form E on March 1 to remind property owners with arrears to settle their outstanding amounts.

"A total of 76,414 forms were issued and the notice period

expired on March 31," he said.

"On April 11, warrants were also issued, warning errant owners that their assets would be seized if they failed to pay up."

Like other local councils, Shahman said MPS, too, regularly sent out a special taskforce on weekends to remind errant owners to pay up.

"Compared to sending reminders and putting messages on noticeboards, we find the taskforce has been more effective at getting arrears settled."

Separately, he said the MPS Customer Day event had been well received.

Held on the first Friday of each month, the event enables residents, hawkers and developers, among others, to highlight their concerns to MPS.

Though often held at its headquarters, it would take place in other parts of Selayang this year, Shahman said.

"We plan on having three sessions outside MPS. Hopefully, we can get more people to show up."

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200 Sepang businesses caught for various violations

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485 business premises checked for licence compliance

SEPANG Municipal Council (MPSepang) issued 192 notices to business licence holders for various violations from January to March 31.

They included failing to declare business activities conducted at the premises and hiring foreigners without work permits.

MPSepang deputy president Muhamad Shah Osmin said out of 22,935 active business licences, 485 business premises were inspected.

He said 57 premises had complied with the notices while the remaining ones were making improvements and being monitored by the council.

"We are inspecting various types of business premises, including entertainment outlets, hawkers as well as day, night and public markets," he said.

This is to ensure that all business activities were carried out properly and in an orderly manner, he added.

Muhamad Shah also said that MPSepang had checked the compliance of licensing conditions at 41 grocery shops in areas such as Bandar Baru Salak Tinggi, Kota Warisan and Salak.

"A total of 17 premises were issued compliance notices for various offences," he said after chairing the monthly full board meeting.

"We also notified the relevant agencies regarding violations found during the inspections."

He said follow-up actions would be carried out continuously and expanded to ensure that all business operators follow the rules.

Separately, Muhamad Shah said the council found 278 unlicensed hawkers operating in the municipality.

"A total of 316 violation notices were issued, covering various offences such as hawking without a licence, breaching licence conditions and causing obstruction by leaving business goods in public spaces," he said.

"A total of 152 seizures were carried out, including 101 cases where goods left by hawkers at their trading locations were confiscated."

"MPSepang has also taken action against hawkers operating in front of schools."

He said the council was aware of the importance of microeconomic activities, especially for the B40 group and



Muhamad Shah: MPSepang identified 278 unlicensed hawkers operating in the municipality.

small entrepreneurs.

However, he said such activities must be licensed, controlled and operated in an ethical manner.

He said MPSepang would look at restructuring hawker operations to make them more organised.

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Local authorities in Selangor are encouraging community-based recycling initiatives.

Composting also reduces reliance on landfills. — Filepic and courtesy photos from WHB

Dealing with non-recyclable waste

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WITH landfills fast overflowing, Selangor government has turned to incinerators as a solution to tackle its mountainous waste problem.

State public health and environment committee chairman Jamaliah Jamaluddin said the waste-to-energy (WTE) strategy was a complementary end-point solution for non-recyclable waste.

She said several waste management initiatives currently being implemented by the state were geared towards maximising resource recovery at the upstream level.

"These initiatives range from promoting separation at source, banning single-use plastics and encouraging recycling and composting to promoting extended producer responsibility (EPR).

"After all the recoverable materials have been separated, the residual waste will be channelled to WTE plants.

"This way, WTE serves as a complementary end point for non-recyclable waste rather than a primary solution.

"This integrated approach ensures that we are not only managing waste more sustainably, but are also moving closer towards a circular economic model for Selangor," she said.

Being accountable

Under the EPR, producers are responsible for the environmental impact of their products throughout their entire lifecycle, including disposal and recycling.

Jamaliah said Selangor would continue working closely with the private sector to enhance recycling activities through voluntary initiatives by producers and manufacturers.

"Though the state government fully supports the implementation of EPR, there is still no legislative framework for its enforcement within the state as Malaysia is still transitioning from voluntary to mandatory EPR policy," she said.

"Hence, the state government

WTE incinerators part of Selangor's holistic effort to tackle growing rubbish management problem



Overview of WTE plant being built in Jeram, Kuala Selangor.



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Jamaliah Jamaluddin

will continue working closely with the Federal Government and its agencies to develop EPR and circular economy policies to ensure effective implementation at state level in the future."

Raising recycling awareness

On April 22, the SELKITA campaign focusing on intensifying public awareness and participation in recycling activities throughout Selangor was launched.

"A key component of the campaign is the expansion of our door-to-door collection service for recyclables, particularly in residential areas," said Jamaliah.

"This marks a significant step forward in institutionalising separation at source practices across the state.

"Communication, education and public awareness activities will also be conducted to ensure

residents are well-informed, engaged and empowered to adopt long-term recycling habits.

"This initiative plays a vital role in supporting the state government's commitment to environmental sustainability, especially in preparation for the enforcement of mandatory separation at source under Solid Waste and Public Cleansing Management Act 2007," she said.

According to reports, the Cabinet had granted Selangor in-principle approval to adopt Solid Waste and Public Cleansing Management Act 2007 in February this year.

Section 74 of the Act outlines the power of the Director-General of Solid Waste and Public Cleansing Management to give written directions to any person to separate, handle or store any solid waste he or she possesses.

Those failing to comply with

the directions shall be subject to a fine not exceeding RM1,000 upon conviction.

Jamaliah said local authorities across Selangor had been actively implementing community-based programmes such as recycling as well as used cooking oil and e-waste collections.

"These programmes aim to strengthen public participation in sustainable waste practices and support the broader goal of reducing landfill dependency through greater material recovery and reuse at the local level.

"The state government will continue promoting the concept of 5Rs – refuse, reduce, reuse, repurpose and recycle – to encourage Selangor residents to be more aware about the roles they can play to reduce waste as well as to be innovative in reusing and repurposing materials," she said.

Inevitable problem

As the most populated and industrialised state, Selangor generates some 7,000 tonnes of domestic waste and 3,000 tonnes of bulk waste daily, according to a media statement by KDEB Waste Management (KDEBWM) in January last year.

KDEBWM was appointed in 2016 to manage Selangor's waste collection and public cleansing services.

It was also reported that waste generation in Selangor is expected to increase by 6% annually. Selangor Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Amirudin Shari was reported as saying in 2023 that the landfills in Selangor, particularly those in Tanjung Dua Belas (Kuala Langat) and Jeram (Kuala Selangor), might only last another two to four years.

To deal with the growing waste management crisis, in 2021, then local government and

public transportation committee chairman Ng Sze Han said, "The state government had in 2016 agreed for Worldwide Holdings Bhd (WHB) to spearhead efforts in developing the WTE plant in Jeram, Kuala Selangor."

The Jeram and Tanjung Dua Belas plants are being built by WHB.

The third in Batu Arang, Rawang, is to be built by KDEBWM alongside a private company.

WHB in a statement to *StarMetro* said the WTE project in Jeram was more than 70% complete and expected to commence operations by year end.

"Meanwhile, the design, planning and procurement works for the WTE project in Tanjung Dua Belas commenced last year.

"It is expected to be operational by 2027," the statement said.

Reports have stated that the WTE plant in Jeram is capable of disposing 3,000 tonnes of solid waste per day and generating 52MW of electricity per hour.

Meanwhile, the WTE plant in Tanjung Dua Belas is reportedly capable of handling 1,800 tonnes



The sanitary landfill in Tanjung Dua Belas in Kuala Langat.

of solid waste daily and producing 38MW of electricity per hour.

Both these plants are part of Integrated Solid Waste Management Centre (ISWMC), which is the long-term plan by the state government to manage

solid waste sustainably.

ISWMC will incorporate facilities like WTE plants, composting plants, material recovery facilities for construction and demolition waste, anaerobic digesters as well as a research and devel-



Selangor government is promoting separation at source in the state.

opment centres, according to WHB's website.

The company also said WTE plants were developed as a long-term waste management solution at state level due to rising population, industrialisation

and urbanisation.

"Without an alternative waste management method, existing landfills will need to be expanded continuously which is not sustainable due to its environmental impact," WHB stated.

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FOR decades, Malaysia has been managing its waste by burying them in landfills, which is unsustainable.

Selangor's move to build waste-to-energy (WTE) incinerators, however, is also raising concerns.

WTE is listed as one of the implementation initiatives under Policy MP30 of Selangor State Structure Plan 2035 (establishing a more effective and environmentally friendly solid waste and toxic management system).

The planned WTE plant in Batu Arang, Rawang, for instance, has met with widespread objections from residents.

Wong Yuenmei, a United Nations (UN) climate change consultant who has conducted extensive research on WTE, said Selangor should reassess its policy.

She told *StarMetro* that WTE technologies did not align with current international standards.

"It is widely regarded as outdated and harmful. Some European countries are gradually phasing out WTE," she said.

It had been reported last year that hundreds of European cities are spurning incineration.

Meanwhile, nearly 500 municipalities across Europe are now working towards Zero Waste City certification.

Some are coming up with their own measures to reduce and recycle waste to lower their reliance on landfills and WTE incinerators.

Implementing waste prevention plans and reuse strategies as well as promoting environmental education in schools are among the requirements to be certified as a Zero Waste City.

Wong added that the incineration process at WTE facilities released harmful pollutants, which posed serious health risks to communities.

"It also contributes to greenhouse gas emissions, further exacerbating the climate crisis.

"Hence, supporting WTE

S'gor urged to rethink waste-to-energy policy



Pushpan is concerned about inadequate environmental governance on WTE projects.

undermines Malaysia's climate goals, given its commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions under the Paris Agreement," she said.

She also said the cost of running WTE technologies was "disproportionately high" compared to other waste management solutions.

"WTE plants require large financial investment and the burden of these costs ultimately falls on taxpayers," she said.

The estimated cost for the WTE plants in Jeram and Tanjung Dua Belas is more than RM1bil each, according to WorldWide Holdings Bhd (WHB), the company responsible for the construction of those facilities.

The WTE plant in Batu Arang is expected to cost RM4.5bil, according to reports.

Wong further said that burning waste for energy was unsustainable.

Echoing the sentiment is Centre to Combat Corruption and Cronyism (CCCC), which is among non-governmental organisations objecting to the proposed construction of 18 WTE plants in Malaysia.

CCCC chief executive officer Pushpan Murugiah said WTE was not the real solution



About 70 residents attended the public hearing session on the Batu Arang WTE project. — LEW GUAN XI/The Star

because incinerators would not only emit toxic contaminants, their presence would also exacerbate waste production due to heavy reliance on the technology.

Pushpan also raised concerns about inadequate environmental governance in WTE projects.

"Current legislation at both federal and state levels have many loopholes, causing lack of transparency, data accessibility, meaningful public participation and accountability in these high-impact projects.

"The recent public hearing on a WTE project conducted by Selangor government showed a significant flaw in the system.

"Its refusal to allow further public discourse and media presence undermines the process of public participation in the session," he said, referring to the public hearing session on the Batu Arang WTE project on March 27 in Shah Alam.

Residents who attended the session had claimed that many of them were denied the chance to speak, while the media was barred from the session.

Pushpan said these loopholes posed serious risks such as abuse of power. — By LEW GUAN XI

Measures by some European cities to reduce reliance on landfills and WTE incinerators

Milan, Italy

- > Door-to-door waste segregation scheme covering five streams: paper and cardboard, glass, lightweight packaging and residual waste. Two kitchen waste collections are also carried out every week
- > 87% of kitchen waste in the city is now recovered

Bled, Slovenia

- > Pushing for the development of a waste collection infrastructure that ensures tourists are also part of the solution
- > Introduced waste collection bins that come with signage in multiple languages
- > A growing number of hotels are also starting to segregate their waste

Kiel, Germany

- > Introduced a plan that includes over 100 measures to cut waste by an average of 15% per person a year by 2035
- > Encouraged its people to switch to using reusable nappies with €200 upfront subsidy
- > These have successfully helped to reduce more than 100 tonnes of residual waste



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A relief for coastal folk as the tide behaves

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KLANG: Fishermen along the coast had to take a break in anticipation of the high tide bringing hazardous waves. But they were relieved when the latest occurrence passed without any incident.

Those living in coastal areas in Penang also expressed relief when the high tide caused minimal trouble or damage.

In George Town, families staying at the clan jetties along Weld Quay escaped with just a flash flood at about 1pm yesterday, as the wind was not strong enough to stir up the waves.

The sea water gradually subsided an hour later.

Cindy Tan, 62, who has lived in Lim Jetty for 40 years, said flooding during high tide was previously unheard of.

"It only started in the past two years. I have placed waterproof mats on the floor of my house to prevent the water from splashing from beneath.

"Luckily, there was no strong wind that could have caused big waves," she said.

A hawker who identified himself as Cheong, 45, said many of his customers were puzzled as to why his place was flooded despite the absence of rain in the morning.

"I told them it was due to the unusually high tide and sea water overflowing into land. Luckily, my furniture and appliances were spared," he said.

Tourists visiting the jetties, including the popular Chew Jetty, watched in awe as the sea water reached the wooden walkways and temporarily flooded the parking lots and eateries.

At the nearby Esplanade, seawater also surged onto the lower terrace of the seawall, a section designed to be submerged during high tide.

However, there were no big waves pounding against the seawall this time.

Last September, a devastating



Breaking through: Waves splashing from under a bridge at Lim Jetty in George Town due to high tide.
— KT GOH/The Star

combination of strong winds and unusually high tides at noon caused waves to slam into the Medan Renong food court at the Esplanade, prompting customers to seek shelter and traders to scramble to save their wares.

The waves also damaged the wooden walkways and floors of homes at the clan jetties in Weld Quay.

Over on the mainland, several restaurants along the coast in Pantai Bersih, Butterworth, suffered major damage to their walls and floors.

Last Sunday, a supermoon occurred as the moon reached perigee, its closest point to Earth, making it appear about 10% nearer than usual.

Unlike typical supermoons, this one coincided with the new moon phase, making it invisible to the human eye.

During this phase, the moon's heightened gravitational pull intensifies tidal conditions.

This results in levels that are higher than usual and increases the risk of coastal flooding in

low-lying areas.

The next high tide is scheduled to occur in early October and November.

In SELANGOR, the high tide at 6.03am and 6.22pm yesterday passed without incident.

Pulau Ketam village chief Chua Kim Lin said choppy sea conditions would make it unsafe for deep-sea fishing.

"Only the smaller vessels that operate in shallow waters can go out now.

"The rest of us will have to wait until the sea calms down," he said when contacted yesterday.

Chua anticipated the break to last only three to five days, calling it a usual occurrence for island residents and fishermen.

He also noted that some still houses on the island experienced minor flooding when the morning high tide hit.

"The water receded quickly in about an hour," he said, adding that villagers were accustomed to such situations.

He said the impact on the villagers is minimal as long as the

high tide does not coincide with continuous rain.

Port Klang fire station chief Haikal Janny said it was a regular day at Port Klang.

"There was no flooding or anything associated with an inflow of sea water due to high tide."

In previous high-tide phenomena, sea water would overflow the banks and creep more than 500m inland, causing floods.

"Water did not rise and overflow onto our streets as it does during major high-tide occurrences," said a Pulau Ketam restaurant operator, who wished to be known only as Chua, yesterday.

The owner of a cruise boat company located in Port Klang, Chua Yi Wei, said the only sign of a high tide was slightly choppy waters.

"Generally, when flooding occurred as a result of high tide in the past, the waves were a lot larger and the sea was choppy."

She added that only those familiar with the sea were able to note the change in wave pattern yesterday.

More visitors are heading our way

The upcoming Labour Day holiday sees foreign bookings soar by up to 20%

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PETALING JAYA: More foreign visitors are coming to Malaysia, with the upcoming International Labour Day holiday providing the perfect platform for increased bookings, say industry players.

Apart from Chinese and Indian visitors benefiting from the relaxed visa rules, they said the Japanese, South Koreans and British were also having a closer look at Malaysia.

Tourism Malaysia is already reporting increased arrivals in the first quarter of the year from China, India, Singapore and Indonesia.

The Golden Week in China, beginning May 1, celebrates Labour Day with a nationwide holiday over five days, offering a vibrant period of travel, festivity and leisure for millions across the country.

Malaysian Chinese Tourism Association (MCTA) life president

Paul Paw said local travel agencies were seeing a steady rise in foreign bookings from May to the July-August summer holidays.

"Compared with the same period last year, bookings have increased by at least 15% to 20% this time," he said.

Paw said the most popular local destinations remained: Melaka, Kuala Lumpur, Genting Highlands and Penang.

"Visitors from visa-free countries and South-East Asia love travelling to Malaysia, especially those who prefer independent travel.

"As the summer holidays approach, enquiries for island holiday packages are soaring, with travel agencies actively promoting new attractions to foreigners," he added.

Malaysia Inbound Chinese Association (Mica) president Datuk Dr Angie Ng said the just-announced extended visa-free policy will woo more China visitors over.

"They can travel at any time without worrying about applying for a visa. And thanks to travel apps, visitors can easily get around Malaysia without language barriers," she said.

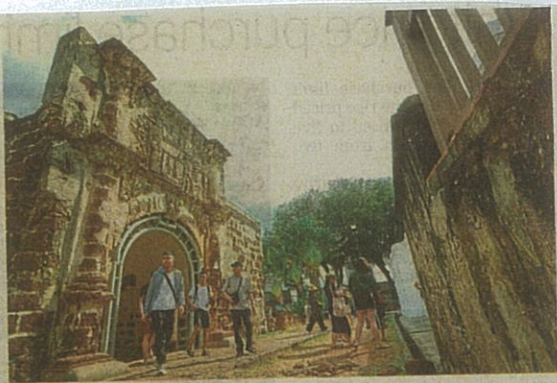
Ng said the Chinese viewed Malaysia as a safe destination, with beaches and islands among their top choices.

She said local tourism operators were working hard to develop new attractions, with the growing interest in cultural tourism and educational camps.

"More foreigners are also coming to experience our durian orchards first-hand, tasting fresh durians straight from the trees.

"Wildlife and photography tours are also becoming niche markets, with tourists visiting our rainforests to capture images of hornbills and tropical insects," she said.

Ng said Malaysia's eco-tourism was steadily gaining popularity, citing Langkawi's mangrove tours, eagle-watching and mon-



A taste of history: Visitors exploring the A'Famosa Fort, one of the must-visit tourist sites in Melaka. — File photo/Bernama

key-feeding at the Geoforest Park, as examples.

"Malaysia may not need a Disneyland. Our strengths lie in our multicultural society and protected natural environment which will become even more popular in the coming years," she added.

Malaysian Inbound Tourism Association (Mita) president Mint Leong said with Labour Day falling on a Thursday, many foreigners were likely to take the following day off to enjoy a super long weekend break.

"We expect a 10% increase in visitor figures during this period. Apart from Chinese and Indian tourists benefiting from the visa-free travel, we are also seeing more visitors from Singapore, South Korea, the United Kingdom and Japan," she added.

Leong said Malaysia continued to hold huge appeal in the region due to our multicultural charm, though Thailand was giving a good fight in terms of attractions and hotel pricing.

She said 2025 would be crucial for Malaysia's tourism industry which was enjoying one of its best periods of growth.

In the first quarter of the year, Malaysia experienced a significant rise in international visitors with Tourism Malaysia reporting 4,946,487 arrivals from Singapore, a 33.5% increase from 2024.

Indonesia was second with 1,083,407 visitors (up 11.4%), with China following closely with 1,124,635 visitors (up 36.5%). India ranked sixth, contributing 346,771 visitors, which was a 35.7% growth.

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AI to be applied to five govt sectors to boost efficiency, says Sim

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PETALING JAYA: Artificial intelligence (AI) technology will be applied in the ecosystem of five main sectors to boost delivery of services and work efficiency.

The five sectors are medical and healthcare; education; agriculture and forestry; smart cities and transportation; and public service.

This initiative is in line with the government's commitment to improving safety at workplaces, said Human Resources Minister Steven Sim (pic).

He said the Occupational Safety and Hazard Department (DOSH) would play a big part.

"The application of AI will bring a positive impact on the management of data on safety and health risks," he said after launching the World Occupational Safety and Health Day at the Multimedia University, Cyberjaya yesterday.

Sim said the integration of drone technology, augmented reality and virtual reality by DOSH officers since last year has significantly enhanced forensic engineering, enforcement and accident investigations, particularly in hard-to-reach locations.

Drones were used in such places by DOSH in over 800 cases last



year. As a result, 119 notices were issued to employers.

Sim said the ministry had also implemented over 100 enhancements to the Occupational Health and Safety (Osha) Act.

"With the enhancements, the Osha now extends to all workplaces instead of just 10 economic sectors, as in the past. It is also compulsory now to have an occupational safety and health coordinator at any workplace with more than five workers.

"Also, the law now protects workers who may distance themselves from their workplaces if they believe it is unsafe or poses

hazards. We have also raised fines for breaching Osha laws from RM50,000 to RM500,000.

"This is not to punish but to ensure workers' safety is prioritised. A gloomy economy can no longer be used as an excuse to exploit workers and compromise on their safety," he said.

Sim said workplace accident rates have dropped by 17% and deaths by 40% since 2014.

Sim also said the government has taken measures to ensure that new companies, whether local or foreign-owned, are of high-growth to create more job opportunities for graduates.

"Every year, around 300,000 locals graduate from higher education institutions.

"About one-third are ST (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) graduates, one-third are TVET (Technical and Vocational Education and Training) graduates and the rest are other graduates.

"However, over the past years, our economy could not provide 50,000 jobs for highly skilled workers. Hence, there is an imbalance between job opportunities and the availability of graduates," Sim said.

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DERETAN kenderaan pelanggan pempengaruh yang beratur untuk dapatkan makanan di pesan di Ampang.

MPAJ kompaun influencer berniaga

- Sebelum ini pempengaruh sama didakwa mengganggu ketenteraman jiran
- Deretan pelanggan menunggu makanan dipesan di tepi jalan

Oleh HARRITH HISHAM

AMPANG JAYA - Majlis Perbandaran Ampang Jaya (MPAJ) mengambil tindakan terhadap aktiviti perniagaan tanpa permit yang dijalankan di kawasan Taman Melawati baru-baru ini.

Difahamkan, tindakan diambil terhadap pihak terbabit yang dipercayai menjalankan perniagaan menggunakan kenderaan sehingga menyebabkan gangguan awam apabila deretan kereta pelanggan beratur di tepi jalan untuk mendapatkan makanan yang dipesan.

"Susulan itu, satu kompaun telah dikeluarkan mengikut peruntukan Undang-Undang Kecil MPAJ 2007 bagi memastikan keselamatan dan kesejahteraan penduduk terjamin," katanya dalam hantaran di Facebook se-



KENDERAAN dipercayai seorang pempengaruh yang berhenti di tepi jalan ketika agih makanan yang dipesan pelanggan di Melawati.

malam.

Katanya, MPAJ sentiasa menyokong inisiatif pembangunan usahawan tempatan sebagai pemacu ekonomi komuniti.

"Namun, kami harap semua pihak dapat mematuhi peraturan dan undang-undang yang telah ditetapkan demi menjaga keharmonian bersama.

"Satu sesi pertemuan telah diatur dengan pihak berkaitan untuk berbincang dan mencari penyelesaian yang terbaik agar situasi seumpama ini tidak berulang dan tidak menjejaskan

ketenteraman awam," jelasnya.

Sebelum ini, kecoh di media sosial mengenai seorang pempengaruh yang dikatakan menjalankan perniagaan makanan Itali di sekitar kawasan Taman Melawati sehingga mengganggu lalu lintas dan jiran tetangga.

Rata-rata yang mengecam kegiatan tersebut turut merujuk kepada MPAJ untuk melakukan pemantauan di lokasi terbabit.

Kesesakan didakwa berlaku apabila hampir 10 kereta pelanggan makanan itu beratur di dalam kenderaan di tepi jalan.

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Selangor ada 100 taska tidak daftar

- Setakat ini 980 taska berdaftar di Selangor
- Kualiti penjagaan di bawah Yayasan Anak Selangor

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Oleh MOHD. YUNUS YAKKUB

SHAH ALAM – Lebih 100 Taman Asuhan Kanak-kanak (Taska) di Selangor dikesan masih belum berdaftar dengan Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat (JKM).

Exco Pembangunan Wanita dan Kebajikan Masyarakat Selangor, Anfaal Saari berkata, antara cabaran dihadapi termasuk kebenaran merancang sesetengah bangunan dan isu-isu teknikal lain.

Katanya, ini termasuk dari segi penyediaan tangga keselamatan bagi kelulusan bomba dan wajib kepada pengasuh mengikuti kursus-kursus telah ditetapkan bagi pembukaan taska.

"Berdasarkan rekod terkini JKM Selangor didapati sebanyak 980 taska telah berdaftar di negeri ini.

"Sebab itu, kita wujudkan geran pusat jagaan untuk permu-



ANFAAL menyerahkan baju XCARE kepada seorang peserta ketika merasmikan XCARE 2025 di Shah Alam semalam.

dahkan mereka beroperasi tetapi terdapat sedikit cabaran untuk mereka mendaftar," katanya ketika ditemui selepas melancarkan Selangor Care Accelerator (XCARE) 2025 di sini semalam.

Beliau memaklumkan pihaknya telah mengadakan Mesyuarat Jawatankuasa Teknikal dan Penilai bagi pusat jagaan pada minggu lalu untuk memilih mereka yang layak menerima geran itu.

"Setiap operator maksimum RM5,000 dan dana kita peruntukkan bagi geran adalah RM400,000," katanya.

Jelas Anfaal, kerajaan negeri turut prihatin terhadap keselamatan dan kualiti penjagaan kanak-kanak dalam kalangan pengasuh rumah dengan mewujudkan program Impak dibawah Yayasan Anak Selangor (Yawas).

Ujarnya, ini kerana pengasuh tersebut tidak tertakluk kepada JKM kerana jumlah anak asuhan adalah kurang daripada empat orang.

"Program ini telah berlangsung sejak akhir 2023 dan berjaya menarik 1,000 penyertaan termasuk mak cik, nenek atau kejurangan yang ditawarkan geran RM2,000 untuk kualiti penambahbaikan peralatan dalam rumah," katanya.

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Selangor ambil serius trend HIV belia bawah 30 tahun

SHAH ALAM - Kerajaan negeri mengambil serius berhubung trend peningkatan kes HIV dalam kalangan remaja dan belia di bawah 30 tahun yang kini menjadi golongan paling berisiko tinggi jangkitan HIV di negara ini.

Ia susulan pendedahan Majlis Aids Malaysia (MAC) dengan kebanyakan kes baharu adalah dalam kalangan remaja lepasan sekolah dan universiti.

Exco Pembangunan Wanita dan Kebajikan Masyarakat Selangor, Anfaal Saari berkata, pihaknya akan mengambil tindakan sewajarnya dengan kerjasama daripada polis dan Jabatan Kesihatan Negeri Selangor (JKNS).

Katanya, setakat ini program berkaitannya dibuat Lembaga Penduduk dan Pembangunan Keluarga Negara (LPPKN).

"Di bawah kerajaan negeri, tidak ada spesifik (tidak ada program khusus yang dijalankan). Namun, menerusi LPPKN ada program seperti Kafe Teen, yang mana program memberikan kesedaran kepada remaja mengenai HIV.

"Setakat ini, saya tidak mempunyai maklumat daerah mana di Selangor yang mempunyai jumlah jangkitan HIV yang tertinggi," katanya ketika ditemui

pemberita selepas melancarkan Selangor Care Accelerator (XCARE) di sini semalam.

Kosmo! kelmarin melaporkan Setiausaha Kehormat MAC, Dr. Zaiton Yahya dipetik berkata, trend peningkatan kes HIV dalam kalangan remaja dan belia di bawah 30 tahun.

Walaupun kes berkaitan dadah dan perkongsian jarum suntikan menunjukkan penurunan,

namun sebaliknya bagi kes jangkitan melalui aktiviti seksual.

Dalam perkembangan sama, Anfaal memaklumkan pihaknya akan mendapatkan maklumat dan data termasuk melibatkan HIV dan dadah serta isu sosial daripada JKNS dan Polis Selangor.

"Ini supaya advokasi dan kesedaran awal dapat didedahkan kepada remaja mengenai bahunya AIDS dan HIV," jelasnya.

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Dasar OKU Selangor dibangunkan elak jadi pengemis

SHAH ALAM – Selangor sedang membangunkan Dasar Orang Kurang Upaya (OKU) bagi mengelakkan ada golongan tersebut terpinggir sehingga mengemis di jalanan.

Exco Pembangunan Wanita dan Kebajikan Masyarakat Negeri Selangor, Anfaal Saari berkata, ini terutama melibatkan OKU dalam kalangan belia bagi mengelakkan berlakunya sebarang kes termasuk terlibat dalam jenayah.

Justeru, kata beliau, dasar itu akan mendedahkan mengenai

hak dan keperluan-keperluan perlu disantuni kepada warga OKU.

"Pendaftaran OKU itu penting bagi melihat secara realiti berapa sebenarnya populasi OKU di Selangor.

"Berdasarkan rekod, terdapat 132,000 OKU telah berdaftar, namun mengikut Pertubuhan Kesihatan Dunia (WHO) adalah 15 peratus daripada populasi di sesebuah negeri," katanya ketika ditemui pemberita selepas melancarkan Selangor Care Accelerator (XCARE) 2025, di sini

semalam.

Beliau berkata demikian bagi mengulas sebarang tindakan kerajaan negeri bagi mengelakkan kes melibatkan seorang lelaki OKU lembam yang membunuh pengemis lain di hadapan sebuah bank di Shah Alam, berulang kembali.

Dalam kejadian kira-kira pukul 11 pagi, Khamis lalu, seorang mangsa berusia 40 tahun mati ditikam beberapa kali menggunakan pisau disebabkan perebutan tempat meminta sedekah.

Mengulas lanjut, Anfaal berka-

ta, kesedaran perlu di tempat kerja perlu ditingkatkan agar syarikat boleh mengupah atau mengambil mereka daripada golongan OKU ini.

Dalam pada itu, Anfaal berkata, seramai 18 kanak-kanak yang diselamatkan di sebuah rumah kebajikan persendirian di kawasan Batu 9, Cheras kini diletakkan dalam jagaan sementara selama dua bulan bawah JKM.

"Kanak-kanak itu telah mendapat perintah jagaan sementara selama dua bulan bawah JKM.

"Proses itu akan diteruskan

sehingga siasatan selesai dan kenal pasti waris kanak-kanak itu," katanya.



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Anugerah penggiat inisiatif ESG

- Kerjasama libat Madnate Media dengan ESGAM
- Majlis penyampaian anugerah diadakan pada September

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KUALA LUMPUR – Pencalonan untuk ESG Plus Awards 2025 dibuka mulai sekarang dengan majlis penyampaian anugerah yang menobatkan pelbagai pemain, sektor dan individu yang cenderung melaksanakan inisiatif alam sekitar, sosial dan tadbir urus (ESG) bakal diadakan pada September ini.

Anugerah tersebut bertujuan untuk menonjolkan pemimpin berkaliber dan berinovasi dalam spektrum ESG sekali gus meraikan dan menghargai kepimpinan serta usaha yang telah dilaksanakan mereka selama ini serta mahu menjadikan ia sebagai platform penghargaan bagi peringkat antarabangsa.

Pengarah Magnate Media Sdn.



JASMINE CHEUNG (depan, tiga dari kiri) bersama pengurusan kanan Magnate Media dan ESGAM di Kuala Lumpur baru-baru ini.

Bhd. (Magnate Media), Jasmine Cheung berkata, melalui ESG Plus Awards 2025, pihaknya bukan sahaja memberikan pengiktirafan, tetapi juga ia sebagai platform ke

arah perniagaan yang mencabar untuk memimpin akauntabiliti, melibatkan diri secara bermakna dan pertumbuhan secara stabil.

"Melalui kerjasama yang terja-

lin dengan Persatuan ESG Malaysia (ESGAM) untuk penganjurkan anugerah ini, kami berkeyakinan ia akan dapat mewujudkan jalan yang akan membentuk kepada

wacana ESG di seluruh rantau," katanya.

Beliau berkata demikian selepas majlis pemeteraian perjanjian antara The Exchange Asia melalui Magnate Media dengan ESGAM untuk penganjurkan anugerah ESG Plus Awards 2025 di sini baru-baru ini.

Persatuan itu terlibat sebagai Penasihat Strategik dan juga Rakan Penghakiman bagi menjadikan penganjurkan tersebut lebih berkualiti.

Cheung menjelaskan, melalui usaha sama tersebut, ia bakal menaikkan imej ESG Plus Awards sebagai platform pengiktirafan yang dihormati di peringkat serantau, selain memperkukuhkan kredibiliti, ketelusan dan penjiwaan dengan piawaian ESG global.

Anugerah itu terbuka kepada pelbagai kategori seperti syarikat senaraian awam, korporat, syarikat berkaitan kerajaan, badan bukan kerajaan, perusahaan kecil dan sederhana, syarikat pemula serta individu yang aktif dalam ESG.

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RM50,000 diperuntuk sewa bas sekolah untuk anak mangsa tragedi Putra Heights

KUALA SELANGOR - Pembangkang Selangor menyediakan bantuan sebanyak RM50,000 untuk menyewa bas bagi mengangkut anak-anak mangsa insiden letupan dan kebakaran gas di Putra Heights, Subang Jaya ke sekolah.

Ketua Pembangkang Dewan Undangan Negeri (DUN) Selangor, Datuk Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali berkata, peruntukan itu diperoleh hasil sumbangan Yayasan Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin Charity Golf kepada Yayasan Islam Darul Ehsan.

Menurutnya, inisiatif dilaksanakan pembangkang itu penting kerana Kerajaan Selangor sehingga kini gagal menetapkan tempoh masa jelas untuk baik pulih kediaman penduduk terjejas.

"Bantuan ini akan diteruskan kerana kita tahu kerja-kerja membaiki rumah tidak boleh selesai dalam masa seminggu atau sebulan, apatah lagi ketika kerajaan negeri masih belum memberikan jaminan yang konkrit," katanya ketika ditemui pada Majlis Jamuan Aidilfitri DUN Jeram, di sini pada Ahad.

Hadir sama, Pengerusi Perikatan Nasional (PN), Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin dan Presiden Parti Pejuang Tanah Air (Pejuang), Datuk Seri Mukhriz Mahathir.

Menurut Mohamed Azmin, langkah itu diambil kerana kerajaan negeri hanya sibuk membuat pengumuman tetapi belum



MOHAMED AZMIN

tentu bantuan yang dijanjikan sampai kepada penerima.

"Kita dengar sendiri keluhan rakyat (sebagai contoh) anak-anak tak dapat ke sekolah sebab kenderaan musnah," ujar beliau.

Katanya, usaha itu bukti keprihatinan pembangkang Selangor dalam membela nasib rakyat yang terkesan akibat kejadian tersebut.

Mohamed Azmin turut mengulangi pendirian mendesak kerajaan negeri mengadakan sidang khas DUN Selangor bagi membahaskan isu berkaitan kejadian itu kerana sehingga kini laporan penuh masih belum didedahkan.

"Kita mahu tahu apa sebenarnya berlaku dan ini soal keselamatan rakyat dan kenapa beri taklimat hanya kepada ADUN (Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri) dan penyelaras PH (Pakatan Harapan) sahaja? Apa yang cuba disembunyikan?" soalnya.

Dalam pada itu, beliau turut menzahirkan kekecewaan terhadap kegagalan kerajaan negeri dan Persekutuan memberi keutamaan kepada projek tebatan banjir yang dijanjikan.

"Dalam sidang DUN Selangor sebelum ini, saya sendiri telah membangkitkan projek-projek tebatan banjir yang hakikatnya belum pun bermula.

"Keadaan ini memburukkan lagi kesan banjir terhadap ekonomi rakyat Selangor," tambah beliau.

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Kemalangan, kematian di tempat kerja menurun

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CYBERJAYA - Kemalangan dan insiden kematian di tempat kerja menunjukkan trend penurunan dalam tempoh 10 tahun kebelakangan ini.

Menteri Sumber Manusia, Steven Sim Kee Cheong berkata, Jabatan Keselamatan dan Kesihatan Pekerjaan (JKKP) merekodkan penurunan 17 peratus bagi kecederaan pekerjaan manakala hampir 40 peratus bagi kematian.

"Ini merupakan satu pencapaian yang amat ketara. Saya bangga dengan JKKP dan warga Kementerian Sumber Manusia (Kesuma), tetapi hasrat kita adalah visi sifar kemalangan," katanya pada Isnin.

Beliau berkata demikian ketika ditemui pemberita selepas Majlis Sambutan Hari Sedunia bagi Keselamatan dan Kesihatan Tempat Kerja (World OSH Day) 2025 di Dewan Tun Canselor, Universiti Multimedia di sini yang bertemakan Merevolusikan Keselamatan dan Kesihatan Pekerjaan: Peranan Kecerdasan Buatan (AI) dan Pendigitalan di

Tempat Kerja.

Pada Mac 2023, Pertubuhan Keselamatan Sosial (PERKESO) merekodkan penurunan kadar kemalangan ketika dalam perjalanan ke tempat kerja dan kemalangan industri.

Menurut PERKESO, sebanyak 26 majikan telah terkeluar daripada senarai 100 majikan tertinggi kemalangan PERKESO dalam kemalangan perjalanan ke tempat kerja.

Sementara itu, Steven berkata, aplikasi teknologi terkini memberi kesan langsung kepada kecekapan pengurusan maklumat dan risiko pekerjaan dalam aspek keselamatan serta kesihatan di tempat kerja.

Jelasnya, penggunaan teknologi dron, Augmented Reality (AR) dan Virtual Reality (VR) oleh pegawai JKKP meningkatkan keupayaan kejuruteraan forensik, penguatkuasaan tapak



STEVEN

bina dan penyiasatan kemalangan di lapangan, terutamanya apabila melibatkan lokasi yang tinggi dan sukar diakses.

"Dron itu akan mengenal pasti secara automatik ketidakpatuhan keselamatan di lokasi dan akan memberi maklum kepada pegawai bertugas untuk mengambil tindakan selanjutnya," ujar beliau.

Tambahnya, sebanyak 800 pernerbangan dron telah dilaksanakan pada tahun lalu bagi tujuan pemantauan dan siasatan.

"Sebanyak 119 notis telah dikeluarkan berdasarkan pemantauan menggunakan kaedah dron. Ini merupakan antara penambahbaikan yang kita lakukan di bawah Kesuma secara amnya, khususnya untuk JKKP selaras dengan perkembangan teknologi AI dan digitalisasi," katanya.

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Gelombang AI: Jumlah pekerjaan sama, bentuk berbeza

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SHAH ALAM – Majoriti graduan hari ini belum betul-betul bersedia menghadapi anjakan dalam bidang teknologi automasi dan kecerdasan buatan (AI), menyebabkan fenomena pekerjaan tidak setara kelayakan akademik, tambah membimbangkan.

Setiausaha Agung Pertubuhan Kebangsaan Pekerja Berkemahiran (Belia Mahir), Mohammad Rizan Hassan berkata, Revolusi Industri 4.0 (IR 4.0) tidak mengurangkan jumlah pekerjaan namun mengubah bentuk pekerjaan.

Menurutnya, evolusi teknologi bergerak pantas seiring dengan kemajuan semasa tetapi sistem pendidikan dan latihan bergerak perlahan.

“Akibatnya, ramai graduan yang berkemahiran tinggi sebenarnya tidak sesuai untuk ekosistem IR 4.0, menyebabkan mereka *under-employed*.”

“Apabila pekerjaan baharu tercipta dalam bidang AI, automasi, analisis data dan siber sekuriti, graduan belum sedia.

Pada masa sama, pekerjaan tradisional makin pupus.

“Dari sudut majikan, melabur dalam robot dan AI lebih kos efektif dalam jangka panjang berbanding mengupah ramai pekerja. Ini mengurangkan lagi peluang kerja manusia dalam banyak sektor,” katanya kepada *Sinar Harian*.

Tambah Mohammad Rizan, majikan di Malaysia juga menghadapi pelbagai cabaran dalam menawarkan pekerjaan berkemahiran tinggi dengan gaji premium antaranya melibatkan kos yang tinggi, ketidakmampuan pasaran dan produktiviti masih rendah dalam sektor industri tempatan.

Jelasnya, pekerjaan berkemahiran tinggi memerlukan pelaburan besar dalam teknologi, penyelidikan dan pembangunan serta latihan staf.

“Dalam industri beroperasi dengan margin rendah pula, syarikat tidak dapat menawarkan gaji tinggi walaupun pekerja itu sangat berkemahiran,” katanya.



MOHAMMAD RIZAN

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Malaysia dipilih sebagai tuan rumah AFPPD

KUALA LUMPUR - Malaysia dipilih sebagai negara tuan rumah bagi Sekretariat Forum Ahli Parlimen Negara Asia Mengenai Populasi dan Pembangunan (AFPPD), sekali gus menandakan satu pencapaian penting dalam peranan kepimpinan negara memajukan isu-isu penduduk dan pembangunan di rantau ini.

Keputusan itu dibuat pada Perhimpunan Agung AFPPD ke-15 yang diadakan di Kuala Lumpur pada Ahad dan bidaan negara yang diketuai Pengerusi AFPPD Malaysia, Datuk Seri Alexander Nanta Linggi yang juga Menteri Kerja Raya mendapat sokongan penuh daripada semua negara anggota.

"Kemenangan ini mencerminkan komitmen kuat Malaysia untuk mempromosikan pembangunan mampan, kesaksamaan jantina, hak kesihatan dan kebajikan rakyat di seluruh Asia dan Pasifik," menurut AFPPD dalam kenyataan pada Isnin.

Sementara itu, Alexander menerusi catatan di

Facebooknya menyatakan penghargaan Malaysia atas kepercayaan yang diberikan oleh rakan-rakan serantau.

"Menjadi tuan rumah kepada Sekretariat AFPPD adalah pengiktirafan terhadap peranan proaktif Malaysia dalam memperjuangkan isu-isu kritikal seperti pemerksaan belia, kesaksamaan jantina, penuaan penduduk dan kesihatan reproduktif," katanya.

Menurut kenyataan itu, pejabat Sekretariat AFPPD akan dipindahkan dari Jepun ke Kuala Lumpur, sekali gus berperanan menyokong ahli Parlimen dalam menangani cabaran berkaitan penduduk dan pembangunan untuk tempoh lima tahun akan datang.

AFPPD yang ditubuhkan pada 1981 adalah rangkaian luas 30 Jawatankuasa Kebangsaan yang terdiri daripada ahli Parlimen yang berfokus kepada mempromosikan penglibatan Parlimen dalam menangani isu-isu penduduk di rantau Asia dan Pasifik. - Bernama

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Bawa masuk syarikat pelaburan bernilai tinggi ke Malaysia

CYBERJAYA - Kerajaan sedang berusaha menaikkan siling dan mengukuhkan rantai ekonomi negara sejajar dengan kerangka Dasar Ekonomi Madani, bertujuan mengatasi ketidakpadanan pekerjaan mahir.

Menteri Sumber Manusia (Kesuma), Steven Sim berkata, langkah itu antaranya dengan memastikan syarikat pelaburan bernilai tinggi masuk ke Malaysia.

"Kerajaan menyedari bahawa berlaku insiden guna tenaga tidak penuh berasaskan pendidikan iaitu di mana pekerjaan tidak sepadan dengan kemahiran serta pendidikan yang diterima," katanya ketika ditemui pemberita selepas majlis sambutan Hari Keselamatan dan Kesihatan di Tempat Kerja Sedunia 2025, di Universiti Multimedia Malaysia di sini pada Isnin.

Ujarnya, struktur dan nilai ekonomi negara yang tidak berganjak dalam tempoh 30 tahun kebelakangan menyebabkan berlakunya perkara tersebut.

"Untuk mengubah pola yang mana telah berlaku secara mendatar selama 30 tahun, ia tidak boleh terjadi hanya dalam satu malam," jelas Steven.

Menurut beliau, negara memerlukan ekonomi yang bernilai lebih tinggi bagi mewujudkan



Steven Sim (empat dari kiri) berkunjung ke reruai pameran selepas majlis sambutan Hari Keselamatan dan Kesihatan di Tempat Kerja Sedunia 2025 di Universiti Multimedia Malaysia pada Isnin.

lebih banyak peluang pekerjaan bernilai tinggi.

"Setiap tahun kita ada lebih kurang 300,000 graduan universiti dengan satu pertiga adalah daripada sektor Sains, Teknologi, Kejuruteraan dan Matematik (STEM) manakala 100,000 lagi Pendidikan dan Latihan Teknikal dan Vokasional (TVET)."

"Jadi, dalam keadaan ini ekonomi kita mengikut pola 30 tahun lalu, ini bukan perkara baharu," katanya.

Menyentuh mengenai pengangguran, Steven berkata, kadar terbaharu pada Februari menunjukkan kurang daripada 3.1

peratus malah ia lebih rendah daripada sebelum pandemik Covid-19.

"Dalam keadaan ini kita juga nampak ada penambahbaikan, contohnya pada suku tahun keempat tahun 2023 kadarnya adalah lebih kurang 37 peratus."

"Jadi, pada suku keempat 2024, berlaku penurunan iaitu lebih kurang 36 peratus," ujar beliau.

Tambah Steven, kerajaan memperuntukkan sekitar RM7 bilion setiap tahun untuk pendidikan TVET manakala di Kesuma, RM3 bilion dikembangkan bagi menambah baik aspek kemahiran pada tahun ini.

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CEO MQA jelaskan
setiap kursus di IPT
relevan dan memenuhi
kehendak pasaran

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'Dunia iktiraf sijil kita, tapi peluang kerja terhad'

Kualiti pendidikan tinggi negara bukan isu utama dalam masalah pekerjaan tidak sepadan kelayakan, sebaliknya peluang pekerjaan berkemahiran tinggi yang ditawarkan oleh majikan tempatan masih terhad.

Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif Agensi Kelayakan Malaysia (MQA), Profesor Datuk Dr Mohammad Shatar Sabran berkata, sijil akademik dikeluarkan oleh institusi pengajian tinggi (IPT) sama ada awam atau swasta hakikatnya sangat diiktiraf dan diterima di peringkat antarabangsa.

"Disebabkan itu, kualiti pendidikan kita tidak boleh dipertikai dengan kebolehpasaran graduan tempatan laris di luar negara. Ini disebabkan kemampuan mereka melaksanakan tugas telah terbukti dan diterima dalam pelbagai bidang industri antarabangsa," katanya kepada *Sinar Harian*.



Tambah Mohammad Shatar, setiap program pengajian terutama dalam bidang Latihan Teknikal dan Vokasional (TVET) telah melalui proses penggubalan yang melibatkan input daripada pihak industri sebelum diluluskan oleh MQA dan Jabatan Pendidikan Tinggi.

"Semua program baharu diwajibkan mendapat input industri sebelum ditawarkan. Jadi tidak timbul isu silibus tidak relevan atau tidak memenuhi kehendak pasaran kerja. Kita juga tidak mahu wujudkan kursus atau program syok sendiri tanpa mengambil kira realiti pasaran kerja," ujar beliau lagi.

Bagi Pengerusi Pusat Kajian Pembudayaan Sains, Teknologi, Kejuruteraan dan Matematik, Fakulti Pendidikan Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, Dr Siti Nur Diyana Mahmud, struktur ekonomi negara menjadi faktor utama kurangnya penciptaan peluang pekerjaan mahir walaupun negara telah



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memberi tumpuan kepada pendidikan STEM.

Menurut beliau, walaupun kurikulum dan bilangan graduan STEM semakin meningkat, ekonomi negara masih tertumpu kepada industri tradisional yang menawarkan pekerjaan berkemahiran sederhana.

"Saya lihat ramai bekas pelajar cemerlang dalam kejuruteraan dan sains terpaksa menerima pekerjaan di luar bi-

dang kepakaran bukan kerana mereka tidak berkemampuan.

"Namun, senario itu berlaku disebabkan peluang kerja berkemahiran tinggi di pasaran terlalu terhad. Dalam erti kata lain, usaha mendidik lebih ramai tenaga pakar belum diiringi peralihan ekonomi sewajarnya," jelas beliau.

Tambah Nur Diyana, graduan STEM turut berdepan cabaran besar dalam merebut peluang pekerjaan berkemahiran tinggi terutama dalam pasaran kerja yang kompetitif.

"Dalam suasana persaingan sengit, graduan perlu membuktikan nilai tambah mereka kepada bakal majikan untuk menonjol dalam kalangan ribuan pencari kerja.

"Tidak hanya itu, kesesuaian lokasi turut menjadi cabaran buat mereka terutama dari kawasan luar bandar yang perlu berdepan kesukaran untuk berpindah atau menanggung kos sara hidup yang lebih tinggi di bandar demi mengejar kerjaya," ujarnya.

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1,000 PENGASUH DI RUMAH BERDAFTAR DENGAN YAWAS

100 taska di Selangor tak daftar

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Bangunan tidak mendapat kebenaran merancang selain isu teknikal dihadapi dengan Jabatan Bomba dan Penyelamat Malaysia (JBPM) seperti tangga keselamatan antara cabaran untuk mendaftarkan taman asuhan kanak-kanak (taska) di Selangor.

"Permohonan kebenaran merancang, keselamatan bangunan akan dinilai oleh pihak berkuasa tem-

patan (PBT).

"Sekiranya ditolak, pengusaha perlu mencari lokasi lain atau dicadangkan lokasi lain," kata Exco Pembangunan Wanita dan Kebajikan Masyarakat negeri, Anfaal Saari, semalam.

Beliau berkata demikian pada sidang media selepas melancarkan program 'Selangor Care Accelerator 2025' (XCare) di Perpustakaan Awam Selangor (PPAS) di Seks-

yen 13 di sini, semalam.

Selain itu, antara perkara yang wajib dan perlu dititikberatkan oleh pengusaha taska adalah kursus kepada pengasuh yang bekerja di Taska berkenaan.

Menurut

Anfaal, rekod Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat (JKM) mendapati 980 taska berdaftar dan beroperasi di Selangor dan pada masa sama lebih 100 lagi tidak berdaftar.

"Tahun lalu, kerajaan negeri mewujudkan geran pusat jagaan taska dengan jumlah maksimum RM5,000 bagi setiap operator dengan peruntukan ke-
selu-

ruhan RM400,000.

"Ta bagi memudahkan pengasuh membuat pendaftaran seterusnya membolehkan ia beroperasi dengan kebenaran pihak berkuasa," katanya.

Mengulas berkaitan khidmat asuhan di rumah persendirian oleh ibu, ibu saudara, nenek atau jiran tetangga, kata beliau, 1,000 pengasuh di rumah sudah berdaftar dengan kerajaan negeri di bawah Yayasan Warisan Anak Selangor (Yawas).

"Di bawah Yawas, kita sudah melaksanakan program Iltizam Penjaga-

an dan Pendidikan Kanak-kanak (Impak) Selangor khusus kepada program pengasuh di rumah kerana golongan ini tidak tertakluk atau berdaftar dengan JKJ.

"Selangor prihatin kepada keselamatan dan kualiti penjagaan kanak-kanak kerana itu kita wujudkan program ini sejak akhir 2023. Sehingga kini, ada 1,000 pengasuh di rumah dan sebahagiannya akan ditawarkan geran RM2,000 untuk kualiti dan penambahbaikan peralatan dalam rumah," katanya.

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980 taska
berdaftar dan
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di Selangor
Anfaal



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Lebih 100 taska tak berdaftar di Selangor

Shah Alam: Kerajaan negeri mendedahkan lebih 100 taman asuhan kanak-kanak (taska) tidak berdaftar di Selangor berdasarkan data yang diperolehi daripada Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat (JKM) setakat ini.

EXCO Pembangunan Wanita dan Kebajikan Masyarakat, Anfaal Saari berkata, menerusi geran khas yang diperkenalkan Disember tahun lalu, kerajaan negeri dapat mengenal pasti cabaran dan isu yang dihadapi oleh taska yang beroperasi di negeri ini.

Katanya, sebaik menerima per-

mohonan geran, pihaknya ber-mesyuarat dari semasa ke semasa untuk membuat penilaian dan meluluskan permohonan itu.

"Terkini, menurut JKM Selangor sebanyak 980 taska berdaftar dan beroperasi di Selangor, manakala lebih 100 tidak berdaftar.

"Minggu lalu, Mesyuarat Jawatankuasa Teknikal dan Penilai Geran Pusat Jagaan untuk memilih pusat yang layak menerima geran maksimum RM5,000 setiap operator dan dana diperuntuk sebanyak RM400,000 bagi memu-

dahcara pengusaha daftar dan taska boleh beroperasi secara sah.

"Tetapi terdapat cabaran untuk mendaftar kerana ada setengah bangunan taska tidak mendapat kebenaran merancang dan isu teknikal dengan pihak bomba seperti tangga keselamatan.

"Permohonan kebenaran merancang, keselamatan bangunan akan dinilai oleh Pihak Berkuasa Tempatan (PBT), sekiranya ditolak mereka perlu mencari lokasi lain atau dicadangkan lokasi lain," katanya.

Beliau berkata demikian dalam

sidang media selepas melancarkan program *Selangor Care Accelerator 2025 (XCare)* di Perpustakaan Awam Selangor (PPAS) di Seksyen 13 di sini, semalam.

Selain itu, antara perkara yang wajib dan perlu dititikberatkan oleh pengusaha taska adalah kursus kepada pengasuh bekerja di taska berkenaan.

"Ini antara syarat yang ditetapkan, perlu melalui agensi teknikal terlebih dahulu, bomba, jabatan kesihatan negeri, PBT dan terakhir adalah JKM," katanya.

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Anfaal Saari,
EXCO
Pembangunan
Wanita dan
Kebajikan
Masyarakat



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Untung bersih suku pertama Bursa Malaysia RM68.4 juta

Penurunan
8.8 peratus
dipengaruhi
penyusutan
pendapatan
operasi

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Bursa Malaysia Bhd mencatatkan keuntungan selepas cukai, zakat dan kepentingan minoriti (PATAMI) sebanyak RM68.4 juta untuk suku pertama berakhir 31 Mac 2025, penurunan 8.8 peratus berbanding RM75 juta yang dilaporkan dalam suku tahun yang sama berakhir 31 Mac 2024.

Penurunan PATAMI itu disebabkan terutama oleh penyusutan 1.7 peratus pendapatan operasi kepada RM177.7 juta pada suku

pertama 2025 berbanding RM180.7 juta pada suku pertama 2024.

Pada masa yang sama, jumlah perbelanjaan operasi meningkat sebanyak 6.7 peratus kepada RM92.9 juta pada suku pertama 2025 berbanding RM87.1 juta pada suku pertama 2024, disebabkan oleh peningkatan perbelanjaan teknologi dan kos langganan yang lebih tinggi berikutan pelancaran platform *Centralised Sustainability Intelligence* (CSI) pada Jun 2024.

Suku pertama mencabar

Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif Bursa Malaysia, Datuk Fad'li Mohamed, berkata suku pertama tahun 2025 terbukti menjadi tempoh yang mencabar untuk pasaran global, terjejas oleh faktor luaran yang mempengaruhi prestasi pasaran saham.

"Walaupun menghadapi rintangan, pasaran modal Malaysia kekal kukuh, disokong oleh asas ekonomi yang kuat dan arah dasar yang jelas daripada kerajaan serta disokong oleh pelan nasio-

nal yang digariskan dalam bidang pertumbuhan utama.

"Di Bursa Malaysia, kami berasa teruja dengan momentum tawaran awam permulaan (IPO) yang kukuh. Dengan 16 penyertaan dicatatkan setakat ini, Bursa akan terus menuju sasaran penuh tahun ini sebanyak 60 IPO," katanya dalam satu kenyataan.

Untuk suku semasa yang sedang dikaji, penurunan pendapatan operasi di pasaran sekuriti adalah disebabkan oleh penyusutan pendapatan perdagangan, dengan nilai dagangan harian purata (ADV) untuk dagangan pasaran terbuka (OMT) dan dagangan perniagaan langsung (DBT) merosot sebanyak 11.9 peratus kepada RM2.8 billion pada suku pertama 2025 berbanding RM3.2 billion pada suku pertama 2024.

Halaju dagangan pada suku pertama 2024 juga turun sebanyak enam mata peratusan kepada 33 peratus berbanding 39 peratus pada suku yang sama tahun sebelumnya.

Jumlah hari perdagangan yang lebih rendah, iaitu dua hari pada suku pertama 2025 berbanding suku pertama 2024, turut menyumbang kepada penurunan pendapatan operasi.

Bagi Pasaran Derivatif pula, pendapatan perdagangan menunjukkan peningkatan yang ketara sebanyak 13.7 peratus kepada RM28.9 juta pada suku pertama 2025 berbanding RM25.4 juta pada suku pertama 2024.

Peningkatan ini didorong terutamanya oleh kenaikan purata kontrak harian (ADC) yang diperdagangkan untuk niaga hadapan minyak sawit mentah (FCPO).

Pendapatan daripada yuran persidangan dan pendapatan berkaitan pameran juga meningkat sebanyak 12.1 peratus kepada RM7.1 juta pada suku pertama 2025 berbanding RM6.4 juta pada suku yang sama tahun sebelumnya, disokong oleh bilangan peserta yang lebih tinggi semasa Persidangan dan Pameran Harga Minyak Kelapa Sawit dan Laurik (POC).

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Bantu pekerja hadapi cabaran baharu alam pekerjaan

Noor Mohamad
Shakil
Hameed,
Timbalan
Pengarah
(Komunikasi
Korporat), Pusat
Strategi dan
Perhubungan
Korporat (PSPK)
UPM

Khamis ini, negara akan meraikan Hari Pekerja dan tema sambutan tahun ini ialah Pekerja Kesuma Bangsa.

Secara prinsipnya, pekerja mahu kerjaya terjamin, masa depan cerah, sumbangan dihargai serta disediakan bantuan kebajikan yang sewajarnya.

Majikan pula mahukan pekerja cekap, efisien dan berintegriti memberikan perkhidmatan selain terus berusaha meningkatkan produktiviti dan keuntungan organisasi.

Maka, situasi menang-menang antara keperluan kebajikan pekerja dan tuntutan kemahuan majikan hanya akan terbentuk jika kedua-dua pihak saling memahami kehendak masing-masing melalui hubungan kerjasama secara ikhlas dan jujur.

Peningkatan kos sara hidup yang semakin ketara serta ancaman revolusi teknologi dan digital khususnya teknologi kecerdasan buatan (AI) cukup membimbangkan pekerja.

Pekerja mahu majikan cakna dengan cabaran sedang mereka hadapi, misalnya perlu mengiktiraf sumbangan dan peranan pekerja melalui peningkatan gaji progresif, setimpal dengan kelayakan dan kemahiran.

Ia termasuk menawarkan kemudahan kebajikan untuk diri seperti jumlah cuti wajar serta bantuan kos rawatan perubatan untuk diri serta keluarga. Kadar gaji yang diterima sering mencetuskan perdebatan, sama ada setimpal dengan kelayakan dan pengalaman atau tidak.

Justeru, perlu ada pertimbangan dan perbincangan strategik antara majikan dengan pekerja supaya pekerja memperoleh gaji setimpal dan sebagai pulangan organisasi menikmati peningkatan produktiviti membanggakan.

Wujudkan ekosistem kerjaya selesa, kondusif
Dalam konteks ini majikan perlu mewujudkan ekosistem kerjaya selesa dan kondusif bagi membolehkan pekerja menikmati keseimbangan antara kehidupan dan pekerjaan.

Aspek kesihatan mental juga harus diberi perhatian sewajarnya oleh majikan kerana ia kini memberikan ancaman besar kepada kehidupan pekerja.

Majikan juga perlu membantu meredakan kebimbangan pekerja terhadap ancaman AI yang dikhawatiri boleh menjejaskan kedudukan dan masa depan kerjaya mereka.

Juurnya, ramai yang risau AI akan meragut kerjaya mereka, justeru majikan perlu memberikan jaminan tidak akan mengorbankan pekerja kerana kemunculan AI yang dilihat boleh meng-

gantian tempat pekerja dalam beberapa sektor pekerjaan.

Dalam hal ini, majikan tidak harus bertindak terburu-buru atau mementingkan keuntungan semata-mata sebaliknya mengoptimalkan pekerja yang ada dengan menyuntik pelbagai nilai tambah melalui latihan kemahiran.

Pekerja perlu diberikan peluang latihan sewajarnya untuk menimba pengetahuan dan pengalaman bagi membolehkan relevan, sekali gus menjamin masa depan kerjaya mereka.

Namun, pekerja juga perlu terbuka untuk mengubah cara kerja dengan mengadaptasi teknologi terkini dalam kerja seharian. Pekerja perlu bersedia mengikuti latihan kemahiran dan teknologi supaya boleh melaksanakan tugas dengan lebih cekap, cepat dan efisien.

Falsafah Pekerja Kesuma Bangsa memerlukan pemeraksanaan sinergi dan kerjasama erat antara majikan dan pekerja. Kerjasama erat ini akan meletakkan negara di landasan betul menuju matlamat status negara maju berpendapatan tinggi.

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Penerima biasiswa dianggar terima RM11,000 setahun

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Kuala Lumpur: Dianggarkan RM11,000 setahun diperuntukkan oleh Jabatan Perkhidmatan Awam (JPA) kepada setiap seorang penerima biasiswa di bawah tajaan yang melanjutkan pengajian dalam bidang perubatan, pergigian dan farmasi (PPF) di institusi pengajian tinggi (IPT) tempatan.

Mengikut surat berkaitan yang disiarkan dalam laman sesawang JPA, bantuan itu adalah tawaran biasiswa persekutuan untuk pengajian bidang berkenaan.

Menerusi syarat yang dikeluarkan itu, jumlah berkenaan

akan diberikan kepada penerima biasiswa yang melanjutkan pengajian peringkat ijazah pertama di IPT tempatan di kawasan tertentu.

Ini termasuk untuk kawasan Kuala Lumpur, Pulau Pinang, Seberang Perai, Johor Bahru, Shah Alam, Subang Jaya, Petaling Jaya, Klang, Kajang, Selangor, Sepang, Sabah dan Sarawak.

RM9,240 elaun sara hidup

Daripada jumlah yang dinyatakan itu, sebanyak RM9,240 adalah kadar elaun sara hidup setahun, RM1,000 elaun membeli

buku, elaun alat perkakas (RM500), elaun tesis yang dibayar sekali sahaja (RM300), elaun kertas projek (RM300) dan elaun kertas amali (RM10).

Bagaimanapun, bagi kawasan lain yang dinyatakan itu, jumlah biasiswa yang diberikan sedikit berkurangan iaitu sekitar RM9,000 setahun.

Sementara itu, bagi mereka yang melanjutkan pengajian di peringkat diploma, anggaran biasiswa yang diberikan ialah RM7,000 ke RM9,000 untuk pelbagai bidang termasuk pengajian sastera, sains, teknologi, seni bina dan perubatan bersekutu.

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Penduduk Kampung Sungai Baru mahu segera pulang

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PETALING JAYA: Majoriti pemilik lot rumah teres dan flat Kampung Sungai Baru bersetuju bahawa pembangunan semula kawasan tersebut perlu dilaksanakan dengan kadar segera memandangkan sudah lebih lapan tahun mereka menunggu projek menjadi kenyataan.

Pengerusi Badan Bertindak Projek Pembangunan Semula Kampung Sungai Baru, Mohd. Adam Abd. Aziz berkata, kenyataan dikeluarkan Ahli Parlimen Titiwangsa, Datuk Seri Johari Ghani amat tepat bahawa projek tidak boleh diundurkan lagi.

Katanya, ia adalah disebabkan projek tersebut sudah diwartakan di bawah Seksyen 4 dan Seksyen 8 Akta Pengambilan Tanah (APT) 1960 yang dikeluarkan pada 18 Jun pada 21 Jun 2021.

"Penangguhan yang berlaku sekarang disebabkan beberapa perkara antaranya perintah pembangunan (DO) yang dikeluarkan DBKL (Dewan Bandaraya Kuala



Syarat yang diberikan adalah pemaju harus memastikan setiap unit rumah di flat tersebut sudah kosong barulah proses meroboh boleh dilaksanakan..."

MOHD. ADAM ABD. AZIZ

Lumpur) untuk merobohkan flat di kawasan tersebut dengan bersyarat.

"Syarat yang diberikan adalah pemaju harus memastikan setiap unit rumah di flat tersebut sudah kosong barulah proses meroboh boleh dilaksanakan tetapi apa yang berlaku kini ada beberapa

pemilik yang tidak berpuas hati mendakwa masih menetap di situ.

"Mereka ini meninggalkan bangunan di rumah tersebut supaya proses meroboh tidak dapat dilaksanakan walaupun perintah mahkamah dan bailif telah dilantik," katanya kepada *Utusan Malaysia*.

Beliau berkata, isu kedua yang berlaku adalah disebabkan beberapa pemilik yang tidak menandatangani kerjasama (JV) dengan pemaju membawa isu pampasan diterima ke mahkamah.

"Jadi sekarang ini projek tersebut terpaksa ditangguhkan supaya penilaian dapat dibuat. Pemaju mengambil sikap berhati-hati untuk menyelesaikan isu-isu berbangkit terlebih dahulu sebelum meneruskan pembangunan.

"Tetapi, cepat atau lambat projek pembangunan ini memang perlu diteruskan sebab warta Akta Pengambilan Tanah sudah

dikeluarkan," katanya.

Utusan Malaysia sebelum ini melaporkan bahawa Johari yang juga Menteri Perladangan dan Komoditi berkata, projek pembangunan Kampung Sungai Baru perlu diteruskan selepas pewartaan Akta Pengambilan Tanah 1960 dikeluarkan pada tahun 2021.

Katanya, pembatalan projek pembangunan itu bukan lagi pilihan sebaliknya perlu diteruskan supaya penantian pemilik flat dan lot rumah teres itu yang menandatangani perjanjian ditamatkan segera.

"Mereka sudah menandatangani persetujuan perjanjian usaha sama, menerima pampasan dan berpindah keluar seperti diminta pemaju. Jadi keputusan itu tidak boleh undur.

"Apa yang perlu dilakukan sekarang ialah mencari penyelesaian bagi membolehkan pemaju memulakan projek segera supaya tidak lagi terbengkalai.

"Projek mungkin mengambil masa lima tahun (dari sekarang) kerana kalau projek disiapkan cepat pun, ia tetap memerlukan 11 atau 12 tahun," katanya.

Mengulas lanjut, Mohd. Adam berkata, sebagai wakil kepada 227 pemilik flat dan lot rumah teres di Kampung Sungai Baru, beliau berharap projek dapat dilaksanakan dan disiapkan segera supaya kesemua pemilik yang menandatangani kerjasama dapat pulang ke kampung halaman.

"Masuk tahun ini sudah hampir sembilan tahun kami keluar daripada Kampung Sungai Baru, jadi kami berharap projek ini dapat dilaksanakan segera," katanya.

Sehingga kini, seramai 192 pemilik flat dan 35 lot rumah teres menandatangani kerjasama projek pembangunan Kampung Sungai Baru manakala 109 lagi yang tidak bersetuju diberikan pampasan berdasarkan Akta Pengambilan Tanah 1960.

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● Paling tinggi antara tujuh mata pelajaran teras SPM ● Silibus terlalu sukar jadi faktor

84,025 gagal Matematik

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PUTRAJAYA: Seramai 84,025 calon peperiksaan Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (SPM) 2024 gagal dalam subjek Matematik, iaitu antara tujuh mata pelajaran teras dalam peperiksaan itu.

Berdasarkan Laporan Analisis Keputusan Peperiksaan SPM 2024 lalu, jumlah itu merangkumi 22.4 peratus daripada

375,115 calon menduduki mata pelajaran berkenaan, sekaligus mencatatkan keputusan gagal tertinggi dalam keseluruhan mata pelajaran yang diambil oleh calon-calon SPM.

Berbanding subjek teras lain seperti Sains, jumlah calon yang gagal hanya merekodkan seramai 24,314 calon atau 8.6 peratus daripada 282,724 yang menduduki subjek itu manakala bagi subjek Bahasa Inggeris

pula, sejumlah 36,771 calon atau 9.8 peratus gagal dalam subjek itu daripada 375,218 calon mendudukinya.

Bagi subjek elektif pula, Matematik Tambahan merekodkan jumlah calon gagal tertinggi berbanding subjek elektif lain iaitu seramai 27,112 merangkumi 24.9 peratus daripada 108,885 calon yang menduduki.

Matematik Tambahan adalah antara empat subjek elektif

Sains, Teknologi, Kejuruteraan dan Matematik (STEM) selain Sains Tulen iaitu Fizik, Biologi dan Kimia.

Jika mengambil kira kelayakan untuk menyambung ke peringkat pengajian tinggi dalam jurusan-jurusan sains dan teknologi, mereka perlu memperoleh sekurang-kurangnya gred C.

Jumlah mereka yang hanya lulus bagi gred D dan E juga tinggi iaitu kira-kira 105,407 (28.1

peratus) calon bagi mata pelajaran Matematik manakala seramai 22,321 (20.1 peratus) calon bagi mata Pelajaran Matematik Tambahan.

Justeru, jumlah pelajar yang lulus gred D dan E serta yang gagal menjadi lebih besar iaitu 189,432 calon (Matematik) dan 49,433 calon (Matematik Tambahan).

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Mengulas mengenai faktor kemerosotan pencapaian subjek Matematik itu, pakar pendidikan daripada Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM), Dr. Anuar Ahmad berkata, penguasaan pelajar-pelajar dalam subjek ini adalah lemah sebelum mereka menduduki SPM.

Apatah lagi katanya, mereka gagal menguasai kemahiran asas sejak di sekolah rendah dan tidak diatasi lebih awal sehingga membawa ke peringkat sekolah menengah.

"Mungkin pada awalnya mereka ada yang keciciran dan tidak di atasi segera maka membawa ke sekolah menengah, akhirnya sampai ke peringkat SPM dalam keadaan penguasaan matematik lemah.

Sedangkan silibus di peringkat SPM itu jauh lebih sukar yang perlu mereka kuasai kemahiran asas terlebih dahulu," katanya kepada Utusan Malaysia di sini semalam.

Anuar berkata, kandungan atau silibus Matematik terlalu sukar dan padat turut menjadi faktor kegagalan murid yang telah pun diakui sendiri pihak Kementerian Pendidikan Malaysia (KPM) sehingga mereka melaksanakan intervensi kurikulum pada tahun lalu di peringkat sekolah rendah untuk subjek Sains dan Matematik.

Katanya, intensif intervensi kurikulum ini baru bermula sedangkan pelajar-pelajar di peringkat SPM 2024 sudah mengahapinya sekian lama dengan kurikulum dan silibus yang berat.

"Kita menyatakan kebimbangan tentang isu silibus ini dari awal lagi sejak tahun 2016 apabila kita nampak pelaksanaan Kurikulum Standard Sekolah Menengah (KSSM) pada tahun 2012 ada kesan yang tidak begitu memuaskan kepada Matematik dan Sains.



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ANUAR AHMAD

"Pada 2019 ramai pihak menyuarakan pandangan ini termasuk guru dan kemudian kita dapat lihat semakin pada tahun 2017 juga tidak berjaya membawa kurikulum menjadi lebih baik.

"Kita mengharapkan dalam kurikulum baharu 2027, isu silibus ini dapat diselesaikan di mana tidak perlu terlalu padat, tidak terlalu banyak yang perlu diajarkan kepada para pelajar, cukup hanya kemahiran asas supaya mereka dapat menguasai dengan baik sekali gus da-

pat menjawab soalan itu jauh lebih baik," katanya.

Kumpulan calon SPM 2024 adalah mereka terkesan ketika tempoh pandemik Covid-19 di mana mereka berada di Tingkatan 1 pada 2020 dan menghadapi sekolah tutup selama tiga tahun yang hanya dibuka sepenuhnya pada Mac 2023.

Mereka hanya belajar secara bersemuka ketika tingkatan 4 dan tingkatan 5, iaitu hampir 60 peratus daripada tempoh tingkatan 1 hingga tingkatan 5 mereka tidak berada di sekolah.

"Situasi ini mempengaruhi pencapaian memandangkan Matematik perlu melalui pengajaran dan pembelajaran bersemuka dan guru perlu berada bersama murid, membimbing dan memberikan perhatian.

"Kalau silibus sekarang pada tingkatan 1, 2 dan 3 mereka tidak kuasai, bagaimana dapat jawab soalan di peringkat SPM dengan baik," katanya.

Menangani kelemahan pencapaian subjek itu, Anuar berkata, ia mesti diperkukuhkan di peringkat sekolah rendah lagi kerana kelemahan itu akan terbawa ke peringkat menengah termasuk subjek Sains dan Bahasa Inggeris apatah lagi silibus semakin sukar.

Pedagogi guru dan latihan kepada tenaga pengajar perlu berubah selain kemudahan pembelajaran dalam kelas juga kena berubah.

"Kelas perlu lebih kecil sebab guru boleh bimbing murid dengan lebih rapat, kalau kelas itu sampai 50 orang, guru tak mampu nak memastikan setiap murid dapat bimbingan yang baik.

"Negara maju memberi fokus kepada bilangan murid dalam kelas antara 20 hingga 25 sebab mereka tahu bilangan murid ramai tidak akan meningkatkan keberkesanan pengajaran dan pembelajaran," katanya.

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BURSA POSTS RM68.4M PROFIT IN Q1

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Revenue stands at RM184.4m, down 1.5pc from RM187.2m previously

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BURSA Malaysia Bhd's net profit dropped 8.8 per cent to RM68.4 million for the first quarter ended March 31, 2025, from RM75 million a year earlier, due to higher overall operating expenses.

Revenue for the quarter stood at RM184.4 million, a 1.5 per cent decrease from RM187.2 million previously, dragged by lower operating revenue and weaker securities trading activity.

Operating revenue fell 1.7 per cent to RM177.7 million, while total operating expenses rose 6.7 per cent to RM92.9 million.

The weaker operating revenue was mainly attributed to a decline in securities market activity, with the average daily trading value for on-market and direct business trades falling 11.9 per cent to RM2.8 billion.

Trading velocity dropped to 33 per cent from 39 per cent a year earlier, but Bursa Malaysia reported stronger contributions from its derivatives and Islamic markets.

Revenue from the derivatives market rose 13.7 per cent year-on-year to RM28.9 million, driven by

higher trading volume in crude palm oil futures contracts.

The Islamic market posted a 23 per cent increase in revenue to RM5.5 million, supported by stronger Bursa Suq Al-Sila' trading.

Revenue from conference fees and exhibitions climbed 12.1 per cent to RM7.1 million, while the data business segment grew 2.1 per cent to RM19.4 million.

Chief executive officer Datuk Fad'l Mohamed said Malaysia's capital market remains resilient, backed by strong economic fundamentals and government policy support.

"Bursa Malaysia remains focused on strengthening market resilience through ongoing outreach efforts and enhanced product offerings, to broaden investor participation. We expect these initiatives will cushion against external headwinds and sustain healthy trading activity across our markets," Fad'l said in a statement following the group's results announcement yesterday.

He said Bursa Malaysia recorded 16 initial public offerings (IPO) to date, keeping it on track to achieve its target this year of 60 IPOs.

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Local white rice purchase limit raised to 5 bags

SERDANG: The government has eased the purchasing limit for local white rice to facilitate smoother supply chains and prevent stockpiling, said Agriculture and Food Security Minister Datuk Seri Mohamad Sabu.

He said consumers can now buy up to five 10kg bags per person, up from one bag.

He said the adjustment was necessary to prevent rice from spoiling if left unsold in the market for too long.

"Earlier, there were concerns about the availability of local white rice.

"However, now that it is widely

available, and with the price of imported rice stabilising around RM32, the demand for local white rice, priced at RM26, is no longer as high as before."

He said this after attending the ministry's Hari Raya celebrations. Mohamad said that when imported rice prices surged to RM40, demand for local rice had spiked, leading to stricter purchase limits.

"Now, consumers, especially those from lower-income groups, can buy up to five bags to meet their needs.

"We want the rice stocks to move, as prolonged stagnation

can cause spoilage and may attract pests."

He said that initiatives, such as the Local White Rice Distribution Programme, were being implemented nationwide to ensure a consistent supply.

"Up to mid-April, 3.16 million 10kg bags of rice have been distributed through over 47,000 registered retail outlets.

"Selangor, Kedah, Perak, and Johor have recorded the highest distribution figures."

He said some isolated supply issues might persist in certain rural areas, but added that the ministry was addressing these concerns.

On another matter, he said the government had given its assurance that the price of coconut milk will stabilise by next month, in time for Hari Raya Aidiladha.

He said additional imports from Indonesia, Sabah and Sarawak were being arranged to boost supply and ease price pressures.

Mohamad also said beef prices during Hari Raya Aidilfitri this year had remained low, and supply would be sufficient for Hari Raya Aidiladha.

He expressed hope that prices would not spike ahead of the next Hari Raya celebration.

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Potholes reflect poor standards

► Weak construction, substandard materials and inadequate maintenance blamed for road hazards, says expert

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PETALING JAYA: Despite ongoing repairs and resurfacing efforts, potholes remain a persistent issue in Malaysia, posing significant risks to motorists and highlighting deep-rooted flaws in road construction and maintenance practices.

Universiti Putra Malaysia Department of Civil Engineering head Assoc Prof Dr Fauzan Mohd Jakarni said the enduring pothole problem stems from poor material quality, construction flaws and inadequate maintenance planning.

"Malaysia's roads are primarily built using flexible asphalt pavement, composed of hot mix asphalt - a blend of bitumen and crushed aggregates that forms the main structural material.

However, even the best materials can fail

prematurely if they are not properly designed, constructed or maintained," he said.

Fauzan, who specialises in highway engineering and pavement materials, noted that frequent pothole formation is due to a combination of factors, including inconsistent material quality, low binder content, poor construction practices, water infiltration and the increasing load from heavy traffic.

"Malaysia's tropical climate, with its heavy rainfall and intense heat, further exacerbates the breakdown of asphalt surfaces. Rain and heat cycles gradually weaken the asphalt and if cracks aren't sealed early, water seeps in, undermining the layers beneath and causing potholes and premature failures."

The dangers of potholes have tragically been highlighted by recent road accidents.

Earlier this month, a teenager lost his life after hitting a pothole while riding his motorcycle along the Kuantan-Cherok Paloh road near Kampung Hijrah in Pahang.

The impact caused him to lose control and be thrown onto the road.

Similarly, last month in Kluang, Johor, two secondary school students were killed when their motorcycle struck a pothole, causing a skid that led to fatal head and body injuries.

Fauzan identified inconsistent material quality as a major contributor to the persistent

pothole problem, noting that roads are sometimes built with substandard aggregates or bitumen lacking the durability needed.

He also pointed out that compaction during construction often falls short of required standards.

"Without strict monitoring and testing, roads quickly become vulnerable to early damage, putting lives at risk. It is critical that aggregates and bitumen meet specifications, and that stricter material inspections are enforced. Furthermore, construction must be closely supervised, especially regarding paving quality, layer thickness, compaction density and surface drainage."

While standard asphalt can work in Malaysia's climate, Fauzan noted that conventional materials sometimes fail to offer adequate resistance to extreme heat and moisture.

He advocated a shift towards modified asphalt, such as polymer-modified asphalt or other climate-adapted mixtures, to strengthen road durability.

"Innovation in materials could be key to solving this issue. Research shows that incorporating polymers, fibres (such as those used in stone mastic asphalt) or even modified waste cooking oil can enhance asphalt's flexibility, workability and moisture resistance."

However, Fauzan stressed that the issues extend beyond construction alone.

"Malaysia's road maintenance strategies fall short. While long-term maintenance plans have been introduced, they are not consistently applied across all regions and road categories. Too often, maintenance is reactive rather than preventive, allowing minor issues to fester until they become major, costly problems."

He highlighted the need for roads to be engineered to accommodate rising traffic volumes and heavier loads.

"Roads must be designed to withstand heavier and more frequent traffic loads with stronger asphalt mixtures, thicker pavement structures and high-performance materials such as polymer-modified asphalt. Better drainage design, stricter axle load controls and smarter maintenance strategies - such as regular pavement condition monitoring - are crucial to ensuring road sustainability as traffic demands rise."

Looking to the future, Fauzan believes that only by improving material quality, construction standards and maintenance management can Malaysia address its road durability issues.

"Without meaningful reform, potholes will remain a dangerous, costly and frustrating blight for road users."

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