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ABU BAKAR MOHAMAD DIAH (tengah), Zainal Abidin Mohd. Yusof (kanan) dan Azmi Ng melancarkan Standard Industri SIRIM pada Sidang Kemuncak Kualiti Kebangsaan 2015 di Glenmarie, Shah Alam, semalam. - UTUSAN/FARIZ RUSADIO

SIRIM kenal pasti keperluan industri

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SIRIM Berhad (SIRIM) akan mengenal pasti keperluan industri dalam usaha membangunkan Standard Industri yang bersesuaian bagi memastikan industri terutama perusahaan kecil dan sederhana (PKS) lebih berdaya saing dalam pasaran global yang lebih meluas.

Timbalan Menteri Sains, Teknologi dan Inovasi (MOSTI) Datuk Abu Bakar Mohamad Diah berkata, Standard Industri SIRIM dapat membantu industri terutamanya dalam aspek kawalan kualiti, memudahkan penerimaan produk di pasaran, pengurusan organisasi atau industri serta menjaga aspek keselamatan dan kesihatan komuniti.

"Standard Industri SIRIM yang dibangunkan khas untuk sesuatu industri, persatuan atau organisasi akan memberikan penyelesaian terbaik kepada masalah yang berulang dan bukannya hanya menawarkan penyelesaian secara ad-hoc," katanya semasa melancarkan SIRIM Standard Industri bersempena Sidang Kemuncak Kualiti Kebangsaan 2015, di sini

hari ini.

Yang turut hadir, Presiden dan Ketua Eksekutif SIRIM, Datuk Dr. Zainal Abidin Mohd. Yusof dan Naib Presiden Bahagian Teknikal SIRIM, Azim Ng. Seminar tersebut dihadiri 150 peserta terdiri daripada ketua pegawai eksekutif, pengarah syarikat, ketua jabatan, perunding dan pengamal kualiti.

Abu Bakar berkata, MOSTI telah memperuntukkan sebanyak RM372,000 kepada SIRIM untuk membangunkan PKS bagi mewujudkan budaya kualiti dan inovatif untuk menambahbaik proses dan produk mereka. Sehingga kini, sebanyak 50 PKS telah dibantu.

Sementara itu, Pengurus Besar Kanan Pusat Pengurusan dan Penyelidikan Standard SIRIM, Abdul Aziz Long berkata, SIRIM mengambil masa hingga lapan bulan untuk membangunkan Standard Industri yang menjadi penanda aras kepada pihak industri dan merupakan satu-satunya standard bertaraf nasional.

"Kita mahu pada masa akan datang, PKS mempunyai kesedaran untuk mengguna pakai standard ini dan dapat membantu mereka menawarkan produk dan perkhidmatan yang memenuhi keperluan standard ditetapkan oleh badan-badan tertentu terutama dalam

menghadapi persaingan apabila Komuniti Ekonomi ASEAN (AEC) dilaksanakan," katanya.

Pelaksanaan Standard Industri SIRIM merentasi pelbagai sektor daripada pertanian, pelancongan, pengangkutan, penjagaan kesihatan, tenaga hinggalah teknologi maklumat.

Standard tersebut terdiri daripada lima peringkat iaitu standard organisasi, standard industri, standard kebangsaan, standard serantau dan standard antarabangsa.

Setakat ini, SIRIM telah membangunkan tujuh standard di bawah Standard Industri iaitu SIRIM 1:2014, Garis Panduan Kebersihan Tandas Masjid dan Surau; SIRIM 2:2014, Garis Panduan Penarafan Kebersihan Tandas Masjid dan Surau; SIRIM 3:2014, Kod Amalan Pemasangan dan Penyelenggaraan Kipas Siling dan SIRIM 4:2014, Amalan Baik Untuk Melaksanakan Pengurusan Keselamatan Perjalanan.

Sehubungan itu, Abdul Aziz menyifatkan, pelaksanaan Standard Industri merupakan satu lagi kejayaan SIRIM kepada pembangunan PKS di negara ini dalam usaha meningkatkan kesedaran mereka terhadap keperluan standard.

'SMEs need more innovative solutions'

ASSISTANCE: Sirim can help improve quality, productivity of industries, says deputy minister

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THE Science, Technology and Innovation Ministry has allocated RM372,000 to assist small and medium enterprises (SMEs) in creating a culture of quality and innovation by improving their products.

Its deputy minister, Datuk Dr Abu Bakar Mohd Diah, said currently, 50 SMEs were being assisted.

The ministry provides funds and support for start-ups, standards accreditation, transfer of new technology, and facilitates research and development of products for commercialisation.

He said this after launching Sirim Industry Standards in conjunction

with the National Quality Summit 2015 here yesterday. It is part of the Standards and Industrial Research Institute of Malaysia (Sirim)'s efforts to help industries and businesses to meet local and international requirements and practices.

Abu Bakar said Sirim needed to introduce new and innovative solutions to improve the quality and productivity of the industries.

He said Sirim had introduced several standards, including Sirim 3:2014, a code of practice for installation and maintenance of ceiling fans, and Sirim 4:2014, which are good practices for implementing commuting safety management.

The standards launched yesterday were developed in accordance to Sirim standardisation procedures, which were in line with international practices for appropriate notification of work programmes and participation of interested parties.

"This new standard will be an essential tool for quality control, facilitating product acceptance and safeguarding the safety and health of the community.

"In line with the theme, we need to adopt changes and manage our quality to be globally competitive."

He said Sirim had also introduced

a programme called Green 5S Recognition Scheme to reduce cost and improve efficiency. Ten companies are participating in the scheme.

The programme provides solution for problems faced by businesses that were involved in sustainability and organisational development.

Sirim Bhd president and chief executive Datuk Dr Zainal Abidin Mohd Yusof said the theme of this year's summit, "Action 2015 — Imperative for Change", was aimed at showcasing the standards-based management system, as well as the updates on the revision to the most widely used International Standard in the world, ISO 9001.

"Each time we organise the summit, we hope industry players have a platform to share their experiences on the importance of quality, current trends and developments with others."

He said Sirim was in collaboration with Open Universiti Malaysia offering Masters in Quality Management to graduates or working adults to equip them with the latest tools and techniques.

Present was former international trade and industry minister Tan Sri Rafidah Aziz, who presented the keynote address.

