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In good spirits: Abdullah arriving at the Petaling Jaya police headquarters.

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Nancy: Cross protest proves Sedition Act is needed

April 23, 2015

The Minister in the PM's department says that the Sedition Act can serve as a shield for racial harmony.



KUALA LUMPUR: The protest over the use of a cross in a church in Petaling Jaya shows why the Sedition Act is needed, said Nancy Shukri.

The Minister in the Prime Minister's Department said that the Act can serve as a shield to protect and preserve multiracial harmony in the country.

"It is also a clear signal to the Opposition that it is not a weapon of the government against them.

"I understand there were also government supporters who took part in the protest," she told reporters at Parliament's lobby yesterday.

Nancy was commenting on an incident which took place on Sunday, April 19, where protesters had voiced dissatisfaction over the display of a cross — a sacred symbol of Christianity — at a shophouse church in Taman Medan.

The group wanted the cross to be taken down and the church complied.

Nancy added that she was of the view that action could be taken against the protesters if they had broken any laws, either under the Sedition Act or the Penal Code but that this was to be left to the Attorney-General.

Prime Minister Najib Razak yesterday said police would investigate those who staged the protest and that action would be taken if they were found to have broken any laws — including the Sedition Act.

Meanwhile, in Putrajaya, Dr Ewon Ebin said that the Constitution guaranteed freedom of religion.

This meant that all Malaysians had to respect each other's faiths so as to preserve multiracial harmony, said the Science, Technology and Innovation Minister.

Provocative acts in the name of religion should be shunned, Ewon said.

Ewon, who is also Persatuan Dusun Sabah Bersatu president, said Sabah was a shining example because more than 10 ethnic groups lived in peace and harmony there.

He said that this was something to be emulated by all Malaysians.

Daily Express

Commercialisation of bio-tech products: Only 8pc success rate: Ministry

Kota Kinabalu: The commercialisation rate of biotech products is still low in the country, hitting only an eight per cent success rate a year from the 15 per cent target the Science, Technology and Innovation Ministry (Mosti) aims to attain by 2020.

With only five years to go, Deputy Science, Technology and Innovation Minister Datuk Dr Abu Bakar Mohamad Diah said they need to work hard to attain the goal, saying however Mosti is still on track to achieve the goal.

He said Mosti has pledged to the Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak to generate 360 products or 60 products a year from now until 2020.

"So we need to chase the 15 per cent. That is our promise. So we will work very hard, and polish the local products so they can be sold," said Dr Abu Bakar, adding that the highest commercialisation rate so far had been 9 per cent with 65 products last year.

The move came under the second phase of the National Biotech Policy which primarily focused on the commercialisation of products that went through the ministry's Research and Development funding under the 9th and 10th Malaysia Plan.

To date, biotech products account for 20 per cent of the 3,671 products which have been successfully commercialised through Mosti's Commercialisation Year 2014.

Dr Abu Bakar said Mosti has spent RM795 million under the 10th Malaysia Plan so far, and RM2.95 billion of RM3.2 billion under the Ninth Malaysia Plan.

Meanwhile, Biotech Corp's Chief Executive Officer Datuk Dr Mohd Nazlee Kamal said the country's potential in the field of biotechnology is in cosmetics, nutraceuticals and wellness, thanks to the country's rich biodiversity.

He said one of the efforts to strengthen the country's biodiversity products is to transfer traditional knowledge into science.

Other than that, bio-based chemicals like oil palm and rubber, on which Biotech Corp aims to use biotechnology as a value-add technology to produce products of high-value, he said.

Dr Mohd Nazlee said the people in the rural areas would also see opportunities to improve their livelihood through the cultivation of the much needed supply of raw materials to biotech companies via the Biotech Corp's Bioeconomy Community development programmes.

"They could be involved in contract farming. This includes the farmers in Sabah and Sarawak," he said.

Towards this end, Dr Mohd Nazlee said opportunities are also open to local entrepreneurs to enter into business, with Biotech Corp planning to open up to ten BioShoppe middle of the year across the nation.

"We are building the business model now and there are already around 200 to 5,000 products ready to be marketed at the shop," he said.

He anticipated the BioShoppe chain could generate around RM20 to RMN 30 million in the first year of operation, saying the potentials of becoming a billion-Ringgit industry was likely due to the high-value of the biotech products

KERATAN AKHBAR
UTUSAN MALAYSIA (DALAM NEGERI) : MUKA SURAT 24
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JAS masih siasat punca ikan mati

MELAKA 22 April - Jabatan Alam Sekitar (JAS) negeri masih belum boleh mengesahkan punca kematian ribuan ikan di sepanjang tebing Sungai Melaka di sini semalam.

Pengarahnya, **Shafe'ee Yasin** berkata, punca sebenar pencemaran sungai itu masih belum dipastikan kerana pihaknya perlu menunggu keputusan ujian sampel air sungai berkenaan daripada **Jabatan Kimia Melaka** terlebih dahulu.

"Sampel air di kawasan berkenaan yang telah diambil sejurus mendapat laporan tentang kejadian terbabit dan kemudiannya dihantar ke Jabatan Kimia untuk diuji dan dianalisis sebelum keputusan diserahkan kembali kepada JAS bagi tindakan susulan.

"JAS masih meneruskan siasatan berhubung kejadian berkenaan, malah telah meminta kerjasama Jabatan Kimia untuk menyegerakan siasatan bagi mendapatkan keputusan tahap kualiti dan kesihatan air sungai itu secepat

mungkin," katanya ketika dihubungi di sini hari ini.

Sementara itu, Pengerusi Jawatankuasa Perumahan, Kerajaan Tempatan dan Alam Sekitar negeri, **Datuk Ismail Othman** dalam kenyataan memberitahu, pihaknya telah mengarahkan semua agensi bertanggungjawab melakukan siasatan segera berhubung kejadian berkenaan.

Tegasnya, kejadian itu tidak seharusnya berlaku dan diharapkan tidak berulang sekiranya kejadian tersebut berpunca dari sikap serta kelalaian masyarakat.

"Siasatan awal JAS juga mendapati kandungan oksigen masih berada di kelas dua iaitu situasi yang tidak memudaratkan ikan, namun kita masih lagi mengenal pasti punca utama kejadian," tambahnya.

RIBUAN bangkai ikan terapung dipercayai akibat kesan pencemaran bahan beracun berhampiran tebing Sungai Melaka, Melaka, semalam.

Ribuan ikan mati di Sungai Melaka

MELAKA 21 April - Penduduk Kampong Enam berhampiran tebing Sungai Melaka di sini terkejut apabila menemui ribuan ikan yang terapung sepanjang kira-kira tiga kilometer dipercayai mati akibat pencemaran bahan beracun.

Kejadian itu disedari penduduk kampung tersebut kira-kira pukul pagi ini selepas terhidu bau busuk dari sungai berkenaan.

Mereka kemudian melaporkan kejadian segera kepada pihak berkuasa kawasan itu dan meminta bantuan pihak berwajib.

galami keracunan dan mati.

"Saya mewakili penduduk berharap pihak yang berkenaan menyiasat dan mengambil tindakan segera mengenai perkara ini," katanya ketika ditemui di tempat kejadian.

Sementara itu, seorang penduduk, Latipah Ab. Wahab, berkata, dia terhidu bau busuk sejak pagi ini dan terkejut apabila mendapati punca bau tersebut datang dari ribuan bangkai ikan yang terapung di sungai berhampiran rumah.

KERATAN Utusan Malaysia semalam.

KERATAN AKHBAR
HARIAN METRO (SETEMPAT) MUKA SURAT : 11
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EXCO Perumahan Kerajaan Tempatan dan Alam Sekitar negeri, Datuk Ismail Othman (tengah) meninjau sebahagian ikan yang mati.

RIBUAN ikan mati sepanjang sungai.



Sampel air sungai dianalisis

Melaka: Sampel air sungai berhampiran Kampung Enam Bachang, di sini, sudah dihantar ke **Jabatan Kimia** bagi mengenal pasti punca kematian ribuan ikan di sungai berkenaan.

Ketua Penolong Pengarah Jabatan Alam Sekitar (JAS) Melaka Hedzir Zakaria berkata, punca ikan berkenaan mati hanya boleh diketahui apabila pihaknya mendapat bacaan sebenar kandungan kualiti air sungai terbabit.

Katanya, sebaik menerima maklumat mengenai kejadian, JAS terus ke sungai terbabit untuk mengambil sampel air yang dihantar ke Jabatan Kimia.

"Sampel air sungai berkenaan sudah diambil semalam (kelmarin) dan dihantar ke Jabatan Kimia untuk mendapatkan keputusan tahap kualiti

air sungai.

"Keputusan bacaan kualiti air itu hanya dapat dikeluarkan dalam tempoh kira-kira dua minggu kerana perlu mengambil kira pelbagai aspek," katanya ketika dihubungi semalam.

Menurutnya, kawasan sungai itu bermula dari muara hingga ke Sungai Melaka Fasa II bebas daripada ka-

wasan industri.

Katanya, kejadian itu adalah yang pertama berlaku di sungai berkenaan, bagaimanapun pernah berlaku di sungai berhampiran Taman Rempah sebelum ini.

Harian Metro semalam melaporkan, misteri bau busuk yang menghantui penduduk Kampung Enam Bachang, terjawab apabila ribuan bangkai ikan pelbagai jenis ditemui terapung di sungai berhampiran rumah mereka, di sini, kelmarin.

Bau busuk itu hanya dihidu penduduk pada pagi kelmarin dan disebabkan tidak tahan dengan keadaan itu, penduduk ke sungai terbabit jam 8 pagi sebelum terkejut dengan penemuan bangkai ikan terbabit.



AKTIVITI pembersihan bangkai ikan giat dilaksanakan.





KeTTHA Anjur Program 'Jom Beli Produk Hijau' Di Pasaraya Mydin

PETALING JAYA, 22 April (Bernama) -- Buat julung kalinya Kementerian Tenaga, Teknologi Hijau dan Air (KeTTHA) akan menganjurkan program 'Jom Beli Produk Hijau', bertujuan mendorong pengguna mengutamakan aspek alam sekitar sebelum membuat pilihan membeli barangan kegunaan harian.

Timbalan menterinya Datuk Seri Mahdzir Khalid berkata program itu bersempena sambutan Hari Hijau bermula hari ini sehingga 3 Mei depan dan diadakan di pasaraya besar Mydin terpilih.

"Diharap program ini mencetuskan pemikiran dan mendorong perubahan minda masyarakat untuk mengambil kira elemen serta impak alam sekitar sebelum membuat pilihan dalam membeli barangan kegunaan harian," katanya kepada pemberita selepas melancarkan program itu di Subang Jaya dekat sini, hari ini.

Turut hadir Pengarah Urusan Mydin Mohamed Holdings Berhad, Datuk Ameer Ali Mydin.

Program itu anjuran bersama Malaysian Green Technology Corporation (GreenTech Malaysia) dan Mydin Mohamed Holdings Berhad itu melibatkan 19 buah pasaraya besar Mydin dan bazaar di beberapa lokasi utama seluruh negara.

Mahdzir berkata kementerian turut bercadang memperluaskan program berkenaan ke pasar raya lain terpilih dalam masa terdekat bagi menggalakkan pengguna membeli barangan mesra alam.

Mengenai Program MyHIJAU pula katanya sehingga 31 Mac lepas, sejumlah 1,196 produk tempatan telah mendapat pengiktirafan hijau meliputi barangan kegunaan industri pembinaan dan barangan domestik terpilih seperti penyaman udara, televisyen dan peti sejuk.

Lebih 40 produk tempatan lain pula mendapat pengiktirafan Eko-Label oleh [Sirim Berhad](#) iaitu amalan menandakan produk dengan label atau simbol tersendiri bagi memudahkan pengguna mengenal pasti produk barangan atau perkhidmatan yang mematuhi piawaian alam sekitar yang diiktiraf.

Sementara itu, sehingga kini sejumlah satu juta kaki persegi bangunan di negara ini, termasuk hotel, kondominium, bangunan kerajaan dan hospital, telah mendapat pengiktirafan sijil penarafan Indeks Bangunan Hijau (GBI).

-- BERNAMA