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Ministry, State Exco Members Agree To Implement Strategic Collaboration - Madius

KUALA LUMPUR, April 13 (Bernama) -- The **science, technology and innovation ministry** will work closely with state governments to intensify development in science, technology and innovation (STI) in the country.

Minister, Datuk Seri Madius Tangau said the ministry together with all state exco members in charge of STI portfolio had agreed to implement strategic collaboration between the federal and state governments.

This measure was aimed at stimulating and invigorating the STI-based industries, thereby, generating wealth and income for the people, he told reporters after chairing the first meeting between him and state exco members in charge of STI here.

According to Madius, STI-based economic development required strategic collaboration among various government agencies as well as the state governments, academics and industrial sector.

He said the meeting also provided a platform to discuss policies related to STI and methods of implementation at state-level.

Answering media question on other findings obtained during the meeting, Madius said there were problems such as failure of cloud seeding operations and that efforts would be taken to seek solutions.

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MAT JANTAN (bersongkok) bersama Abu Bakar Mohamad Diah (berdiri dua dari kiri) dan Lim Ban Hong (kanan) meraikan pemenang hadiah cabutan bertuah kereta Perodua Axia sempena sambutan ulang tahun penubuhan ke-25 syarikat Haji Mat di Pokok Mangga, Melaka baru-baru ini.

Haji Mat rai pelanggan sempena ulang tahun ke-25

MELAKA 13 April - Bersempena sambutan ulang tahun penubuhan ke-25 baru-baru ini, syarikat pengendali pembersihan sampah-sarap dan sedutan kumbahan, Haji Mat Haji Jantan Sdn. Bhd. (Haji Mat) baru- baru ini menganjurkan majlis sambutan bagi merai pelanggannya di negeri ini.

Majlis itu yang diadakan di Pokok Mangga di sini, dirasmikan oleh Timbalan Menteri Sains, Teknologi dan Inovasi, Datuk Dr. Abu Bakar Mohamad Diah menawarkan pelbagai hadiah menarik kepada pengunjung menerusi acara cabutan bertuah termasuk hadiah utamanya sebuah kereta Perodua Axia.

Ketua Pengarah Haji Mat, Mat Jantan berkata, sebanyak RM50,000 diperuntukkan sebagai hadiah khas untuk menghargai para pelanggan yang setia dengan syarikatnya.

Beliau berkata, bermula dengan perniagaan menggunakan sebuah lori dan kini mempunyai puluhan lori yang bernilai lebih RM100,000 sebuah, syarikat miliknya itu mengendalikan kebanyakan tender pembersihan sampah sarap dan bahan kumbahan di beberapa kawasan di negeri ini.

"Majlis ini adalah tanda terima kasih syarikat kami kepada rakyat negeri ini kerana memilih perkhidmatan Haji Mat untuk terus bertapak kukuh sehingga kini," katanya.

Yang turut hadir, Pengerusi Jawatankuasa Pengangkutan, Pemulihan Projek dan Perdagangan Antarabangsa negeri, Datuk Lim Ban Hong yang juga Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri (ADUN) Klebang.

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Siren Amaran Awal Tsunami Tawau Berfungsi Baik - Meteorologi

Siren Amaran Awal Tsunami yang dipasang berhampiran Masjid Al-Kausar Tawau berkeadaan baik

TAWAU, 13 April (Bernama) -- Siren Amaran Awal Tsunami yang dipasang di pekarangan Masjid Al-Kauthar di sini sejak 2006 masih berfungsi dengan baik, kata Pegawai Meteorologi Tawau, Mohd Nashriq Abd Rahman.

Beliau berkata pada setiap tahun kerja penyelenggaraan dan pengujian sistem dilaksanakan bagi memastikan keberkesanan sistem amaran awal itu jika bencana - ditakdirkan berlaku.

"Sistem ini dipasang di kawasan berkenaan bagi menyebarkan amaran tsunami kepada penduduk yang tinggal di kawasan persisiran pantai," katanya kepada Bernama selepas menguji peralatan itu, di sini hari ini.

Beliau berkata siren amaran itu boleh didengari penduduk yang tinggal antara satu hingga dua kilometer dari peralatan itu dipasang dan ia dikawal sepenuhnya, di ibu pejabat Jabatan Meteorologi Malaysia di Kuala Lumpur.

"Kami turut membuat pemantauan berkala terhadap siren seperti itu yang dipasang di daerah Semporna (2), satu di Kunak dan tiga di Lahad Datu," katanya.

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KPDNKK To Review Production Standards Of Retreaded Tyres For Heavy Vehicles

SEREMBAN, April 13 (Bernama) -- The Domestic Trade, Cooperatives and Consumerism Ministry (KPDNKK) will carry out a review on the production standards of retreaded tyres for heavy vehicles in the country in a bid to enhance the safety level and reduce risks of accidents.

Minister Datuk Seri Hamzah Zainudin said the review would also take into account the current climate change as the existing standards were no longer suitable to be adopted.

"Even European countries had raised their production standards for retreaded tyres despite being in cool climate zone. With the hot weather we have here, we also need to ensure that all our retreaded tyres are of high quality and compatible with the weather.

"So far, the ministry along with the task force which comprises the Road Transport Department (JPJ), the Malaysian Rubber Board (MRB) and **SIRIM Berhad (SIRIM)** have agreed, among others, that retreaded tyres must be labelled with its date of manufacture and must not be retreaded more than three times.

"We want the whole retreaded tyre industry to adopt the new sets of standards to provide relief and comfort to the users," he told reporters after conducting a surprise visit to a retreaded tyre manufacturing company in Senawang here, today.

Also present was Negeri Sembilan KPDNKK director Ain Arjuna Aziz Zaman.

Hamzah said the ministry would also carry out a massive operation this month to identify licensed or unlicensed companies producing retreaded tyres which do not meet the standards set by the government.

"For licensed manufacturers found to have committed the offence, their license will be suspended, while for unlicensed companies, they will be ordered close," he said.

At present, there are 97 licensed companies producing retreaded tyres in the country.

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