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ANTI-BRIBERY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

## FOUNDATION RECOGNISED FOR INITIATIVES

Yayasan Pahang  
awarded certificate  
of appreciation

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**Y**AYASAN Pahang's (YP) continuous commitment to improve public perception of government agencies by implementing the anti bribery management system (ABMS) has not gone unnoticed.

The state based foundation on Friday was awarded a certificate of appreciation in conjunction with the launch of SIRIM QAS International's ABMS Certification Scheme, making it the 11th organisation in the country and the first in Pahang to receive such an honour.

The foundation's general manager, Datuk Mahmud Mohd Nawawi, who received the certi-

ficate from Deputy Science, Technology and Innovation Minister Datuk Dr. Abu Bakar Mohamad Diah, said the recognition would boost YP's initiative through the Integrity and Governance Committee (Jawatankuasa Integriti dan Tadbir Urus, or Jitu) which was overseen by a certified integrity officer.

"Previously YP had its own system, including Jitu, integrity oath and value audit, to combat and curb graft. Now, through ABMS, we can do monitoring more effectively and systematically. ABMS is an anti-bribery standard for all parties to improve its graft management system.

"ABMS provides assistance to an organisation in setting up, implementing, maintaining and improving the anti-bribery programme. It emphasises efforts to measure, curb and eradicate bribery.

"On a bigger scale, we hope ABMS will be able to improve the government, civil servants and Malaysia's image from 55th spot

in the Corruption Perception Index (CPI) from among 176 countries in 2016 to a better spot," he said.

He said ABMS would provide confidence to customers and people on efforts undertaken by the government, besides being a gauge for an organisation in implementing an effective and proactive anti bribery system in the fight against corruption.

"The reason YP adopted ABMS is to change the people's perception that government agencies lack competency and are corrupt. We believe by adopting ABMS, it will boost public confidence in government agencies.

"Other than enhancing the image and integrity of the organisation, governance that has integrity is important, given that corruption is a symptom that can undermine the people's quality of life and competitiveness of the country.

"As far as YP is concerned, the certification is something significant as issues related to integrity and corruption is often reported in the media," he said, adding that the foundation had about 80 staff members.

He said YP had implemented initiatives to combat graft, including internal job rotations, especially in departments where staff could be exposed to corruption.

"ABMS ensures everything is done accordingly and there is no shortcut. For example, we have financial control vetting is done through the proper channels and procedures, and also through a committee and not individual.

"The ABMS review will be conducted every six months and this ensures that everyone is always on the ground," he said.

Mahmud thanked YP's board of trustees, which is chaired by

Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Adnan Yaakob, for his constant support towards the foundation's efforts in providing the best in the education sector for children in Pahang.

The ABMS certification is based on the ISO 37001:2016 by SIRIM QAS International Sdn Bhd, which is Malaysia's leading certification, inspection and testing body.

YP was among 11 organisations, including the Road Transport Department, Petronas, Lembaga Tabung Haji and Immigration Department, that was picked as part of the ABMS Certification Scheme.

The organisations were part of a pilot certification programme implemented by SIRIM QAS International in collaboration with the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission and the Association of Malaysian Certified Integrity Office.



Deputy Science, Technology and Innovation Minister Datuk Dr. Abu Bakar Mohamad Diah (third from right) presenting a certificate of appreciation to Yayasan Pahang general manager Datuk Mahmud Mohd Nawawi at the launch of SIRIM QAS International's ABMS Certification Scheme in Subang Jaya last Friday. With them is Science, Technology and Innovation Ministry secretary general Datuk Seri Dr. Mohd Azhar Yahaya (second from right). PIC BY LUOMAN HAKIM ZUBIR



## Pengerang PBT first in Johor to receive Anti-Bribery Management Systems Certification



**JOHOR BARU:** The Pengerang Local Authority (PBT) has become the first local authority in Johor to receive the Anti-Bribery Management Systems Certification Scheme recognition from SIRIM Bhd and **SIRIM QAS International Sdn Bhd**.

According to a statement here today, the Department of Industrial Safety and Welfare which is one of seven departments under the PBT was awarded the ISO 37001: 2016 Anti Bribery Management System Certificate recently.

The Pengerang PBT, which began operations early last year, took measures to strengthen integrity with zero-bribery by participating in SIRIM workshops and subsequently, passing the final audit process by the accreditation body last month.

Pengerang PBT president Bukhari Abd Rahman said during the commencement of operations as a new local authority, there were many things to do apart from constraints in terms of manpower and experience as well as resources in pursuing the certification process.

He said the certification strengthened the confidence of PBT stakeholders, and the next step was to implement similar processes in other departments and obtain certification for the entire PBT within two years.

Meanwhile, he said among the programmes lined up to cultivate anti-corruption attitude were the launch of the 'Choose No Corruption' slogan and the 'Danger Awareness Campaign', adding that all PBT staff had taken the Corruption-Free Pledge. – *Bernama*



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## TDC identifies 11 companies for LEAP market

**KUALA LUMPUR** The Malaysian Technology Development Corporation Sdn Bhd (MTDC) has identified 11 companies with potential to be listed on Bursa Malaysia's Leading Entrepreneur Accelerator Platform (LEAP) Market next year.

Chief Executive Officer Datuk Norhalim Yunus said the identification process would be conducted together with KAF Investment Bank Bhd which would act as the adviser, following a memorandum of understanding (MoU) signed between the two parties on Friday.

"The 11 companies are recipients of our Business Expansion Fund and we will assess their qualification for

listing under this strategic cooperation with KAF Investment," he told a press conference after the signing of the MoU here today.

On the initial public offering (IPO) market, KAF Investment Chief Executive Officer Rohaizad Ismail said the market was pretty quiet this year due to the stringent qualifying requirements for listing.

However, he said it (IPO) may be better next year with the existence of the LEAP Market which was launched in July.

When LEAP was launched, MTDC was named as one of Bursa Malaysia's strategic partners in identifying po-

tential small-and-medium enterprises (SMEs) to be listed on the new market and to jointly develop the SME financing ecosystem and capacity building.

Meanwhile, KAF Investment's qualified professionals would be able to assist MTDC's fund recipients in embarking on a listing exercise on LEAP Market and the established ACE and Main Markets of Bursa Malaysia.

Norhalim also said MTDC approved RM312.3 million in loans to 106 companies between 2016 and 2017.

"For next year, we are targeting to approve RM100 million in loans via six of our funds," he added.  
— Bernama

## Ministry to give early warning on floods



The flash floods in Seremban on Friday was due to blocked drains which could not cope with the heavy rain. — Picture from Twitter

**PASIR MAS** — The Communications and Multimedia Ministry will intensify the dissemination of information on floods so the public, especially those in low-lying areas, can take early precautions.

Its secretary-general Tan Sri Sharifah Zarah Syed Ahmad said the ministry was working with the **Malaysian Meteorological Department** and other related parties to obtain information on the floods for dissemination.

"Our ministry has determined how to spread the information, such as steps that should be taken when we face floods," she told reporters after visiting the homes of aid recipients in the Connecting-

the Unconnected (CTU) programme at Kampung Bukit Tandak in Rantau Panjang here yesterday.

Sharifah Zarah said Radio Televisyen Malaysia (RTM) and other broadcasting stations were currently providing information on floods and preparations which the public must heed.

"For instance, RTM broadcasts awareness campaigns every day, such as not playing in floodwaters, and taking early precautions and measures for the public to evacuate when the instruction is issued by the authorities," she said.

She advised the public to keep up with current developments such as the weather

condition and water level in rivers, and not to wait until the last minute to move to evacuation centres.

Sharifah Zarah also reminded the public not to spread false information on floods as it could create panic.

On the CTU programme, she said the project to repair dilapidated homes would allow affected families to lead comfortable lives and enjoy clear television transmissions and good internet coverage.

In the case of homes which cannot be repaired, the ministry would build new ones for the families.

Meanwhile, Negri Sembilan Menteri Besar

Datuk Seri Mohamad Hasan said torrential rain on Friday, which last more than two hours, caused flash floods in Seremban because drains were clogged with rubbish. "I have always advised the people not to throw rubbish into drains and we should take the initiative to keep them clean to avoid the problem of flash floods," he told reporters after launching the 14th general election machinery in Labu, Nilai, yesterday.

"If the drains were not blocked, probably flash floods would not have occurred, as the drains in Jalan Lee Sam and the bus terminal were filled with all kinds of waste." — Bernama



## 800 Tabika diarah sedia sedia hadapi banjir

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MACHANG - Sebanyak 800 Taman Bimbingan Kanak-Kanak (Tabika) membabitkan 18,200 kanak-kanak di negeri ini diminta membuat persiapan bagi menghadapi kemungkinan berlaku banjir pada musim tengkujuh ini.

Pengarah Jabatan Kemajuan Masyarakat (Kemas) Kelantan Anuar Mat Zain berkata guru kelas terbabit perlu bekerjasama dengan agensi berkaitan dan pemimpin masyarakat dalam membuat persiapan khususnya dalam tugas menyelamatkan.

"Mulai sekarang, guru-guru (Tabika) perlu memindahkan barangan berharga dan peralatan pejabat ke tempat yang lebih tinggi dan selamat daripada ditengelami air," katanya kepada pemberita di sini, hari ini.

Katanya kerajaan persekutuan meluluskan peruntukan sebanyak RM700,000 untuk menangani situasi banjir termasuk membaik pulih bangunan dan peralatan pejabat yang rosak di Kelantan.

Semalam, **Jabatan Meteorologi Malaysia** memberi amaran kawasan Pantai Timur Semenanjung iaitu Kelantan, Terengganu dan Pahang dijangka mengalami hujan lebat selama tiga hari, mulai esok. - Bernama