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Minggu Sains Negara tanam minat pelajar terhadap STEM, inovasi

Tarikh kemaskini: 04/04/2018



KUALA LUMPUR, 3 April (Bernama) -- Kementerian Sains, Teknologi dan Inovasi (MOSTI) hari ini melancarkan Minggu Sains Negara bertemakan 'Negaraku Berinovasi' yang disambut serentak di 13 lokasi seluruh negara.

Menterinya Datuk Seri Wilfred Madius Tangau berkata minat terhadap bidang sains, teknologi, kejuruteraan dan matematik (STEM) dalam kalangan generasi muda perlu terus dipertingkatkan bagi memastikan negara terus melahirkan generasi penyumbang kepada kemajuan teknologi sejagat.

"Oleh yang demikian, satu minggu khas ditetapkan pada setiap tahun untuk memberi kesedaran dan pembudayaan sains secara bersepadu dan besar-besaran.

"Sambutan Minggu Sains Negara ini merupakan yang pertama kali diadakan dan kementerian berharap ia akan dijadikan acara tetap tahunan," katanya ketika berucap pada majlis perasmian Minggu Sains Negara yang akan berakhir Sabtu ini, di Pusat Sains Negara, di sini, malam ini.

Madius berkata kemajuan dalam bidang sains, teknologi dan inovasi (STI) penting untuk melonjakkan Malaysia sebagai negara maju berpendapatan tinggi dalam melangkah ke era Revolusi Industri Keempat.

"Masyarakat kini, bukan hanya sekadar kumpulan pengguna teknologi terkini tetapi turut menjadi penyumbang kepada kemajuan teknologi," katanya.

Pada majlis itu, Mosti turut memperkenalkan tiga anugerah baharu iaitu Anugerah Khas STEM, Anugerah Saintis Muda Negara dan Anugerah Juruteknologi Negara.

Bagi Anugerah Khas STEM, ia terbahagi kepada tiga kategori iaitu kategori 'techprogram' yang dimenangi Kuala Lumpur Engineering Science Fair (KLESF), kategori pertubuhan bukan kerajaan (NGO) dimenangi Persatuan Sains, Teknologi dan Inovasi (ASTI) dan kategori media dimenangi Majalahsains.com. Setiap pemenang membawa pulang wang tunai RM2,000, plak dan sijil.

Manakala, bagi Anugerah Saintis Muda Negara dimenangi oleh pensyarah kanan, Universiti Sains Malaysia, Dr Oon Chern Ein yang menjalankan kajian berkaitan rawatan kanser, yang memenangi wang tunai RM20,000, plak serta sijil.

Manakala Anugerah Juruteknologi Negara dimenangi penolong pegawai penyelidik, Lembaga Minyak Sawit Malaysia, Wan Saridah Wan Omar yang menjalankan kajian berkaitan peningkatan

nilai sawit melalui pembangunan produk hiliran.

Beliau membawa pulang wang tunai RM10,000, plak serta sijil.

Anugerah Saintis Muda Negara mengiktiraf sumbangan dan pencapaian saintis muda berusia 35 tahun ke bawah manakala Anugerah Juruteknologi Negara pula mengiktiraf sumbangan juruteknologi serta kakitangan separuh iktisas yang menjalankan penyelidikan di Malaysia.

Penganjuran Minggu Sains Negara yang bermula 1 April dan berakhir Sabtu ini, selari dengan sambutan Hari Sains Dunia anjuran UNESCO sejak 2002.

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Minggu Sains Negara dilancarkan pertama kali

Tarikh kemaskini: 04/04/2018



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Justeru, beliau berkata satu minggu khas ditetapkan untuk penganjuran program kesedaran dan pembudayaan sains secara bersepadu dan besar-besaran.

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Beliau berkata kemajuan dalam bidang sains, teknologi dan inovasi (STI) adalah penting untuk melonjakkan Malaysia sebagai negara maju berpendapatan tinggi dalam melangkah ke era Revolusi Industri Keempat.

Masyarakat kini, jelas beliau, bukan hanya sekadar kumpulan pengguna teknologi terkini tetapi turut menjadi penyumbang kepada kemajuan teknologi.

Pada majlis itu, Wilfred turut mengumumkan tiga anugerah baharu termasuk Anugerah Khas STEM sebagai pengiktirafan terhadap sumbangan signifikan dalam bidang STEM dan STI negara.

Dua anugerah lagi ialah Anugerah Saintis Muda Negara bagi mengiktiraf sumbangan dan pencapaian saintis muda dalam bidang penyelidikan dan pembangunan (R&D) serta Anugerah Juruteknologi bagi mengiktiraf sumbangan juruteknologi serta kakitangan separuh ikhtisas.

Beliau berharap anugerah itu akan menjadi motivasi untuk golongan saintis memajukan bidang STI dengan lebih pesat lagi.

Penganjuran Minggu Sains Negara itu adalah selari dengan sambutan Hari Sains Dunia anjuran UNESCO sejak 2002.

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National Science Week held to instil interest in stem, innovation

Last update: 03/04/2018



KUALA LUMPUR, April 3 (Bernama) -- The Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI) today officially launched National Science Week themed 'Negaraku Berinovasi', which is celebrated simultaneously at 13 locations across the country from April 1 to 7.

Its minister, Datuk Seri Wilfred Madius Tangau said interest in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) should continue be built among the young generation to ensure the country could produce individuals who could contribute to universal technological advancement.

"Therefore, a special week is allocated each year to create awareness of the need to embrace science as a culture in an integrated and expansive manner.

"This National Science Week is being held for the first time and the ministry plans to make it an annual event," he said in his speech at the opening of the event at the National Science Centre in Bukit Kiara, here.

Madius said progress in the fields of science, technology and innovation (STI) was important to propel Malaysia to becoming a developed, high-income nation in stepping into the era of the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

"Today's society is not just a group of users of the latest technology but who also contribute to technological advancement," he said.

At the event, MOSTI also introduced three new awards, namely the STEM Special Award, National Young Scientist Award and National Technologist Award.

The STEM Special Award under the Techprogram category was won by Kuala Lumpur Engineering Science Fair (KLESF) under the Techprogram category, Association of Science, Technology and Innovation (ASTI) under the NGO category, and Majalahsains.com under the Media category. Each of the winners received RM2,000, a plaque and a certificate.

The National Young Scientist Award was won by Universiti Sains Malaysia senior lecturer, Dr Oon Chern Ein, 35, who received RM20,000, a plaque and certificate.

Her research was on "Novel Sirtuin Inhibitor: Co-targeting Cancer Cells and Tumour Vasculature As Therapeutic Strategy in Cancer".

The National Technologist Award went to assistant research officer with the Malaysia Oil Palm Board, Wan Saridah Wan Omar, whose research was on increasing the value of palm oil through the development of downstream products. She took home RM10,000, a plaque and certificate.

The National Science Week is held in conjunction with World Science Day organised by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation since 2002.

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MOSTI launches inaugural National Science Week

Last update: 04/04/2018

KUALA LUMPUR, April 3 (Bernama) – The Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI) today launched the National Science Week, themed 'Negeraku Berinovasi' (Nation of Innovations), and celebrated simultaneously in 13 locations nationwide until April 7.

Its minister Datuk Seri Wilfred Madius Tangau said interest in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) among the younger generation should be further enhanced to ensure that the nation would continue to produce a generation of contributors towards the advancement of global technology.

Thus, he said, the special week, in line with the celebration of World Science Day by UNESCO, was organised for an integrated and massive science-awareness programmes.

"The National Science Week celebration is the first to be organised and the ministry hopes it will become an annual event," he said during the launch at the National Science Centre here today.

He also said that progress in science, technology and innovation (STI) was important to boost Malaysia as a high-income developed nation as well as to step into the fourth industrial revolution era.

Today's society, he pointed out, was not just about the latest technology users but also of those who could contribute to technological innovations.

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To become a developed nation, we must be able to have high ability in technology : Minister of Science



Madius Tangau (2nd left) at the launch of National ScienceWeek,yesterday night.

Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation, Datuk Seri Panglima Wilfred Madius Tangau yesterday stressed the importance of making progress in science, technology and innovation (STI) for Malaysia to become a developed nation earning high income especially when the country is moving toward the Fourth Industrial Revolution known as Industry 4.0.

“To become a developed and high-income nation, we must be able to have high ability in technology and at the same time become the contributor in technologies’ development,” he said in his speech during the launch of National Science Week yesterday night.

The National Science Week event, which is happening now at 13 locations across the nation from 1st to 7th April 2018, is initiated by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak and is aimed at “cultivating interest in science and place science as priority at all levels in society.”

According to Madius Tangau, Malaysia is no longer a group of consumers who gain from technology but also contribute towards progress in technology.

He also stressed that the interest in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) among younger generation should be enhanced to ensure the nation will have a generation contributing to the advancement of technology.

He said the government has designated a National Science Week to organise this awareness programme in an integrated move on a grand scale. National Science Week is held for the first time and the ministry hopes to turn it into an annual event.

Madius Tangau is also delighted Malaysia scored good ranking this year among developing economy and developing nation in the world, citing that the World Happiness Index Report 2018 which was released by UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network recently shows that Malaysia is ranked No.35 compared to 42 in 2017 in ASEAN – Malaysia stays at number two behind Singapore.

“The achievement and the recognition given to our country shows that the government has implemented effective policies that have given positive results to the people,” he said.

Replying to a question by Malaysia World News reporter, the Minister of Science said, Malaysia is now shining in many areas of science among which are – Electronic, Electrical, and Green Energy, besides ICT.



From left centre, Datuk Kua Abun; Deputy Chief Secretary, Planning and Commercialisation, Datuk Seri Panglima Wilfred Madius Tangau; Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation, Ministry's Chief Secretary Datuk Seri Dr. Mohd. Azhar Yahya and Assoc.Prof.Dr Ramzah Dambul, Deputy Chief Secretary Science Technology and Innovation in a group photo with the winners of the Special STEM Awards at the launching of the National Science Week 2018 on Tuesday evening.

Meanwhile, Datuk Seri Panglima Wilfred Madius Tangau presented three main awards at the ceremony. They are the Special STEM Award which is introduced for the first time, Young Scientist Award and Technologist Award.

The Special STEM Award is offered to recognise significant contribution in STEM and STI in the country. Young Scientist Award recognises the contribution and achievement of young scientists in research and development (R&D) and STI.

Technologist Award recognises the contribution made in science and technology by technologist and semi-professional staff.

The winners receive the following gifts:

1-National Young Scientist Award – RM20,000, plaque and certificate

2-National Technologist Award – RM10,000, plaque and certificate

3-Special STEM Award – RM2,000, plaque and certificate

The Minister of Science hoped “these awards would continue to motivate scientists to advance the country in science, technology and innovation more rapidly.

Raikan Minggu Sains Negara 2018 Di Setiap Negeri 1 Hingga 7 April 2018

MINGGU SAINS NEGARA adalah anjuran Kementerian Sains, Teknologi, dan Inovasi (MOSTI) yang berlangsung dari 1 hingga 7 April adalah acara tahunan yang disambut bermula 2018.



YB Datuk Seri Panglima Wilfred Madius Tangau; Menteri Sains, Teknologi dan Inovasi berucap pada Pelancaran Minggu Sains 2018 di Pusat Sains Negara.

Padat dengan pelbagai pengisian dan aktiviti, sambutan sepanjang minggu ini berlangsung serentak di 13 lokasi seluruh negara dengan lokasi utamanya di Pusat Sains Negara, Kuala Lumpur.

Penganjuran minggu atau hari sains ini telah dilaksanakan di beberapa buah negara maju seperti United Kingdom, Kanada dan Norway. Manakala negara seperti India dan Thailand memperuntukkan satu hari sahaja bagi sambutan hari sains.

Penganjuran program Minggu Sains Negara ini adalah selari dengan sambutan World Science Day yang dianjurkan oleh United Nations Organization for Education, Science and Culture (UNESCO) semenjak tahun.

Antara aktiviti-aktiviti di setiap lokasi:

1. STEM Quiz

Sebanyak 4 set soalan disediakan yang merangkumi sains dan kehidupan.

2. STEM Live Experiments

Contoh aktiviti:

Eksperimen mudah "Oren: Terapung Atau Tenggelam?" untuk menerangkan konsep daya apungan.

3. STEM Fun Games

Permainan menggunakan peralatan untuk menanam minat terhadap STEM.

4. STEM Challenge

Contoh aktiviti:

- i) Bina menara setinggi mungkin menggunakan straw dalam masa yang ditetapkan dan mengikut syarat yang ditetapkan.
- ii) Buat bakul sampah dari sekeping pinggan kertas dan sehelai kertas A4. Selepas itu, uji ketahanan bakul tersebut dengan meletakkan pemberat yang bersesuaian.

Sebarang pertanyaan, sila hubungi Akmal Tujad

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(Dari Kiri ke Kanan) YBhg Datuk Kua Abun; Timbalan Ketua Setiausaha Perancangan & Pengkomersialan, YB Datuk Seri Panglima Wilfred Madius Tangau; Menteri Sains, Teknologi dan Inovasi, YBhg Datuk Seri Dr. Mohd Azhar bin Hj. Yahaya; Ketua Setiausaha Kementerian Sains, Teknologi dan Inovasi, dan YBhg Prof. Madya Dr. Ramzah Dambul; Timbalan Ketua Setiausaha Sains Teknologi dan Inovasi semasa gimik perasmian dan Pelancaran Minggu Sains 2018



(Tengah dari kiri) YBhg Datuk Kua Abun; Timbalan Ketua Setiausaha Perancangan & Pengkomersialan, YB Datuk Seri Panglima Wilfred Madius Tangau; Menteri Sains, Teknologi dan Inovasi, YBhg Datuk Seri Dr. Mohd Azhar bin Hj. Yahaya; Ketua Setiausaha Kementerian Sains, Teknologi dan Inovasi, dan YBhg Prof. Madya Dr. Ramzah Dambul; Timbalan Ketua Setiausaha Sains Teknologi dan Inovasi sedang bergambar bersama para pemenang Anugerah Khas STEM, Anugerah Juruteknologi Negara dan Anugerah Saintis Muda Negara di Majlis di Pelancaran Minggu Sains 2018.



YB Datuk Seri Panglima Wilfred Madius Tangau, Menteri Sains, Teknologi dan Inovasi merasmikan Minggu Sains Negara Kelantan dalam upacara flag off Minggu Sains Negara Kelantan di Pintu Utama Pusat Sains Negara.

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Mosti: Ecosystem needed for STI to grow



THE perfect ecosystem for the development of science, technology and innovation (STI) is needed as a way to find solutions and facilities for all sectors, especially among business enterprises.

Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (Mosti) Minister Datuk Seri Wilfred Madius Tangau (picture) said the effort is important as science will remain the key enabler to position Malaysia as a global technology leader.

“Governments and the industry will increasingly look to scientific knowledge and skills to meet national and global needs in areas as varied as healthcare, defence, energy, transport, environmental management, food security and communications,” Madius said in his speech during the launch of report in Kuala Lumpur yesterday **Academy of Science Malaysia’s (ASM) Science Outlook 2017**.

The effort is also well aligned to the National Transformation 2050 (TN50) initiative that will chart the country’s course to be among the top twenty countries in the world by 2050 in terms of creativity, innovation, economy and happiness.

Madius said the effort also augurs well with the Fourth Industrial Revolution that is taking place globally, which also demands the country to be more agile, collaborative and inclusive.

The Science Outlook is a flagship initiative by ASM which presents an independent review of key trends in STI in Malaysia.

The report is also aimed to provide evidence-based insights and new perspectives on the local STI landscape.

Madius said the report is an important tool to strengthen the governance of STI in Malaysia, especially in relation to appropriate monitoring mechanisms.

"A well-defined monitoring and evaluation mechanism will allow us to eliminate lapses, duplication and obsolete elements in the STI landscape.

"Also, it is imperative for all major stakeholders that are relevant to the STI agenda of the nation to participate in a common platform to deliberate on relevant issues and demonstrate commitment to achieve goals," he said.

He added that this could be one of the ways to break silos and focus on respective entity agendas rather than national interest and shared vision.

Also present was ASM president Professor Datuk Dr Asma Ismail who said since the inaugural Science Outlook 2015, 18 recommendations have been put forward to strengthen the STI in the local ecosystem.

"Over the span of the last two years, 11 of the recommendations have been addressed through the 16 initiatives by the government and other strategic partners," she said.

She added that the insights from the Science Outlook complement the key national initiatives such as TN50.

"I hope the Science Outlook 2017 report will serve as a useful reference for the national STI planning, as well as effective monitoring and evaluation."



Pencarian angkasawan negara kedua bermula September



Pencarian bakal angkasawan negara kedua akan dimulakan September depan di UKM.
- Foto Astro AWANI

KUALA TERENGGANU : Pencarian bakal angkasawan negara kedua akan dimulakan September depan di Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM).

Angkasawan Negara, Datuk Dr. Sheikh Muszaphar Shukor berkata kursus selama empat bulan itu buat permulaan membabitkan penuntut universiti berkenaan merangkumi ujian mental dan fizikal.

Menurut beliau, ia adalah program perintis yang akan dikendalikan sebelum diperluaskan ke seluruh negara kelak.

"Sekiranya berjaya saya akan buka penyertaan kepada negeri-negeri yang lain, jadi saya mulakan dengan UKM, sebab matlamat negara adalah untuk menghantar seorang lagi angkasawan pada tahun 2030. Tetapi tidak pasti lagi kerana kos yang mahal dan pelbagai-bagai faktor luaran. Oleh itu saya akan buat persediaan bagi pelajar-pelajar terpilih yang begitu cemerlang bukan sahaja dari segi fizikal tetapi juga mental dan psikolog".

Beliau ditemui selepas majlis perasmian Minggu Sains Negara peringkat negeri Terengganu 2018 di Pusat Sains dan Kreativiti Terengganu.

Sheikh Muszaphar mengatasi 11,275 calon lain untuk muncul angkasawan pertama negara dan berlepas ke angkasa dengan menaiki Soyuz TMA -11 yang dilancarkan oleh Stesen Angkasa Antarabangsa (ISS) pada 10 Oktober 2007.

Beliau ,menyertai program di bawah perjanjian bersama Rusia menerusi program angkasawan dan kembali ke bumi selepas sembilan hari berada di stesen berkenaan.

Tourism Malaysia launches app for tourists' safety



Abu Bakar (fourth right) with Mirza (fourth left), Zakaria (second right) and James Wong (third right) at the launching of 'My Tourist Assist' application during the Memorandum of Understanding signing ceremony between Bernama and Jana Tiga Holdings. Also present is Asean director of UST Global George John (third left). — Bernama photo

KUALA LUMPUR: Tourism Malaysia yesterday launched the 'My Tourist Assist' (MyTA) mobile application to ensure safe travel for tourists in the country.

Tourism Malaysia director-general Datuk Seri Mirza Mohammad Taiyab said the application that could be downloaded on Google Play Store and Apple App Store was developed by the digital technology company, Jana Tiga Holdings Sdn Bhd.

"This app allows tourists to get assistance from the authorities in case of an emergency situation whereby an emergency or SOS button will connect the user directly to the authorities.

"What's more vital is that this application functions even when the user does not have Internet access and if an emergency signal is sent, the location of the users can be tracked through the technology being developed," he said.

He told reporters this after the launch of the 'My Tourist Assist' application, which was officiated by **Deputy Science, Technology and Innovation Minister Datuk Dr Abu Bakar Mohamad Diah**. Also present was Jana Tiga Holdings Sdn Bhd chairman Datuk Seri James Wong.

At the function, Jana Tiga Holdings Sdn Bhd also signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Malaysian National News Agency (Bernama) to disseminate news for the convenience of foreign tourists visiting the country through the application.

The MoU was signed by Wong and Bernama Editor-in-Chief Datuk Zakaria Abdul Wahab.

Wong said through the application, tourists could access the news and information being channelled through the Bernama portal.

"If tourists want to keep abreast of the latest news outside and within the country, they can use the application and news provided by Bernama," he said.

He said the application has various other functions, including essential services such as hospital, pharmacies, police, automated teller machines (ATM) and embassy locations. — Bernama



SEORANG pencuci kereta di Tanjung Aru, Frederick John, 35, mencuci kereta pelanggan dalam cuaca panas, di Kota Kinabalu. - Foto Mohd Adam Arinin

Cuaca panas di Sabah berterusan seminggu lagi

KOTA KINABALU: Cuaca panas di Sabah dijangka berterusan selama seminggu lagi, namun suhu masih dalam keadaan normal.

Pengarah Jabatan Meteorologi Sabah, Azemi Daud, berkata suhu maksimum semasa di negeri ini ialah 33 darjah Celcius iaitu normal dan selamat.

"Cuaca panas yang dialami sekarang adalah disebabkan kurang hujan dan angin tenang sejak sebulan lalu.

"Bagaimanapun, ia masih dianggap selamat jika suhu di bawah 35 darjah Celcius," katanya ketika dihubungi, hari ini.

Azemi berkata, Jabatan Meteorologi akan mengeluarkan amaran gelombang haba tahap satu sekiranya kawasan mencatatkan suhu lebih daripada 35 darjah Celcius dalam tempoh tiga hari berturut-turut.

Berdasarkan ramalan cuaca minggu ini menerusi laman web MetMalaysia, negara berhadapan dengan suhu terendah dijangka 22 darjah Celcius dan paling tinggi 33 darjah Celcius dan hujan di satu atau dua tempat.



Gempa bumi lemah landa Ranau

KOTA KINABALU: Gempa bumi lemah berukuran 4.0 pada skala Richter melanda Ranau, jam 10.12 malam tadi.

Pengarah Jabatan Meteorologi Sabah, Azemi Daud, dalam satu kenyataan berkata gempa bumi itu berlaku pada kedalaman 5 kilometer (km) dan terdapat gegaran.

"Gegaran itu dirasakan di sekitar Ranau, Kundasang dan Kota Kinabalu, namun tiada ancaman tsunami dilaporkan," katanya.

Sebelum ini, pada 8 Mac lalu, satu gempa bumi berukuran 5.2 pada skala Richter dengan kedalaman 5 km dilaporkan berlaku di Ranau.

Sebelum ini, gempa bumi paling kuat di Sabah berukuran 5.9 pada skala Richter berpusat di Gunung Kinabalu pada 5 Jun 2015 serta beberapa gempa susulan selepas itu.



Amaran ribut petir di perairan Kedah dan Pulau Pinang



Gambar hiasan

KUALA LUMPUR - Ribut petir di perairan Kedah dan Pulau Pinang dijangka berterusan sehingga lewat tengah hari ini.

Jabatan Meteorologi Malaysia dalam kenyataan hari ini berkata, keadaan itu mungkin menyebabkan angin kencang dengan kelajuan 50 kilometer sejam dan laut bergelora dengan ombak mencapai ketinggian melebihi 3.5 meter.

Keadaan sama turut diramalkan berlaku di perairan Selat Melaka utara dan ia berbahaya kepada bot-bot kecil, kata kenyataan itu. - Bernama



DATUK Syed Alman Zain Syed Alwi.

Maut akibat ubat penenang

KUALA LUMPUR: Punca kematian menantu Timbalan Perdana Menteri Datuk Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi, Datuk Syed Alman Zain Syed Alwi, adalah disebabkan tindak balas alahan yang serius (anaphylaxis) berikutan diberikan ubat penenang untuk prosedur pergigian.

Pegawai Penyiasat Cawangan Kawalan Amalan Perubatan Swasta (CKAPS) Putrajaya, Dr Siti Khadijah Hawari, yang membacakan Laporan Autopsi di Mahkamah Sesyen hari ini, berkata laporan itu mengetepikan kemungkinan tindak balas disebabkan alahan terhadap makanan diambil mangsa berdasarkan tempoh masa antara pengambilan makanan dan prosedur pergigian,

Dr Siti Khadijah, selaku saksi ke-13 pendakwaan, berkata laporan itu menyebut, ia menyokong pemerhatian pakar perubatan yang menjalankan autopsi, berikutan Laporan **Jabatan Kimia** tidak membuat sebarang rujukan terhadap alahan kepada makanan.

Laporan Autopsi itu dibacakan Dr Siti Khadijah ketika disoal balas oleh peguam Sreekanth Pillai, mewakili Pusat Pakar Pergigian Imperial yang didakwa atas sembilan tuduhan berhubung kematian Syed Alman.

Sreekanth terdahulu bertanyakan saksi mengenai punca kematian mangsa, yang dijawab Siti Khadijah, "tindak balas alahan yang serius."

Peguam bela itu kemudian bertanyakan alasan yang boleh menyebabkan alahan terbabit, bagaimanapun saksi menjawab beliau bukan pakar yang sesuai memberikan penerangan mengenainya.

Hakim Hamri Thamri Mohamad, kemudian membenarkan permohonan Sreekanth supaya saksi membacakan Laporan Autopsi berhubung punca kematian mangsa.

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Pusat pakar itu juga didakwa sebagai pemegang lesen, gagal memastikan individu yang berkhidmat untuk menjalankan prosedur radiologi (orthopantomogram) dan perkhidmatan anestesia secara 'IV Sedation' ke atas Syed Alman Zain mempunyai kelayakan berbuat demikian.

Teck Chin sebelum ini turut didakwa menyebabkan kematian Syed Alman Zain di pusat pakar itu mengikut Seksyen 304(b) Kanun Keseksaan, memperuntukkan hukuman maksimum penjara 10 tahun atau denda, atau kedua-duanya sekali. Perbicaraan terhadap Teck Chin bersambung minggu depan.

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