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Youths told not to be too dependent on govt for jobs



Riot (front, third left) watching job seekers queuing for registration.

KUCHING: Young diploma and degree graduates are encouraged to take up entrepreneur studies or technical skills training in order to get a competitive advantage in the job market. Minister of Human Resources said youths today should not be too dependent on the government for jobs, given there are already 1.6 million civil servants in the country. However, the government was working hard to bring down the unemployment rate among youths, especially graduates, in the country by helping them to find jobs in the appropriate sectors, he added. At the same time, he advised young graduates to also look beyond just being employed as they can also become entrepreneurs. "That is why the government had asked local universities and colleges to include the syllabus whereby students, upon graduation, can also become entrepreneurs," he told a press conference after a walkabout around the Job Fair at Urban Transformation Centre (UTC) here yesterday.

Riot said young academic graduates should also seriously consider taking up vocational skills training by participating in the Vocational and Technical Education Transformation (TVET). He said the TVET programmes were aimed at providing technical and vocational education to youth at an affordable price, apart from offering a guarantee of employment upon completion of the course. He also said although there are about 150,000 unemployed graduates in Malaysia now, the unemployment rate in the country, which is 3.5 per cent, was still manageable. Riot stressed that Malaysia must have at least 35 per cent of its workforce highly-skilled in order for the country to become a developed nation.

He lamented that as at the end of last year only 31 per cent of the Malaysian workforce was highly-skilled compared to 28 percent in 2015. "The government has set a target of having the proportion of highly-skilled workers at 35 per cent by 2020. "To achieve the target, my ministry will strive to attract more youths to participate in TVET," he said. Riot said currently there were 1.8 million foreign workers in the country, down from 2.1 million previously, and the foreign workers were mostly

labourers in 3D (dangerous, dirty and difficult) sectors, the jobs which were not taken up by Malaysians. He said the foreign workers made up about 15 per cent of the total workforce in the country, which is still below the maximum of 17 per cent. "We cannot have more than 17 per cent of our total workforce foreigners and we will make sure that we will not go above that," he said. Also present at the press conference were Ministry of Human Resources secretary-general Datuk Seri Adenan Abdul Rahman and state Labour Department director Jack Meredu Ko.

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Vocational skills better – Pairin



A trainee cutting Pairin's hair during the program. Also seen are Silverius (standing left) and officials from JPSM.

TAMBUNAN: Deputy Chief Minister Tan Sri Joseph Pairin Kitingan has urged parents to change their way of thinking from viewing academic excellence as the main route to success. "We need to generate confidence that technical skills training or vocational is better and able to produce workers who are more competitive and well received in the current market," he said when opening the district level Skills Training Department of Human Resources Development (JPSM) exhibition held at the community hall here on Thursday.

He also hoped that various private training institutions that provide skills training on business concepts could create youth groups with the skills and quality that meet the requirements of the national labour market. Pairin said to strengthen the country's human capital, every party should provide the best training package for youths and not be stingy in the quest for profit only. "I hope that the youth can compete in the international labour market in accordance with the training package that was given to them."

For the sake of continuity in the implementation of the skills program that requires many parties now, he expects that cooperation and partnerships between JPSM with others training skills institutions to be further enhanced. Pairin, who is also Infrastructure Development Minister asked the youth to seize the opportunity provided by the government and not be too choosy employment. According to him, the role of the department and skills training institutions such as JPSM should be strengthened to meet the challenges of providing high-skilled manpower and semi-skilled workers for the needs of development in the country, particularly for the state.

He said all those who participated in implementing human capital development programs through skills training need to be proactive in developing this type of training that can actually be used in the job market. "We must be sensitive to the needs of the industry and not anyhow offer training that is incompatible with the current employment market. "In addition, the curriculum of each program

offered must also be really good and of high quality as well as give an impact on the skills and competencies of youth who are trained,” he said.

The Keningau Member of Parliament said the curriculum, scope and methodology of teaching and learning should also be reviewed and improved from time to time so that it remains relevant and appropriate to the needs of the country. Also present at the ceremony were state JPSM Director, Billy Yumbod, District Officer, Thomas Logijin and Tambunan Community Development Leader, Silverius Bruno.

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Akta pekerjaan sendiri kukuh jaringan keselamatan sosial

KUALA LUMPUR – Akta Keselamatan Sosial Pekerjaan Sendiri 2017 (AKSPS 2017) yang bermula 1 Jun depan merupakan usaha kerajaan memberi perlindungan keselamatan sosial secara berkesan kepada rakyat yang bekerja sendiri. Ketua Eksekutif Pertubuhan Keselamatan Sosial (Perkeso), Datuk Dr. Mohammed Azman Aziz Mohammed berkata, akta berkenaan ditadbir, dilaksana dan dikuatkuasakan oleh Perkeso bagi melindungi golongan tersebut. Katanya, buat permulaan, AKSPS 2017 terpakai ke atas kira-kira 100,000 pemandu teksi, Uber dan Grabcar bagi membolehkan mereka mendapat faedah sekiranya berlaku kemalangan atau penyakit sewaktu bekerja sebelum diperluas kepada sektor-sektor lain.

“Bermula 1 Jun ini, kesemua pemandu teksi, Uber, Grabcar dan perkhidmatan seumpamanya wajib mencarum sebanyak 1.25 peratus daripada pendapatan yang diinsuranskan. “Kami juga sedang giat bekerjasama dengan Suruhanjaya Pengangkutan Awam Darat (SPAD), persatuan pemandu teksi, syarikat Uber dan Grab bagi memastikan kesemua pemandu yang mendaftar di bawah agensi tersebut mencarum melalui akta ini,” katanya kepada Utusan Malaysia di sini baru-baru ini. AKSPS 2017 diluluskan semasa Persidangan Dewan Negara April lalu dengan peruntukan sebanyak RM60 juta sebagai geran pelancaran seperti yang diumumkan Perdana Menteri, Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak semasa Pembentangan Bajet 2017.

Mengulas lanjut, Mohammed Azman berkata, pelaksanaan akta ini wajar dilihat dari sudut positif memandangkan ia mempunyai peranan lebih meluas berbanding insurans swasta. Katanya, faedah yang dibayar oleh Perkeso melalui akta ini atas prinsip penggantian pendapatan termasuk kemudahan pemulihan jauh lebih bermakna berbanding insurans swasta yang hanya membayar mengikut jumlah yang ditetapkan dalam polisi insurans. “Pekerja sendiri seharusnya mengambil peluang ini, walaupun mereka sudah mempunyai insurans sendiri, namun dengan hanya mencarum sebanyak RM592.80 setahun atau RM49.40 sebulan bagi pendapatan RM3,950 sebulan, mereka mendapat perlindungan menyeluruh daripada Perkeso.

“Saya berharap pemandu teksi, Uber dan Grabcar tidak melihat akta ini sebagai suatu beban, tetapi lebih kepada satu bantuan untuk memastikan jaringan keselamatan pekerja akan berterusan dan terjamin,” katanya. Beliau menambah, pemandu teksi yang bekerja sendiri perlu membayar caruman secara tahunan terus kepada Perkeso melalui kaunter pejabat Perkeso berhampiran.