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**AKHBAR: BERITA HARIAN****Tindakan tegas terhadap majikan aniaya pekerja**

**MENTERI Sumber Manusia, Datuk Seri Richard Riot. - Foto Fariz Iswadi Ismail**

**PUTRAJAYA:** Kementerian Sumber Manusia memandang serius dan akan mengenakan tindakan tegas terhadap majikan yang menganiaya pekerja mereka. Menteriinya, Datuk Seri Richard Riot, berkata pihaknya tidak akan bertolak ansur dengan mana-mana majikan yang didapati menindas pekerja mereka dan melanggar peraturan yang ditetapkan kerajaan. "Saya difahamkan baru-baru ini ada berlaku penindasan pekerja di mana majikan membayar gaji murah dan memaksa pekerja mereka bekerja selama 12 jam.

Perkara ini tidak sepatutnya terjadi dan kita akan melakukan pemantauan terperinci. "Saya sudah arahkan pegawai di kementerian untuk memantau dan membuat siasatan supaya kita boleh ambil tindakan ke atas majikan yang tidak berperikemanusiaan ini," katanya pada sidang media di sini, hari ini. Terdahulu, beliau membuat lawatan ke Tapak Pembinaan Parcel F dan Majlis Pelancaran Garis Panduan Keselamatan dan Kesihatan Pekerjaan (KKP) di Industri Pembinaan (Pengurusan) 2017.

Hadir sama, Timbalan Menteri Sumber Manusia, Datuk Seri Ismail Abd Muttalib dan Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif Putrajaya Holdings (PjH) Datuk Azlan Abdul Karim. Bagaimanapun, beliau menyifatkan kes yang kini sedang disiasat pihak polis itu sebagai kes terpencil.

Tidak patut!



Richard (tengah) menandatangani buku Garis Panduan KKP di Industri Pembinaan (Pengurusan) 2017 di Tapak Pembinaan Parcel F, di Putrajaya, semalam.

**Putrajaya:** Tindakan undang-undang boleh dikenakan terhadap majikan yang menjadikan 13 individu warga tempatan di ladang di Kampung Tasek, Pengkalan Hulu, Perak, Ahad lalu sebagai hamba abdi dengan diarah bekerja 12 jam sehari tanpa cuti. Menteri Sumber Manusia Datuk Seri Richard Riot berkata, pihaknya tidak berkompromi terhadap mana-mana majikan yang didapati menindas pekerja dan melanggar peraturan ditetapkan kerajaan.

“Saya difahamkan baru-baru ini berlaku penindasan pekerja mereka dengan memberi bayaran murah dan bekerja 12 jam, perkara ini tidak sepatutnya terjadi.” Saya arahkan pegawai di kementerian memantau dan membuat siasatan terperinci supaya kita boleh ambil tindakan ke atas majikan yang tidak berperikemanusiaan itu,” katanya selepas membuat lawatan ke tapak pembinaan Parcel F dan Majlis Pelancaran Garis Panduan Keselamatan dan Kesihatan Pekerjaan (KKP) di Industri Pembinaan (Pengurusan) 2017, di sini, semalam.

Hadir sama Timbalan Menteri Sumber Manusia Datuk Seri Ismail Abd Muttalib dan Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif Putrajaya Holdings (PJH) Datuk Azlan Abdul Karim. Richard berkata, kementerian memandang serius kejadian itu dan mengambil tindakan sewajarnya terhadap majikan yang melakukan perbuatan itu. Semalam Harian Metro melaporkan, 13 individu termasuk enam wanita daripada tiga keluarga warga tempatan diselamatkan dalam operasi membanteras pemerdagangan manusia oleh Bahagian Siasatan Jenayah Maksiat, Perjudian dan Kongsi Gelap (D7), Ibu Pejabat Polis Kontinjen (IPK) Perak di sebuah ladang terpencil di Kampung Tasek di sini, Ahad lalu.

Serbuan jam 1 pagi itu turut menahan pasangan suami isteri, masing-masing berusia 44 dan 24 tahun dipercayai majikan yang menjadikan semua individu terbabit sebagai hamba abdi dengan diarah bekerja selama 12 jam sehari tanpa cuti dengan gaji RM4 sehari sejak hampir dua tahun lalu. Semua mangsa dewasa itu berusia antara 27 hingga 64 tahun manakala dua remaja lelaki berusia 13 dan 17 tahun. Polis turut menyelamatkan lima kanak-kanak berusia antara dua hingga tujuh tahun.

## ISU: KEMALANGAN DI TAPAK PEMBINAAN

| BIL. | TARIKH             | AKHBAR &TAJUK BERITA  | PIHAK TERLIBAT                |
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| 1.   | 1.3.2017<br>(RABU) | <b>THE SUN DAILY</b><br>Construction sector third biggest contributor to accident cases: Riot | <b>JKKP</b><br><b>PERKESO</b> |

### AKHBAR: THE SUN DAILY

#### Construction sector third biggest contributor to accident cases: Riot



Filepix of Human Resources Minister Datuk Seri Richard Riot. — Bernama

**PUTRAJAYA:** The construction sector is the third biggest contributor to the 31,943 accident cases referred to the Social Security Organisation (Socso) last year.

Human Resources Minister Datuk Seri Richard Riot said the construction sector saw 2,880 cases involving 55 deaths.

He said these statistics, especially those involving death, were very worrying because other than the human factor, it could result in the country losing the workforce, thus affecting development.

"The ministry wants the safety and health aspects in the construction sector to be improved and given priority because construction sites are categorised as dangerous zones, not just for the workers but also to people in surrounding areas," he added.

Riot was speaking at a press conference after launching the Construction Industry Work Safety and Health Guideline (Management) 2017, in conjunction with his working visit to the Parcel F construction site here today.

Last year, he said 9,544 construction projects were checked, with punitive action taken in 12,825 cases. — *Bernama*

**ISU: BURUH PAKSA**

| BIL. | TARIKH             | AKHBAR &TAJUK BERITA   | PIHAK TERLIBAT                 |
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| 1.   | 1.3.2017<br>(RABU) | <b>THE STAR</b><br>Boy forced into labour just wants to play | <b>IPK PERAK</b><br><b>JTK</b> |

**AKHBAR:THE STAR****Boy forced into labour just wants to play**

**IPOH:** Months living in deplorable conditions in a secluded oil palm estate in Kampung Tasek, near Pengkalan Hulu, Perak, affected his demeanour but once the police rescued him, the little boy perked up again. The six-year-old was among five children and 13 adults rescued by police early Sunday after they were believed to have been trafficked and exploited by a couple managing the estate.

The child, who was warded for fever at Hospital Sultan Abdul Halim in Sungai Petani, Kedah, was with his mother, also part of the 18. When police tried to ask the boy questions, all he wanted to do was play. "He was discharged and we will get an interim protection order for the mother and son today." There were no abuse marks and when we tried to speak to him, he just wanted to play," said a police source when contacted by *The Star*.

On Monday, Perak CID chief Senior Asst Comm Datuk Gan Tian Kee said the rescued workers had been sent to various shelters in Rembau (Negri Sembilan), Subang Jaya (Selangor), Johor Baru and Tanjung Kling (Malacca). They will be in the homes for 11 days until March 9. Earlier, it was reported that a man was being treated at the Sungai Petani hospital but it turned out to be the six-year-old. Police sources said they were still trying to trace the estate owner and hoped to record his statement soon.

Perak police said yesterday they had evidence of children being used as forced labour allegedly by a human trafficking syndicate in Pengkalan Hulu. State police acting chief Datuk Hasnan Hassan said based on information they received from an informant, police are investigating whether the children were exploited. "But to protect the informant, we cannot disclose more details," he told reporters. During the midnight operation on Sunday, officers from the Perak Crime Investigation Department (CID), together with the Pengkalan Hulu CID, raided the 202ha estate as the workers slept.

Police have detained a 43-year-old man and his 24-year-old wife. The couple are believed to be acting as middlemen and management for these workers. The woman is from Negri Sembilan and she is said to have forced the children to work without wages. Her husband is from Pokok Sena, Kedah. The two have been placed under remand until Friday, at the Pengkalan Hulu police headquarters.

## ISU: PENDAFTARAN PEKERJA DENGAN PERKESO

| BIL. | TARIKH             | AKHBAR &TAJUK BERITA   | PIHAK TERLIBAT |
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| 1.   | 1.3.2017<br>(RABU) | <b>BORNEO POST</b><br>Take advantage of grace period to register workers, employers told | <b>PERKESO</b> |

### AKHBAR: BORNEO POST

Take advantage of grace period to register workers, employers told



Phillip (centre), flanked by deputy director Dundang Undong (left) and Enforcement Unit chief Farinah Japar at the press conference. — Photo by Chimon Upon

**KUCHING:** Employers who have yet to register their workers with Social Security Organisation (Socso) are encouraged to take advantage of the grace period from March 1 to 31. Its state director Phillip Sangkan said starting April 1, Socso would be conducting their ninth 'Ops Kesan' to uncover 'oblivious' employers who were still reluctant to register their workers with Socso for insurance and protection coverage. "Among the many reasons for employers to not register their workers is that they are not aware of Socso or have chosen to completely ignore Socso," Phillip told a press conference here yesterday.

Besides using the mass media to educate employers on the compulsory nature of registering their workers under Socso, their officers, he added, were also actively engaging community leaders, non-governmental organisations and members of various business chambers. "It has always been a continuous engagement effort by us," said Phillip, adding that registration of workers under Socso was stipulated under Section 4 of the Employees Social Security Act 1969..

The grace period would also provide leeway to employers to come forward voluntarily and register their workers at any of 10 Socso offices in the state. "Socso will not impose any form of compound to the employers during this grace period." Under Section 5(1) of the Employees Social Security Act (amended 2016), employers who failed to register their workers with Socso as of June 1, 2016 will have to pay a compound between RM500 and RM4,000. Employers

would be brought to court and may face a fine not exceeding RM10,000 or two years' jail or both if found guilty if they failed to pay the compound.

Employers will also have to pay an additional six per cent annual interest each month if they are found guilty of making late Socso payments due to the late registration of their workers. "In 2016, Socso has issued 269 compounds with a total value of RM153,500 throughout Sarawak. Eighty five compounds were issued in Kuching with a total value of RM55,000," he added.

Other areas are: Sarikei (12 compounds — RM1,500); Bintulu (38—RM32,000); Miri (51 — RM39,250); Sibul (16 — RM4,250); Sri Aman (22 — RM2,000); Kapit (12 — RM2,625); Limbang (20 — RM15,000); Mukah (nine — RM1,500); and Serian (four — RM375). He also revealed that as of Dec 31, 2016, Socso recorded a total of 36,957 active employers providing Socso payments to a total of 468,922 active employees.

Meanwhile, as of Jan 1, 2016, it is compulsory for government workers (contract or temporary basis) to have Socso coverage. "It is also expected that beginning June 1, Socso will be extending the scope of coverage to include taxi drivers," said Phillip, without elaborating. Meanwhile, Socso will be launching an online payment facility via their website at [www.perkeso.com.my](http://www.perkeso.com.my) today to ease employers in paying their workers' Socso monthly contributions.

**ISU: PLKS**

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| 1.   | 1.3.2017<br>(RABU) | <b>UTUSAN MALAYSIA</b><br><br>Penangguhan PLKS: Nelayan terus guna Pas Pelaut | <b>MOA</b><br><br><b>LKIM</b><br><br><b>KDN</b> |

**AKHBAR: UTUSAN MALAYSIA****Penangguhan PLKS: Nelayan terus guna Pas Pelaut**

**PUTRAJAYA** – Para nelayan diminta terus menggunakan sistem Pas Pelaut yang disahkan Jabatan Perikanan susulan penangguhan pelaksanaan Pas Lawatan Kerja Sementara (PLKS).



**Ahmad Shabery Cheek**

Menteri Pertanian dan Industri Asas Tani, Datuk Seri Ahmad Shabery Cheek berkata, kerajaan memutuskan untuk menangguhkan PLKS kepada nelayan yang menggajikan pekerja asing bagi memastikan mereka lebih bersedia setelah dilaksanakan kelak. “Kumpulan pengusaha dan nelayan laut dalam telah datang kepada kami dan menyatakan hasrat mereka agar PLKS ditangguhkan. Kami kemudiannya membawa hasrat mereka dalam perbincangan bersama Timbalan Perdana Menteri, Datuk Seri Dr. Ahmad Zahid Hamidi.

“Pada minggu lalu, Timbalan Perdana Menteri mengumumkan penangguhan PLKS yang sepatutnya dilaksanakan esok dan pihak kementerian menyambut baik serta mengucapkan terima kasih kepada beliau atas pengumuman itu,” katanya dalam satu kenyataan di sini hari ini. Mengulas lanjut, Ahmad Shabery berkata, pengumuman tersebut dijangka memberi manfaat kepada pengusaha yang menjalankan operasi 3,000 vesel perikanan laut dalam dengan menggunakan kekuatan 38,000 pekerja asing.

“Vesel-vesel ini mendapatkan hampir 700,000 metrik tan hasil tangkapan setahun iaitu separuh daripada keseluruhan jumlah pendaratan ikan negara. “Namun kami berharap, semua pihak dapat bersedia apabila PLKS dilaksanakan sepenuhnya nanti,” ujar beliau.

Sementara itu, Jabatan Perikanan menyifatkan penangguhan PLKS adalah sesuai dan tepat masanya untuk membela nasib golongan nelayan di samping memastikan bekalan protein negara mencukupi. Ketua Pengarahnya, Datuk Ismail Abu Hassan memberitahu, keputusan itu telah disambut baik dalam kalangan nelayan yang terbeban ekoran kenaikan kos operasi, keadaan cuaca tidak menentu dan pencerobohan bot asing. “Jabatan Perikanan ingin mengingatkan semua nelayan agar sentiasa mematuhi arahan kerajaan dan berusaha meningkatkan pendapatan ikan demi kelestarian industri perikanan negara,” katanya.