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TARIKH	MEDIA	RUANGAN	MUKA SURAT
16/8/2019	BERITA HARIAN	NASIONAL	9

Sasar pengeluaran 100 peratus tempoh 5 tahun

Rompin: Kementerian Pertanian dan Industri Asas Tani menyasar pengeluaran 100 peratus susu segar tempatan, dalam tempoh lima tahun akan datang.

Menterinya, Datuk Salahuddin Ayub, berkata untuk itu kerajaan komited mempertingkatkan pengeluaran susu segar tempatan dengan mengimport 10,000 induk tenusu bunting dalam tempoh lima tahun.

"Oleh itu, Kadar Sara Diri (SSL) pengeluaran susu cair dalam negara dapat disasarkan mencapai 100 peratus, berbanding 61.44 peratus ketika ini.

"Statistik pada tahun lalu mendapati, permintaan terhadap susu segar meningkat kepada 67.1 juta liter setahun dan daripada jumlah itu, 40.36 juta liter susu adalah keluaran dalam negara," katanya.

Bellau berkata demikian selepas melawat ladang tenusu dan perasmian kilang pemprosesan susu, The Holstein Milk Company Sdn Bhd di Lembah Tenusu Muadzam di Muadzam Shah di sini, semalam.

Salahuddin berkata, adanya lima buah lembah tenusu di negara ini, dapat meningkatkan kemampuan proses pengeluaran daripada hulu hingga hiliran.

"Saya yakin menerusi pelbagai perancangan yang kita lakukan seperti penjenamaan semula sistem lembu pawah dapat meningkatkan lagi pengeluaran produk tempatan," katanya.

Selain Lembah Tenusu Muadzam, lembah tenusu yang sedang



Salahuddin (dua dari kanan) bersama Ketua Pegawai Operasi The Holstein Milk Company Sdn Bhd, Azmi Zainal (tiga dari kanan) ketika lawatan kerja ke ladang tenusu dan perasmian kilang pemprosesan susu The Holstein Milk di Muadzam Shah, Rompin, semalam.

(Foto Airoz Azlan/BH)

dan akan dibangunkan berdasarkan peruntukan diluluskan kerajaan adalah Lembah Tenusu Muallim dan Lembah Tenusu Larut-Matang-Selama (LMS) di Perak, Lembah Tenusu Ulu Bern (Sabah) dan Lembah Tenusu Bernam (Selangor).

Bellau berkata, selain itu kementerianya turut mencadangkan agar kerajaan memilih susu sebagai minuman percuma dalam rancangan pemberian makanan dan minuman berkhasiat untuk murid sekolah.

"Dalam mesyuarat Majlis Eksekutif Tindakan Ekonomi Negara minggu lalu, Kementerian Pendidikan merancang memberikan produk makarian dan mi-

numan berkhasiat kepada murid sekolah dan kita mencadangkan kepada Perdana Menteri (Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad) agar memilih susu segar tempatan.

"Bagaimanapun, idea terbabit masih belum diputuskan lagi. Kita akan memberi fokus kepada susu segar tempatan dan memastikan produk yang dibekalkan itu dijamin kesegarannya serta memenuhi kriteria supaya tidak timbul isu susu basi," katanya.

Mengulas pengeluaran susu segar oleh Holstein, Salahuddin berkata, syarikat berkenaan mampu menghasilkan kira-kira enam juta liter susu setahun di Lembah Tenusu Muadzam.

"Syarikat ini sudah mewujudkan 32 stokis dan 620 pengedar di rumah bagi tujuan pemasaran susu keluaran mereka yang membolehkan stokis menjana pendapatan di antara RM10,000 hingga RM25,000 sebulan, manakala pengedar di rumah merah di antara RM700 hingga RM5,000 sebulan," katanya.

Pada majlis itu juga, 41 penternak sekitar Lembah Tenusu Muadzam menerima insentif, iaitu lembu tenusu bunting serta peralatan berkaitan dianggarkan bernilai RM119,000 setiap seorang dengan nilai keseluruhan RM4.879 juta melalui kaedah pembiayaan 70:30 (kerajaan: penternak).

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Tiada lagi susu segar import

Sasar pengeluaran 100 peratus susu segar dalam tempoh 5 tahun

NIK AMRUD MUMTIN NIK MUN

MUADZAM SHAH

Kerajaan menyasarkan 100 peratus kadar sara diri (SSL) pengeluaran susu segar negara dalam tempoh lima tahun akan datang.

Menteri Pertanian dan Industri Asas Tani, Datuk Sahahuddin Ayub berkata, SSL bagi susu segar di negara ini berada pada 61.44 peratus berdasarkan perangkaan tahunan 2018.

Menurut beliau, permintaan susu segar di Malaysia pada 2018 sebanyak 67.1 juta liter dan dari-

pada jumlah itu hanya 40.36 juta liter ialah susu segar tempatan selebihnya 26.74 juta liter diimport negara pengeluar termasuk Australia dan New Zealand.

"Ujiuran 100 peratus SSL susu segar mampu dicapai dalam tempoh sasaran berdasarkan usaha komprehensif Kementerian, Jabatan Perkhidmatan Veterinar dan Pemain Industri.

"Keyakinan ini turut disandarkan kepada usaha Kementerian mewujudkan Program Pembangunan Industri Tenuku Negara (projek rintis), inisiatif di bawah Sumber Kekayaan Baharu (SKB) memperkayakan dan meningkatkan industri tenuku negara," katanya pada sidang akhbar selepas lawatan kerja dan majlis perasmian kilang memproses susu milik The Holstein Milk Company Sdn Bhd di sini semalam.

Hadir sama, Ketua Pengarah Jabatan Perkhidmatan Veterinar, Datuk Dr Quaza Nizamuddin



Salahuddin memandatangani piak perasmian kilang memproses susu milik The Holstein Milk Company Sdn Bhd di Muadzam Shah semalam.

Hassan Nizam; Pengarah Urusan dan Pengasas The Holstein Milk Company, Loi Tuan Ee dan Ketua Pegawai Operasi syarikat itu, Azmi Zainal.

Salahuddin berkata, Program Pembangunan Industri Tenuku Negara adalah kesinambungan

"Di bawah Program Pembangunan Industri Tenuku Negara, Kementerian menyasarkan peningkatan susu segar sebanyak 20 juta liter melalui pengimportan 10,000 induk tenuku bunting dalam tempoh lima tahun," katanya.

Katanya, beberapa lembah tenuku sedang dan akan dibangunkan iaitu Lembah Tenuku Muadzam (Pahang dan Negeri Sembilan serta Johor), Lembah Muallim (Perak), Lembah Tenuku Larut-Matang-Selama (Perak), Lembah Tenuku Ulu Bernam (Selangor) dan Lembah Tenuku Borneo (Sabah dan Sarawak).

Melalui program itu, enam syarikat termasuk The Holstein Milk Company Sdn Bhd terlibat bagi Skop Transformasi Usahawan Berskala Besar menerusi insentif berjumlah RM3.2 juta, manakala 41 penternak di Lembah Tenuku Muadzam menerima insentif berjumlah RM4.87 juta.

Program EPP 13-Klauster Tenuku pada 2011 dan berakhir pada tahun 2020.

"Program EPP13 berjaya meningkatkan pengeluaran susu daripada 27.02 juta liter pada tahun 2012 kepada 36.61 juta liter pada tahun 2017.

Headline	Ministry aims self-sufficiency in milk production next five years — Salahuddin		
MediaTitle	The Borneo Post (www.theborneopost.com)		
Date	16 Aug 2019	Color	Full Color
Section	NEWS	Circulation	3
Order Rank	6	Readership	5
Language	English	ArticleSize	N/A
Journalist	N/A	AdValue	RM 1,050
Frequency	Daily	PR Value	RM 3,150

Ministry aims self-sufficiency in milk production next five years — Salahuddin

ROMPIN: The government is aiming for self-sufficiency in local fresh milk production within the next five years, said Agriculture and Agro-based Industry Minister Datuk Salahuddin Ayub. According to him, the country's Self-Sufficiency Level (SSL) for fre...

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Headline	Agriculture minister: Milk supply to be self-sufficient		
MediaTitle	China Press (East Coast)		
Date	16 Aug 2019	Color	Full Color
Section	News	Circulation	10,592
Page No	C8	Readership	31,776
Language	Chinese	ArticleSize	224 cm ²
Journalist	N/A	AdValue	RM 3,068
Frequency	Daily	PR Value	RM 9,204



(云冰15日讯)农业及农基工业部长拿督沙拉胡丁指出，政府放眼在未来5年内，全面达到本地鲜奶自给自足。

他说，截至2018年，鲜奶自给自足率（SSI）为61.44%，以及当局通过2017年落实的国家乳制品工业发展计划，积极增加生产。

他今日为姆阿占沙的The Holstein牛奶公司加工厂主持开幕后对记者说：在2018年，鲜奶的需求量为6710万公升，以及其中的近4036万公升鲜奶是国内生产，余者是从外国如纽西兰和澳洲进口。

農長：放眼5年内 鮮奶供應自給自足

他说，落实国家乳制品工业发展计划是要提高国家的鲜奶生产，也就是通过在5年内入口1万头牛，增加2000万公升鲜奶。

他说，这项计划涵盖4个乳制品谷包括姆阿占乳制品谷，以及将扩大至有潜力的地区如霹靂慕亚林乳制品谷，以及雪兰

莪安南乳制品谷。

他说，上周国家经济行动执行理事会会议，首相敦马哈迪医生要求数个部门建议合适的营养食品或饮料，以供应给学生。

“我们的部门倾向于建议鲜奶，因为它营养丰富，以及日本的历史显示，获供应鲜奶的



国家的鲜奶生产。
品工业发展计划，是要提高
沙拉胡丁：落实国家乳制

年轻一代，发育得比较好。”

他说，鲜奶必须是本地生产，以支持国家乳制品工业，以及必需严谨的选择供应公司，旨在保持牛奶的品质。

Headline	SSL keluarkan susu segar sepenuhnya		
MediaTitle	Utusan Sarawak		
Date	16 Aug 2019	Color	Full Color
Section	EKONOMI	Circulation	37,981
Page No	31	Readership	113,943
Language	Malay	ArticleSize	253 cm ²
Journalist	N/A	AdValue	RM 2,358
Frequency	Daily (EM)	PR Value	RM 7,073



SSL keluarkan susu segar sepenuhnya

ROMPIN: Kerajaan menyasarkan Kadar Sara Diri (SSL) untuk pengeluaran susu segar tempatan sepenuhnya dalam tempoh lima tahun akan datang, kata Menteri Pertanian dan Industri Asas Tani Datuk Salahuddin Ayub.

Beliau berkata setakat 2018, SSL susu segar sebanyak 61.44 peratus dan usaha untuk meningkatkan pengeluaran giat dilakukan melalui pelaksanaan Program Pembangunan Industri Tenusu Negara yang bermula sejak 2017.

"Permintaan terhadap susu segar pada 2018 sebanyak 67.1 juta liter dan daripada jumlah itu, hampir 40.36 juta liter susu segar dihasilkan dalam negara manakala bakinya diimport dari luar seperti New Zealand dan Australia.

"Pelaksanaan program pembangunan industri tenusu negara menasaskan peningkatan pengeluaran susu segar negara dengan tambahan sebanyak 20 juta liter melalui pengimportan 10,000 ekor induk tenusu bunting dalam tempoh lima tahun," katanya kepada pemberita semalam.

Beliau berkata demikian selepas merasmikan Kilang Pemprosesan Susu Syarikat The Holstein Milk Company Sdn Bhd di Muadzam Shah di sini.

Turut hadir Ketua Pengarah Jabatan Perkhidmatan Veterinar Datuk Dr Quaza Nizamuddin Hassan Nizam, Pengarah Urusan The Holstein Loi Tuan Ee dan Pengarah Operasi syarikat itu, Azmi Zainal.

Salahuddin berkata program pembangunan itu melibatkan empat lembah tenusu termasuklah Lembah Tenusu Muadzam di sini, selain diperluaskan ke kawasan berpotensi seperti Lembah Tenusu Muallim di Perak dan Lembah Tenusu Bernam di Selangor.

"Dalam mesyuarat Majlis Eksekutif Tindakan Ekonomi Negara minggu lepas, Perdana Menteri Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad meminta beberapa kementerian mencadangkan produk makanan atau minuman berkhasiat yang sesuai untuk dibekalkan kepada murid sekolah.

"Kementerian kami cenderung untuk mencadangkan susu segar kerana khasiatnya selain sejarah Jepun yang menunjukkan generasi muda yang diberikan susu segar mempunyai tumbesaran yang lebih baik," katanya.

Beliau berkata susu segar juga disyaratkan keluaran tempatan untuk menyokong industri tenusu negara, selain pemilihan syarikat dalam pembekalan produk itu yang perlu diperhalusi sebaiknya untuk memelihara kualiti susu.

Mengulas mengenai syarikat The Holstein, Salahuddin menyifatkan syarikat susu tempatan itu antara kejayaan industri tenusu negara kerana menghasilkan enam juta liter susu setahun, selain membantu usahawan tani dan penternak menerusi program ladang satelit.

"Saya dimaklumkan syarikat ini telah berjaya mewujudkan 32 stokis dan 620 pengedar bagi pemasaran susu.

"Ia memberikan pendapatan lumayan dengan stokis boleh menjana sehingga RM25,000 sebulan manakala pendapatan bulanan pengedar antara RM700 dan RM5,000," katanya.

—BERNAMA

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Kabinet pandang serius pendedahan kajian MyCC

Menteri terbabit sektor makanan beri jaminan ambil berat laporan dibentang

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Kuala Lumpur: Anggota Kabinet memandang serius pendedahan hasil Kajian Pasaran Sektor Makanan yang dibuat oleh Suruhanjaya Persaingan Malaysia (MyCC).

Menteri Perdagangan Dalam Negeri dan Hal Ehwal Pengguna, Datuk Seri Saifuddin Nasution Ismail, berkata menteri yang terbabit dalam sektor makanan ber-

kenaan, memberi jaminan mengambil berat laporan yang dibentangkan itu.

Katanya, ini termasuk Menteri Pertanian dan Industri Asas Tani, Datuk Salahuddin Ayub, yang memberi jaminan melakukan penambahan perkara di bawah kementeriannya.

"Hasil Kajian Pasaran Sektor Makanan oleh MyCC, sudah saya bentangkan kepada jemaah menteri semalam dan Kabinet mengambil maklum mengenainya," katanya kepada media selepas melancarkan Pameran Perdagangan Satelit Wecommerce Lazada 2019 di sini, semalam.

MyCC dalam laporannya baru-baru ini, mendedahkan penguasaan pasaran ikan oleh kartel, kegiatan menyewa permit import (AP) kubis, jualan lot niaga borong sehingga RM1.3 juta, bergantung kepada negara

sumber yang terhad serta kekurangan produk tempatan, menjadi punca kenaikan harga bekalan makanan utama rakyat negara ini.

Kajian MyCC juga mendapati wujudnya salah laku dalam AP untuk mengimport kubis bulat apabila ada antara mereka hanya mengambil keuntungan 'atas angin' dengan menyewakan permit itu kepada peniaga lain.

Sementara itu, mengulas mengenai subsidi petrol bersasar kepada golongan kumpulan berpendapatan 40 peratus terendah (B40), beliau berkata, ia pada peringkat akhir kajian dan akan diumumkan selewat-lewatnya hujung tahun ini.

"Ia mengambil kira pandangan pelbagai pihak termasuk persatuan pengguna, Bank Negara Malaysia, Jabatan Pengangkutan Jalan (JPJ) dan Jabatan Pendaf-

taran Negara (JPN).

"Saya akan membuat pengumuman mengenainya dalam tempoh terdekat sebaik keputusan mengenainya dimuktamadkan," katanya.

Dalam pada itu, Saifuddin berkata, hanya 3,000 peniaga barangan dan perkhidmatan dalam talian di negara ini yang sudah mendaftar serta mempunyai perijinan digital 'BizTrust' sejak ia diperkenalkan Suruhanjaya Syarikat Malaysia (SSM) tahun lalu.

Katanya, meskipun ia bukan satu kewajiban, namun peniaga seharusnya merebut peluang itu kerana ia mengiktiraf perniagaan yang dijalankan adalah sah.

Beliau berkata, syarikat yang ada trademark BizTrust diyakini tidak akan melakukan penipuan dan pengguna dapat menggunakan perkhidmatan mereka serta berurusan niaga dengan yakin.

Headline	Sasar 100 peratus susu segar		
MediaTitle	Harian Metro (Timur)		
Date	16 Aug 2019	Color	Full Color
Section	News	Circulation	7,330
Page No	35	Readership	21,990
Language	Malay	ArticleSize	32 cm ²
Journalist	N/A	AdValue	RM 943
Frequency	Daily	PR Value	RM 2,829



Sasar 100 peratus susu segar

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Headline	Agriculture Minister: Govt aiming for 100pct of self-sufficient milk production in 5 years		
MediaTitle	Guang Ming Daily		
Date	16 Aug 2019	Color	Full Color
Section	News	Circulation	49,712
Page No	A9	Readership	149,136
Language	Chinese	ArticleSize	120 cm ²
Journalist	N/A	AdValue	RM 1,818
Frequency	Daily	PR Value	RM 5,455



農長：政府擬計劃 5年內鮮奶100%自供

(姆阿占沙15日讯) 农业及农基工业部长拿督沙拉胡丁说，政府计划在5年内将马来西亚的鲜乳自供率 (Kadar Sara diri, SSL)，从2018年的61.44%提升至100%。

他指出，2018年大马的鲜奶需求量是6710万升，这当中只有4036万升来自本地，其余2674万升入口自澳洲和纽西兰等国家。

沙拉胡丁今日为一家鲜乳工厂主持开幕后，在记者会上这样指出。

他说，在农业部、兽医局和企业的共同努力之下，5年内将马来西亚的鲜奶自供率提升至100%不是问题。

他说，农业部正在进行，或计划建设数个包括姆阿占沙 (彭亨及部分森美兰和柔佛州)、霹靂姆阿林和拉律——

马当士拉马，以及乌鲁安南的奶制品中心。

“根据The Holstein Milk Company在姆阿占沙厂内每年生产的600万升乳产器，我们看好乳制品业的未来发展。”

沙拉胡丁说，乳制品前景备受看好，具有庞大的市场，农业部欢迎国内公司和合作社投资该行业。

“农业部也建议本地出产的鲜奶品在教育部的学生营养计划下，供应到国内各所学校。” (LSL)

Headline	MOA aims to be self-sufficient with local milk production in 5 years		
MediaTitle	Nanyang Siang Pau		
Date	16 Aug 2019	Color	Full Color
Section	National	Circulation	27,667
Page No	A4	Readership	83,000
Language	Chinese	ArticleSize	297 cm ²
Journalist	N/A	AdValue	RM 3,736
Frequency	Daily	PR Value	RM 11,208



农业部放眼 5 年内 本地鲜奶自给自足

【云冰 15 日讯】农业及农基工业部冀望 5 年内达到本地鲜奶自给自足的目标。

部长拿督沙拉胡丁指出，当局通过 2017 年落实的国家乳制品工业发展计划，积极增加生产，以致去年，我国鲜奶自给自足率达 61.44%。

他今日为位于姆阿占沙的 The Holstein 牛奶公司加工厂主持开幕后对记者说：“在 2018 年，鲜奶的需求量为 6710 万公升，以及其中的近 4036 万公升鲜奶是国内生产，余者是从外国如纽西兰和澳洲进口。

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沙拉胡丁说，这项计划涵盖 4 个乳制品谷，其中有姆阿占乳制品谷、露雳慕亚林乳制品谷，及雪兰莪安南乳制品谷。

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MediaTitle	Utusan Borneo Online (http://www.utusanborneo.com.my/)		
Date	16 Aug 2019	Color	Full Color
Section	News	Circulation	3
Order Rank	10	Readership	
Language	English	ArticleSize	N/A
Journalist	N/A	AdValue	RM 450
Frequency	Daily	PR Value	RM 1,350

100 peratus susu segar tempatan disasar dalam tempoh lima tahun

ROMPIN: Kerajaan menyasarkan Kadar Sara Diri (SSL) untuk pengeluaran susu segar tempatan sepenuhnya dalam tempoh lima tahun akan datang, kata Menteri Pertanian dan Industri Asas Tani Datuk Salahuddin Ayub. Beliau berkata setakat 2018, SSL susu segar seba...

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Ministry aims self-sufficiency in milk production next five years

ROMPIN: The government is aiming for self-sufficiency in local fresh milk production within the next five years, said Agriculture and Agro-based Industry Minister Datuk Salahuddin Ayub.

According to him, the country's Self-Sufficiency Level (SSL) for fresh milk stood at 61.44 per cent as of last year, with efforts undertaken to increase production through the implementation of the National Dairy Industry Development Program since 2017.

The demand for fresh milk in 2018 was 67.1 million litres and out of that, almost 40.36 million litres of fresh milk were

produced locally while the rest imported from New Zealand and Australia.

The National Dairy Industry Development Program aims to increase the production of fresh milk by adding another 20 million litres through the importation of 10,000 pregnant dairy cows within five years, he said here yesterday.

Salahuddin was met by reporters after officiating a dairy processing plant owned by The Holstein Milk Company Sdn Bhd in Muadzam Shah.

Also attending the ceremony were Veterinary Services Department director-general Datuk Dr Quaza

Nizamuddin Hassan Nizam as well as The Holstein Milk Company's managing director Loi Tuan Ee and director of operations Azmi Zainal.

The National Dairy Industry Development Program said the minister, involved several dairy valleys in the country including the Muadzam Dairy Valley here, as well as the Muallim Dairy Valley in Perak and the Bernam Dairy Valley in Selangor.

During the National Economic Action Executive Council meeting last week, Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad requested that several

ministries propose suitable foods or beverage products to be provided to the school children.

"Our ministry tends to recommend fresh milk because of its health benefits, aside from Japanese history which shows that younger generations have better growth if given fresh milk," he said.

The fresh milk must be locally-produced to support the country's dairy industry, besides scrutinising the selection of the company to ensure the quality of the milk, he said.

Commenting on The Holstein Milk

Company, he described the local dairy company as among the industry's success story based on its capability in producing six million litres of milk a year, as well as in assisting agriculture entrepreneurs and farmers through satellite farms.

"I am told that the company has successfully established 32 stockists and two home dealers for the marketing of the milk, which provides a lucrative income. Stockists can earn up to RM2,000 a month while home dealers can generate a monthly income of between RM700 to RM5,000," he said. - Bernama

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50kg of bombed fish seized at Safma market

By Elton Gomes

KOTA KINABALU: The Marine Operations Force (MOF) seized about 50 kilograms of assorted fish that were caught with fish bombs in the Sabah Fish Marketing Sdn Bhd (SAFMA) market.

Marine Operations Force commander ACP Hj Mohamad Pajeri Bin Ali said the seizure was made during a joint operation by MOF and the Fishery Department on Wednesday after a week-long surveillance at the Safma Market here.

"About 50 kg of assorted fish were seized in the operation after we found it to have been caught using fish bombing method.

"Some of the fish were displayed on tables to be sold to customers while several kilograms of fish were kept in buckets," he said, adding



The MOF and Fisheries Department officers inspecting fish displayed for sale at Safma market.

that the seized fish, valued at RM700, were handed to the Fishery Department for further action.

Pajeri said the case would

be investigated under Section 26(1)(c) of the Fishery Act 1985, which carries a maximum fine of RM20,000 or two-year jail term and both if found guilty.

50kg of bombed fish seized from Sabah market

KOTA KINABALU: Some 50kg of suspected bombed fish were seized from a market during a special operation to weed out fish blasting activities in the state.

Sabah marine police commander Asst Comm Mohamad Pajeri Ali said they found the fish hidden under the table of traders at the Safina market, which is adjacent to the central market here.

"We checked 11 stalls during the operation with personnel from the state Fisheries Department.

"The raid came about after receiving information of suspected bombed fish being sold at the market," he said yesterday.

"Our main aim is to curb and stop such illegal activities," he said, adding that the total value of yesterday's seizure was about RM700. He said the case was being inves-

tigated under Section 26(1)(c) of the Fisheries Act 1985 and that those found guilty could face up to a RM20,000 fine or up to two years jail or both.

ACP Mohamad Pajeri said that the department would also be conducting its own investigation into the case.

Recently, marine police and enforcement officials stepped up operations across the state against bomb fishing activities as well as to curb the sale of bombed fish at markets.

This came following the deaths of a local dive instructor and two Chinese tourists while they were diving in waters off Pulau Kalapuan in Semporna last month.

All three were believed to be victims of a blast caused by fish bombing activities in the area.



Searching for clues: Fisheries and Marine Police conducting checks for bombed fish at Kota Kinabalu's Safina market.

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Bimbang ikan berkurangan

SAUDARA PENGARANG,

SAHABAT Alam Malaysia (SAM) menyokong langkah Jabatan Perikanan mempergiatkan usaha bagi melaksanakan Pelan Pengurusan Perikanan untuk mengatasi masalah kemerosotan sumber perikanan dan pemuliharaannya di perairan negara ini. Walau pun langkah tersebut agak lambat namun SAM berharap ia perlu disegerakan demi masa depan kehidupan nelayan dan rakyat keseluruhannya.

Mengulas kenyataan Ketua Pengarah Perikanan, Datuk Murnir Mohd. Nawi mengenai perkara itu baru-baru ini, SAM bimbang dengan kedudukan terkini stok ikan di perairan Semenanjung Malaysia yang hanya boleh bertahan dalam tempoh 30 tahun sahaja lagi.

SAM mendapati masalah itu bukan hanya disebabkan oleh pencerobohan nelayan asing tetapi juga akibat aktiviti pencerobohan bot pukat tunda tempatan di kawasan nelayan pantai. Kelemahan penguatkuasaan Akta Perikanan 1985 adalah antara sebab ancaman yang berlarutan sejak 1960-an itu masih berterusan.

Di samping pukat tunda

yang membunuh anak-anak ikan; penggunaan pukat sorong, pukat siput, pukat kisa, pukat apollo dan bubu naga telah menyebabkan dasar laut tercemar dan anak-anak ikan tidak dapat membiak. Penyumbang lain kepada masalah ini adalah kemusnahan hutan paya bakau, kerja-kerja penambakan laut dan pencemaran sisa kimia.

Projek akuakultur misalnya bukan sahaja memusnahkan hutan paya bakau tetapi juga mendorong kepada peningkatan tangkapan anak-anak ikan sebagai makanan ternakan projek berkenaan.

Bagi memulihkan keadaan sumber perikanan yang semakin meruncing, SAM mencadangkan tindakan bersepadu dilakukan oleh semua jabatan serta agensi yang terlibat. Peralatan menangkap ikan yang mengancam sumber perikanan perlu diharamkan penggunaannya.

Selain itu, projek pembangunan melibatkan kawasan pembiakan hidupan laut dan hutan paya bakau hendaklah dihentikan.

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Fish killed by ammonia from waste left at sea

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GEORGE TOWN: Penang is not just dealing with illegal dumpsites on land.

Scientists found that someone is illegally dumping waste a few kilometres from the shore.

A vast amount of an unknown waste containing ammonia and nitrate levels that are toxic to fish was traced up to about 7km from Penang island's northern shore.

Scientists from Universiti Sains Malaysia's Centre for Marine and Coastal Studies (Cemacs) and Universiti Malaya's Institute of Ocean and Earth Studies were checking pollution parameters on Tuesday and at each testing point, they collected water samples which were later tested in the lab.

"We could not believe it. The nutrient data showed that as we went further out to sea, the nitrate and ammonia levels got higher.

"It is unnatural," said Cemacs director Professor Datuk Dr Aileen Tan, adding that her team retested each sample to be sure.

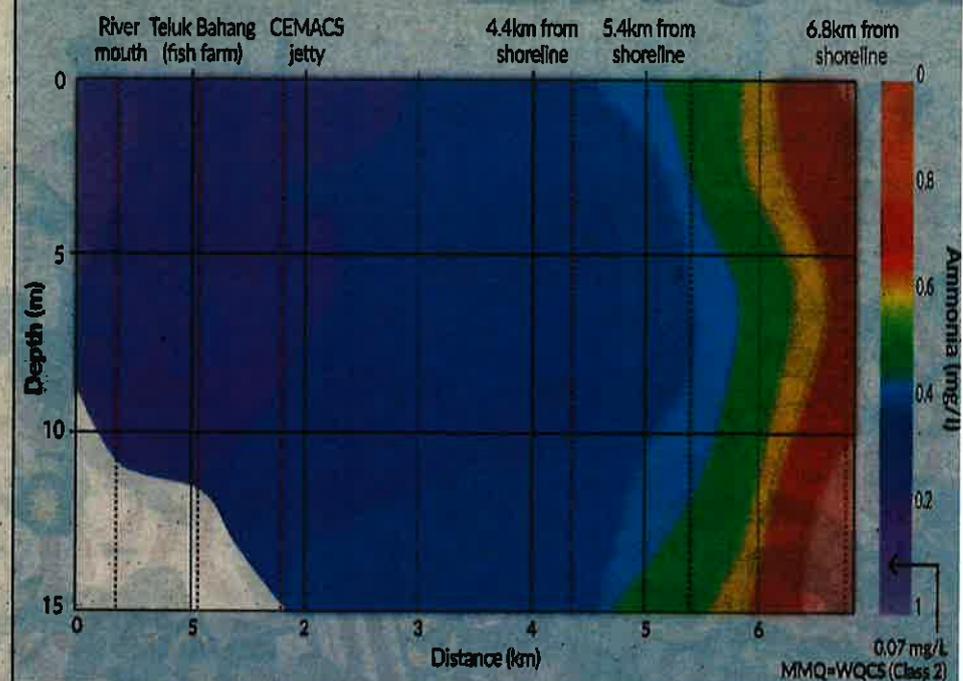
This, she said, showed that the tens of thousands of fishes that died in Teluk Bahang between Saturday and Tuesday suffered from pollution that came from high seas.

Prof Tan said the exact form of the waste was unknown but it would have to be organic, based on the ammonia and nitrate content.

At the shore, Cemacs found that the ammonia level in the seawater was 0.07mg/L but at 7km away, it rose to 0.9mg/L.

"We don't know if it gets higher further out because we were chasing the low dissolved oxygen level

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that killed all the fish around us.

"The dissolved oxygen levels were back to the usual of 5mg/L to 6mg/L at 7km from shore but we are now surprised that the ammonia and nitrate levels were higher out there," she said yesterday.

Prof Tan explained that ammonia was toxic to fish even at low concentrations while nitrates were food for phytoplankton.

When planktonic life becomes extreme, it contributes to low dissolved oxygen levels over a vast area, which causes fish to die.

Test results for fish and sediment samples, including possible heavy metal content, will be known next week, she added.

Asked if the unknown waste could be dredged material, Prof Tan said it was "possible".

The only dredging taking place at the time of the mass deaths of fish was at North Butterworth Container Terminal (NBCT).

The state government on Tuesday ordered an investigation of the dredging operations after a fisher-

man lodged a police report on Monday about seeing the dredger leaving the harbour waters with a thick sediment plume trailing behind it.

The dredger's task was to suck up sediment off NBCT - an annual job to keep the sea deep enough for vessels to dock - carry it six nautical miles (11km) from Teluk Bahang and dump its load there.

Using Internet-based ship tracking portals, it was shown that this specific dredger passed by Teluk Bahang a few kilometres from shore on its journey to the dumping zone approved by Department of Environment (DoE).

Prof Tan said she could not say for certain if the pollution was from dredged material illegally dumped too close to Penang.

"The problem is that we don't have baseline data.

"If we had been taking measurements around Penang long term, we would know better.

"This is the first time we measured the dissolved oxygen and

nutrient data at 7km from Penang, she said, adding that the research cost of tracing the pollution was bearing heavily on Cemacs and the scientists themselves.

At a press conference, state environment committee chairman Phe Boon Poh announced that the state has allocated a budget for a task force to gather long-term baseline data to be used in all investigation by bodies such as Cemacs, DOE and Fisheries Department.

He said authorities were investigating the cause of the extremely low amount of dissolved oxygen in the sea that killed all the wild and farmed fish.

"There could be many factors such as the area being a dead zone with low current flow.

"Overpopulation and feeding in the fish cages might also lead to an increase in hydrogen sulphide and the uneaten food decays, leading to growth of jellyfishes and alga blooms, which further take up oxygen.

"We are looking into shifting the