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Now you see it, now you don't

A local white rice story

SO there is enough local white rice in the system after all. The only problem is that the mysterious Malaysian grain is stuck somewhere. Packets of them. And the "somewhere" might just be in the cartels' warehouses, if Kedah Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Muhammad Sanusi Md Nor is right. On Friday, he disclosed to reporters the reason for the shortage of local white rice priced at RM26 per 10kg packet: cartels are allegedly getting it out of the system and repackaging it as imported rice at significantly higher prices. Tokai assemblyman Datuk Dr Mohd Hayati Othman told a similar story to the Kedah state assembly on Nov 25, blaming the shortage on irresponsible millers repackaging it as imported rice. As evidence, he quoted one rice mill worker admitting to doing the repackaging on the orders of the mill owner. With millers like this, who needs a cartel? If this is true, gluttonous millers are creating a shortage to harvest the difference between the government-controlled price of RM26 per 10kg packet of local rice and the "market"-determined price of imported rice, ranging from RM35 to RM44. Sanusi,

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however, didn't provide any evidence except to say that cartels have been at the repackaging trade for some time now, from seeds to rice supply to rice prices. That is like almost the whole rice industry. Interestingly, Sanusi wants the government to give the Kedah authorities control over the rice industry to restore the supply of local rice. Equally interestingly, the chairman of the National Action Council on Cost

of Living Task Force (Food Cluster), Datuk Syed Abu Hussin Hafiz Syed Abdul Fasal, too, wants the government to give him control over the rice industry, promising resolution to the issue within three months. Cartels didn't feature in his statement.

Cartels or no cartels, the problem needs an immediate solution. This has gone on for close to two years and the people are left wondering how such visible things like 10kg rice packets can go missing under the very nose of the authorities. Is there or isn't there a cartel? The answer is as simple as yes or no. When a study is involved — the Malaysia Competitive Commission has finished a report on cartel activities in the padi and rice industry — it does take quite a while for either answer to come our way. On Nov 6, Deputy Domestic Trade and Cost of Living Minister Fuziah Salleh told Parliament so when responding to questions on all things local rice. Fuziah didn't disclose details of the report, but did hint at abuse of power, as this newspaper reported from the august house, whatever that phrase means. We may have to wait yet again for the report to be made public. Or will it be?

If the answer is "yes" to cartels, then go out and get rid of them for good. If "no", what else is the problem? Tell us. The people need to know. A staple diet mustn't be treated this way. Consumption of three million tonnes a year must mean something. If the people can't get their hands on locally produced rice, they must, at the very least, be told why.



IN BRIEF

'Perak petrol station rigged pump meters'

IPOH: A petrol station in Perak allegedly under-dispensed fuel by rigging the pump meters at the premises. The station was found to have committed the offence after a team from the state Domestic Trade and Cost of Living Ministry conducted checks on all the pump meters at the premises. The checks were shown in a clip uploaded on the ministry's Perak TikTok account.

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"Throughout the enforcement period, 483 cases were recorded against traders who failed to comply with the regulations. This led to seizures worth RM21,942.85, mainly for offences such as not displaying

price tags and not using pink price tags," he said in a statement Wednesday.

Azman confirmed that no cases of traders selling above the maximum price were detected, and no complaints were received during the scheme's implementation.

He added that most traders adhered to the regulations and were committed to complying with the price control measures.

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RM13b untuk STR, Sara

*Langkah bantu rakyat tangani
kenaikan kos sara kehidupan*

Kuala Lumpur

Kerajaan mem-
peruntukkan ham-
pir RM13 billion bagi
inisiatif Sumbangan Tu-
nai Rahmah (STR) dan
Sumbangan Asas Rahmah
(Sara) dalam usaha mem-
bantu rakyat menangani
kenaikan kos sara hidup.

**Timbalan Menteri Eko-
nomi, Datuk Hanifah Ha-
jar Taib** berkata, sebanyak
RM300 juta pula diperun-
tukkan bagi pelaksanaan
inisiatif Payung Rahmah
manakala RM700 juta bagi
program mengawal harga
barang menerusi usaha
sama dengan pelbagai pi-
hak.

"Sementara itu, bagi
Program Penyeragaman
Harga Barang di Sabah,
Sarawak dan Labuan, se-
banyak RM40 juta turut
diperuntukkan," katanya
ketika sesi soal jawab di
Dewan Rakyat di sini, se-
malam.

Beliau menjawab soalan
Wong Chen (PH-Subang)
berhubung saranan Jaba-
tan Perangkaan Malaysia
(DOSM) ke arah memera-
ngi kenaikan kos sara
hidup seperti yang diter-
bitkan di bawah laporan
Indikator Kos Sara Hi-
dup.

Hanifah Hajar berkata,
laporan Indikator Kos Sa-
ra Hidup 2023 yang di-
lancarkan tahun lalu me-

ngandungi Perbelanjaan
Asas Kehidupan Wajar
(PAKW) dan Indeks Kos
Sara Hidup bagi mengu-
kur kos sara hidup dengan
lebih berkesan.

Sehubungan dengan itu,
bagi memudahkan rakyat,
beliau berkata, kerajaan
turut menyediakan kalku-
lator sebagai panduan un-
tuk merancang perbelan-
jaan dan juga pengurusan
keuangan keluarga mene-
rusi aplikasi MyPAKW
yang boleh dicapai pada
laman sesawang
mypakw.dosm.gov.my.

Hanifah Hajar berkata,
kerajaan melalui Majlis
Tindakan Sara Hidup Ne-
gara (Naccol) melaksana-
kan usaha berterusan bagi
mengatasi isu kenaikan
kos sara hidup rakyat de-
ngan memberikan tum-
puan kepada tujuh kluster
keutamaan meliputi peru-
mahan, pendidikan, pe-
ngangkutan, utiliti, kesi-
hatan, makanan dan pen-
dapatan.

Beliau berkata, sistem
Pangkalan Data Utama
(Padu) yang mempunyai
profil bagi semua 30.1 juta
individu warganegara dan
pemastautin tetap di Ma-
laysia juga membolehkan
kerajaan menjalankan pe-
mantauan dan penilaian
secara berkesan bagi
membantu rakyat mende-
pani cabaran peningkatan
kos sara hidup.

SSM sumbang wakalah zakat korporat, CSR RM70,000

SURUHANJAYA Syarikat Malaysia (SSM) menyampaikan sumbangan Wakalah Zakat Korporat dan tanggungjawab sosial korporat (CSR) berjumlah RM70,000 kepada 180 pelajar asnaf dan 20 pelajar kurang berkemampuan dari PPR Seri Cempaka sempena Program *Back To School* SSM 2025.

Sumbangan berbentuk barangan keperluan persekolahan bernilai RM350 setiap seorang, telah disempurnakan oleh Pengerusi SSM, Ahmad Sabki Yusof kepada Persatuan Belia Seri Cempaka.

Ahmad Sabki berkata, program seperti itu mencerminkan komitmen SSM dalam menyokong usaha memperkasa generasi akan datang kerana pendidikan merupakan asas penting dalam membentuk generasi muda yang berwawasan, berintegriti dan bersedia menghadapi cabaran masa depan dengan yakin serta



berdaya saing.

"Sejak 1 Januari hingga 31 Disember 2024, SSM telah mengagihkan lebih RM7.4 juta menggunakan dana Wakalah Zakat Korporat SSM kepada 11,242 penerima asnaf di seluruh negara. Dalam tempoh yang sama, SSM juga

telah menyumbangkan lebih RM535,000 menggunakan dana CSR kepada 932 penerima yang memerlukan," katanya dalam kenyataan.

■ AHMAD Sabki Yusof (tengah) menyampaikan sumbangan wakalah zakat korporat SMM.



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RM13b allocated for cash aid to ease living costs

KUALA LUMPUR: The government has allocated nearly RM13 billion for the Sumbangan Tunai Rahmah and Sumbangan Asas Rahmah cash aid initiatives aimed at helping Malaysians cope with rising living costs, said Economy Deputy Minister Datuk Hanifah Hajar Taib.

She said an additional RM300 million has been set aside for the Payung Rahmah initiative, while RM700 million has been allocated for price control programmes through partnerships with various stakeholders.

"For the Price Standardisation Programme in Sabah, Sarawak and Labuan, RM40 million has been allocated," she said in the Dewan Rakyat yesterday.

She was responding to a question from Wong Chen (PH-Subang) regarding recommendations by the Statistics Department to combat rising living costs as outlined in the Cost of Living Indicator Report.

Hanifah added that the report, released last year, includes the Basic Expenditure of Decent Living and Cost of Living Index to better assess living costs.

She said the government has introduced a calculator aid to help families plan their expenses, Bernama reported.

The MyPAKW app, accessible via mypakw.dosm.gov.my, serves as a financial management guide.

She added that the National Action Council on Cost of Living is working to address the issue of rising living costs, focusing on seven priority areas, namely housing, education, transportation, utilities, healthcare, food and income.

Hanifa said the Central Database Hub, which contains profiles of 30.1 million Malaysian citizens and permanent residents, allows for effective monitoring to support those struggling with the cost of living.

Pengusaha dodol 'pening' bekalan kelapa kurang

Oleh **MUHAMMAD ZIKRI**
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PONTIAN: Seorang pengusaha dodol bimbang susulan bekalan kelapa yang semakin berkurangan menjelang bulan Ramadan dan sambutan Hari Raya Aidilfitri yang bakal tiba tidak lama lagi.

Halinda Haron, 50, berkata, bekalan kelapa yang mencukupi merupakan elemen penting dalam pembuatan kuih tradisional itu.

Bagaimanapun katanya, sejak bulan lalu bekalan kelapa tempatan berkurangan disebabkan faktor 'melawas' atau kekurangan buah serta permintaan tinggi dalam aktiviti ekonomi lain termasuk daripada pengusaha santan yang memerlukan bekalan banyak setiap hari selain peniaga nasi lemak.

"Disebabkan kekurangan bekalan kelapa, saya terpaksa membeli kelapa yang diimport dari Indonesia dengan harga RM2.80 sekilogram (kg) di jeti Tongkang Pechah, Batu Pahat. Sebanyak 700 kilogram bersamaan 678 biji dibeli dengan harga RM1,820 tidak termasuk kos penghantaran," katanya kepada *Utusan Malaysia* di rumahnya di Lorong Tengah, Kampung Rimba Terjun, dekat sini.

Pada hari biasa, dia memerlukan kira-kira 300 biji atau 1,200 biji kelapa sebulan bagi mem-



HALINDA Haron menunjukkan kelapa yang diimport dari Indonesia bagi menampung kekurangan bekalan kelapa tempatan di Lorong Tengah, Kampung Rimba Terjun, Pontian.

buat dodol yang menggunakan jenama 'Dodol Makndak' menggunakan tiga kawah besar.

"Setiap kawah pula menggunakan 35 kg santan kelapa, 15 kg pulut dan 25 kg gula merah yang dimasak selama 10 jam supaya benar-benar masak," katanya yang memulakan perniagaan itu ketika pelaksanaan Perintah Kawalan Pergerakan (PKP) Covid-19.

Namun dia akan berusaha bagi mendapatkan bekalan kelapa tempatan yang dibeli dengan harga antara RM1 hingga RM1.50 sebiji, sebelum memikirkan alternatif lain.

Katanya, pengeluaran Dodol Makndak bagi sambutan Aidilfitri biasanya mencapai tiga tan berbanding antara 800 kg hingga satu tan sebulan di luar musim perayaan.

Halinda mengakui cabaran utama ketika ini adalah bagi mendapatkan bekalan kelapa tempatan untuk memenuhi tempahan daripada pelanggan yang biasanya bermula pada hari pertama Ramadan.

"Kami juga bimbang berlaku kenaikan harga kelapa, sekali gus menyebabkan harga dodol terpaksa dinaikkan bagi menampung kos," katanya.

'STR aid has eased rising cost of living'

KUALA LUMPUR: The government has introduced several measures, including the Sumbangan Tunai Rahmah (STR) cash aid, to ease the rising cost of living. This follows findings from the 2023 Cost of Living Indicator Report, which found increased prices for goods and services last year. Deputy Economy Minister Datuk Hanifah Hajar Taib said the government was concerned about the challenges citizens faced in maintaining a decent standard of living.



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6-Feb	SHMMP Tahun Baharu Cina 2025: KPDN periksa 6,007 premis	https://berita.rtm.gov.my/nasional/senarai-berita-nasional/senarai-artikel/shmmp-tahun-baharu-cina-2025-kpdn-periksa-6-007-premis	BERITA RTM
6-Feb	Ribuan premis diperiksa sepanjang raya Cina, gagal pamer harga antara kesalahan	https://selangorkini.my/2025/02/ribuan-premis-diperiksa-sepanjang-raya-cina-gagal-pamer-harga-antara	SELANGOR KINI
6-Feb	KPDN periksa 6,007 premis sepanjang SHMMP Tahun Baharu Cina 2025	https://malaysia-tribune.news/2025/02/05/kpdn-periksa-6007-premis-sepanjang-shmmp-tahun	MALAYSIA TRIBUNE
6-Feb	KPDN periksa 6,007 premis perniagaan sepanjang pelaksanaan SHMMP Tahun Baharu Cina	https://utusanarawak.com.my/kpdn-periksa-6007-premis-perniagaan-sepanjang-pelaksanaan-shmmp-tahun	UTUSAN SARAWAK
6-Feb	KPDN periksa 6,007 premis perniagaan sepanjang pelaksanaan SHMMP Tahun Baharu Cina	https://www.bernama.com/bm/jenayah_mahkamah/news.php?id=2389424	BERNAMA
6-Feb	CNY SHMMP : Over 6,000 premises inspected - KPDN	https://thesun.my/malaysia-news/cny-shmmp-over-6000-business-premises-inspected-kpdn-EF13617074	THE SUN
6-Feb	Tambah baik PJR, indikator kos sara hidup akan digunakan	https://berita.rtm.gov.my/nasional/senarai-berita-nasional/senarai-artikel/tambah-baik-pjr-indikator-kos-sara-hidup-akan-digunakan	BERITA RTM
6-Feb	Perlu anjakan paradigma ke arah sumber tenaga alternatif	https://www.bharian.com.my/berita/nasional/2025/02/1357560/perlu-anjakan-paradigma-ke-arah-sumber-tenaga	BERITA HARIAN

6-Feb	Polis Marin Sabah gagalkan cubaan seludup diesel bersubsidi	https://www.sabahgazette.com/polis-marin-sabah-gagalkan-cubaan-seludup-diesel-bersubsidi/#google_vignette	SABAH GAZETTE
6-Feb	Almost RM13 billion allocated to ease cost of living, says deputy minister	https://www.dailyexpress.com.my/news/251506/almost-rm13-billion-allocated-to-ease-cost-of-living-says-deputy-minister/	DAILY EXPRESS
6-Feb	Almost RM13 bln allocated to ease cost of living, says Hanifah	https://www.theborneopost.com/2025/02/05/almost-rm13-bln-allocated-to-ease-cost-of-living-says-hanifah/	BORNEO POST
6-Feb	Not Getting Your Money's Worth Of Petrol? KPDN Explains What To Look Out For	https://www.therakyatpost.com/news/malaysia/2025/02/05/not-getting-your-moneys-worth-of-petrol-kpdn-explains-what-to-look-out-for/	THE RAKYAT POST