

Opening of Adaptive Social Protection Forum: Social Insurance and Climate Change in Indonesia

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Welcome Remarks of ILO Country Director for Indonesia and Timor Leste

- Participants:
 - Bapak Maliki, Acting Deputy Minister for Population and Employment, BAPPENAS,
 - Bapak Hansen Martin, Country Director, GIZ,
 - Government representatives from
 - Ministry of Manpower,
 - Ministry of Finance,
 - BAPPENAS,
 - Coordinating Ministry for Culture and Human Development (Kemenko PMK),
 - Coordinating Ministry for Economic Affairs (Kemenko Ekonomi),
 - Ministry of Home Affairs,
 - Ministry of Social Affairs,
 - Ministry of Public Work, Executive Office of the President (KSP),
 - National Agency for Disaster Countermeasure (BNPB),

- Officials and members of BPJS Employment, BPJS Employment Supervisory Board, National Social Security Council (DJSN),
 - Representatives of employers' organizations (APINDO, KADIN), and trade unions.
- Indonesia is ranked at high level of risk of climate-related hazards, including floods, sea level rise, droughts, and landslide.
 - Stakeholders are discussing:
 - the Just Energy Transition – exiting the coal mining industry and creating jobs in other industries;
 - the Adaptive Social Protection Roadmap; and
 - the Long-term National Development Plan from 2025 to 2045.
 - We are in a right moment to have this Forum and the Report that we launch today.
 - Climate-related hazards can result in disruption of production and service activities, and physical damage to workplace. These events cause job-loss or disruptions to regular income of workers.
 - Climate change greatly affects agriculture, fishing, forestry, tourism, wholesale, retail, restaurant, hotels, mining, and utilities.

- Globally, the framework of Adaptive Social Protection tends to focus on social assistance. But the role of social insurance is equally important.
 - On March 2022, the ILO and the GIZ agreed on the implementation of research activity to examine the role of social insurance within the framework of Active Social Protection approach.
 - The ILO has been conducting the study with the Social Security Unit of Bappenas.
 - To obtain inputs, we held bilateral meetings with BNPB and BPJS Employment in December 2022. We shared initial results and facilitated a tripartite meeting in January this year.
 - The Report has analysis and recommendations on the Unemployment Insurance Scheme, the Pension Scheme, and the Employment Injury Insurance Scheme.
 - Today, I am pleased to hand over this Report, analysis and recommendations to the Government of Indonesia and the ILO constituents.
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- Social assistance traditionally protects poor and vulnerable households. But climate-related hazards do not only affect poor and vulnerable households but also middle-class workers, women and self-employed workers and any other ordinary residents. Social insurance can cover them and provide adequate protection.
 - Social Insurance can address both short-term and long-term challenges.

- The Unemployment Insurance Scheme provides income to jobseekers moving from one industry to the other industry – moving from disaster affected towns to other towns.
- The investment of the social insurance fund can play an important role to facilitate a longer-term adaptation and Just Transition to an environmentally sustainable economy and society.
- I would like to acknowledge:
 - GIZ and the Government of Japan for the financial support to organize this event and to produce the Report;
 - the Government of Indonesia for usual trust to the ILO; and
 - all participants for your participation.
- Discussion today will be important contributions to the Indonesia's initiatives and the national strategies:
 - the Just Energy Transition Partnership;
 - the Adaptive Social Protection Roadmap; and
 - the RPJPN.
- I wish you a fruitful and meaningful discussion.