

Sabah JKM anti-corruption plan shows commitment in fighting graft

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KOTA KINABALU, Nov 1 -- The launch of Anti-Corruption Plan by the Sabah Chief Minister's Department (JKM) for 26 organisations under its purview today showcased its commitment in fighting corruption in the state's public service.

JKM was the first state department to launch the anti-corruption plan which was officiated by Chief Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Shafie Apdal.

The plan which involved 26 organisations under the purview of JKM is for a five-year period, from 2019 to 2023.

Speaking at the launch, Mohd Shafie said, other departments in Sabah have their own plans to ensure there was no leakage that could contribute to corrupt practices in the state's civil service.

“The state government is committed to eradicate corruption at all levels, especially in the state's civil service.

“The Sabah government not only manage the financial system systematically to ensure an ideal civil service, but we also need to ensure that there is no leakage that could contribute to corruption,” he said.

Mohd Shafie said the Sabah government was the first to introduce the plan after it was launched at the federal level by Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

He added that he was confident that the plan which involved all agencies under the JKM, would give them better understanding on ways and means in dealing with corruption.

He also expressed his hope that this would be followed by meetings and clarifications to enable effective efforts in addressing corruption at the state level.

“The issue of corruption was a major issue before the 14th General Election and it needs to be addressed now, not only in its approach and prevention but also through action,” Mohd Shafie said.

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