

**Indonesian President Announces 10 Percent Salary Hike For Civil Servants  
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JAKARTA, Aug 16 (Bernama) -- Indonesian President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono has decided to raise the basic salary of civil servants, military, police and retirees by 10 percent in 2012, according to China's Xinhua news agency, citing local press reports on Tuesday.

The 10 percent increase would be applied to the basic salary, he was quoted by the Jakarta Globe online as saying.

The salary hike are in response to government's efforts to increase the welfare of Indonesian citizens, Susilo said during the briefing of the 2012 state budget draft at the Parliament here.

The pay rise announcement comes even as the government mulls a moratorium on civil servant recruitment due to the state's ballooning payroll.

Indonesia currently employs 4.7 million civil servants on the state's payroll.

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