

HAKAM Youth

Forum Discussion on Climate Crisis: SDG Goals & The Role of Youths

1. Details of event

- a. Date: 15/12/2019 (Sunday)
- b. Time: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
- c. Venue: Liberal Latte, 2, Lorong Dungun Kiri, Bukit Damansara, 50490 Kuala Lumpur, Wilayah Persekutuan Kuala Lumpur.
- d. Targeted number of attendees: Approximately 30
- e. Format: Panel discussion with a moderator from HAKAM Youth (Eu Hen Seah)

2. Length of discussion

- 45 minutes

3. Scope of discussion

- a. UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDG), with a focus on Goal 13 (Climate Action).
 - i. The relevant targets:
 1. Incorporating measures to fight climate change into national planning, strategies and policies.
 2. Improving awareness-raising, education and institutional and human capacity on mitigation, impact reduction, early warning and adaptation to climate change.
 3. Promoting actions for enhancing capacity for better climate change-linked management and planning with a focus on youth, women and marginalised local communities
 - ii. Relevant stakeholders in driving the implementation of the goal, with a focus on government and youths.
- b. Role of government - recent developments and current progress
 - i. Select committee for science, innovation and environment (as announced by Datuk Liew Vui Keong)
 - ii. Government funding (especially for MESTECC)
 - Comparison between Budget 2019 and Budget 2020 on the allocation of funds for environmental sustainability
 - iii. Amendment of Environmental Quality Act 1974
 - iv. Drafting of a legislation for transboundary pollution (including haze)
 - v. And more...
- c. Role of youths - youth activists
 - i. Greta Thunberg and other young activists from around the world
 - ii. Social media mobilisation - Hashtag activism
 - Social media is seen as an important technological resources for social participation and democracy. It serves as a communicative global forum, giving priority to identity-sharing and the freedom of expression.
 - E.g. #MeToo, #HeForShe, #WomensMarch, #BlackLivesMatter

- Online petitions - [change.org](https://www.change.org)
- iii. Climate strike - international and local
- iv. Malaysian youth activists
- v. Impacts
- d. Government's response to the concern of the youths in terms of environmental issues

4. Q&A Session

- 30 minutes
- Questions can be addressed to a particular or any panelist