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# Ministry of Planning / Bappenas Indonesia Launches Broadband Plan 2014-2019

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Pada Rabu, On Wednesday (15/10), Ministry of National Development Planning / Bappenas launched the Indonesia Broadband Plan (IBP) from 2014 to 2019 in the SG space Bappenas Building 2-4. The launch event 2014-2019 RPI is a follow up after the issuance of Presidential Decree No. 96 Year 2014 Present on this occasion include: Ministry of Planning / Head of Bappenas, Prof. Dr. Armida Alisjahbana Salsiah; Minister of Research and Technology, Prof. Dr. Gusti Muhammad Hatta; former Minister of Communications and Information Technology and also members of the House of Representatives 2014-2019, Ir. Tifatul Sembiring; Deputy Minister of Planning / Deputy Head of Bappenas, Dr. Ir Lukita Dinarsyah Tuwo; Deputy Infrastructures Bappenas, Dr. Ir. Dedi Supriadi Priatna; Chairman of the National Information Technology Council (DETIKNAS), Dr. Ing. Ilham Akbar Habibie; President Director of PT Telekomunikasi Indonesia Tbk, Arief Yahya; and regent of Banyuwangi, Anwar Abdullah Anas.

In her speech, the Minister Armida expect the next government give serious attention to the Indonesian Broadband plan because it has benefits for the wider community. "Broadband Plan is able to erase the gap in Indonesia. Gaps are intended economic and social inequalities development gap between regions" she said.

According to the Minister Armida, the most appropriate way to reduce these gaps is the use of high-speed Internet network for education. "Broadband should we introduce early to school children. All primary schools in Indonesia must have a broadband network. Not only primary schools alone, but also the entire school " she said.

Meanwhile, Dr. Lukita Dinarsyah Tuwo stated, with the launch of IBP 2014-2019, Indonesia is poised to become a developed country. "Therefore, the development of broadband should be accelerated," he said.

Ir. Tifatul Sembiring said that Broadband provides many positive things, one of which is to encourage economic growth. He cited the success of Angry Birds became one of the famous games and Research In Motion's worldwide for being able to take advantage of broadband networks.

In the next five years, the construction of the planned national broadband can provide fixed access in urban areas to 71% of households (20 Mbps) and 30% of the population, as well as mobile access to the entire population (1 Mbps). As in rural areas, access to fixed broadband infrastructure is expected to reach 49% of households (10 Mbps) and 6% of the population, as well as mobile access to 52% of the population (1 Mbps).

As a first step, Competitive Program which encourages the development of national broadband has been set. Featured Programs are divided into three groups: (1) Economic Connectivity, which consists of Palapa Ring Project, Joint Pipes, and Pilot Project Broadband Wireless Connectivity for Rural Areas; (2) Network connectivity in the form of Government and Government Integrated Data Center; and (3) Thrusters (enabling) which consists of Universal Service Obligation Fund Reform and Human Resources Development and the National ICT Industry.

In addition, the five priority sectors broadband development has also been established, namely e-Government, e-Health, e-Education, e-logistics, and e-Procurement.

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