

IPB Concept for Fishery and Marine Development of Indonesia

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In providing the contribution of thought and inputs related to enhancement and progress of maritime transport industry of Indonesia, the Faculty of Fisheries and Marine Science of IPB held the series of National Seminar program with the titled "Kepelabuhanan dan Transportasi Laut" on 27/9 located in the Auditorium Sumardi Sastrakusumah, the Faculty of Fisheries of Campus of IPB Darmaga, (27/9).

According to the Vice Dean of the Faculty of Fisheries and Marine Science of IPB, Dr. Sugeng Suseno said at the moment there had been no concrete steps to bring forward the development of Indonesian marine transport. Besides that, he said that the maritime was not yet a concern of our nation. Whereas he continued that the foreign contribution in the field of marine at the moment was very large. So that according to him it was important for IPB as the educational institution having the Faculty of Fisheries and Marine Science to give contribution of thought in order to build a strong maritime nation.

Moreover, added by the Vice Rector for Research and Collaboration, Prof. Dr. Anas M Fauzi, at the opening of the program said that the estimate of economic potential from Indonesian maritime, if managed properly, could achieve US 156 billion/year. "With notes, it is when managed properly," he said.

Besides that he said, the aspects that could be built related to Indonesian maritime among them were the socio-cultural aspect, the coastal community education, for example in the relative poor group. Furthermore, the economic aspect of Indonesian marine wealth was very potential to be well explored. Which was not less important was the security aspect. "Many examples of cases that are currently unresolved are related to HKI of Indonesian archipelagic sea lane," Prof. Anas said.

To support the increase of Indonesian maritime development, Dr. Anas conveyed that IPB was ready to help in the form of Field Program of Student in the area outside the archipelago for the community empowerment. He added, IPB also had delivered the idea to the National Innovation Committee (KIN) about the concept of Fish Barn in Banda area. "Because there is the conservation area so that it can become the Fish Barn of Indonesia," he added. Besides the fish barn, IPB also had delivered the concept of Morotai area as the link area for marine transport.

This seminar presented figures and entrepreneurs in the field of Harbor and Marine Transport among them the Director of Chandra Motik Law and Firm, the Director of PT. Samudra Indonesia, the Representation from United in Diversity Forum, and the expert in coastal area and marine science of IPB Prof. Tridoyo Kusumastanto. From the government, the Representation of Directorate General of Marine Transportation presented. (dh)

