

Discussion Session on Sabah Women Development Master Plan in Tawau and Sandakan

Kota Kinabalu (Monday) — The Sabah Women Affairs Department in collaboration with the Institute for Development Studies (Sabah), IDS is organizing a series of discussion sessions on the *Preparation of a 10-Year Master Plan for Sabah Women Development* in Tawau and Sandakan this week. The session in Tawau will take place at the Tawau Municipal Council Conference Hall on Wednesday (26 March) while in Sandakan it will be held at the Sandakan Municipal Council Conference Hall on Friday (28 March).

“The discussion session is part of the methodology used for the preparation of the Sabah Women Master Plan,” said a representative from the organizing committee.

“There are eight main components that will be discussed in this discussion session. They are health, education, law, economy, social, gender awareness, media and women participation in the decision-making process,” said the representative.

According to the representative the outcome of the discussion session is pertinent to the preparation of the Women Development Master plan. She said it is of utmost important to ensure that the Plan is in line with the national development plan particularly for the state of Sabah.

“In general, the main goal of the study is to ensure that Sabah women are integrated in the development process and to ensure there are equal distribution of economic resources, information as well as opportunities and development benefits,” said the representative.

Those interested to participate in the workshop may contact miss Jennifer Abd. Hamid or Puan Sharlyna Grace Sebastian at 088-246166.

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