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**Media Statement Made by Hon. Dato' Sri Hasan Arifin, Chairman of  
Public Accounts Committee (PAC) Regarding the Tabling of PAC Report  
on Management of Construction Projects of Religious National  
Secondary Schools and Other Facilities under the Ministry of Education  
Malaysia (MOE)**

- 1) The PAC today tabled the PAC Report on the Management of Construction Projects of Religious National Secondary Schools and Other Facilities under the Ministry of Education (MOE).
- 2) This issue was the findings by National Audit Department (NAD) in the presentation of the 2014 Auditor-General's Report (LKAN) Series 3 tabled in Parliament on 23 November 2015.
- 3) The PAC calls for a proceeding to discuss this issue on 18 March 2017 by calling MOE Secretary-General, Datuk Seri Alias Ahmad, to clarify issues raised by NAD.
- 4) In the proceedings, the PAC members raised these issues:
  - i) Letter of Acceptance (SST) was issued late
  - ii) Delay in signing the contract.
  - iii) Delay in Issuing As-Built Drawing.
  - iv) Impractical/ Inappropriate Construction Designs

- v) Unsatisfactory Construction Work Quality.
- vi) Work/ Equipment Carried Out/ Supplied Not According to Contract Design/ Specification
- vii) Faded Paint on The Exterior of Building and Roof of SMKA SHOAW.
- viii) Elevator Installation Not According to Contract Specification at SMKA (P) Al-Mashoor
- ix) Damage or Imperfections During Defects Liability Period (DLP) Are Not Rectified
- x) Management of Unregulated Payments
- xi) Equipment and Facilities Not Used.

5) Based on the proceedings, the PAC concluded that:

- i) The construction project of Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Agama (SMKA) through direct negotiation or limited tender and monitored by consultants faced many problems.  
The consultant failed to ensure that contractors complied with the designs provided as in the case of elevator shaft built not according to specified size. The consultant also do not have experienced staff to carry out monitoring works at project site resulting in the works done not according to specification.

6) The PAC recommends the following:

- i) The selection of contractors to carry out Government projects should be made through open tender and implemented by the Public Works Department
- ii) Call for Tender is made only after obtaining the approval for Planning Permission (KM) from the Local Authority to prevent problems on site
- iii) Strict action should be taken against contractors, consultants and suppliers if they fail to supply or install project components, especially components that affect the functionality of the project.

- iv) To blacklist the contractors and consultants who failed to carry out projects as stated in the tender as a lesson to other contractors
  
- 7) Those who are interested to read and scrutinise the PAC Report Regarding the Management of Construction Projects of Religious National Secondary Schools and Other Facilities under the Ministry of Education (MOE) may download the report from PAC website at [www.parlimen.gov.my/pac](http://www.parlimen.gov.my/pac)

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