

Press Release

Bappenas Discusses Role of Omnibus Law in Smoothing State Capital Relocation Process

JAKARTA – The government says that the planned relocation of the State Capital (IKN) in 2024 requires an Omnibus Law approach to ensure compliance with laws and regulations.

The Omnibus Law is a regulatory restructuring strategy that can take the form of revocation, revision or the merging of several regulations or articles, at the legal, ministerial, presidential and legislative levels. The Minister of National Development Planning/Head of Bappenas Suharso Monoarfa said that based on the results that need to be revised or revoked regarding the relocation of the IKN, his ministry has mapped out 14 laws related to the IKN's regulatory position, boundaries and territorial borders, form and structure of government, special area for government, spatial arrangement and environmental disaster management. The results of this mapping will then be analyzed to see the feasibility of an Omnibus Law approach.

"The President has reminded us that in 2024, the IKN's central government zone should already be operational, thus, its legal regulations need to be prepared from now. In this regard, one of the breakthroughs we have made is the Omnibus Law. There are several laws and regulations that must be changed, such as government regulations, presidential regulations, ministerial regulations, and 43 others, including those [mentioned above]," Minister Suharso said at the "Implementation of the Omnibus Law to Support the Acceleration of the Implementation of Maternal Transfer Policies at the IKN" workshop on Friday (29/11).

Minister Suharso said that the relocation of the IKN was not just about relocating the center of government, thereby making it necessary to prepare everything related to the legislation, to prepare for the IKN's short-term and long-term plans. Submission of the proposed IKN Bill as a priority to the Ministry of Law and Human Rights was carried out on November 2019. An inter-ministerial committee (PAK) meeting on the IKN Draft Presidential Decree and relocation preparation was held in November 2019, attended by the Coordinating Minister for Human Development and Culture, and the Minister of Law and Human Rights. The permit for the initiative to draft the Presidential Decree for the Authority has been sent to the President of the Republic of Indonesia through the State Secretariat.

"This workshop is part of the government's efforts to solicit various inputs in order to improve the preparation of the Academic Draft of the State Capital Bill and the IKN Bill, considering that the transfer of the IKN is a big agenda in the context of realizing an Indonesia-centric capital. However, it needs to be understood that the Omnibus Law approach needs to be carried out carefully based on mapping, identification, and follow-up analysis which must be decided by taking into account the suitability of priority policy needs. For this reason, this afternoon, a meeting will also be held to discuss regulations that allow the Omnibus Law to be carried out according to the grouping of fields that we have mentioned previously," explained the Ministry of National Development Planning/Bappenas' Expert Staff Member on Institutional Relations and Planning Diani Sadia Wati.



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