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Minister Suharso Optimistic of State Capital Draft Bill's Swift Completion

JAKARTA – The Minister of National Development Planning/Head of Bappenas Suharso Monoarfa welcomed Finance Minister Sri Mulyani and Agrarian and Spatial Planning Minister Sofyan Djalil to the Ministry of National Development Planning/Bappenas offices to discuss the finalization of the Draft Presidential Regulation (Perpres) on the Establishment of the Capital Authority Agency (BOIK) and the Draft State Capital Bill (RUU IKN).

"The sooner [the bill] will be completed, the better, because there are only 30 articles," Minister Suharso said during the meeting, which was also attended by representatives of the Administrative and Bureaucratic Reform Ministry, the Public Works and Housing Ministry and the State Secretariat.

The Capital Authority Agency (BOIK) will operate in tandem with the overall State Capital Masterplan (IKN Masterplan). While the Masterplan is currently nearing completion, the BOIK will already be operational to prepare everything needed for the relocation of the State Capital. After the BOIK's organizational structure is formed, all planning carried out by the relevant Ministries/Agencies will be transferred to the BOIK. That way, preparations for the State Capital's transfer could be coordinated neatly.

Previously, Minister Suharso explained that at the same time as the formation of the RUU IKN, the government would also establish an authoritative agency as the main executor of the State Capital's development process. The special team will be chaired by the Minister of National Development Planning/Head of Bappenas. During a meeting with President Joko Widodo on Wednesday (19/2), Minister Suharso revealed that the ongoing RUU IKN will only consist of 30 articles. The Minister is also optimistic that discussions on the draft law will be completed as soon as possible.

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