

# KSU VISION SESSION

**When** : 01 November 2012  
**Where** : Razak School of Government  
**Who** : Datuk Arpah Abdul Razak, Secretary General to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government ( "MHLG")

## **About the KSU Vision Session:**

This KSU Vision session would allow YBhg. Datuk Arpah Abdul Razak to share her Ministry's initiatives in their roles in the development for Quality Homes and neighbourhood for all Malaysians. Various collaborative efforts between agencies in under her purview were discussed. The main National Blue Ocean Strategy towards neighbourhood improvements were discussed at length as it involves various stakeholders.

## **Summary**

The vision 'Providing quality and Safe environment for all Malaysians' is hope to achieve an ideal socio economic balance for the quality of living for all Malaysians especially the lower income group. The Ministry has embarked on various programmes such as the "Housing for the 'Rakyat'", Administration of the Local Councillors, Fire and Rescue Service, Rural and Urban Planning, Landscape Development, Solid and Waste Management were of key importance to this Ministry.

The audience were highly interactive as there were a good balance of participants from the Academia, NGOs and government agencies.

## **Questions and Issues Raised:**

- 1 Request for Sports Complex for "Persatuan Penduduk Bukit Jalil"?
- 2 What are the monitoring mechanisms for the Recycling Campaign so far?
- 3 What are MHLG initiatives on Abandoned Housing Projects, especially in Sabah?
- 4 Can a partnership be further built between IPTA and the Ministry of Housing and Local Government?

- 5      What are MHLG strategies in curbing the illegal money lender's advertisement on the street?

### **About the Speaker**

At present, YBhg. Datuk Arpah Abdul Razak is the Secretary General of Ministry of Housing and Local Government (MHLG). She began her career in the Administrative and Diplomatic Service in 1979 and has been in the public sector for more than 30 years. YBhg. Datuk Arpah Abdul Razak has vast experience in local government administration due to her various postings as an administrative officer in Penang Municipal Council in 1978, Deputy President of Subang Jaya Municipal Council in 2000 and Corporate Director of Putrajaya Holding. She began her career in the Ministry of Housing and Local Government in 2006 as Director General of the Department of Local Government. Subsequently, she was appointed as Deputy Secretary General of Policy Planning and on 3 April 2012 she was appointed as Secretary General of the Ministry of Housing and Local Government. She obtained her Master of Science in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Southern California, USA and a Bachelor of Science in Urban Studies from Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM). Currently, YBhg. Datuk Arpah Abdul Razak is the Chairman of Perbadanan Pengurusan Sisa Pepejal dan Pembersihan Awam (PPSPPA).