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## VISIT TO PAPUA

On the third day of a working visit to Papua Province, Thursday (1/9), President Jokowi headed to the Grasberg Mine owned by PT Freeport Indonesia (PTFI) in Tembagapura District, Mimika Regency.

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## Indonesia Collects US\$1.3 mln for FIF During G20 Presidency

**Indonesia has managed to collect US\$1.3 billion for the Financial Intermediary Fund (FIF) from several donor countries during its presidency of the G20. The funds have been secured for pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response (PPR).**

“TO date, there have been more than US\$1.3 billion in pledges of contributions from sovereign donor countries, including philanthropy,” the Indonesian co-chair for JFHTF, Wempi Saputra, informed in an official statement issued in Jakarta on Wednesday (31/8).

He said that one of the efforts to ensure good governance while balancing and maintaining the inclusivity of FIF needs of low- and middle-income countries and non-G20

partners was the organization of the 5th G20 Joint Finance and Health Task Force (JFHTF) Meeting. “We also ensure that the FIF Board remains well-managed, agile, and effective,” Saputra added.

JFHTF, under the G20, together with the JFHTF secretariat is playing an important role in supporting health and financial coordination to realize PPR during pandemics and other health emergencies, in line with international

health regulations. The 5th JFHTF G20 Meeting took place virtually on August 30, 2022, as a follow-up to the results of the discussion of Finance Ministers and Health Ministers and the meeting of Finance Ministers in July.

During the two meetings, the ministers considered two main focuses, namely FIF and the development of coordination arrangements between finance and health. Later, the results of the JFHTF meeting will be used as inputs for the second meeting of the Ministers of Finance and Health in November, Saputra informed.

In the previous ministerial meeting, the JFHTF was given directions regarding the progress of FIF formation and the development of coordination arrangements between finance and health for pandemic PPR. Most

of the G20 members welcomed the plan for the inaugural meeting of the FIF Management Board, which will be held on September 8 and 9, 2022, as well as the FIF soft launch agenda for pandemic PPR, Saputra said.

At the soft launch, the board will ratify the governance framework and operational manual documents. Meanwhile, secretary-general of the Health Ministry, Kunta Wibawa, issued an update on the G20 Health Working Group (HWG) meeting, which provided recommendations to the task force regarding the priority of using FIF funds for pandemic PPR.

“This is in line with our priority agenda at the first HWG meeting to mobilize financial resources for the pandemic,” Wibawa remarked. (\*)

## IKN Development Until 2024 to Focus on Central Government Zone

THE Nusantara Capital (IKN) Authority has confirmed that the focus of the new capital's development until 2024 will be building the central government core zone (KIPP) as a livable city with complete facilities for residents. “Until 2024, the Nusantara Capital Authority will develop a livable city with complete facilities at the 900-hectares 1A KIPP. There will be the presidential and vice presidential palaces, coordinating ministry offices, Bank Indonesia office, ministry and state apparatus accommodation, and places of worship, complete with utility systems and road access,”

Spokesperson for the National Capital Relocation Plan Communication Team Sidik Pramono informed on Wednesday (31/8).

The government expects the relocation of state apparatus to the new capital to begin in 2024, hence the urgent need to prioritize the development of relevant facilities for their accommodation, he said. The state budget will be used to develop basic infrastructures in the new capital, such as government buildings and national palaces, he added.

Meanwhile, the authority will seek other legal

avenues outside the state budget to fund the development of other facilities in the new capital, such as international-level hospitals, education facilities, public offices and commercial facilities, mixed-use development, and public dwellings, he disclosed.

The capital authority welcomes private companies seeking to collaborate with the government in the new capital's development, he said while affirming that incentives will be offered to encourage private investments in Nusantara city. As a new institution operating with a simple hierarchy comprising an agency head, deputy head, and the

capital transition team, the Nusantara Capital Authority will seek to reinforce the institution in the future, the spokesperson added.

Earlier, Minister of Public Works and Public Housing Basuki Hadimuljono had announced that the first phase of KIPP development in the new capital is expected to be completed by 2024. The first phase will involve the construction of the presidential and vice presidential palaces, utility systems, and national road and toll road networks connecting the new capital with Balikpapan, East Kalimantan, he said. (\*)