

Abang Johari's 81 initiatives



1 Safeguarding Sarawak's rights, interests and status

To protect Sarawak's rights, interests and status as enshrined in the Malaysia Agreement 1963 and Federal Constitution, a Consultative Committee was established to advise Sarawak representatives in the Malaysia Agreement 1963 Steering Committee.



4 Lowering land premium rate

The land premium rate has been lowered for resettlement and village expansion schemes by 50 per cent. Premium has been fixed at RM2,500 per lot compared with RM5,000 per lot previously.



10 Sarawak Multimedia Authority (SMA)

Sarawak Multimedia Authority Ordinance was passed by the State Legislative Assembly in November 2017. Launched on Dec 23, 2017, it is currently still operational. Subsidiary body Sarawak Digital Economy Corporation (SDEC) was set up to spearhead of digital economy initiatives in the state.



11 Setting up Sarawak Innovation Hub

To inculcate the spirit of creativity and innovation among the young generation through the Tabung Ekonomi Gagasan Anak Bumiputera Sarawak (Tegas) Innovation Hub, Kuching that was launched on Aug 28, 2017, and Sarikei Innovation Centre that was launched on Sept 17, 2017.

2 Highest allocation for development in 2020 State Budget

This is to accelerate the socio-economic development of the state for the benefit of the people.



3 Empowering integrity in the management of government projects

The chief minister oversaw the setting up of the Integrity and Ombudsman Unit, training of integrity officers, and enhancement of transparency in open tender.

5 Protecting people's rights over ownership of land through recognition of native territorial domain

This was achieved through the passing of the Sarawak Land Code (Amendment) Bill 2018.

12 Centexs as a digital talent development centre

A memorandum of understanding between Centre of Technical Excellence Sarawak (Centexs) and Huawei Technology (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd was signed on Nov 10, 2017 to provide youths with an opportunity to participate in training and talent development in the digital field.

19 Broaden use of Lasis Mobile App

Launched on July 24, 2018 to improve services to the people regarding land administrative matters.



22 Financial aid for government-aided schools (Chinese-medium and Mission schools)

To improve the standard of infrastructure, buildings, and facilities.

6 Establishing Sarawak Research and Development Council (SRDC)

Approved on Nov 9, 2017, the council is mandated to monitor the promotion, coordination and development of research and development (R&D) in the state.

13 Sarawak ID

A digital identity system that was introduced to ease the people's transactions with the government as well as assist in the transition towards a digital government.



20 Strengthening Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) education as well as Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET)

This is made possible with pioneer projects such as the setting-up of STEM education laboratory, besides competency courses and TVET short-term courses.

23 Empowering the command of the English language

To enable the people of Sarawak to master the fields of science and technology and enhance communication skills with the global community.



8 International Digital Economy Conference Sarawak (Idecs)

Held from April 3 to 4, 2017 and May 14 to 15, 2018, eight main measures were carried out towards a Sarawak Digital Economy, namely setting up of Development Bank of Sarawak, inception of Sarawak Multimedia Authority (SMA), establishment of Sarawak Digital Economy Corporation (SDEC), improving the speed of Information and Communications Technology (ICT) infrastructure, digital village, promoting online study among new generation, promoting Sarawak as a data centre location, and formulating a digital plan for Sarawak.

14 Digital Kenyalang

Launched on Nov 14, 2017, it serves as a platform to assist micro entrepreneurs to market their products in an effort to increase their income.

15 Sarawak Pay

Launched on Nov 15, 2017, this platform encourages the application of cashless transactions.

16 Sarawak e-Commerce Forum

Launched on Nov 7, 2017, it is a platform to encourage online business among entrepreneurs.

17 SarawakGov

Launched on March 13, 2017, the app provides up-to-date information on the Sarawak government's services.



21 Restoring and rebuilding of dilapidated schools

This is achieved through a special allocation for dilapidated schools.



24 Continued support for Chinese-medium schools

Recognition of the Unified Examination Certificate (UEC).

25 Increasing education scholarship funds

This is achieved through raising the timber premium.



Sarawak Digital Economy Strategy Document 2018-2022

Launched on Dec 13, 2017, it contains 47 strategic actions for the development of digital economy. The main sectors are agriculture, manufacturing industry 4.0, tourism, smart city, digital healthcare, e-commerce, digital and social government and social sector. Other areas being looked at are infrastructure, skills and expertise, research and development, innovation and entrepreneurship, Big Data, cyber security and digital inclusivity.



7 Enhancing monitoring of high-impact projects

The State Development Coordination Committee was formed to monitor the implementation and progress of high-impact people's projects to ensure such projects are carried out and completed on schedule for the benefit of the people.