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Pelindo Regional 4 Makassar Perkenalkan Kepelabuhanan ke Siswa/i SMP Laniang Makassar

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MAKASSAR, May 14, 2024 - As one of the Port Introduction Programs, PT Pelabuhan Indonesia (Persero) Regional 4 Makassar welcomed students from Laniang Makassar Middle School (SMP) in the 7th Floor Multipurpose Room of Pelindo Regional 4 Office in Makassar, Monday (May 13, 2024).

The activity, which was attended by 46 students from grades 7 and 8 with 15 accompanying teachers, was in the context of sharing knowledge and insights about ports, including introducing port functions, recruitment, and work systems at Pelindo, as well as bringing students and accompanying teachers to make a direct visit to the Anging Mammiri Passenger Terminal at Makassar Port.

General Manager (GM) of Pelindo Regional 4 Makassar, Iwan Sjarifuddin said, this program is very important to grow the spirit of learning of students, especially in achieving their goals in the future. "Because it is possible that in the future they are prospective employees at Pelindo."

In addition, he continued, it is also to introduce the function and role of the port in the progress of the region, especially Makassar which is the gateway to central and eastern Indonesia. "In the transportation system, the port is the gateway of an area. If the gateway is big, the region must be good. Conversely, if the gateway is small, it means that the region is still underdeveloped," he said when giving material in front of students and teachers.

Iwan then gave an example of Singapore which is a country with a small area, but is very advanced thanks to the role of its very modern port. As a result, Singapore has become the gateway for the distribution of loading and unloading of merchandise in Southeast Asia, which makes its income very large.

Likewise, the Port of Makassar has high revenue potential because it is the gateway for the distribution of loading and unloading of trade goods for the central and eastern parts of Indonesia. "One example of goods unloaded at Makassar Port is cars, which range from around 8,000 to 10,000 units per month," he said.

This is also in accordance with the function of Pelindo, which is a State-Owned Enterprise (BUMN) whose shares are 100% owned by the state, as an interface between land and sea transportation. "Pelindo provides a field and warehouse for loading and unloading goods, where trucks and ships operate there," he said.

He added that Pelindo not only holds the function of ship, goods and container services. But also passenger services which have officially been merged since 2021. This increases the effectiveness and efficiency of ports nationwide.

The Principal of Laniang Junior High School, Masniati, in her speech, expressed her gratitude for the welcome given by Pelindo to the students and teachers of Laniang Junior High School who were participating in the Outing Class which was a Program of the Provincial Education Office and the Makassar City Education and Culture Office, as part of the Pancasila student learning.

The purpose of the Laniang Junior High School Outing Class, which is under the auspices of the Makassar City Education & Culture Office, is to provide a different learning experience outside the classroom, which motivates the spirit of learning and adds insight to students and teachers.

Sukmawati, Vice Principal of Curriculum of Laniang Junior High School also expressed her gratitude for the welcome and good reception from Pelindo Regional 4 Makassar for the visit of students and teachers of LaniangMakassar Junior High School in Outing Class activities in the even semester of the 2023/2024 study year which she said was truly extraordinary.

"Especially the warmth of the Pelindo team in providing comfort and happiness for our children, especially the inspiration and motivation provided by the General Manager of Pelindo Regional 4 Makassar. It makes our children excited and have new dreams for the future. By studying hard, educating themselves will provide opportunities to get great jobs like the ladies and gentlemen who work at Pelindo, "he explained."

She added, "Our children get new experiences and new insights in learning outside of school, especially at Pelindo Regional 4 Makassar. Students are very happy when doing simulations at the Makassar Port Passenger Terminal, cosplaying as passengers who will depart to board the ship by depositing tickets with

officers and or checking luggage before boarding the ship."

As a teacher, he is certainly very happy because this outing class activity provides positive energy and enthusiasm for students.

Gregoria Selina, a student of Class VII Unggulan SMP LaniangMakassar who is also the Chairperson of the Student Council for the 2023/2024 Period said that she was very happy to have the opportunity to visit Pelindo Regional 4. "Because I can find out firsthand about what activities are in Pelindo and also at the Port of Makassar, including all the service activities in it.

"Thank you Pelindo, with this activity I came to know that PT Pelabuhan Indonesia (Persero) is an Indonesian State-Owned Enterprise engaged in logistics. In addition, the port is also referred to as a meeting between land and sea."

"I also feel very happy and happy because the outing class this time is related to maritime or marine matters, and with this learning outside the classroom, my insight becomes wider about maritime affairs," added the student called Selinini.

As for the most memorable material during the outing class program, according to her, it was about Pelindo because at Pelindo she and her friends could receive material on how the process of export-import activities, and could understand more about maritime affairs.