BKSAP DPR supports youth empowerment in PUIC-19

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The 53rd Executive Committee Meeting in the 19th Conference of the Parliamentary Union of the OIC (PUIC) at the DPR Building, Parliament Complex, Senayan, Jakarta, Monday (12/5/2025). (ANTARA/HO-BKSAP)

Jakarta (ANTARA) - Deputy Chairman of the Inter-Parliamentary Cooperation Agency (BKSAP) of the Indonesian House of Representatives, Ravindra Airlangga, emphasized the commitment of the Indonesian House of Representatives to support various strategic interventions in the economic sector discussed in the Standing Committee on Economics of the Parliamentary Union of OIC Member States (PUIC) Session.

"The young generation is the driver of the new economy. We at the Indonesian House of Representatives play a role as regulators, facilitators, and *enablers* to create an ecosystem that supports the birth of young innovators who are solution-oriented and adaptive," said Ravindra Airlangga at the Senayan Parliament Complex, Jakarta, Tuesday.

In the forum, the Indonesian House of Representatives highlighted the importance of youth empowerment, environmental protection, and water resource conservation as the main pillars of sustainable development in the region.

Based on SESRIC data, OIC countries have more than 350 million young people aged 15–24, covering 29 percent of the global youth population. The Indonesian House of Representatives fully supports the initiative to establish an incubator for start-ups aimed at encouraging innovation and economic empowerment of the younger generation.

Environmental issues were also a major highlight. The Turkish delegation stressed the importance of balancing economic growth and environmental conservation, in line with Islamic principles and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Tunisia also stressed the need for strategic projects that support the green economy and the use of digital technologies for the protection of coastal and urban areas.

In this discussion, the Indonesian House of Representatives emphasized that sustainable development cannot be separated from comprehensive environmental protection. Collaboration between countries, as well as the involvement of governments, communities, and the private sector are key to overcoming the climate crisis and ecosystem damage.

Responding to the agenda of water conservation cooperation between member countries, the Indonesian House of Representatives emphasized that water is a fundamental issue that supports all pillars of sustainable development. The Indonesian House of Representatives encourages strengthening the legal and policy framework to ensure water conservation while ensuring access to clean and safe water, especially for vulnerable groups in rural and remote areas.

Through this PUIC forum, the Indonesian House of Representatives confirms its active role in encouraging multilateral cooperation that focuses on concrete and sustainable solutions for the welfare of the people in OIC countries.

In the Embassy Briefing session, the Chairman of the BKSAP DPR RI, Mardani Ali Sera explained that the Parliamentary Union of the OIC Member States (PUIC) Forum or the Parliamentary Union of OIC Member States is an inter-parliamentary organization formed by member countries of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC/OIC).

PUIC aims to strengthen inter-parliamentary cooperation in order to strengthen the solidarity of the Muslim community, discuss strategic issues at the global level, and fight for the common interests of OIC member countries through a legislative approach.

The forum will run from 12-15 May 2025 with Indonesia as the host. Attended by 38 countries out of 54 participating countries, PUIC has the theme "Good Governance and Strong Institutions as Pillars of Resilience".

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