GOVERNMENT PROMISES TO CHINESE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL

11 In recognition of Chinese independent schools, they were given:

- RM3 million in 2014
- RM4 million in 2015
- RM5 million in 2016

12 The State Government recognises Unified Examination Certificate (UEC) for Yayasan Sarawak loan/scholarship and entry to the State Civil Service.

FREE OR REDUCED FEES

5 Reduced electricity tariffs, depending on the consumption units:

- Domestic is between 2% - 40% Effective 1st Jan 2015
- Commercial is between 15% - 50% Effective 1st June 2015
- Industrial is between 8% - 11% Effective 1st June 2015

6 All ferry service fares throughout the State reduced to RM1 (from RM5/ RM10 or RM15) Effective 1st July 2015

PETRONAS COMMITMENTS TO SARAWAK’S REQUESTS

13 Contracts to be given to Sarawak companies baseline worth RM2.1 billion every year

14 Increase in PETRONAS’ Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) RM10 million per year

15 PETRONAS education assistance/technical school valued at RM420 million for 5 years

16 PETRONAS has agreed to supply 450 million standard cubic feet per day (mmscfd) of natural gas at special negotiated prices for the power sector and the non-power sector in Sarawak.

RURAL TRANSFORMATION

17 The Government enhances its services to the rural areas with the creation of:

- Serian as a new Division
- 9 new Districts:
  - Bukit Mabong
  - Tanjung Manis
  - Pusa
  - Kabong
- 7 new Sub-districts:
  - Siburan
  - Barlo
  - Tinjar
  - Nanga Merit

18 Extra RM1.5 billion has been allocated for rural development to bridge the gap between urban and rural areas.

NO NON-SARAWAK POLITICAL PARTY

19 No to Peninsular Malaysia-based parties in Sarawak.

20 UMNO agrees not to set up its political branches in Sarawak.
**GREATER AUTONOMY AND EMPOWERMENT FOR SARAWAK**

In recognition of our self-government on 22nd July 1963, the State decided to declare 22nd July as a public holiday.

The State Government is committed to continue negotiations with the Federal Government on the increase in oil royalty from 5% to 20%.

Sarawak will insist on more autonomy as enshrined in the Federal Constitution, Malaysia Agreement 1963, Inter Governmental Committee (IGC) Report and the Cobbold Commission Report.

The first phase of negotiations secured a 13-point agreement with the Federal Government on the delegation of powers, and empowerment to State authorities by way of administrative power.

The second phase of negotiations now focuses on laws that impinge on Sarawak’s rights under the Federal Constitution.

The third phase of negotiations on the devolution of powers from the Federal Government back to Sarawak will involve matters on financial provisions.

**NEW ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES**

Sarawak is the first State where all Ministers, Assistant Ministers, BN Members of the State Legislative Assembly and Political Secretaries have undertaken the Integrity Pledge.

‘Alibaba’ deep-sea fishing licences have been reviewed and cancelled, and any issuance of new licences is to be referred to the State Government.

No restriction on the use of the word ‘Allah’ provided it is done with respect.

No more new timber licences and state land for commercial plantation.

The fight against illegal logging will be continued. 84 Occupational Ticket (OT) licences for timber extraction cancelled or not renewed.

As a result of our fight against illegal logging, 36 sawmills with illegal logs closed down.

10% of the State’s land mass to be gazetted as Totally Protected Areas (TPAs).

**SARAWAK HARMONY**

Sarawak has no tolerance for racists.

Everyone is free to practise their religion.

No restriction on the use of the word ‘Allah’ provided it is done with respect.

No restriction on Bahasa Malaysia Bible in Sarawak.

No Hudud law in Sarawak.

Bigots and extremists are not welcome in Sarawak as our State embraces cultural diversity, unity and harmony.

**TECHNICAL EDUCATION**

Sarawak gives priority to Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) and has started its own technical institute – Centre of Technical Excellence (CENTEXS).

**PAN BORNEO HIGHWAY, SARAWAK**

From Telok Melano to Merapok, spanning a total distance of 1,089 km will be upgraded, with the following benefits:

- Accelerate economic development throughout the State.
- From Two-lane road to four-lane highway across Sarawak.
- Modern bridges, proper rest stop areas, designated lay-bys,
- Reduced travelling time.
- Enhanced safety on roads.

**SARAWAK LAND**

 Declare more communal land for the purpose of improving the livelihood and welfare of the people.

Recognition of Native Customary Rights (NCR) land and the continuous undertaking of perimeter and individual surveys have succeeded in bringing more of these land onto the register and opening up opportunities for the natives to develop their land on a commercial basis.

Recent amendment to Section 5 (5A) of the Sarawak Land Code enabled the Bumiputera of Sarawak to acquire NCR land outside of their own community, thereby enhancing opportunities to develop NCR land.

Retaining the original terms of the parent title to sub-divided plots erases landowners’ anxiety and guarantees the land tenure.