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1. The Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism, Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Ali Bin Apong conducted a working visit to some of the tourist establishment and attractions in Tutong District on the 23rd June 2020, including The Lanes Hotel, the Sungai Tutong signage landmark and a community-based tourism attraction in Kampung Bukit Udal.
2. Present during the visits were Legislative Council Members representing Tutong District, Yang Berhormat Awang Haji Abdul Wahab bin Apong, also as the Acting Penghulu Mukim Pekan Tutong and Yang Berhormat Awang Haji Ramli bin Haji Lahit. Also present were Acting Permanent Secretary of Primary Resources and Tourism, Deputy Permanent Secretary (Tourism) of Primary Resources and Tourism, Tutong District Officer, representatives from the Tutong District Tourism Promotion and Coordination Body, and officials from Tourism Development Department.
3. The working visit began with a site visit to the Sungai Tutong signage landmark, where Yang Berhormat Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism was briefed by Mr. Peter Wong of Stratacom Global Sdn Bhd on the Tutong River waterfront development proposal, which is a private sector initiative, as one of the efforts to assist with the development and to stimulate the economic growth in the Tutong district particularly the tourism sector.
4. The working visit then proceeded to The Lanes Hotel at Kampung Petani where a briefing was conducted by Ms. Jasmine Sim, Manager. The Lanes Hotel was registered as a Tourist Accommodation Premise earlier this year that offers different types of rooms equipped with amenities. The hotel also provides facilities such as restaurant, ballroom to for cater meetings and events, fitness centre and a 24-hour front desk and room service. The hotel's workforce comprises 80 percent locals in support to the effort of localisation in the private sector.

5. The working visit ended at Alai Gayoh Anak Pulau, Bukit Kukub a community-based tourism attraction in Kampung Bukit Udal. The activities conducted at Alai Gayoh Anak Pulau supports the One Village One Product (1K1P) Project which, among others, aims to make the village and its community more creative and innovative as well as creating employment opportunities for locals. Alai Gayoh is literally translated as 'big house'. The house was built in 2010 as an architectural replica of traditional Dusun homes. The house Alai Gayoh Anak Pulau collaborates with the Kampung Bukit Udal Consultative Council (MPK) by offering tourism products such as nature activities, hiking and local handicrafts in promoting Kampung Bukit Udal as a tourist destination. About 200 visitors were recorded visiting the place last year including researchers studying the surrounding forests.
6. Yang Berhormat Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism upon arrival was greeted by Awang Eyad Samhan bin Nyawa, representative of the Alai Gayoh Anak Pulau. Yang Berhormat Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism took the opportunity to convene a discussion with the Kampung Bukit Udal Consultative Members on the potential of community based tourism activities.
7. The working visit is one of the Ministry's continuous engagement with stakeholders with the aim of strengthening and promoting the tourism products offered in Brunei Darussalam. Tutong district is another primary tourism destination that offers nature and culture, adventure and educational visits. The Ministry continues to promote the concept of sustainable, responsible and inclusive tourism with the emphasis on the safety, hygiene and security of all places of interests in the country.

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