

1MDB report soon

PAC to get final Auditor-General report next month

KUALA LUMPUR: The final report by the Auditor-General (AG) on state investor 1Malaysia Development Bhd (1MDB) is expected to be handed over to the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) on Dec 17.

PAC chief Datuk Hasan Arifin said this in a statement yesterday, after the bipartisan committee continued its questioning of former 1MDB chief executive officer (CEO) Datuk Shahrol Halmi yesterday.

He said Shahrol gave satisfactory cooperation and answered all questions posed to him.

Hasan added that all PAC members got the opportunity to question the former CEO on all aspects of 1MDB's administrative management.

He said this was from testimonies obtained by the PAC from finance ministry secretary-general Tan Sri Dr Mohd Irwan Serigar Abdullah and Economic Planning Unit managing director Datuk Seri Dr Rahamat Bivi Abdullah.

Hasan also said 1MDB president Arul Kanda Kandasamy would appear before the committee today.

This, he added, would be followed by 1MDB chairman Tan Sri Lodin Wok Kamaruddin, who would appear before the committee after the PAC obtains the final AG report on 1MDB.

"[The] PAC stresses that the main priority of the committee is to conduct a fair and thorough investigation into 1MDB.

"A complete report is expected to be ready in March 2016."

The PAC started probing 1MDB in May, but the proceedings were stopped by a change in the panel line-up after a Cabinet reshuffle.

The reshuffle led to allegations that Putrajaya was attempting to delay the probe into the firm. — *The Malaysian Insider*

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