

TANA TIDUNG

# Companies Do Not Keep Salary Payment Promises

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Demonstration by employees asking for salary realization some time ago (Photo: Document / Newspaper of Kaltara)

- Previously promised a salary to be paid on March 13

TANA TIDUNG, *Koran Kaltara* - PT TH Felda Nusantara which in fact is the parent oil palm plantation company of PT Teknik Utama Mandiri (TUM), PT Anugrah Kembang Sawit Sejahtera (AKSS) and PT Usaha Kaltim Mandiri (UKM) which employs approximately 1,500 of these employees, again failed to keep his promise to realize salary payments from January to February 2019 to his employees.

Previously, the employees together with the All Indonesian Labor Union (SBSI) held a demonstration demanding that the payment of salaries be made immediately, as a result of an agreement with the company, the two months in arrears of wages will be paid on March 13.

"We are really tired of waiting when our salaries will be paid by the company, even though we had previously conducted a demonstration so that the company would keep its promise because we had been miserable for several months and did not receive a salary, but the promise was only a promise and after the action. The demonstration we conducted some time ago was reached an agreement to pay as of March 13, but until March 17 we did not get what we are entitled to," said Simon, one of the employees at PT UKM on Sunday (17/3/2019) yesterday.

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He admitted that regarding this salary payment, the company again only issued a notification in the form of the company's inability to pay salaries on the grounds that the company's management apologized for not being able to complete the obligation to pay employee salaries as of March 13, 2019, which was due to management lacking funds and still waiting for additional funds from shareholders.

"He said in a letter that was circulated and posted at representative offices across Tideng Pale Village, Sesayap Village across both PT. TUM, PT. AKSS to PT. SMEs that state that the company will continue to try to issue employee salaries as of January and February 2019 this March, meaning that after this month, let alone the promise, what is certain is that our fate has been uncertain for several months, we will not get salary certainty from the company," He added.

He admitted, the company only asked employees to be patient again waiting for the payroll process, but employees claim to have been patient enough so far, imagine that December 2018 salaries were only paid at the end of February where a few days before the demonstration was held, and January plus February wages had not there is certainty and time will go on.

"What we ask for a salary for 2 months is difficult to realize, especially when it continues until 3 months later, we are tired of being patient, there is no certainty, how long we will survive, we and the children are not looking for food even though we eat daily. Today, we survive by eating cassava and cassava leaves for

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It is known, the government itself has repeatedly conducted discussions and approaches with the company, both through the Manpower and Transmigration Office (Disnakertrans), which made an agreement with the company to the Regent, Undunyah has also intervened in writing to the company center, but it seems that financial problems are undeniable. . (\*)

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