

## Money in Waste | Ipoh Echo



Dato' Leong Kin Mun at media briefing

There is plenty of money to be made from waste and the government is prepared to help those who want to venture into the biomass sustainable production industry. Speaking during a media briefing at Tower Regency Hotel, Ipoh on Monday, July 5, Technical Adviser to Switch-Asia Programme, Dato' Leong Kin Mun, said that his team was on a promotional drive in Pahang, Kedah, Johor and Perak to invite SMEs keen on participating in the programme. Between 5 to 10 biomass SMEs in Perak will be selected and they, with the rest from the country, will be provided with the following benefits:

1. Complimentary training in biomass technology.
2. Funding and financing opportunities.
3. Coaching service for biomass commercialisation projects.

Biomass is defined as “a form of biological matter that can be utilised as a kind of fuel or in other industrial processes. The most common kinds of biomass are wood, grass or agriculture crops.” That, according to Leong, does not exclude human and animal wastes. “So, IWK and the pig-breeders can also be considered”, he said.

The briefing for SMEs in Perak is on Thursday, July 29 at Tower Regency Hotel, Ipoh.

For details on the programme, please contact Project Secretariat, Ms Cherrie Choong, at: **03-8884 8882**. The Secretariat is located at: 20, Jalan Diplomatik, Presint Diplomatik, 62050 Putrajaya.

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