Campus Teaching Batch 1 of 2021, Ministry of Education and Culture Efforts to Involve Students in Strengthening Learning in Elementary Schools during the Pandemic Period

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"The challenges we face are enormous, especially for our younger siblings who are in elementary school. Through the 2021 Teaching Campus, I want to challenge younger students to also say "I WANT!" Namely wanting to help turn



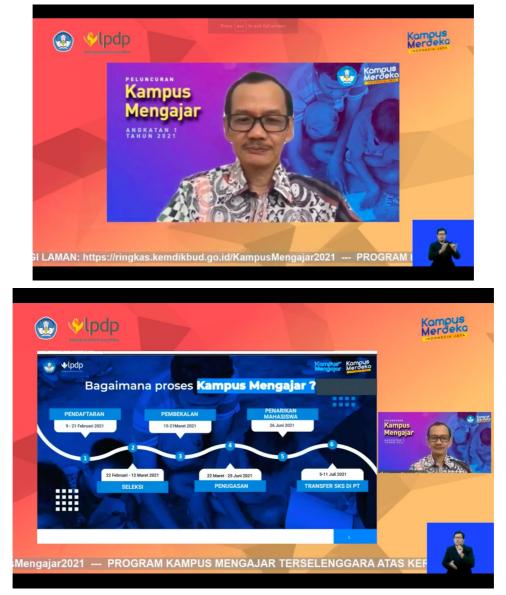
these challenges into hopes," said the Minister of Education and Culture when launching the online Teaching Campus program in Jakarta, Tuesday (9/2).

Furthermore, the Minister of Education and Culture also invited fellow students from all over Indonesia to take action, collaborate, and be creative for twelve weeks to improve the quality of learning in elementary schools, especially those in the 3T areas, while honing leadership, emotional maturity, and social sensitivity.

At the end of his remarks, the Minister of Education and Culture also emphasized that universities and lecturers should support their students to take part in the Independent Campus program and facilitate the conversion of credits, because the Independent Campus is a student's right to study outside the campus or study program.

Continuing the Minister of Education and Culture, Main Director of the Education Fund Management Institution (LPDP), Ministry of Finance (Ministry of Finance), Rionald Silaban, welcomed the program initiated by the Ministry of Education and Culture within the framework of the Independent Campus program. "It is our hope that the scholarship recipients will be able to contribute to the real problems faced by the world of education as a result of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic," said Rionald when conveying his aspirations for the Teaching Campus program, which is the fruit of collaboration between the Ministry of Education and Culture and LPDP.

"Finally, we from the LPDP wish us the best of luck serving the motherland through this Teaching Campus program, always take care of ourselves in a pandemic situation and maintain the good name of the Ministry of Education and Culture and LPDP wherever they are," said Rionald ending his remarks.



The Director General of Higher Education, Nizam, then gave a more detailed explanation of the Teaching Campus program. In addition to the benefits for students that have been conveyed by the Minister of Education and Culture, Nizam explained that in this Teaching Campus program students will receive UKT deductions, living expenses assistance, and credit conversion of up to 12 credits.

In relation to the COVID-19 pandemic, Nizam emphasized, "The Teaching Campus will look for students who live close to the target elementary school, so this program will not cause student mobilization." In addition, students also act as



ambassadors for behavior change education, especially in efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

The biggest advantage for universities from this program is to support universities to achieve key performance indicator (IKU) #2, namely the large number of students who gain experience off campus. In addition, said Nizam, private tertiary institutions (PTS) do not need to worry about loss of income, because PTS will still be able to apply tuition fees for the semester. For lecturers who register and are selected as supervisors, they will receive incentives and activity supervisor certificates.

At the end of the event, the Director General of Early Childhood Education, Basic Education and Secondary Education, Jumeri, provided his support for the implementation of the Teaching Campus program. Jumeri emphasized that this program could be used as a moment to share experiences, not only in one direction from school to student, but also from student to school, even to the parent community, or the KKG community. "The keyword that must be created is "collaboration". Collaboration between teachers and students to create learning innovations, so that elementary school students, especially in the 3T area, can be assisted in learning during this pandemic," added Jumeri.

Jumeri conveyed to the heads of offices to be able to accept students in educational units under their authority, by providing guidance and assistance so that they can carry out their mission smoothly. Jumeri hopes that the students' attendance can be optimized as best as possible; so that these students can become discussion partners, brainstorming, problem solving and motivators for teachers and students.

"The arrival of students is a great source of energy for our children in elementary school to motivate them, to inspire them to achieve higher goals. Believe me, fellow students, you are expected in the field. Your work, dedication, and abilities are awaited by our children on the field," he added.

The event ended with an invitation to all Indonesian students and lecturers to be able to join the Campus Teaching Program Batch 1 of 2021. Further information can be accessed via the http://ringkas.kemdikbud.go.id/KampusMengajar2021 page.

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