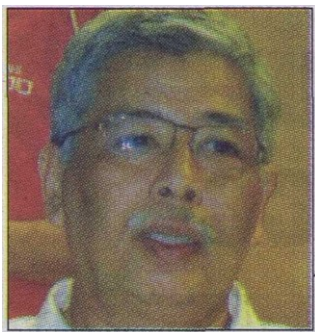


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KOTA KINABALU: Sabah Electricity Sdn Bhd (SESB) is in the midst of discussion with the State Government on the implementation of Feed-in Tariff (FiT) to encourage the use of renewable energy as being adopted in peninsula.

SESB senior general manager (asset management) Ir Ahmad Fuad Mohd Kasim (pictured) said the matter is still at the discussion stage with no final decision on its implementation in Sabah.

"It is still at the early stage where we are still studying the tariff and discussing it with the

government," he said adding that SESB would develop renewable energy usage if it is introduced.

Speaking to a media briefing and dinner with chief editors and bureau chiefs here Wednesday, Ahmad Fuad said the country including Sabah has many potentials in renewable energy generation like biomass, biogas, wastes and solar.

He said the Federal Government introduced FiT mech-

anism to increase the capacity of the nation's power supply and encouraging the use of renewable energy.

He added that the goal is to generate 985 megawatt (MW) of renewable energy by 2015.

The FiT mechanism is spelled out in the new Renewable Energy Act implemented in December 2011 to encourage the development of renewable energy in peninsula.