

# Indonesian Commission Denies 55 Children Died Because of Vaccination



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The Indonesian Commission for Child Protection or KPAI has stated that the report saying 55 children have died because of the measles-rubella (MR) vaccination is nothing else, but a hoax.

According to KPAI Commissionaire, Sitti Hikmawatty, her office is always extremely careful when dealing with children. The Commission will, indeed, do its best and make its optimum efforts to take good care of the children, providing them with all their rights in accordance to the principles of the children rights convention (KHA).

She also said Monday (on 27 August) that KPAI had received a report (No 21/02/2018/107 KPAI/PGDN/II/2018) in February, saying that there are 46 vaccination cases.

One of them deals with the death of 21 children due to various reasons, such as leukaemia and other serious diseases. In other words, their death is not because of the measles-rubella (MR) vaccination, and let alone those of the 55 cases as there are only 46 cases mentioned in the report.

Mentioning that KPAI had investigated the report, she explained that in doing so, the Commission had co-operated with many different independent institutions. Not only are the cases reported dealing with many different diseases, but also they took place in many different areas in the country.

Explaining that the investigation was completed in July 2018, Sitti said that KPAI would meet with both the representatives of the victims' parents and the communities who are concerned with the vaccination programmes in the Indonesia.

One of the agenda in the meeting would be about the discussion on the scientific methods used in the investigation, suggesting that the findings are scientifically valid. She also said that KPAI would really want to know the victims' parents' stories and experiences on their going through the sufferings of their beloved children.

[The meeting is also expected to be able to clarify that the pork substances within the measles-rubella (MR) vaccine has got nothing to do with their death.]

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