

Indonesian Ulema Council Certifies “Halal wine”?



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During the recent “Jogja Halal Fest” held on 11-14 October in Yogyakarta, there was found a product named Espora. It claims to be “Wine Halal” or halal (permitted) wine.

Not only does Espora claim to be alcohol free, but the wine also says that it has been certified as a halal product by several International Halal Certification Institutes.

In the meantime, the Institute for Food, Drug and Cosmetics Assembly of Indonesian Ulema Council (LPPOM MUI) as the Halal Inspection Institution has admitted that there has been no inquiry and demand from Espora asking for the Institution to certify it.

According to Vice Director of LPPOM MUI, Muti Arintawati, her office has not got any proposal from Aspora. She also explained that LPPOM MUI would never issue a certification to any products indicated as haram (prohibited). She said that products with their labels such as “Halal Wine”, “Zero Alcohol Beer”, and many more, would never be certified halal by LPPOM MUI.

Mentioning that not only was the policy considered as a preventive act, but it was also meant to educate and protect the people from consuming haram products.

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