

## **Hati Kena Kental**





Halimahton Yusup Maintenance, PRefChem

Being in the male-dominated field didn't stop Halimahton Yusup from being passionate in what she does. A civil engineer at work and at heart, she is in charge of the maintenance of civil and structural assets in PRefChem in addition to managing engineering issues as well as rectification works. She also worked outside her boundaries by supporting Plant Change and Modification projects under Technical Services Department.

Having previously worked as an Offshore Structural Engineer, it was easy to see how Halimahton was genuinely in love with her job. Married with two kids, she travels every week for her family. Citing this as a challenge for her, when asked on what made her go on, she said she wants to see the Complex completed.

"This is a mega project. After experiences doing many things, this is an opportunity to learn something new as being part of PETRONAS and I will keep on expanding my knowledge. For a civil engineer, it is quite

rare to have one in a plant. I wish to go to other plants as part of my knowledge expansion in the future.

"Issues can be opportunities to come up with solutions. We also get to meet people and communicate with them. It can be stressful, but it is also fulfilling. We do not have specialists but we have unique problem. It is not routine and mundane, and at the same time, challenging and interesting," said the 31-year-old only female civil engineer since last 1.5 years.

Recalling her role after the DHT incident a few years ago, Halimahton said it took strength to assess the site after the incident to ensure that it was safe to be used.

"The Civil Team was the first to go in to verify after the Rescue Team. We assessed the site to ensure it was safe to be used. It was challenging but I had to be strong to do my job.

"I was also involved heavily with the DHT post-incident assessment and Rectification teams. There was a time I felt demotivated and frustrated because we could not start-up then. But I moved forward regardless and think positively as otherwise, we will not be able to move forward.

"We tried our best and put our best foot forward. Hati Kena Kental. This is the hardest job profile I undergo despite having worked offshore before," said Halimahton.

Before ending the interview, she said the staff on the ground can benefit from more encouragement and appreciation from the management.

"The staff is eager to do more for the company. It would be great to be given more appreciation as an encouragement for their efforts," she added.

Thank you to everyone who has worked tirelessly to make the Start-up a reality, for achieving the milestone and keeping us safe.

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