Government staffs readiness on the implementing of the government asset management policy

Abstract:

Immovable asset is one of the types of assets and the examples of such assets are buildings and infrastructure. There are a variety types and designs for immovable asset in the current situation of emerging countries. To create this type of asset, it will sometimes reach the cost of millions of dollars. However, if these assets do not possess a good management system, it will bring to asset depreaciation. Thus, the government has establish the Government Asset Management Policy (GAMP) to coordinate the management system for all government assets. This policy was launched in March 2009 and is still considered new in the field of asset management. However, not all the employees have the knowledge of applying GAMP in their work. The study was conducted by focusing on two objectives, namely, identifying the readiness of government staffs on the Government Asset Management Policy and identfying the ways to accelerate the implementation of the Government Asset Management Policy among government staffs. The participants are government staffs involved in the management of Fixed Asset where there are 24 ministries in Malaysia. Method for achieving this objective is by using questionnaires and a total of 48 sets of questionnaires are distributed and collected. The study found that government staffs, is willing to apply the GAMP in asset management activities of government. The ways to accelerate the implementation of GAMP among staffs can be performed from two sides, which is from the ministries and the Goverment Asset Management Committee (GAMC). The survey showed that respondents agreed that the most important step is that the ministry should appoint a permanent officer to manage the Immovable Property and GAMC and also to run seminars or workshops to provide an understanding for the staff involved in order to expedite the implementation of GAMP among government staffs involved in Government Asset Management Policy (GAMP).