

The Minister of Transportation Mr. Budi Karya Sumadi ensured that all commercial modes of transportation for passenger transport, whether by land, sea or air, will resume operations tomorrow, May 7<sup>th</sup> 2020. This public transportation service had previously been closed in large-scale social restrictions (PSBB) and the red zone following the stipulation of the prohibition on going home. Mr. Budi said that "Transportation is possible to be opened tomorrow, but for special purposes and not for mudik. The government still prohibits mudik." in a Hearing Opinion Meeting (RDP) with the House of Representative's Commission VI, Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup> 2020.

The Minister explained that the relaxation of the operation of all modes of transportation had been negotiated with the Covid-19 Task Force Handling Team. The Covid-19 Task Force Team in this case, acts to determine the criteria for passengers who can use public transportation services in the PSBB area as long as the corona pandemic is a passenger or person with essential business needs or urgent interests (e.g funeral and repatriation). This action was supported by the Minister of Public Works and Public Housing (PUPR) Basuki Hadimuljono who said that the easing of the transportation mode operating policy had considered the sustainability of the national economy, quoted from Tempo Business (6/5).

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