Precarious Labour in Indonesian Electronics

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POPULATION

- Population: 260 million [2016].
- Population of Java: 145 million [2016].

Map of INDONESIA



EMPLOYMENT

- •Total employment: 120.647 million (94%); [2016].
- •Employment in ELECTRONICS INDUSTRY: close to 0.5 (half) million; [2015].



Pekerja pabrik pulang kerja di Kawasan Cammo Industri, Senin (22/2). Tahun 2017, Upah Minimum Provinsi (UMP) Kepri diproyeksikan naik Rp 179. 743. Foto: Dalil Harahap/Batam Pos

Precarious Labour

- •Indonesian labour act 13/2003 allows flexiblization of labour market
- It has impacted working conditions: contractualization

- •There are regulations to restrict outsourcing (employing agency workers).
- however, the Number of agency workers has been increased significantly.

Precarious labour

TYPICAL COMPOSITION OF WORKERS IN FACTORY:

- •20% REGULAR WORKERS
- •30% CONTRACT WORKERS
- •50% OUTSOURCED/AGENCY WORKERS

In some cases, the number of agency/contract workers are even much more, up to 90%

the company can fire the workers once they reached maximum of **two-years** of contract, and hire other workers.

- Many Workers are also contracted only for shortterm (3, 6, 12 months), but being contracted repeatedly for years.
- Many others work in one factory and move to another

- •In electronics factories, workers are exposed to toxic chemicals everyday.
- the factories are not designed to prevent and limit the workers' exposure to the chemicals

