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**T**HE Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) seized RM6.7 million in cash and properties in ongoing investigations into Sabah Railway Department (JKNS) officers.

State MACC director Datuk Sazali Salbi said RM4 million in cash was confiscated from safe deposit boxes at several banks.

“We also seized properties, including houses worth RM2.7 million. These properties are in Johor, Kuala Lumpur and Sabah.

“We have frozen the properties and houses so they cannot be sold or have their ownership transferred throughout the investigation.”

Sazali said the properties belonged to three senior JKNS officers and a company director, who were remanded yesterday.

He said the houses owned by the four individuals were registered either under their name or family members.

He said MACC had identified six other individuals and would record their statements soon.

“We are examining all related documents. This will take some

time as the case is from 2012 to last year.”

He said most of the projects being probed were related to maintenance and emergency allocations.

Earlier, Sazali attended a briefing on special projects organised by the Sabah Development Office at the Tabung Haji headquarters here.

State MACC deputy director Zulkefle Abd Hamid said JKNS was among state agencies and departments that signed an anti-corruption pledge with the commission last year.

He witnessed an anti-corruption pledge taken by over 100 staff of the state’s Malaysian Co-operatives Societies Commission (SKM) here yesterday. Present

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*Sabah Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission director Datuk Sa-zali Salbi talking to the media in Kota Kinabalu yesterday. PIC BY KHAIRULL AZRY BIDIN*

was state SKM director Umar Sarim Saidin.

Zulkefle advised SKM employees and officers to fight corruption and live up to their pledge.

“There was a case where an agency signed an anti-corruption pledge with us, and the following week, we arrested their officers

for corrupt practices. You must take this pledge seriously and walk the talk,” he said.

Umar stressed that Sabah SKM supported the effort to combat crime and corruption.

Sabah has 1,452 registered cooperatives with over 318,000 members.