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KUALA LUMPUR, NOV. 8 (BERNAMA)— A TOTAL OF 619 PROJECTS WERE GRANTED PIONEER STATUS FROM 1971 UP TO LAST SEPTEMBER, THE DEWAN RAKYAT WAS TOLD TODAY.

THE MINISTER OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY, DATUK HAMZAH ABU SAMAH WAS REPLYING TO HAJI AHMAD SHUKRI BIN HAJI SHUKOR (BN-PADANG TERAP) DURING QUESTION TIME.

HE SAID THE PROJECTS WERE LOCATED IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

FEDERAL TERRITORY (31); JOHORE (66); KEDAH (30); KELANTAN (5); PERAK (54); PERLIS (2); SABAH (19); SARAWAK (25); SELANGOR (161); TRENGGANU (7) WITH ANOTHER 20 PROJECTS STILL TO BE LOCATED.

EARLIER, REPLYING TO THE DAP MEMBER FOR PETALING, ENCIK OH KEANG SENG, DATUK HAMZAH SAID THAT A TOTAL OF 1,514 IMPORT LICENCES WERE GRANTED TO VARIOUS FIRMS AND INDIVIDUALS TO IMPORT CARS BETWEEN JANUARY AND OCTOBER THIS YEAR.

IN 1973, A TOTAL OF 1,593 LICENCES WERE ISSUED.

DATUK HAMZAH SAID THAT SINCE IMPORT CONTROL ON CARS WAS INTRODUCED IN 1966, IMPORT LICENCES HAD BEEN ISSUED ACCORDING TO A FIXED QUOTA.

CONSIDERATION WAS ALSO GIVEN TO APPLICATIONS TO BRING IN CARS FOR FOREIGN DIPLOMATS OR GOVERNMENT OFFICERS WHO ARE RETURNING HOME AFTER HAVING SERVED ABROAD.

CONSIDERATION WAS ALSO GIVEN TO +REASONABLE+ APPLICATIONS. --- BERNAMA MORE 1625/LK