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EPU IN KLANG VALLEY TRANSPORT STUDY

KUALA LUMPUR, July 1 (Bernama) -- The Entrepreneur Development Ministry is discussing with the Economic Planning Unit (EPU) of the Prime Minister's Department to get experts to carry out a public transport study especially in the Klang Valley.

Its minister, Datuk Mustapa Mohamed said the ministry had impressed on the EPU the importance of resolving transport problems.

The EPU had the expertise and could the complete data of a previous study by the ministry and Institut Teknologi Mara (ITM).

"We want to view the problem comprehensively and not to look at just one aspect of public transport like taxis or mini buses," he said after the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Utusan PNMB and Percetakan Nasional Berhad here.

The government would look for the best system by considering the problem of traffic congestion in Kuala Lumpur besides issues like lease of licences, request for fare increase by taxi drivers and the behaviour of Malaysian drivers, he said.

Among matters to be studied are companies operating taxi services and the number of taxis needed.

Mustapa said the Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and the Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim would be briefed on the study.

On Mara, Mustapa said he was studying report on the restructuring of the agency. -- BERNAMA

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