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STREET LIGHTS FOR ALL VILLAGES BY 2000

GRIK, Sept 14 (Bernama) -- Every village in the country will have street lights by the year 2000, said Deputy Housing and Local Government Minister Datuk Tajol Rosli Ghazali.

He said the ministry was undertaking the project of lighting village roads with the help of Tenaga Nasional Bhd.

Having roads well lit at night will lead to a more cheerful life in the villages, allow trading and sports activities there to continue into the night and help reduce road accidents and thefts, he added.

Tajol said installing street lights in villages would be part of a project to lit every town and village at night that would be launched by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad within the next two months.

The glittering city project would be launched simultaneously with the garden nation project, he told reporters after opening RTM's 50th anniversary celebration and launching its Perak-level "adopt a village" programme here yesterday.

Initially, Tenaga Nasional will provide 2,000 lamp posts to be put up in villages, Tajol sai.

He said each street lamp installed would be adopted by a villager who would pay the electricity bill for it every month.

The deputy minister called on the private sector to adopt certain areas in the towns and landscape them.

He said the ministry had already identified areas needing landscaping.

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