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(The winning family of ... )

THE winning family of the national-level Comfortable Family Living Competition for the rural category. Zahari Junin, of Kuala Rompin, Pahang received a cheque worth RM3,000 and certificate from Deputy Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Minister Datuk S.Subramaniam. Present was secretary-general Datuk Mohd Noor Abdul Rahim. Launched on June 4 last year by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, the competition is divided into the urban and rural category. The competition aims at proving that with careful budgeting, families earning RM1,500 and below are able to live comfortably as well as have some savings.

Speaking after the ceremony, Subramaniam said these families would be used as a guide in coming up with the second Consumer Price Index (CPI). The second CPI, he said would be more reflective for the general population with its emphasis on food, rental, clothing and transportation. He said the winning families were proof that it is possible to sustain a comfortable living with a RM1,500 salary adding that in cities like Kuala Lumpur, rental would form the bulk of expenditure.

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