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FEDERAL OFFICERS URGED TO WORK MORE CLOSELY WITH KELANTAN GOVT

KOTA BAHARU, June 14 (Bernama) -- Chief Secretary to the Government Tan Sri Abdul Halim Ali today directed Federal Government officers to step up links and cooperation with the Kelantan Government.

He said such links and cooperation were vital for more effective development of Kelantan.

"The relationships at this point is good but there is room for improvement," he told reporters after calling on Menteri Besar Datuk Nik Abdul Aziz Nik Mat here.

Abdul Halim who is on a three-day working visit to Kelantan had more than an hour-long meeting with Nik Aziz at the Menteri Besar's office.

"This is my first call on the Menteri Besar and the talks centered on general topics such as the state of the economy and its impact on Kelantan," he said.

Halim said generally Federal projects in Kelantan were being implemented well.

Nik Aziz expressed the hope that relations between the state and Federal Governments would further improve.

The Menteri Besar noted that this was the first time the Chief Secretary had come to see him since he came to power in Kelantan in 1990.

"The relations (between Federal and state governments) have been improving since the Prime Minister (Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad) visited Kelantan last year to witness the signing of a MOU between KUB Berhad and Keloil for the implementatin of the petrochemical project at Pantai Senok Bachok," Nik Aziz added.

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