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Camera way to trouble-shoot problems

TANGKAK, Wed. - Housing and Local Government Minister Datuk Seri Ong Ka Ting has taken the cue from Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and become a "photographer".

He is always armed with a camera and notebook and ready to take snapshots of any ugly sight during his working visits around the country.

Ong said Dr Mahathir himself often took pictures and jotted down public complaints and referred them to the relevant departments for action.

"We are always on the alert to the needs and aspirations of the people," he said at the presentation of RM5.3 million Federal grants in lieu of assessment on Federal buildings to the local authorities in Johor, here yesterday.

Ong said he had taken a lot of photographs during his working visits and had referred to the relevant departments to put right public complaints.

During a recent visit to a district council, Ong took several snapshots of gaping holes on a road which were referred to the Public Works Department.

"After two weeks, I returned for an inspection and found the holes had been covered up," he said.

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