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HOUSING DEVELOPERS ASKED TO MONITOR CLEANLINESS OF CONSTRUCTION SITES

SEREMBAN, Feb 10 (Bernama) -- Housing developers in the state must monitor their construction sites and ensure that they are always kept clean in a move to prevent the spread of the dengue epidemic.

Menteri Besar Tan Sri Mohamed Isa Abdul Samad said the directive was issued to housing developers involved by the Main Committee on Low Cost Housing which met yesterday.

"Apart from this, I have also directed the Seremban Municipal Council to step up clearing and cleanliness operations in surrounding areas," he told reporters in an update on the dengue situation in the state.

He earlier officiated the annual general meeting of the Malay Chamber of Commerce, Seremban branch, here today.

He also called on the public to extend their full cooperation in the prevention of the dengue epidemic by always ensuring the cleanliness of their surroundings.

"We cannot just depend on the local authorities to prevent further cases but the public must also lend a hand by keeping surroundings clean by conducting gotong-royongs.

"Only then can the situation be brought under control," he said.

Meanwhile, State Health Services director Datuk Dr Ahmad Razin Ahmad Mahir said until last night, 242 dengue fever and haemorrhagic dengue fever cases, including two deaths, were reported in the state.

Of the total, 219 cases were reported in Seremban, seven in Jempol, five in Port Dickson, four in Kuala Pilah, three in Jelebu and two each in Rembau and Tampin.

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