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Study on petrol commission

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon. - Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin said the Government would study the commissions earned by petrol companies because of complaints that the cost of running petrol stations has increased.

"We have talked to the Finance Ministry as we have received complaints because this (commission) has not changed for five or six years, although the price of petrol has increased."

He said the matter had been raised several times, but the ministry would wait for a decision from Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, who is also Finance Minister.

"Petrol station operators have asked for an increase in commissions of between three and four sen a litre, that is the request of the petrol companies."

"If the Government allows this, it will translate into lower tax earnings," he said.

Muhyiddin was speaking to reporters after launching Mesra Link, a customer service centre operated by Petronas Dagangan Bhd to enhance relations with customers, business partners and members of the public.

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