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TEMPORARY RELOCATION TO ENABLE CONSTRUCTION OF LOW-COST HOMES

KUALA LUMPUR, April 13 (Bernama) -- The government has proposed the temporary relocation of 239 squatter families from Kampung Muhibbah to the flats at Lembah Subang until the construction of the new houses there are ready, said Works Minister Datuk Seri S. Samy Vellu today.

The settlers of Kampung Muhibbah must first move to enable construction work on the low-cost homes to start, he said when attending a meeting with the residents there.

He said the residents had applied to buy the new houses costing RM42,000 each and not to rent them.

Samy Vellu said it was up to the National Economic Action Council (NEAC) to decide whether to sell or rent the houses and promised that he would raise the issue with Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

If this was agreeable, the affected residents would be asked to move to Lembah Subang immediately to enable the area to be developed, he said.

He said the price of the new houses would be referred to the cabinet and he would request the Selangor state government to allow them to buy the houses at RM35,000 each.

During the meeting, three families affected by a landslide were also offered to rent the temporary low-cost houses at Lembah Subang.

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