

# Report card out soon on blueprint

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## Public get to see progress made in education

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**PUTRAJAYA:** A report card on the *National Education Blueprint 2006-2010* will be presented to the Cabinet at the end of June and then made public.

Education Minister Datuk Seri Hishammuddin Tun Hussein said the progress made in the implementation of the blueprint so far has been beyond his expectation.

"I have seen the template for the report. I am pleased because I believe we have something to show, especially regarding our commitment to getting the results we have targeted under the blueprint," he told reporters after presenting excellent service awards to 320 staff members of the ministry, representing the 919 who received it, yesterday.

Hishammuddin said the ministry was presently getting feedback from the different divisions for the report card.

During its launch earlier this year, he said the ministry would release a report card twice a year on the progress and implementation to prove to everyone that the blueprint was not just a beautiful plan on paper but one that was "workable".

"The problem with this report card is that we've only managed to get through the specific focus for five months.

"The report card at the end of the year will be more comprehensive because by then we would have gone through all the different thrusts under the blueprint," Hishammuddin said.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi launched the blueprint, which laid the foundation for education development over a five-year period, in January this year.

Hishammuddin had announced that the six thrusts would be emphasised over various

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months.

The emphasis was on rural education in February, cluster schools in March, smart schools in April and teachers in May.

The focus for June will be on developing human capital.

Earlier in his speech, Hishammuddin said that it was important that everyone in the ministry including the management worked as a team.

"There is also a need for a sense of urgency and to get rid of any red tape.

"Any misuse of power or 'little Napoleon' attitudes will not be tolerated at the ministry," he said.

Honesty was also very important, he said, as was doing it right the first time.

"Working as a team is vital as no man is an island.

"No one individual or division can do everything as each has his own expertise," Hishammuddin said.