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Blueprint to transform government delivery system

KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak will roll out the landmark blueprint to transform the government's delivery system in line with his administration's "People First, Performance Now" policy today.

The Government Transformation Programme (GTP) roadmap is a major milestone in the nation's journey towards Vision 2020 to achieve developed status.

Najib introduced the 1 Malaysia concept and GTP in April last year, the same month he took office, and six National Key Result Areas (NKRAs) to address the main concerns of the people.

"The purpose of this

roadmap is to ensure that the NKRA initiatives are implemented correctly. It will outline specific programmes, costs and time frames for implementation.

"This plan is a living document and will continue to take into account public feedback — your feedback.

"The roadmap will be taken on a nationwide tour, allowing Malaysians an opportunity to respond," Najib wrote in his 1 Malaysia blog yesterday.

He invited Malaysians to share their concerns with him through his blog (www.1Malaysia.com.my) or Facebook profile (www.facebook.com/najibrazak).

Open days on the GTP had

been held in Petaling Jaya, Kuching and Kota Kinabalu for people to study and give their views on over 2,000 projects and 100 programmes.

The public sessions reflected greater transparency on the government's part to engage people in mapping the way forward.

In a televised interview this week, the prime minister said the government would emphasise on speed to deliver the people's expectations because if the country lagged behind, it would erode the people's confidence.

"For 2010, I will stress speedy decisions and quick implementation without sacrificing quality.

"This means we will stress making fast and accurate decisions as it will be used as a yardstick to measure the country's competitiveness in the frontline," he said.

Najib is spearheading the GTP himself

Ministers in the Prime Minister's Department Tan Sri Dr Koh Tsu Koon, who is in charge of national unity and performance management, and Datuk Seri Idris Jala are responsible for the execution of the policy and strategy.

Idris is also the chief executive officer of the Performance Management and Delivery Unit (Pemandu) which oversees the implementation of key performance indicators

in ministries, an integral part of the NKRAs.

Koh had said on Tuesday that the government was seriously looking at adopting the reward and punishment system under the GTP for the civil service.

"However, in our first two years of implementation, our emphasis is to encourage and support everyone to perform, rather than to start on punishment... it is far more important at this stage," he said.

To boost productivity and inculcate better work ethics, the government was mulling a "carrot-and-stick" system for the 1.2 million-strong civil workforce. — Bernama