

# PM: RM150B STIMULUS TO AID RECOVERY

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Aid package to ease burden of people, businesses and spur vaccination drive amid pandemic

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Pakej Perlindungan Rakyat Dan Pemulihan Ekonomi

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**P**RIME Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin yesterday unveiled the RM150 billion Pakej Perlindungan Rakyat dan Pemulihan Ekonomi or Pemulih, the nation's eighth financial assistance package aimed at easing the burden of the people and businesses, as well as boost vaccination amid the Covid-19 pandemic.

Muhyiddin said Pemulih, which includes a direct fiscal injection of RM10 billion, centres around three focuses, which are Continuing the Agenda Prihatin Rakyat, Supporting Businesses and Boosting Vaccination.

To ensure that the people continue to receive aid in the months

to come until the year end, Muhyiddin announced Bantuan Khas Covid-19 or BKC worth RM4.6 billion, which will benefit more than 11 million households, senior citizens and singles in the B40 and M40 groups.

"In the hardcore poor category, households will receive RM500 in August and November, as well as RM300 in December. Singles will get RM200 in August and RM300 in November.

"Households in the B40 category will get RM500 in August and RM300 in December, while singles will receive RM200 in August.

"The M40 households and singles will get RM250 and RM100, respectively, in August," he said in a special televised address to announce the aid yesterday.

This, he said, was in addition to Bantuan Prihatin Rakyat (BPR),

which was announced in the Pernerka Plus initiative previously where the government had agreed to provide aid of up to RM500 in July and in stages starting today.

Phase 3 of the BPR, he said, where assistance ranges from RM100 to RM1,400, would be paid in September, along with payments for BPR appeal cases that had been approved.

Overall, the value of BPR stands at RM4.9 billion.

Muhyiddin said there would also be Bantuan Kehilangan Pendapatan (Loss of Income Aid), where in October, RM500 will be channelled to workers who had lost their income based on the Employees Provident Fund and the Social Security Organisation (Socso) data this year.

The aid, he said, would benefit up to one million members with a