

**Najib Visits BN Housing Project In Hulu Bernam
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HULU BERNAM, Jan 6 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak today visited the site of a housing scheme in Kampung Hassan, a project being delivered as promised by the Barisan Nasional (BN) government during the Hulu Selangor parliamentary by-election in April 2010.

He expressed satisfaction that the project to resettle the squatters of Kampung Hassan was going on as planned and was convinced that it would be completed well ahead of schedule.

"I don't have any questions. Everything is proceeding smoothly and well. I am happy because this is a promise I made during the Hulu Selangor parliamentary by-election.

"This project shows that the BN government delivers on its promises," he said in a brief speech during the visit to the site.

Earlier, the prime minister was briefed on the project by Housing and Local Government Ministry secretary-general Datuk Ahmad Kabit.

The 300 units of terrace houses, each with three bedrooms and two bathrooms, are being built under a RM41-million project scheduled to be completed in July next year.

Najib said the actual cost of each unit is about RM136,000 but it will be sold to the residents for RM35,000, giving them a savings of about RM100,000.

He also said that the government decided to retain a Hindu temple located near the housing site for the benefit of the Indian residents there.

Najib visited a model house and also laid a foundation stone for a surau in the area.

Meanwhile, Housing and Local Government Minister Datuk Seri Chor Chee Heung said a committee would be set up to vet the applications for the houses. The committee will comprise representatives from the ministry and Hulu Selangor district office and the Hulu Selangor MP.

"The first batch of applicants are 133 households of the original village while the remaining 167 are those who registered with the district office," he told a news conference.

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