

Najib starts balloting for PR1MA homes in Putrajaya
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KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 15 — Balloting for the 1 Malaysia Housing Programme (PR1MA) started today with draws for Kompleks Kejiranan in Putrajaya, kicking off the affordable home ownership scheme launched by the prime minister in July.

According to Bernama Online, over 7,000 applications were received for the 560 home units made available.

“Following the success of the first allocation today, we look forward to providing many more such homes in the coming months,” Datuk Seri Najib Razak was quoted as saying in the report.

The prime minister also added that phase one of PR1MA would prioritise applicants living or working in the federal administrative capital of Putrajaya.

Najib initiated the first phase of PR1MA in July, which involves the construction of 42,000 houses on 20 strategic sites. Each unit would be sold between RM150,000 and RM300,000 depending on location and size, and targets first-time homeowners with a household income of between RM2,500 and RM6,000.

The scheme is a continuation of his attempt to tackle soaring property prices in urban centres following the My First Home programme launched in March, which caters to lower-income households with a budget of RM220,000 and below.

Among developers involved in phase one of PR1MA are Putrajaya Holdings, SP Setia, Tradewinds, Cyberview, Sime Darby Property, MRCB Resources and 1MDB.

The project involves 825.1 acres of land in total.

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