

Explaining Budget 2012 The Easy Way
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SEREMBAN, Oct 13 (Bernama) -- "What's in it for me?" That is how the Information, Communications and Culture Ministry is going to explain the benefits of Budget 2012 to the people.

Minister Datuk Seri Dr Rais Yatim said on Thursday information sessions in an easily understood format would be held nationwide to elaborate on the budget proposals.

"For example, what does the budget offer for a teacher? There is a salary increase, promotion, extension of retirement age and so on.

"The same goes for pupils starting school in 2012. What is the government giving them? Why are they getting RM100?" he said.

Dr Rais said this was a better way of explaining the budget than talking for hours putting forward a case.

"The opposition will continue to confuse the people. The most important thing is for the individual to know what the budget has in stock for him or her, That's all," he told reporters after meeting officers of the Negeri Sembilan Special Affairs Department (Jasa), here.

The minister advised Jasa, the Information Department, the Broadcasting Department and other agencies to give explanations in an easy-to-understand language.

"That is our intention. A special meeting will be held to ensure that our delivery remains consistent and based on the budget," he said.

He also said that the information sessions would involve Radio Televisyen Malaysia (RTM) and the distribution of easily understood leaflets.

"I feel that this budget is the best, but how do we explain it? This is the way to do it," he said.

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