

DPM: Govt has agreement with private sector on minimum wage
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KUALA LUMPUR: The government has reached an agreement with the private sector on the need for the minimum wage policy, Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin said.

He said a lot of deliberations and discussions between relevant parties and the Human Resource Ministry had been given to the issue to ensure that an appropriate minimum wage is set.

"The Prime Minister will make the announcement at the appropriate time," he told reporters here after officiating the World Kidney Day celebrations.

He added that there was no consideration at the moment to decrease the number of public holidays in lieu of the minimum wage.

On a separate issue, Muhyiddin denied that the Opposition's claims that the Government's privatisation policy was at the expense of social benefit.

He said that privatisation has helped the nation's past economic growth with emphasis now moving towards greater private sector initiative under the Government Transformation Programme.

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