

**Kubang Pasu Pomelos To Be Graded And Labelled - Johari
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JITRA, Jan 23 (Bernama) -- The Federal Agriculture Marketing Authority (Fama) will carry out a grading and labelling exercise for the Kubang Pasu pomelos to differentiate it from pomelos produced in other areas, Deputy Agriculture and Agro-based Industry Minister Datuk Mohd Johari Baharum said.

The exercise would involve Kubang Pasu pomelo contract farming participants, he added.

"The Agriculture Department will also rehabilitate fruit orchards, thus restoring Kubang Pasu as a the producer of high quality pomelos," he told reporters after witnessing the signing ceremony between Fama and contract farming participants, here, Sunday.

Mohd Johari said the ministry would focus its attention on getting more farmers to participate in the project and increasing pomelo orchard areas, targeting 4,500 participants and 7,000 hectares nationwide, with a projected production of 300,000 tonnes.

"The Kubang Pasu pomelos will be marketed to main cities, including to Singapore," he said.

He said Fama had set the floor price for Kubang Pasu pomelos at RM1.60 per kg.

There are 300 hectares of pomelo orchards in Kedah alone, involving 200 participants.

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