

**Government Subsidy For Vernacular Schools' Utilities Bills**  
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IPOH, May 2 (Bernama) -- The RM1 million annual subsidy by the state government to almost 200 Chinese and Tamil Sekolah Jenis Kebangsaan (SJKC) and (SJKT) in Perak for their utilities bills proves the government's concern for their welfare.

The principals of the SJKC and SJKT remarked that the aid has once and for all laid to rest criticisms and claims that vernacular schools have been neglected by the Barisan Nasional state government.

This is the third consecutive year the assistance has been given to the schools to help with their utilities bills.

The schools are allowed to use any remainder from the aid to buy necessary equipment or conduct value added educational programmes.

SJKT Ladang Jenderata 1, Teluk Intan headmistress M. Susela said her school received RM660 for the first half of this year.

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