

Federal Government's Projects Help Boost Kedah Economy
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KUALA LUMPUR, July 3 (Bernama) -- Even though Barisan Nasional (BN) is the opposition party in Kedah, the federal government has never marginalised the efforts to improve the state's economic sector.

In fact, even after the state was taken over by PAS after the 2008 general election, the federal government, through its implementation agencies, has continued carrying out projects after projects for the people.

Between 2008 and 2010, a total of 34 development projects were lined up for the state, involving 425 participants and an allocation of RM4.2 million, under the Implementation and Coordination Unit (ICU), Prime Minister's Department.

These comprised six projects with an allocation of RM920,000 and 97 participants in 2008, 19 projects with an allocation of RM2.6 million and 257 participants in 2009 and nine projects involving 71 participants with an allocation totaling RM672,065 in 2010.

These projects involved six constituencies, namely Sik, Baling, Pendang, Kulim, Kuala Muda and Kota Setar, with Rubber Industry Smallholders Development Authority (Risda) and Kedah Federal Development Office as the implementation agencies.

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