

**BN Delivers On Its Promise In Kota Marudu - Ongkili**  
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KOTA MARUDU (Sabah), Oct 1 (Bernama) -- The government's RM120-million allocation to build an asphalt road and implement an Agropolitan programme to provide economic activities and development for the resettled 450 families in Gana here is a good example of a promise delivered by the Barisan Nasional (BN), said Kota Marudu MP Datuk Seri Dr Maximus Ongkili.

The science, technology and innovation minister said the RM60-million allocation to upgrade the timber road and another RM60 million for the Agropolitan programme were "a generous and caring commitment" for the 3,000 people there.

The families are from 10 villages scattered within and adjacent to the Lingkabau Forest Reserve who were relocated through the Gana Resettlement and Integrated Development Project in 1997.

"The Agropolitan programme will allow the villagers to carry out rubber planting for income while the upgraded road will make Gana more accessible and bring development to the villages," he said during the ground-breaking for the fourth phase of the Jalan Talantang-Gana Road upgrading project, here.

Ongkili said the original allocation was only to upgrade 19.75km of the timber road, thus the 6km dirt road leading to the village remained a bad stretch.

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