

**More Than 1,500 Housing Units For Civil Servants In Putrajaya**  
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PUTRAJAYA, April 18 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak on Thursday launched the first phase of the Putrajaya 1Malaysia Civil Servants' Housing Programme (PPA1M) involving the construction of 1,256 housing units at Precinct 17 and 256 units at Precinct 11, here.

It is the initial project under the PPA1M Putrajaya programme, which will offer more than 10,336 units of quality and affordable homes specifically for civil servants residing within the country's federal administration centre.

Najib said that as an administration that cared for the needs of the masses, the government moved in tandem with the pulse of the people in understanding their requirements, and in Putrajaya, where the majority of the residents were civil servants, comfortable and affordable homes had always been the centre of attention.

He said the residential units launched today would take only about 18 months for completion, and its special feature was that buyers need not pay progress payment but merely a minimum of RM2,000 as initial payment while subsequent instalments would only be paid as soon the housing units were handed over to the buyers.

"Where can you find another government that implements this (programme)?" he said at the launching of the PPA1M Putrajaya, at Precinct 17, here.

PPA1M is a government initiative at providing affordable homes specially for civil servants in major centres such as Putrajaya, Kuala Lumpur, Penang and Johor Baharu.

Najib said the 1Malaysia creative product launched today provided public housing with a minimum floor area of between 1,000 and 1,500 sq ft at a price of between RM150,000 and RM300,000.

He said the first phase of 1,256 housing units at precinct 11 and 256 units at precinct 17 was being implemented on a public-private partnership project, between SP Setia Bhd and Perbadanan Putrajaya and Putrajaya Holdings, with the government providing subsidy in the form of land and capital fund injection.

"This means that about 10 per cent of the construction cost of the houses came from the capital injection by the government so that the house prices could be reduced. Without the capital fund contributed by the government, the price could be more than half a million ringgit," he said.

The Prime Minister said priority would be given to those with a household income of not more than RM8,000, who resided in Putrajaya and working with government agencies and federal statutory bodies.

Meanwhile, Perbadanan Putrajaya (PPj) president, Tan Sri Aseh Che Mat said in a statement circulated at the launching this morning, those interested in purchasing the units could fill up the PPA1M-1 forms that could be downloaded from the Perbadanan Putrajaya website [www.ppj.gov.my](http://www.ppj.gov.my) or obtaining them from the PPj counters.

Completed forms must be returned to the PPA1M counters at the PPj complex, before May 9.

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