

Parliament: Several Countries Keen To Learn From Malaysia's Transformation Agenda
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KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 23 (Bernama) -- Several countries are keen to learn and pick up the best practices from the National Transformation Agenda which was implemented since 2009, the Dewan Rakyat was told Monday.

Deputy Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Razali Ibrahim said for example, Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Seri Idris Jala was invited by Tanzania and Pakistan to share the achievements of the transformation agenda.

"It is learned that Tanzania is using our model. This is an indicator of recognition and if this is not a worthy example, I believe no one will follow us.

"In fact, we have also received visits from the Sultan of Brunei and several presidents who were interested to know the progress of the transformation that could be replicated," he said when responding to a supplementary question by Datuk Shamsul Anuar Nasarah (BN-Lenggong).

To Shamsul Anuar's original question, Razali said through the transformation agenda, the government had built 3,300km of rural roads for the benefit of four million people, and provided clean water to 10,000 households and electricity to 300,000 houses.

On investment, he said the government had approved 153 projects with start-up investments of RM218.3 billion up to 2020.

"Of the total, RM25.4 billion or 86 per cent of the target has been realised until the end of 2012, generating 434,264 jobs until August this year," he said.

Razali dismissed a suggestion by Lim Kit Siang (DAP-Gelang Patah) that the transformation agenda had failed as Bumiputera still accounted for 40 per cent of low-income earners.

"Our target to achieve 30 per cent Bumiputera equity ownership has yet to be achieved. The government has outlined (strategies) to achieve the goal through the formation of the Bumiputera Economic Council which was announced recently. Only then there will be justice for all," he said.

The National Transformation Agenda comprises six areas, namely government, social, community, politics, digital and economy.

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