

Negeri Wants Units In PR1MA Seremban Sentral Project To Be Reduced

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SEREMBAN, April 2 (Bernama) -- The Negeri Sembilan government has urged the developer of 1Malaysia People's Housing Project (PR1MA) Seremban Sentral to reduce the number of units.

Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Mohamad Hasan said the projects's plan should be reviewed and modified to prevent modern slums from taking shape in the small area.

"We have brought this matter to the city planning meeting. The developer plans to build 5,000 units but we want to cut it down to 3,000 units," he told reporters after chairing the State Executive Council meeting, here today.

PR1MA Seremban Sentral is located in Presinct Kereta Api Tanah Melayu Berhad (KTMB), a 29.54 hectares site with gross development value of RM2.5 billion.

When completed in mid 2016, it will have bus, railway, healthcare facilities, commercial offices, shopping malls, retail space, educational institutions, parks and hotels, in line with the concept of Taman Sentral and Dataran Warisan.

PR1MA Seremban Sentral is a public-private partnership between PR1MA, Public-Private Partnership Unit (UKAS), Railway Assets Corporation (RAC), KTMB, the state government and private developer, Brunnsfield Group.

On the impact of the MH370 tragedy on the tourism sector, he said Negeri Sembilan has not felt the impact as it is still new.

"The impact on the tourism industry will only be felt in three or six months from now."

Mohamad was confident the public trust Malaysia Airlines' (MAS) good track record and the open policy adopted by the Malaysian government.

"Its just unfortunate that the MH370 tragedy is manipulated by parties bent on discrediting our government. Worse still, it is done by our own people.

"This is regrettable. In difficult times, Malaysians must be united and help the government to ease the burden of family members of the passengers and crew," he said.

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