

**Kelantan Information Department and K1M To Disseminate Information on GST**  
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KOTA BAHARU, May 7 (Bernama) -- The Kelantan Information Department together with the 1Malaysia Community Consensus Council (K1M) will intensify efforts to disseminate information on the Goods and Services Tax (GST) to the public.

Kelantan Information Director, Ramly Yusoff said at the same time, it would clarify the subsidy rationalisation and price increase to help the people understand.

He said the department was targetting 2,720 information programmes to be held throughout the state this year. Up till last Monday, 1,014 programmes have already been conducted.

Speaking to reporters after a meeting of the K1M, Kelantan here today, Ramly said so far, about 79,760 people had attended the programmes this year.

The six percent GST will be implemented from April 1 next year, replacing the present Sales Tax and Service Tax totaling 16 percent.

Ramly said the department had also issued 10,000 pocket books on the GST to the public including several government and private institutions of higher learning.

He said with the involvement of the K1M which could act as the "eyes and ears" of the government, information could be disseminated to the grassroots level.

Meanwhile, the state K1M lambasted the GST Implementation Protest Rally which was held in Kuala Lumpur on May 1, which it said disrupted the harmony and unity of the multi-racial people in the country.

Machang K1M chairman, Abdul Rahman Idris said the majority of the protesters did not really understand the concept of the GST.

"The cooperation of the Information Department and K1M to spread the truth, which will be implemented early this year, will have a positive effect on the people's understanding of the GST and other government policies," he said.

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