

## **48 1Malaysia Netbook Suppliers Appointed Via Open Tender – Ahmad Shabery**

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KUALA LUMPUR, June 19 (Bernama) -- The Communications and Multimedia Ministry has appointed 48 suppliers through open tender to distribute 1Malaysia Netbooks to teachers in the country.

Its minister Datuk Seri Ahmad Shabery Cheek said this was done at a cost of RM400 million using funds under the Universal Service Provision.

Contributions were channelled by telecommunication service providers in the country, whereby six percent of their sales was placed in a fund which was also used to buy netbooks for pupils nationwide prior to this.

"The purchase is handled by the ministry via the Communications and Multimedia Commission, and the distribution will be done with the cooperation of the Education Ministry," he told the Dewan Rakyat, here, today.

Ahmad Shabery, who is also Kemaman Member of Parliament, was replying to a question from Nurul Izzah Anwar (PKR-Lembah Pantai) on the cost incurred by the ministry to distribute 1Malaysia Netbooks to 400,000 teachers in conjunction with the Teachers' Day celebration recently.

Ahmad Shabery said each netbook had a one-year warranty from 147 service centres nationwide.

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