

**GST Briefings Must Be Simple And Easy To Understand - Shafie
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KUALA LUMPUR, July 10 (Bernama) -- Briefings involving Goods and Service Tax (GST) must be brief and easy to understand because the implementation is not to burden the people.

Rural and Regional Development Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Shafie Apdal to ensure that the people right down to the grassroots, particularly those in the rural areas, would understand the GST.

"We need to explain to the people that the GST is a new tax to replace the old and not an additional tax because only six percent will be paid by consumers," he told reporters after attending a Majlis Amanah Rakyat (Mara) break-fast function, here today.

Mohd Shafie said with the implementation of the GST on April 1 next year, the government could earn more revenue which could be used for development programmes in both urban and rural areas.

During the break-fast, Mara contributed financial aid to 21 orphans among Mara staff and 33 orphans from Rumah Bakti Al Kausar in Selangor.

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