

**Medicines, Medical Equipment Exempted From GST Will Be Expanded - Customs  
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PUTRAJAYA, April 23 (Bernama) -- The number of medicines and medical equipment in health services that are exempted from the Goods and Services Tax (GST) will be expanded.

Customs Department GST Division director Datuk T. Subromaniam said to date, 4,214 medicines listed and 126 types of medical equipments purchased by hospitals or clinics were exempted from GST.

He said the division was working with the Health Ministry to increase the number of the NEML as well as necessary medical equipments that should be zero-rated under the GST.

"It is hope that the GST exemption will help the private healthcare facilities to reduce the cost of providing their health care services, especially to the low-income people," he told a press conference here Thursday.

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