

**Consumer group says people now accept, understand GST better**  
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Consumers in the country are beginning to accept and understand the goods and services tax (GST) better now compared with the early days of its implementation last month, Federation of Malaysian Consumers Associations (Fomca) president Datuk N. Marimuthu said.

He said that in more than a month since the implementation of the GST, the consumers seemed to have displayed a wiser spending trend.

"The average consumers are now more aware about the importance of practising their purchasing power by comparing the prices of goods, checking the receipts, referring to the GST guidelines and the price tags."

He said this to reporters after participating in the GST compliance monitoring activity at the Giant Hypermarket in Kota Damansara in Petaling Jaya today.

Apart from that, Marimuthu said that based on the monitoring activity conducted in most supermarkets, the selling prices of consumer products had become more stable, despite several items being found to have been sold at higher prices.

He said Fomca would also like to suggest that traders make choices easier for consumers by labeling items in the category of zero-rated goods, and prices of pre- and post-GST, with different colour price tags. – Bernama, May 6, 2015.

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