

Government Development Expenditure Focuses On Programmes Which Prioritise People – Najib

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PUTRAJAYA, Jan 28 (Bernama) -- Government development expenditure will focus on projects and programmes which place priority on the people's interests and have high multiplier impact and low import content, says Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak.

He said the physical projects which would be prioritised would include the construction of affordable homes, hospitals, schools, road and public transportation, as well as security.

"The implementation of non-physical projects and those which are still being studied will be re-scheduled.

"This move is expected to involve less commitment of cash flow up to RM5 billion and will not affect the economy and the public," he said when presenting the Recalibration of Budget 2016 at the Putrajaya International Convention Centre (PICC) here Thursday.

Najib, who is also finance minister, said the Government would be more prudent in its spending, especially in supplies and services.

At the same time, the Government would continue its efforts to rationalise the allocation of grants to government trust funds, federal statutory bodies and government-linked companies, as well as rationalising and restructuring entities, including Companies Limited By Guarantee and statutory bodies.

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