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Sekretariat bersama ditubuh tangani isu kos sara hidup

Kementerian Ekonomi, KPDN bincang peranan pelbagai agensi

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Kuala Lumpur: Kementerian Perdagangan Dalam Negeri dan Kos Sara Hidup (KPDN) serta Kementerian Ekonomi menubuhkan sekretariat bersama bagi membincangkan peranan pelbagai agensi dalam menangani isu kos sara hidup.

Menteri Perdagangan Dalam Negeri dan Kos Sara Hidup, Datuk Seri Salahuddin Ayub dan Menteri Ekonomi, Rafizi Ramli, menerusi kenyataan bersama, berkata sekretariat itu akan menjadi platform pada peringkat pegawai bagi tujuan berkenaan.

"Perancangan pelaksanaan beberapa penyelesaian pantas sedang diperincikan KPDN dan Kementerian Ekonomi. Ia termasuk pelan tindakan kerjasama rentas kementerian dan mengemas kini beberapa prosedur pelaksanaan dasar yang dijangka dilaksanakan mulai hujung Januari depan.

"Menerusi pelbagai perbincangan ini, ada keputusan yang sedang dilaksanakan serta masih memerlukan perincian. Kerajaan komited membantu rakyat, tanpa menjejaskan kedudukan ekosistem perniagaan serta industri yang masih dalam tempoh pemulihan pascapandemik COVID-19," katanya.

Mereka berkata, kerjasama semua pihak berkaitan rantaian nilai, termasuk kerajaan, pengeluar, peniaga dan juga rakyat diperlukan bagi pengawalan inflasi dan kos sara hidup.

"Kos sara hidup bukan sahaja membabitkan harga murah, sebaliknya perlu adil kepada pengeluar, peniaga dan pengguna.

"Kerajaan berharap perkara ini akan memudahkan pengurusan kos, seterusnya memastikan segala penjimatan dapat dialirkan kepada pengguna, sekali gus meringankan beban kos sara hidup rakyat," katanya.

Mereka antara lain, menyarankan orang ramai memberi tumpuan kepada empat fokus bagi memperkukuh peranan sebagai pengguna bijak, dengan merancang perbelanjaan sebelum melakukan pembelian.

Selain itu, menyesuaikan kecenderungan jika terdapat pengganti bagi barangan yang mencatatkan peningkatan harga, membuat perbandingan harga menerusi aplikasi 'Price Catcher' dikendalikan KPDN serta membeli mengikut kuantiti diperlukan.

Ambil langkah proaktif

Mengulas lanjut, kedua-dua menteri berkenaan berkata, kerajaan sudah mengambil beberapa langkah proaktif bagi menangani isu berkenaan, termasuk tindakan jangka pendek dan sederhana.

Terdahulu, Perdana Menteri pada Mesyuarat Khas Majlis Tindakan Sara Hidup Negara (NACCOL), 27 November lalu, memberi tempoh dua minggu kepada kementerian terbabit untuk memberi cadangan untuk menangani kos sara hidup rakyat yang tinggi.

Ia disusuli cadangan yang dibentangkan dalam mesyuarat kemudian dan Mesyuarat Kabinet, masing-masing pada 13 dan 14 Disember lalu.

Beberapa siri mesyuarat lain membabitkan beberapa pemegang taruh, termasuk kementerian, pemain industri, ahli akademik dan wakil pengguna turut dianjurkan.

Antara keputusan yang dicapai ialah kawalan harga dan subsidi ayam standard serta telur Gred A, B dan C diteruskan sehingga suatu tempoh ditetapkan.

Tarif elektrik juga kekal bagi pengguna domestik, komersial dan industri, selain Padiberas Nasional Berhad (BERNAS) akan menyalurkan peruntukan RM60 juta kepada pesawah, masing-masing RM10 juta bagi 2022 dan RM50 juta pada 2023.

Selain itu, kerajaan juga memutuskan untuk mengimport telur bagi memastikan bekalan mencukupi dalam pasaran tempatan.

Di samping itu, perincian pelaksanaan Harga 2 Peringkat bagi minyak sawit mentah supaya harga minyak masak tulen kemasan botol di pasaran domestik, dijual pada harga lebih rendah bagi mengurangkan tekanan terhadap permintaan dan penggunaan minyak masak bersubsidi polibeg sekilogram.

Kawalan harga dan subsidi ayam standard diteruskan sehingga suatu tempoh ditetapkan. (Foto hiasan)

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MINISTRIES JOIN FORCES

Joint secretariat to resolve cost of living woes

KUALA LUMPUR: The Domestic Trade and Cost of Living Ministry and the Economy Ministry have agreed to form a joint secretariat to discuss the roles of government agencies to address cost of living issues.

Domestic Trade and Cost of Living Minister Datuk Seri Salahuddin Ayub and Economy Minister Rafizi Ramli, in a joint statement yesterday, said the secretariat would serve as a platform for officers to work towards the goal.

The ministers urged the people to focus on four areas to empower their role as smart consumers, including planning their expenses.

Consumers, they said, were also urged to be mindful of alternatives to the goods they sought if there were price hikes, and to buy only according their needs, besides using the government's "Price Catcher" application to compare prices.

"Both ministries are fine-tuning the implementation of several quick solutions, including cross-ministry action plans, as well as updating policy implementation procedures, which we expect to roll out by the end of January.

"Through these discussions, some decisions are being implemented while others require more study.

"The government is committed to helping the people without risking the business and industry ecosystem, which is still recovering from the Covid-19 pandemic," read the statement.

They said close cooperation involving all parties in the value chain, including the government, manufacturers, traders and the people, was necessary to manage inflation and the rising cost of living.

"Cost of living does not necessarily revolve around cheaper prices, but must also be fair to producers, traders and consumers. The government hopes that this will help ease cost management and ensure that all savings can be channelled to consumers, thus lightening the burden of the people."

Domestic Trade and Cost of Living Minister Datuk Seri Salahuddin Ayub checking the stock of cooking oil and eggs at a shop in Taman Perling, Johor Baru, recently. PIC BY NUR AISYAH MAZALAN

The ministers said the government had taken several short- and medium-term measures to address the issue.

They said the two-week deadline given by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim to the relevant ministries during the National Action Council on Cost of Living meeting on Nov 27 was followed by suggestions in a follow-up meeting, as well as the cabinet meeting on Dec 13 and 14, respectively.

They said other meetings involving stakeholders, including ministries, industry players, academicians and consumer groups, had been held.

This, they said, resulted in the continuation of price controls and subsidies for standard chicken, as well as Grade A, B and C eggs.

Other measures included the retention of the electricity tariff for domestic, commercial and industry users, as well as Padiberas Nasional Bhd's channelling of RM60 million to farmers.

The import of chicken eggs as well as the two-tier pricing of crude palm oil were also continued so that the price of bottled cooking oil in the domestic market could be cheaper, thus reducing demand for oil sold in 1kg polybags.

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'OPEN TO ABUSE'

ENGINE-BASED SUBSIDY FUELS DEBATE

Many believe type of vehicle that one owns is a poor measure of economic ability

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Social media users questioned whether vehicle ownership is the fairest way of assessing economic ability and eligibility for fuel subsidies, given that is not a good indicator of wealth. FILE PIC

THE government's move to use the Road Transport Department's (RTD) database to determine eligibility for fuel subsidies based on the engine capacity of the vehicle that one owns has triggered online debate.

Social media users questioned whether ownership of a vehicle with a high-engine capacity was the fairest way of assessing one's economic ability and wealth.

Domestic Trade and Cost of Living Minister Datuk Seri Salahuddin Ayub said last week that the ministry would use the RTD's database as one of the ways to identify recipients for subsidised RON95 petrol, which would be based on the engine capacity of the vehicles they owned.

This came after Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim last month gave a two-week deadline for ministries to devise subsidies targeted at the Bottom 40 (B40), and Middle 40 (M40) income groups, and small businesses.

One social media user, posting in an online motoring forum, joked that he was considering trading off his 20-year-old BMW for a second-hand Perodua MyVi to benefit from fuel subsidies.

"So, owners of Proton X70 sports utility vehicles (SUV) with a 1.5-litre turbocharged engine will also be enjoying fuel subsidies since it will be given based on engine capacity. Is this fair?

"Just use data from the Inland Revenue Board (IRB) and tax those who buy brand new cars with 1.5-litre turbocharged or 2.0-litre engines, or cars that are less than four to five years old," the user commented to an article at the PaulTan automotive website.

Another netizen said rolling out petrol subsidies based on engine capacity of vehicles would fuel a black market, where those from the lower-income bracket might sell subsidised fuel to the rich for a fee.

"So, the rich will be funding the poor and incentivising them to remain poor, so that they get to enjoy the fuel subsidy.

"If (subsidies are given) based on engine capacity, I'll just buy a MyVi, pump my tank full and then siphon all the fuel into my BMW 740i," the user said.

Another social media user urged the government to focus on encouraging people from the B40 group to commute by public transport instead.

"Why should rich people pay more tax so that the government can feed the poor? Many people in the T20 group are not entrepreneurs. They are employees who work hard for a reasonable pay, and even pay high income tax.

"If the government says no fuel subsidy for cars with a 2.0-litre engine and above, then please return the excise duty tax or reduce the income tax of 'rich' people," the user said.

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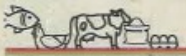

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Ayam	**RM8**	Telur Gred A	**RM12.75**	Gula Pasir	**RM2.85**	Cili Merah	**RM8.99**
Daging Lembu Tempatan	**RM38**	Ikan Kembung	**RM13**	Bawang Besar Holland	**RM3**	Kubis Bulat Tempatan	**RM2.99**
Daging Lembu Import	**RM50.90**	Minyak Masak	**RM6.76**	Bawang Putih	**RM5**	Tepung Gandum	**RM3.30**

*Harga (RM/kg) Sumber: KPDNHEP

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