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KUALA LUMPUR, 4 April -- The first phase of payments of the 'Bantuan Prihatin Nasional' (BPN) one-off cash assistance for 8.3 million households and unmarried individuals will be undertaken in stages from April 6 onwards, said Finance Minister Tengku Datuk Seri Zafrul Tengku Abdul Aziz.

In a statement issued today, he said the first phase encompassed payments totalling RM5.63 billion, while the total allocation for the BPN assistance stands at RM9.24 billion.

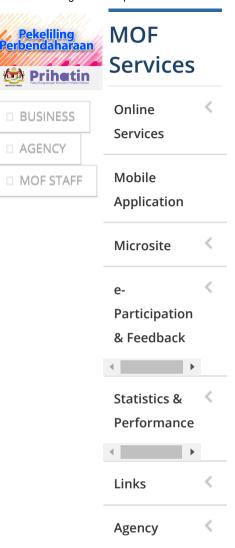
The assistance which benefits individuals from the B40 and M40 (low and middle-income) groups respectively, is among the initiatives of the Prihatin Rakyat Economic Stimulus Package (PRIHATIN) unveiled by the government recently to help Malaysians from all walks of life to deal with the negative effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Advising the public to be on the alert for scammers preying on BPN beneficiaries, the minister said beneficiaries should not share their personal information with strangers, and should refer to official sources for guidance.

Applications for BPN assistance and appeals are to be made from April 1 to 30.

BPN recipients who do not possess bank accounts will receive their payments in person when the government's Movement Control Order to contain COVID-19 is lifted.

The minister also clarified that BPN recipients in the interior of Sabah and Sarawak will receive the payments during the same time period when payments are issued to recipients in Peninsular Malaysia.



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