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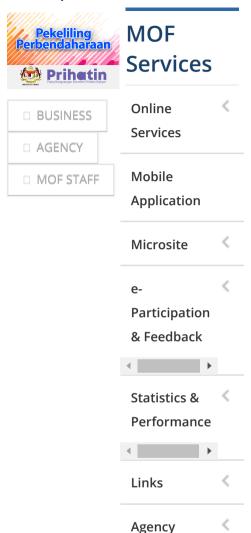
PUTRAJAYA, 27 March -- The government today agreed to allocate RM10 billion to help those in the M40 group and below affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin said.

He said the aid will be channelled through the 'Bantuan Prihatin Nasional' one-off cash payment, which would also a first for the M40 household income group in terms of cash aid.

"They (recipients) include private-sector employees, Felda settlers, farmers, fishermen, petty traders and all those in the M40 group and below," he said when announcing the people-centric economic stimulus package (PRIHATIN) here today.

Muhyiddin said the allocation include:

- 1. RM1,600 for almost 4 million households with income of RM4,000 and below, of which RM1,000 will be dispensed in April and the balance of RM600 in May.
- 2. RM1,000 for almost 1.1 households with income between RM4,000 and RM8,000, with RM500 to be paid in April and the next RM500 in May.
- 3. RM800 for 3 million individuals aged 21 and above with single status and earning RM2,000 and below, in which RM500 will be paid in April 2020 and another RM300 in May.
- 4. RM500 for 400,000 aged 21 and above with single status and earning between RM2,000 and RM4,000, with RM250 to be paid in April and the next RM250 in May.
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