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National Employment Council has created 320,000 jobs – Tengku Zafrul

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KUALA LUMPUR, **Aug 5** – The government has helped create 320,000 jobs so far through the National Employment Council (NEC) initiative, Finance Minister Tengku Datuk Seri Zafrul Abdul Aziz.

He said in an effort to help the target groups find jobs, RM2 billion was allocated for the PenjanaKerjaya programme under Budget 2021, for which PenjanaKerjaya 2.0 has helped more than 141,000 people secured jobs.

"Meanwhile, PenjanaKerjaya 3.0 has been introduced under the People's Well-being and Economic Recovery Package (PEMULIH), with several improvements incorporated.

"Among them are reducing the salary eligibility limit under the Malaysianisation programme and easing the employment contract period for workers aged 50 and above, the disabled and ex-prisoners," he said in the 64th Inter-Agencies Economic Stimulus Implementation and Coordination Unit (Laksana) report on Thursday.

The NEC was established with the target of creating 500,000 jobs and skills training placements through strategic collaboration between government agencies and industry players.

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