

Appendix

1. Comparison of SARA 2023's and 2024's cash assistance amounts is as follows:

	SARA 2023		SARA 2024	
Recipient Category	SARA Rate	eKasih Status	SARA Rate	eKasih Status
Household	RM600	Hardcore Poor eKasih (210,000 recipients)	RM1,200	Hardcore Poor & Poor eKasih (700,000 recipients)
Senior Citizen with No Spouse	RM600		RM1,200	
Single Individual	RM600		RM600	

2. SARA's implementation mechanism is based on the eligibility category as follows:

Commencement Date	State and Federal Territory	SARA's Implementation Mechanism
22 January 2024	Kedah, Pulau Pinang, Selangor, the Federal Territories of Kuala Lumpur dan Putrajaya, Negeri Sembilan, Kelantan, and Terengganu	Cashless assistance for basic necessities of RM100/RM50 a month according to the eligibility category will be automatically credited over 12 months (January 2024-December 2024) to the recipient's account opened through MyKad, to be used for purchases at selected supermarkets and sundry shops nationwide.
29 January 2024	Perlis, Perak, Pahang, Melaka, and Johor	
22 February 2024 and 12 August 2024	Sabah, Sarawak and the Federal Territory of Labuan	Two instalments of payments of RM600/RM300 according to the eligibility category will be transferred to the recipient's bank account or by cash at Bank Simpanan Nasional's (BSN) branches nationwide.

¹ Please refer to the schedule in Appendix

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