

Online census for city, town dwellers

PUTRAJAYA: A new method to conduct the population and housing census online will be implemented in July.

Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Tan Sri Nor Mohamed Yakcop said yesterday the online registration would be made available only to those living in cities and major towns.

"This will help us further reduce our margin of error and make it hassle-free for the people to register online.

"The previous census conducted in 2000 saw a margin of error of up to five per cent but we are confident that with the new system, we will be able to reduce this figure," he said after a media briefing on the 2010 census.

Census commissioner Datuk Wan Ramlah Wan Abd Raof said about 26,000 part-time census officers and 3,000 census supervisors would visit up to nine million households to record data to help form government policies.

For more details, visit www.statistics.gov.my or call 03-88857826 or 1-800-88-7828.