

2010 Population Census To Be Carried Out From July 6 To Aug 22

PUTRAJAYA, April 7 (Bernama) -- The Department of Statistics will carry out a nationwide population and household census from July 6 to Aug 22.

According to Chief Statistician and Census Commissioner Datuk Wan Ramlah Wan Abd Raof, the census exercise would involve 29 million people, including about 7.3 per cent foreigners.

She said this year's (2010 Census) would be the fifth population census since the formation of Malaysia in 1963 while the last census was carried out in 2000.

During this period, census officers would call at every household for the purpose of interviewing and obtaining detailed data such as racial origin, language spoken, religion, number of people in each household, their ages, educational qualifications, occupation, type of school attended by children and other information deemed fit.

Basically the information is gathered by the Government to shape Government policies from time to time as the benefit and uplifting of the standard of the people of Malaysia.

The people can also use the online method to answer questions through the www.statistics.gov.my website or contact the department at 03 88857826 or the 1-800-88-7828 hotline.

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