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#### NATIONWIDE SCHEME

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**KUBANG PASU:** Some 12,000 hardcore poor families in Kedah and Perlis have been selected to take part in the first phase of the Malaysian Hardcore Poverty Eradication Programme.

Minister in the Prime Minister's Department (Economy), Datuk Seri Mustapa Mohamed said participants were located in seven localities in Kedah and three localities in Perlis.

"In total, 180,000 families have been selected for the programme nationwide under Phase 1 of the programme set to begin by the end of this month.

"The programme involves groups that are chosen regardless of race, religion and political affiliations."

He said this after attending a briefing on the programme's progress at the Jerlun District Office in Kubang Pasu here yesterday.