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KUALA LUMPUR: The Federal Land Development Authority (Felda) supports the government's efforts, including in addressing food security issues, in line with five measures to ensure national food security.

Its strategic department said in a statement yesterday the agency plans to carry out a corn cultivation project on 3,700ha of land in collaboration with FGV Holdings Bhd to help solve the issue of sharp increases in the price of livestock feed.

Felda would also boost the poultry industry through contract farms in collaboration with Ayamas Food Corp Sdn

Bhd, with an investment of RM23 million.

"Felda has introduced various initiatives such as the Settler Development Programme in 2019 to diversify and increase the income of settlers through activities that are not based on palm oil and rubber."

It also said the implementation of projects involved the application of smart technology such as in observation, watering and voice activation systems.

To date, 8,543 projects have been approved for execution individually and through the involvement of cooperatives and settler bodies to benefit 56,959 settlers and their next generation. - Bernama

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