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KUALA LUMPUR: The Department of Statistics Malaysia yesterday launched the Economic Census 2023 (BE2023) which aims to collect information on organisations for the reference year 2022.

The economic census, which covers all business establishments and non-profit organisations in Malaysia, includes all economic sectors namely agriculture, manufacturing, construction, mining & quarrying and services.

Economy Minister Rafizi Ramli said the data that will be obtained through BE2023 will enable the government to gauge the fabric of society and the economy, as well as see the breakdown and types of enterprises in the country.

“This is because one of the challenges is that 95% of existing enterprises comprise micro (75.2%) and small (20.5%) in this country.

“So we (the government) need the involvement of business organisations to participate in Economic Census 2023 to enable the government to understand the current economic position, identify which sectors are contributing, and what forms and policies and incentives are needed to support the growth of enterprises in this country,” he told the media after officiating at the launch of BE2023. - Bernama
