RM200 one-off payment for Form Six, diploma students

KUALA LUMPUR: Form Six and diploma students will receive a RM200 one-off payment under the Prihatin Rakyat Economic Stimulus Package.

Finance Minister Tengku Datuk Seri Zafrul Tengku Abdul Aziz said this came after the government increased the allocation for the package.

Also set to receive financial aid were students at institutions under the Human Resources Ministry, Youth and Sport Ministry and Majlis Amanah Rakyat.

Tengku Zafrul said with the additional funds, the total allocation had increased from RM270 million to RM300 million, benefiting 1.5 million students.

He said the government hoped the aid would alleviate the burdens students faced during the Movement Control Order.

Of the total, RM1.2 million would be distributed to institutions under the Higher Education

Ministry (public and private higher education institutes, polytechnics and community colleges); RM100,000 to Form Six and matriculation students under the Education Ministry; and, the remaining RM200,000 to those studying for diplomas, technical and vocational education and training qualifications or Malaysian Skills Certificate Level 4 and above.

Tengku Zafrul said ministries involved in distributing the aid would expedite the disbursement and recipients would get their payment by the end of this month.

Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin had announced a RM270 million allocation as part the Prihatin package on March 27. The allocation would be disbursed to students at all tertiary levels, including matriculations, community colleges, polytechnics and public and private higher education institutions.



Universiti Teknologi Mara Shah Alam students attending classes online. A total of 1.5 million students will benefit from the one-off RM200 payment from the government. PIC BY ROHANIS

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