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COVID-19 VACCINATION TO CHILDREN BELOW 12 STILL BEING STUDIED - MOH

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 12 (Bernama) -- The government has yet to decide on the COVID-19 vaccination for children under 12 years old, the Dewan Rakyat was told today.

Deputy Health Minister II Datuk Aaron Ago Dagang at a question and answer session in Parliament today said the government was still waiting for clinical evidence from international and local expert studies on the COVID-19 vaccine for the group, before making any decision.

He said this in response to a supplementary question from P. Kasthuriraani (PH-Batu Kawan) on vaccination for children under 12 years old following COVID-19 infections that had caused deaths involving those from the group.

— BERNAMA

KASA IMPLEMENTS KELANTAN WATER RESOURCES STUDY - TUAN IBRAHIM

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 12 (Bernama) – The Kelantan Water Resources Development study is expected to be implemented this November as a long-term plan to increase the use of surface water compared to groundwater in the state, said Water and Environment Minister Datuk Seri Tuan Ibrahim Tuan Man.

In a question and answer session at the Dewan Rakyat today, he said the study would take 18 months which would provide a long-term plan for Kelantan's water resources until 2050.

"The tender was closed on Sept 6 and the assessment is expected to be completed this month," he said in response to a question from Abdul Latiff Abdul Rahman (PAS-Kuala Krai) on solving the water problem in Kelantan.

Tuan Ibrahim said among the short-term plans to resolve the issue was the National Non-Revenue Water (NRW) Reduction Programme which is expected to be completed in 2022 and the construction of the Kampung Teluk, Kota Bharu LRA with a capacity of 30 million litres per day which is expected to operate at the end of 2021.

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OVER 2 MILLION NON-CITIZEN ADULTS COMPLETE COVID-19 VACCINATION

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 12 (Bernama) – A total of 2.23 million non-citizen adults have completed the COVID-19 vaccination through the National COVID-19 Immunisation Program (PICK) as of yesterday, according to the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI).

The ministry in a written reply to the Dewan Rakyat today said that 2.96 million non-citizen adults in the country have received at least one dose of vaccine and the vaccination programme for that group is still running.

"The implementation of vaccination for non-citizens registered in the MySejahtera system is still ongoing through appointment. As an effort to completing the process for the remaining unvaccinated recipients, walk-in programmes including for undocumented foreigners have been implemented in most states throughout Malaysia," he said.

MOSTI was responding to a question from Datuk Ngeh Koo Ham (PH-Beruas) on the government's plan to ensure that everyone in Malaysia, including refugees, undocumented foreigners, has access to the COVID-19 vaccine.

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