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PM to Share GTP Results with the Rakyat

PUTRAJAYA: In the true spirit of transparency, accountability and unbiased disclosure, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak will, on the evening of March 27, 2011, share with all Malaysians the outcomes of the Government Transformation Programme (GTP) after a full year of implementation.

"The Prime Minister is very pleased with the results of the GTP after one year of implementation and would like to personally share them with the Rakyat," Alex Iskandar Liew, the GTP director of communications said. "There was a great deal of scepticism when the GTP was first introduced in January 2010, but the results from the various National Key Results Areas (NKRAs) in the 12 months of 2010 have been very encouraging and shows that improvements in the public delivery system are on track. That said, there is still much to do and higher targets to meet in the interests of all Malaysians."

The government had been pleasantly surprised that the NKRA targets had been achieved, and in some cases, the targets had even been surpassed. In particular, Liew said the civil service has been especially instrumental in the transformation process and has contributed significantly to the success of the GTP by way of its unwavering commitment to quality service delivery.

Through the GTP, Malaysia has seen a number of unprecedented achievements such as the reduction in overall reported crime for the first time in three years, the introduction of the Whistleblower Protection Act 2010, most number of roads ever built in a year, improved public transportation ridership on the light rail transits (LRTs), 99.8 percent reduction in the extreme poor households and the roll-out of 1,500 pre-school classes enabling over 700,000 pre-schoolers aged 4+ and 5+ to begin early education.

And in order for the government to ensure that it gets an objective evaluation of the progress of the GTP, Liew said an International Performance Review (IPR) Committee was set up in early 2011. Members of the IPR Committee, comprising international public service experts from Britain, Australia, the U.S., Singapore, South Korea and Russia had commended the work and results achieved by the government so far, as well as provided constructive feedback. Their views are published in the GTP Annual Report 2010 which will be made available to the Rakyat beginning this Sunday.

"Moving forward, the government would continue to engage the Rakyat to seek their feedback on possible new focus areas for 2011 and beyond," Liew added. "This is especially important as transformation is an on-going process; something that's dynamic in nature and requires teamwork – the government, the civil service and the Rakyat – to achieve the stretched targets set."

To commemorate the first year's achievements of the GTP, Liew said the Prime Minister has decided to share these positive outcomes with the Rakyat at the Putra Stadium in Bukit Jalil this Sunday, March 27 beginning 6:00PM. All are invited to attend that evening which was aptly dubbed: *Malam Transformasi Bersama Rakyat: Untukmu Malaysia*.

Many renowned local artistes who have committed their time to learn and understand the impact of the GTP's NKRAs on the Rakyat have also been invited to this event and in addition to entertaining everyone at the event, they will also be sharing their views on the

GTP with their fans firsthand.

Some notable celebrities who will be there include: Datuk Siti Nurhaliza, Zainal Abidin of *Hijau* fame, Bob, Reshmonu, Atilia, Suki Low and Danell Lee.

Attendees will also be treated to pre-event entertainment and performances to be hosted by the likes of Amy Search, Hattan, Aizat & Band, Alyah, Karen Kong and Ito scheduled to kick-off at 6:00PM.

The public is encouraged to use available public transportation to get to Putra Stadium to have a personal experience of the improvements made through the Urban Public Transport NKRA of the GTP. They can park at the newly opened Integrated Transport Terminal Bandar Tasik Selatan (ITT-BTS), which has ample parking space for all and take the LRT to Putra Stadium. Rail services (LRT Ampang line, LRT Kelana Jaya line and KTM Komuter) will be increased from 5:00PM (on March 27) to meet additional demand and operations will also be extended until 1:00AM (March 28).

"Malam Transformasi Bersama Rakyat: Untukmu Malaysia is a symbolic and special evening of sharing the transformation progress of the country with the Prime Minister and all the Ministers," Liew said. "All are cordially invited to attend."