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Deputy Urban Wellbeing, Housing and Local Government Minister Datuk Halimah Mohamed Sadique (second from left) with Pulai MP Datuk Nur Jazlan Mohamed (left) and National Housing Department director general Datuk Mohamad Yusoff Ghazali (third from right) visiting PPR Melana Indah here in Johor Baru on May 19. Pic by ABDUL RAHMAN EMBONG/The Star

JOHOR BARU: Companies that do not have a good track record or liable to provide sub-standard work will not be in the running to build home units under the Government's People's Housing Programme.

This was to ensure that the units were built according to schedule as well as to the specified quality and not left abandoned later, said Deputy Urban Wellbeing, Housing and Local Government Minister Datuk Halimah Mohamed Sadique.

"We cannot take chances with construction companies that will bring problems to government projects in future.

"It involves additional costs," she told reporters during a visit to the Melana Indah PPR scheme here yesterday.

Halimah said up to April, work had started on 172 PPR projects nationwide involving 102,630 units.

Of this number, 98 projects with 72,000 units had been completed while 23 projects, or 12,101 units, were under construction. In the pipeline are 51 projects with 18,450 units.

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