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NUSAJAYA: Syarikat Perumahan Nasional Bhd (SPNB) has approved 5,141 Rumah Mesra Rakyat 1Malaysia (RMR1M) applications in the state of Johor since 2012.

The State Housing and Local Government Committee chairman Datuk Abd Latif Bandi said 4,482 housing units had been built under the scheme in Johor out of the total of 33,182 units built nationwide since 2002.

Abd Latif was responding to questions from Zaiton Ismail (BN-Sungai Balang) and Abd Taib Abu (BN-Machap) at the third sitting of the 13th Johor State Legislative Assembly at Kota Iskandar, here yesterday.

He said over the last year alone, SPNB had built 1,280 RMR1M houses in the state, of which 827 units had been completed while the remaining 453 were still under construction.

Abd Latif said prime minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak in his 2015 Budget speech had said SPNB would be tasked to build 12,000 units of RMR1M for the 2014/2015 RMR1M Programme involving subsidies amounting to RM240 million.

“The Ministry of Finance has already disbursed an initial allocation of RM160 million to SPNB on 16 April to build 8,000 units of RMR1M for the first phase.

“Therefore, SPNB will carry out the construction of RMR1M for years 2014 and 2015, giving priority to earlier applications,” he said.

He said SPNB aimed to initiate the implementation of the programme before the end of the second quarter this year.

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