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Affordable healthcare: Rosnah said over four million people have benefited from the 1Malaysia Clinics launched in 2010. - Bernama

Helping Malaysians cope with rising cost of living

KUALA LUMPUR: The Cost of Living NKRA, which introduced several initiatives to alleviate the spiralling cost of living, has received encouraging response from the public.

Deputy Health Minister Datuk Rosnah Abdul Rashid Shirlin, during a parliamentary session, said over four million people have benefited from the services provided by the 1Malaysia Clinics, which was launched in 2010.

She said the number of patients who received treatment at the clin-

ics rose to 1.98 million in 2011 from 1.32 million in 2010.

She said the 1Malaysia Clinics operating nationwide focused on treating patients particularly from the low- to middle-income groups. She added that the clinics were established in densely-populated areas.

Meanwhile, Domestic Trade, Cooperative and Consumerism Minister Datuk Seri Ismail Sabri Yaakob, said at the opening of Universiti Utara Malaysia's 2012

Career and Entrepreneur Carnival in Sintok, Kedah, that the 1Malaysia People's Menu (MRIM) programme has been adopted by 2,000 outlets nationwide.

In addition to regular food outlets, the MRIM programme, which features meals at affordable prices, has also been introduced at institutions of higher education (IPT).

Ismail Sabri said food operators at IPT cafeterias have joined the programme in an effort to help lessen students' daily cost of living.