

Enough food in Sarawak to last at least three months — Awang Tengah

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Awang Tengah (left) being briefed by a wholesaler on the food stock during his visit.

LIMBANG: Sarawak has sufficient food supply to last for at least three months including in rural areas such as Limbang and Lawas, Deputy Chief Minister Datuk Amar Awang Tengah Ali Hasan has assured.

He said directives have been given to wholesalers to ensure there will be sufficient stocks available even though the Movement Control Order (MCO) had been extended to the Conditional MCO.

“Overall in Limbang division, stock of basic necessities and food items are sufficient to meet the expected increased demand during Ramadan as well as the Hari Raya and Gawai Dayak festivals,” he told the press after visiting several wholesalers here yesterday.

Awang Tengah, who chairs the state food supply chain sub-committee, said the government has also taken steps to ensure that food stocks at the 800 points of sale in rural areas of Sarawak will not be affected, saying the quota for May will be topped up from the June quota.

He said the Ministry of Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs (KPDNHEP) will continue to monitor the situation and carry out checks especially during the festive period.

Meanwhile, he commended KPDNHEP Limbang for ensuring traders here did not take advantage of the MCO and CMCO by hiking the price of essential goods.

He said from January up until May 13, KPDNHEP Limbang had inspected 2,208 premises and recorded 31 cases involving seizures valued at over RM1.48 million.

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