

## Traders complying with festive ceiling prices, says Consumer Affairs minister

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**Saifuddin Nasution holding up the label for red onions at 99sen when the ceiling price is RM3.**

**KULIM (Bernama):** The Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Ministry has found that there was no price increase on 27 controlled items since the implementation of the Festive Season Maximum Price Control Scheme (SHMMP) on May 21, says its minister Datuk Seri Saifuddin Nasution Ismail.

Saifuddin Nasution said the authorities had inspected 18,000 business premises over the past 11 days of the exercise that will end on June 19, and found that all traders had complied with the ceiling prices set.

He said traders had, in fact, sold essential items so much lower than the ceiling prices because of the guarantee that there would be enough supplies.

"Supermarkets are able to sell goods at far lower than the ceiling prices set. For example, onions are sold at 99sen per kg but the ceiling price is RM3 per kg; the quality is also good," he said at the Tesco shopping centre here Friday (May 31).



He also advised consumers to spend wisely by comparing prices before purchasing essential items to save on costs.

Meanwhile, Saifuddin Nasution, who is also Kulim-Bandar Baharu MP, and his wife, Datin Seri Norhayati Musa, presented basic food items to 100 underprivileged families, Aidilfitri essentials to 100 children and also distributed bubur lambuk to visitors here. - Bernama

**Read more at <https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2019/05/31/traders-complying-with-festive-ceiling-prices-says-consumer-affairs-minister/#VSJHFCckOeqqKQ7x.99>**

