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40,000 Health Ministry staff yet to register as voters

TAWAU — About 40,000 of the 270,000 personnel of the Health Ministry have not to register as voters with the Election Commission (EC), said Deputy Health Minister Datuk Seri Dr Hilmi Yahya.

He advised those who had not registered to do so soon to be eligible to exercise their right in the coming 14th general election.

“We (government employees) have to carry out our responsibility as voters in our respective constituencie,” he said.

“We have 1.6 million government employees and we need to support the government which has been taking care of us, among others (by giving us) promotions and salary increases, as well as providing pensions.

“The government allocates RM30 billion for pension payments a year for retired civil servants.”

Hilmi, who is the Balik Pulau MP, was speaking at a programme organised by Tawau Umno Youth in collaboration with the Tawau Nursing College.

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200 rural clinics to be upgraded in Sabah

TAWAU: Some 200 rural clinics in Sabah will be upgraded in an effort to provide rural residents with better access to health.

Deputy Health Minister Datuk Seri Dr Hilmi Yahya said the clinics would be upgraded for outpatient service, as well as maternal and child health.

They will also have quarters for

the medical staff.

There are more than 300 rural clinics in Sabah, with more than 200 of them in poor condition.

Dr Hilmi made the announcement during the "Misi Masuk Kampung" programme organised by Tawau Umno Youth with the cooperation of the Tawau Nursing College.

He said the ministry also provided more than 30 1Malaysia Mobile Clinics, including the service of flying doctors, to provide better healthcare for residents in 25 remote areas in Sabah.

About 400 residents in Apas and Balung were given free check-ups at the event.