SHOCKING FIGURE: Large number of errant drivers due to bad attitude, lack of awareness, says study

A TRANSPORT Ministry study estimates that 1.2 million drivers and motorcyclists do not have driving licences.

Deputy Transport Minister Datuk Abdul Aziz Kaprawi said the reason was not that it was costly to get a driving licence, but rather a bad attitude and lack of awareness.

He said the government was addressing the situation with initiatives such as the myLesen and One Community, One RTD programme (SKSJ).

"This is to ensure that the public possess at least a B2 motorcycle licence. "The government is confident that the myLesen and SKSJ programme will contribute towards reducing-road accidents and greater safety for road users," he said in reply to a question from Kulim/Bandar Baharu member of parliament Datuk Abd Aziz Sheikh Fadzir in Parliament yesterday.

He said the Road Ifransport Department had carried out enforcement programmes with other government agencies.

As of September, there were 231,788 offences related to driving licences, including driving without a licence, driving with the inappropriate licence type and driving with an expired licence.

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