

## The Malay Urban Poor

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MP SPEAKS | I recently visited a family in Setiawangsa, my constituency. They live in a People's Housing Project (PPR) flat. Sixteen of them live in a 750-square-foot unit: The parents, children and grandchildren.

The head of the family - I'll call him Pak Dollah - apologised when my team and I sat down with them on the floor of their living room. That's where most of their children and grandchildren sleep every day, so there was no room for furniture.

Since the 1980s, Pak Dollah had worked in a prestigious hotel, serving faithfully. He could take back as much as RM3,000 in salary and allowances.

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