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Govt to recruit almost 19,000 teachers to fill roles in four states

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PETALING JAYA: A special initiative will be conducted to recruit 18,702 teachers in four states that are facing shortages.

Education Minister Datuk Dr Mohd Radzi Md Jidin said these teachers fall under the DG41 category.

"The issue of teacher shortages has been going on for a long time and if we don't find a solution, it will not be solved.

"This is part of the ministry's effort to achieve what has been set under the National Recovery Plan," he said.

Radzi added that the biggest challenge to bring the country out of its fight against Covid-19 was in the education sector.

"With the recruitment of these new teachers, we will be able to reduce teachers' burden, especially those in schools facing teacher shortages.

"We hope this initiative will be able to overcome this problem to ensure home-based teaching and learning during this difficult time can run smoothly," Radzi said during a live press conference on Sunday (June 20).

The four states in critical need of teachers are Sarawak, Sabah, Selangor and Johor.

He said advertisements for the recruitment will be published on July 7 and eligible teachers will be posted to schools in stages from October.