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Puspakom may tag tinted windows

PUSPAKOM is studying the possibility of 'tagging' tinted windows of imported vehicles with a special sticker if they complied with local specifications, *Harian Metro* reported.

Its CEO Datuk Selamat Wahit said the security feature would ensure that the tinted glass installed had been approved by the authorities.

This is to prevent unscrupulous salesmen of imported cars from using the switch tactic, where the original tinted glass of the car would be switched with normal ones before such vehicles are sent for inspection.

After the vehicles are approved by Puspakom, the salesmen would refit the tinted windows back on the vehicles and tell buyers the windows had been approved by the authorities.

“Buyers must understand that the use of heavily tinted windows are not allowed here. Puspakom advises them not to believe salesmen who say that we have approved windows that are heavily tinted,” he said.

Fees up

Utusan Malaysia reported that schoolbus fares have gone up by as much as 20% compared to last year.

The fare for a 3km one-way journey in Petaling Jaya is now RM60 per month, compared to RM50 previously.

In Bangi, schoolbus fares have been raised by RM5 per month for a one-way ride.

Federation of School Bus Operators Association president Chee Ah Tey admitted that some members had raised their fares, as they were concerned that the price of diesel would be increased soon, and that buses aged 12 years and older would no longer be allowed on the road.

Entrepreneur and Cooperatives Development Minister Datuk Seri Khaled Nordin said action would be taken against the operators as it was against the law to raise schoolbus fares without approval from the authorities.

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