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Minister: Open your eyes, Guan Eng

GEORGE TOWN: Health Minister Datuk Seri Dr S. Subramaniam has chided Chief Minister Lim Guan Eng for asking the ministry to fulfil its promises to upgrade hospitals and health clinics in the state without delay.

Denying that there had been any delay, he said the Federal Government had implemented numerous medical projects for the benefit of the people nationwide.

Dr Subramaniam said the ministry would rebuild the Women

and Child's Block at the Penang Hospital for RM250 million.

"There are plans to build another block at the Seberang Jaya Hospital for RM486 million. There is a proposal to upgrade the Balik Pulau Hospital, and we are looking for a suitable place for an outpatient clinic here.

"So, a lot of things are happening in Penang. Maybe the chief minister has not opened his eyes to see all these things," he said after launching the International

Medical Devices Conference 2017 here yesterday.

Present were Health director-general Datuk Dr Noor Hisham Abdullah and state Health Department director Datuk Dr M. Sukumar.

Dr Subramaniam was responding to a posting on Lim's Facebook page on Monday, where he expressed hope that projects to upgrade hospitals and health clinics in the state, promised by the ministry, would be implemented without delay.



Health Minister Datuk Seri Dr S. Subramaniam (centre) with Health director-general Datuk Dr Noor Hisham Abdullah (right) at the International Medical Devices Conference 2017 in Bayan Baru, Penang, yesterday. PIC BY RAMDZAN MASIAM