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THE Federal Government has lined up an economic agenda which is expected to produce 1.5 million jobs by 2020 under the 11th Malaysia Plan, said Prasarana Malaysia Bhd chief executive officer Datuk Azmi Abdul Aziz (*pic*).

He said this would be done through the reduction of dependency on unskilled foreign labour.

"As much as 60% of the jobs is

expected to require skills produced by technical and vocational education and training (TVET).

"In realising this, TVET is set to be a driving force of change for Malaysia to produce world-class human capital.

"Polytechnics contribute between 30,000 and 40,000 graduates every year which totals to about 200,000 by year 2020," he said in his speech on the second day of Politeknik Seberang Perai's

(PSP) 16th convocation in Penang, on Sunday.

PSP deputy director Zulkifli Ariffin said PSP had produced 27,730 graduates over the past 16 years.

A total of 1,133 graduates received their scrolls in the latest convocation, of whom 147 studied electrical engineering, 214 (mechanical engineering), 580 (business) and 192 (information technology and communication).

