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THE East Coast Economic Region Development Council (ECERDC) has exceeded its 2026 investment target, recording RM10.3 billion in realised investments in the first 10 months, or 104 per cent of its RM10 billion annual goal.

The investments across Kelantan, Terengganu, Pahang and Johor's Mersing and Segamat districts are expected to create about 8,000 jobs, double the target of 4,000.

ECERDC also secured RM13.2 billion in committed investments, above its RM10 billion target.

These commitments are a pipeline of future investments that still depend on how projects are implemented.

ECERDC chief executive officer Syamsul Farizz Nadzeri said the jobs created reflect the economic opportunities opening up in the region.

He added that the council would keep working with investors, government partners and industry players to turn investments into real opportunities for local communities.

Terengganu led all states with RM4.8 billion in realised investments.

The biggest contributors were the RM2 billion expansion of Kemaman Port by Eastern Pacific Industrial Corporation Bhd and a RM1.9 billion floating solar farm by TNB Power Generation Sdn Bhd.

Manufacturing added another RM600 million, including coated and plated steel, automotive components and other activities.

In Segamat, Johor, realised in-



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vestments reached RM3.3 billion, driven by a hybrid solar plant developed by Lestra Hexa JV Sdn Bhd.

Pahang followed with RM1.7 billion, including a RM568 million integrated tourism centre by King's Park Development Sdn Bhd, a RM400 million sucralose manufacturing facility by Jinhe Nutrition (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd and a RM274 million durian farm by Upayapadu Resources Sdn Bhd.

Kelantan brought in RM600 million, meeting its state target.

Major projects there include a RM294.5 million large-scale solar project by Samaiden Legasi Timur Sdn Bhd, a RM88.5 million plantation project by DXN Biogreen Sdn Bhd and a RM48 million fruit and vegetable processing facility by Song Lin Fresh Fruit Hub Sdn Bhd.

Beyond the investment figures, ECERDC signed two memoranda of understanding to strengthen

industrial and logistics development.

The first, with TGA Solutions Sdn Bhd, aims to promote investments in the Tanjung Agas Industrial Area in Pahang.

The second, with Infinity Landbridge Express Sdn Bhd, will explore investment and transport opportunities at Segamat Inland Port. Infinity is investing RM30 million to reactivate the port as a rail-based logistics hub in southern Peninsular Malaysia.

It is expected to handle up to 6,000 20-foot equivalent units of cargo a month, making freight movement more efficient and reducing reliance on road transport.

Several infrastructure projects have also made progress.

"Our focus is on turning investment commitments into realised investments while advancing projects that strengthen the region's long-term competitiveness," Syamsul said.