

# NFC should not divert attention

**THE** Auditor-General is the fulcrum of a country's integrity system. The A-G is responsible for the financial integrity of the government and acts on behalf of the taxpayer in ensuring there is no misuse and abuse of public funds.

The Auditor-General in his Jan 25 statement on the National Feedlot Centre project has stated that the project had not fulfilled its objectives due to several reasons including the failure of the NFC to meet its agreed obligations. The A-G further confirmed there were weaknesses in the project.

Recent statements by the NFC on what

words were actually used in the A-G's report should not divert attention from investigations by the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission and the police to determine whether public funds meant for the project were used for other purposes.

Transparency International Malaysia (TI-M) hopes the authorities concerned will press ahead with the probe and bring it to a quick conclusion in the public interest.

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