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POWER TO THE PEOPLE: Two 11kV cables will be installed to address low voltage damaging residents' appliances because of the Mersing substation's frequent power disruptions MERSING: Tenaga Nasional Bhd (TNB) will install two 11kV cables worth RM1.1 million here to solve the low voltage problem that is affecting 25,000 residents. Currently, the residents receive their supply of electricity from the Mersing substation that is situated about 40km away. The substation faced frequent power disruptions which often damaged customers' electrical appliances. Johor TNB general manager Datuk Mohd Aminuddin Mohd Amin said the cables will be connected to the Tanjung Gemuk substation in Rompin, which is about 3.5km from Endau. "The installation, which will be carried out soon, will solve the low voltage problem, and the frequent power disruptions," he said after a dialogue with traders and residents on the low power voltage in the area. He said despite the cable installation across the Johor-Pahang border, the cable connection to the Mersing substation will remain as an alternative source of power supply whenever power disruptions occur at the Tanjung Gemuk substation. Resident Mohamad Khalid, 43, said the installation is beneficial for the residents and the factory operators in Endau. "We are grateful for the good news as it will put an end to our problems," he said. QL Endau Deep Sea Fishing Sdn Bhd public relations manager Tay Song Chang said he was happy about the installation as power disruptions had resulted in losses for his company. Datuk Mohd Aminuddin Mohd Amin (second from right) with TNB Johor staff melawat kilang memproses makanan laut di visiting the seafood processing factory in Endau, Mersing. Pic by Ikhwan Muhammad