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ANWAR WANTS YOUTH LEADERS TO HAVE CLEAR PROGRAMMES

TANJUNG MALIM, Feb 13 (Bernama) -- Deputy Prime Minister Menteri Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim wants the youth leaders to concentrate on preparing programmes with vision for the young generation.

Anwar said tonight that the young generation, especially among the Malays, needed clear and comprehensive programmes to handle the social issues that faced them.

He said this when breaking the fast at Masjid Jamek Tanjung Malim, here. Present was Menteri Besar Perak Tan Sri Ramli Ngah Talib.

Anwar said the social problem affecting the young Malays was serious although the Muslims were people who learnt the most about their religion and put its teachings into practice.

Of the 200,000 dadah addicts registered, 70 per cent were the children of Malays, he said.

Hence, he said, the leaders at various levels must guide them to the true path by inculcating noble and moral values in them.

Anwar said the young generation needed not only to be encouraged to learn about and practise the religion but should also be taught to appreciate the religion in their daily lives.

On the development of Tanjung Malim, Anwar wanted the state government and Hicom to hold dialogues with the operators of small- and medium-scale industries before Proton's second plant started operation in the district.

This was to ensure that the Malay entrepreneurs got a chance to participate in the project through the support industries.

He said it was pointless for government to develop the industrial areas if the Malay entrepreneurs did not benefit from it, especially in the support industries which were mostly controlled by others.

The ground-breaking ceremony for Proton's second plant on a 320ha site in Behrang, near here, will be performed by Prime Minister datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad on March 23. -- Bernama

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