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Jayawaris

GOOD RESPONSE TO JAYAWARIS PROGRAMME

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 28 (Bernama) -- The "Jayawaris" programme to create citizens with quality and skills and imbued in noble values has been launched in five states so far and has met with good response.

National Civics Bureau Director (BTN) Datuk Dr Haji Mohd Shahar Sidek said today the programme had been launched in Selangor, Melaka, Negeri Sembilan, Perak and Pahang.

However, the exact number taking part in the programme was still unknown but the response had been good, he told reporters after the opening of the All-Malaysia PERKIM Jayawaris Wanita seminar here.

The two-day seminar attended by about 250 Perkim members was opened by the the Prime Minister's wife Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamad Ali.

The national Jayawaris programme was launched by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad in April.

Dr Hj Mohd Shahar said the programme would be launched in the other states by the end of this year and added that the BTN was promoting the Jayawaris Club in districts and villages.

BTN would help train the club members and also provide material assistance but the club had to be set up by the local people, he said.

Earlier, speaking to the seminar participants Dr Siti Hasmah appealed to parents to take the initiative to strengthen the family unit to counter social problems among youth.

She said the family institution was the first and main base for the formation of a noble society.

The formation of a strong society which was capable of absorbing new ideas and facing up to changes depended on the family institution, she said.

The seminar was organised by Kuala Lumpur Wanita Perkim with the cooperation of BTN and the National Wanita Perkim. --BERNAMA

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