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RESTRUCTURING EXERCISE FOR WANITA UMNO

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 28 (Bernama) -- The Wanita Umno will have another five bureaus under a restructuring exercise to enhance involvement of its members in trade and administration, the movement's leader Datuk Dr Siti Zaharah said today.

She said a special committee under her chairmanship would be set up for the purpose.

"The restructuring has to be done at all levels to further strengthen the organisation," she told reporters after chairing first meeting of the movement's exco since the recent party's election.

Dr Zaharah said party's president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad had agreed to the formation of the five bureaus and the special committee.

The five new bureaus are: Management Bureau (chairman: Datuk Napsiah Omar), Development and Industry Bureau (chairman: Raja Ropiah Raja Abdullah), Tenaganita Bureau (Chairman: Datuk Maznah Hamid), Health Bureau (Sabariah Ahmad), Town Development and Housing Bureau (Senator Faridah Abu Hassan) and Rural Development Bureau (chairman: Melati Ali).

The other bureaus are: Politics and International Affairs (chairman: Dr Zaharah), Education Bureau (Napsiah), Religious Bureau (Senator Zaleha Hussin), Entrepreneur and Economic Development Bureau (Datuk Dayang Mahani Tun Pengiran Ahmad Rafaie), Youth and Sports Bureau (Datuk Sharizat Abdul Jalil), Culture, Arts and Tourism Bureau (Ainon Khariyah Datuk Mohd Abbas), Social Development Bureau (Datuk Norjan Khan Bahadar), Agriculture Bureau (Datin Atkah Abdullah), Special Project-Darul Saadah Bureau (To' Puan Wan Asiah Wan Ahmad), Administrative Bureau (Zuraidah Musib), Finance Bureau (Azizah Samad) and Information Bureau (Datin Paduka Fatimah Suhaimi).

Among the chances in the restructuring exercise is the setting up of "Briged Srikandi" at all levels of the party.

Dr Zaharah said the brigade would provide opportunities to the younger generation to venture into political activities.

The Wanita Umno exco has also been expanded to 18 with the appointment of three new members. They are Puan Latifah Omar, Syarifah Aminah Bee Syed Mohamad and Datuk Dayang Mahani Tun Ahmad Rafaie. -- BERNAMA

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