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CONVENTION TO DISCUSS FEEDBACK ON SOCIAL SERVICE PROGRAMMES

KUALA LUMPUR, March 6 (Bernama) -- The national-level Youth Day convention on May 15 will discuss feedback on the national social services programme from Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia school leavers, Youth and Sports Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin said today.

He said the working paper on the programme had been prepared by the task force chaired by academician Tan Sri Awang Had Salleh.

Speaking to reporters after handing over the Malaysian flag to the national parachuting team bound for the Thai Open Parachuting Championship, here, Muhyiddin said he had received the working paper and would study its concepts.

Forty national parachutists will be competing in the 12-day event from March.

Muhyiddin said he would meet the task force to fine tune the working paper before submitting it to the Cabinet committee.

He said the social services programme would be submitted to Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad for his approval.

Muhyiddin said the convention would also discuss implementation of youth reformation programmes to allow youth organisations in the country to be rejuvenated.

He said the national and state level parent and sub-committees for the handling of activities to be held in conjunction with this year's Youth Day and Youth Week have been set up.

Muhyiddin also said the National Youth Award this year was divided into eight categories including that for leadership and entrepreneurship.

The award was open to all and not just members of youth associations, he said.

A committee chaired by the ministry's Secretary-General Ahmad Bakri Sabdin would screen the nominations with each of the winners slated to get RM5,000, certificates and a trophy, he said.

On the tree planting campaign, Muhyiddin said he would lead his ministry in this campaign at Bukit Jalil Sports Complex.

He said the ministry also planned to involve youths in the national greening programme under the "one youth, one tree" concept.

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