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GOVERNMENT TOLD TO INVESTIGATE BOGUS FOREIGN LOAN SYNDICATE

KUALA LUMPUR, 2 April (Bernama) -- A government backbencher today urged the government to investigate bogus foreign loan syndicate which had cheated several corporate figures in the country.

Wan Hanafiah Wan Mohd Saman (BN-Pokok Sena) said the syndicate would pretend to offer RM500 million loan to those willing to pay coffee money of RM5 million.

He was speaking during the debate on the motion of thanks for the royal address in the Dewan Rakyat here.

Wan Hanafiah said that once the money had been paid, the borrow later found out that loan approval documents were false.

He said several corporate figures had fallen victims to the activities of the syndicate.

Wan Hanafiah also urged the Home Ministry to ban the book entitled "Sunnah Nabi Muhammad vs Sunnah Mahathir Mohamad" by Syed Hussein Al Attas as it could incite the people.

Henrynus Amin (PBS-Kinabalu) in his speech wondered how the names of some illegal immigrants in Sabah ended in the electoral rolls.

He also said the unauthorised transfer of names of voters was said to be rampant.

Two police reports had been made on the matter but until to-date no action had been taken to correct the problem, he said.

He hope the Election Commission would take action to resolve the problem so that the balloting process in Sabah would not be questioned by anyone.

Dr Tan Yee Kew (BN-Klang) meanwhile asked the Economic Planning Unit (EPU) to be careful in approving privatised projects to certain companies especially concession terms so as not to cause inconvenience to the people when implemented.

He said the privatisation of highway through North South Highway Project and sewerage through Indah Water Konsortium (IWK) should serve as lesson for the future.

Dr Leela Rama (BN-Kapar) in her speech urged the Education Ministry to study the problems facing pupils in national type (Tamil) primary schools like learning aids and other basic facilities.

She said these pupils were capable of enhancing their performance given adequate facilities.

Datuk Mohd Zihin Hassan (BN-Larut) also asked the ministry to fulfil its promises to supply computers to primary and secondary schools in the country.

"Many schools in my constituency are still waiting for the computers," he said.

He said in this era of multimedia, it would be a disadvantage if the students lagged behind in information technology skill.

Badrul Hisham Aziz (BN-Hulu Langat) meanwhile suggested that the government relocated the immigrant detention camp in Semenyih elsewhere.

The locals were scared following the riot in the camp, he said.

Badrul also wanted to know how the pictures of the riot could be available overseas when the locals themselves did not have access to it.

The Dewan Rakyat will sit again on Wednesday. --BERNAMA

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