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New curriculum for all Kemas kindergartens

KOTA BARU, Fri. - Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim will be in Kelantan on July 9 to launch the new pre-school curriculum to be introduced in Kemas kindergartens.

Rural Development Minister Datuk Annuar Musa said the launching would be at the Bachok Community Development office.

Speaking to reporters after opening the 18th annual general meeting of the Koperasi Serbaguna Kemas Kelantan Berhad at the State Umno building today, he said the new curriculum, using the Kemas-Nuri approach would be introduced in all Kemas kindergartens by early next year.

The new curriculum would be a combination of the teaching methods currently used in the Kemas kindergartens and the teaching and learning approach adopted by Nuri Institute, an elite private kindergarten.

"Apart from ensuring a more systematic education for pre-schoolers, it is also aimed at expediting the children's learning process."

To ensure smoother implementation of the new curriculum, he said the Ministry would send kindergarten teachers for training.

Earlier in his speech, Annuar directed all Kemas officials to read and digest the contents of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamed's speech at the opening and the adjournment of the recent Umno general assembly.

"It is compulsory for all Kemas officials to read the text of the Prime Minister's speech."

He said the Prime Minister had dealt at length on the economic problems facing the country and also on the issue of nepotism and cronyism.

"The speeches provide clear explanation on the issues and Kemas officials should read them to better understand the situation so that they in return, can explain the matter to the people," he added.

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